

YSU Documents Collection named to honor Rep. Charles J. Carney

The Government Documents Collection at YSU will be named for Ohio's 19th District Congressman Charles J. Carney during ceremonies Sunday, June 5, at YSU's Community/University Open House.

The presentation, at 2:30 p.m. in Kilcawley Amphitheater, will honor Carney, a Campbell native, for his leadership in community and national affairs and his philanthropic contributions to Maag Library.

Congressman Carney and his family will be introduced by Richard Owen, University librarian. Dr. John J. Coffelt, YSU president, will present a dedication plaque.

The Government Documents

Collection comprises over 40,000 documents, including publications of federal agencies to records of Congressional hearings. The Collection, much of it donated by Cong. Carney, is open to the public. A manual, prepared by YSU Government documents librarian Diane Eidelman, identifies the holdings and describes their uses.

Carney, a Campbell Memorial graduate, attended YSU. An active leader in organized labor, Carney was a member of the United Rubber Workers Union and former president of Local Union 102. From 1940-43 he served as president of District Council No. 1, and as staff representative and District Director from 1942-50.

From 1950-68 he held a position as staff representative for the United Steel Workers of America.

Elected to the Ohio State Senate he served from 1950-70. In 1969 he was elected minority leader. In November, 1970, he was elected to the 91st Congress filling the vacancy caused by Michael J. Kirwan's death. He has since won reelection and served in all succeeding Congresses.

Carney has served on several committees including those dealing with interstate and foreign commerce, veterans affairs and small business. A leading figure in the Youngstown Catholic Service League, he is affiliated with the Mahoning County CIO Industrial Council, the Knights of Columbus and numerous civic and humanitarian organizations.