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The Ohio Journal of Science will receive the
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The Ohio Journal of Science and its editor from 1996-2000, Dr. Thomas W. Schmidlin, will receive the 2002 James P. Barry Ohioana Award for Editorial Excellence from The Ohioana Library Association. This award will be one of seventeen presented this year.

Ohioana's Editorial Excellence Award was established in 1979 to recognize an outstanding Ohio-based magazine, journal, or newspaper that covers subjects of interest to the Ohioana Library, namely literature, history, culture, the arts, or the general humanities. In 1988, the Ohioana Board of Trustees named the award in honor of James P. Barry, the association's former director and editor of the Ohioana Quarterly.

The Ohio Journal of Science has chronicled the scientific work of nearly five generations of Ohio scientists, and for many of them, the journal was the first peer-reviewed publication of their careers. The journal also has described the history, geology, and the field of biology of many of Ohio's well-known regions. Finally, the journal has gained national and international recognition for its excellent articles. As an example, much of the content of the 1980 Ohioana Book Award winner, Ohio's Natural Heritage, published by The Ohio Academy of Science, first appeared in this publication.

The 2002 James P. Barry Ohioana Award for Editorial Excellence will be given to The Ohio Journal of Science for "contributions to the fund of knowledge about Ohio's scientific environment."

The Ohioana awards will be presented on Saturday, October 19, 2002 at the association's Ohioana Day celebration. The day's events will begin with its seventy-third annual meeting and will be followed by a book fair and reception, with the Thurber County Bookstore and Kent State University Press selling the award winning books and other Ohio selections. All activities are open to the public. Please make luncheon reservations ($30; phone 614 – 466-3831) by October 11, 2002.

The 11:30 AM awards luncheon will be held at the Ohioana Library and the State Library of Ohio, 274 E. First Ave., Columbus, OH 43201. Mail checks payable to the Ohioana Library Association, 274 E. First Ave., Suite 300, Columbus, OH 43201.