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GPO PRESENTS SOUTHERN OREGON UNIVERSITY LIBRARY OF THE YEAR AWARD

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Washington, D.C.-Outstanding public service, creativity and innovation are just some of the reasons why the Government Printing Office has selected Southern Oregon University as the recipient of this year's Federal Depository Library of the Year Award.

"The Lenn and Dixie Hannon Library staff members have been described as having amazing energy and tireless passion for their work and we at the GPO agree. The library is public-service driven, committed to creative and innovative programs and dedicated to providing access to Government information to the citizens of Oregon through its partnership with the GPO," said Bruce James, Public Printer of the United States.

Public Printer James presented the award to the Southern Oregon University Hannon Library during the Fall Depository Library Council Meeting on Sunday, October 17, 2004.

"Southern Oregon University, and especially our library faculty, staff and students, are being recognized nationally for their innovation in public service, and the University could not be more thrilled with this honor," said Southern Oregon University President Elisabeth Zinser. "I want to personally thank the Government Printing Office for this prestigious honor. The creation of the Southern Oregon Digital Archives exemplifies our long tradition of stewardship and accessibility to an impressive and growing collection of government documents at the Hannon Library," Zinser said.

This is the second year the GPO presents the award to a library participating in its Federal Depository Library Program. Last year the award went to the Tulsa City-County Library.

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For more information on the Southern Oregon University Hannon Library please visit: http://www.sou.edu/LIBRARY/Building/index.html.