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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. — Samantha Geib, a sophomore history major from Des Plaines, Ill., is the second annual recipient of The Ames Library Artistic and Scholarly Research Strategies Award.

The \$500 award, funded through donations to The Ames Library, recognizes students for their outstanding strategies of acquiring information in creating scholarly, artistic or creative projects. To be considered for the award, students must submit an application along with a 500-700 word essay, a digital copy of the project, a letter of support from the faculty member or instructor who assigned the project and signed consent to have the project electronically archived in the Digital Commons. Eligible projects are those completed within the current academic year, regardless of when preparation began.

Geib completed her research, titled "The Boston Molasses Disaster," that detailed the aftermath of a horrific event that occurred in Boston in 1919. Samantha's research took her into microfilm collections and out to the Center for Research Libraries collection. Her continued scholarly explorations led her to extensive legal briefs and a 75-page *Beacon Press* publication from Massachusetts that provided her with the detailed information she needed.

Geib's paper will be deposited in the Digital Commons. To read this paper and more visit digitalcommons.iwu.edu.

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