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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – On behalf of The Ames Library, Illinois Wesleyan University President Richard F. Wilson accepted a 2008 Beautification Award from the Citizens Beautification Committee and the City of Bloomington at the Bloomington City Council meeting held on Monday, August 25. Annually, the Citizens Beautification Committee reviews nominations for residential and non-residential properties that present a positive appearance to the City of Bloomington.

This year, 14 residential and 9 non-residential properties received Beautification Awards, including Illinois Wesleyan's 26-million-dollar library. "The Ames Library is a significant facility for the University, and its presence greatly enhances Bloomington's prosperity," said Stan Cain, Citizens Beautification Committee chairperson. "The exterior landscaping and building design of the library compliment the campus and community setting. Along with the Sesquicentennial Gateway, both are welcoming additions along East Empire Street."

Named in honor of B. Charles Ames, class of '50, and Joyce Eichhorn Ames, class of '49, The Ames Library opened in January of 2002. Located on the south side of campus, the 103-thousand-square-foot building houses well over three hundred thousand volumes within its five stories, along with numerous study rooms, project rooms, computer workstations, the Thorpe Digital Center, and the Beckman Auditorium.

For additional information about The Ames library, visit the Web site at <http://www2.iwu.edu/library/index.shtml>.

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