Honorary Alumnus / Alumna

Libuse Reed

By naming Libby Reed Honorary Alumna of Ohio Wesleyan, we formalize a connection which began in September, 1952, when she joined the University's English Department.

Through her legendary course in report writing, Libby has introduced generations of undergraduates to the importance of clear, grammatical and effective writing. She has instructed, challenged—and browbeaten—hundreds of students into the realization that effective writing is and by rights should be an integral part of post-graduate life.

At every alumni function, former students express shuddering memory of the rigors of the course, always adding, however, fervent appreciation for having had the experience, and grateful recognition of its profound influence on their post-college lives.

Libby lives in alumni memories also for her course on Literary Perspectives of Women wherein she sensitized countless college women in feminist concerns in the early stage of the movement.

Alas, her untimely retirement in 1984 has deprived the student body of the '80's of her guidance toward better written expression.

Thank you, Libby Reed, for improving the quality of communication of a significant segment of the Ohio Wesleyan alumni body through vigorous and imaginative teaching. And welcome to the inner circle of the Ohio Wesleyan family!

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