

# Honorary Alumnus / Alumna

## Catherine N. Schlichting

By naming Kay Schlichting today an honorary alumna of Ohio Wesleyan, we formalize a connection which began in 1958 when her late husband joined the University's Department of Education and which entered a new phase when, in 1965, she joined the staff of Ohio Wesleyan's Slocum Library. In 1966, she assisted in the Library's move to its new Beeghly home.

For more than twenty years, Kay, was reference librarian **par excellence**, expertly aiding undergraduates in their academic needs. In 1986 she was named curator of the Ohio Wesleyan University Collection, a position she still holds today.

And for the alumni family, Kay's has become a familiar face through her enthusiastic presence at every Alumni Weekend and on other occasions when alumni gather on campus. Year after year, she has been present to extend a welcome to reunioning celebrators, ready to share her vast familiarity with the University's past and present through conversation and orally communicated information as well as visually through meticulously and attractively prepared displays.

Quite possibly, she knows more history, personalities, anecdotes, and facts about this institution than anyone else! It has been a campus-wide tradition to reply, "Ask Kay," when questions about Ohio Wesleyan arise.

It is appropriate and a great pleasure to bestow the title of "Honorary Alumna" on Kay Schlichting and to welcome her to the inner circle of the Ohio Wesleyan family.

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