For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Romans 8:18 (NKJV)
Faculty and Staff Members of the Year Named

At the 2004 annual Honors Day ceremony, Cedarville University students named Dr. Timothy Dewhurst and Mark Button ’97 as Faculty and Staff Members of the Year. Their selection was based on their quality service and dedication to students.

Tim, a professor of mechanical engineering, was named Faculty Member of the Year. A part of the Cedarville University family since 1996, he advises the Solar Splash team in the design, construction, and racing of solar-powered boats. He has also found time to play on a student intramural soccer team. Tim and his wife, Kim, are well-known for their New England day and Maine night celebrations in which they invite New England students to their home for traditional New England cuisine.

Mark, the house manager for the production services group, was named Staff Member of the Year. Mark manages stage set-up and the production of chapel and special events while building friendships with students. He and his wife, Amy (Cartzendafner) ’97, have mentored engaged students in the Fit to Be Tied program, led two Cedarville University missions trips, served as class advisors, and currently assist the Junior/Senior Banquet committees. Mark has worked at Cedarville for seven years.

Honor to Whom Honor is Due

Model UN Team Wins Awards

Cedarville University’s Model United Nations team excelled at the February Dayton Model United Nations Conference, earning three of the top six awards. In addition, half of the team members earned special recognition for superior preparation and negotiating excellence. The Cedarville team competed against 150 other delegates from 15 regional colleges and universities.

Three of the Model UN’s six “Outstanding Delegate” awards went to Cedarville team members: Courtney Butterfield, representing South Africa in the African Union committee; Ian Ellis, representing Russia on the Security Council; and Karla Herdzik, representing South Africa in the General Assembly.

Team captain Jason Charrette ’04 was named “Distinguished Delegate,” the second highest award, for his work representing Russia in the Security Council crisis simulation. Joelle Marquardt received an Honorable Mention for her effective representation of South Africa on the committee which debated patents and related intellectual property rights. Stephanie O’Hara ’04 won one of six writing awards for her superior paper outlining India’s policies on intellectual property rights.

The team is advised by Cedarville resident Dr. Frank Jenista ’68, who has 25 years of experience as an American diplomat and serves as professor of international studies at Cedarville.

Forensics and Debate Teams Named National Christian Champs

On March 12-14, Cedarville University’s forensics and debate teams combined forces to compete with 20 schools from across the country in the National Christian College Forensics Invitational (NCCFI). The tournament was hosted by Cedarville University.

In the overall combined category, Cedarville placed first, becoming national champions of the NCCFI for the third year in a row. In addition, Cedarville placed first in individual events and fourth in debate.

In individual events, special honors in the Best Overall Speaker category went to Jillian Anderson, Drew Clauson, Kristyn Gledhill ’04, Abbie McGaha, Kris Perry, April Price ’04, and Kristin Sando ’04. In varsity debate, special honors went to Jennifer Grant and Autumn West. In novice debate, special honors went to Joe Dugan and Kate Lakomy.

The teams are coached by Matt Moore ’92, assistant professor of communication arts; and Derrick Green ’97 and Rebecca Sietman ’99, both instructors of communication arts.