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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Illinois Wesleyan University's Document Delivery and Copyright Coordinator Tony Heaton was named the winner of the University's Max. L. Starkey Service Award at the Fall Breakfast in the Young Main Lounge of Memorial Center on Friday.

The Starkey Award, established in 2001, is presented to a member of the University staff nominated by his or her peers for extraordinary service to the University. The award is named in honor of the late Max Starkey, a 1957 Illinois Wesleyan graduate who was University comptroller from 1957 to 1996.

In his role at The Ames Library at Illinois Wesleyan, Heaton coordinates all print items requested by faculty, staff and students. According to University Librarian Karen Schmidt, Heaton works with as many as 13,000 requests and transactions per year.

In one nomination for the Starkey award, Heaton was described as "instrumental for scholarly activity." Another cites that the "flawless execution of his duties take away a potential source of daily stress for many of us."

Heaton, who came to Illinois Wesleyan in 1999, previously worked at Milner Library at Illinois State University and was the director of the children's department at the Lexington Public Library.

The Starkey Committee who chose Heaton consists of former Illinois Wesleyan staff and faculty, and members of the Starkey family. The committee members are: Tom Merritt of the physical plant, Associate Professor Emerita of Nursing Charla Renner, Professor Emerita of Theatre Arts John Ficca, Connie Wheeler, formerly of Admissions; Roger Brucker, formerly of the physical plant; Maxine Drexler of the School of Music; and Illinois Wesleyan alumni and children of Max Starkey, Dana Starkey and Tina Starkey Swingler.

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