COLUMBUS, Ohio -- The fountain area at the entrance to Ohio State University's Rhodes Hall, 450 W. 10th Ave., will honor two outstanding alumni of the university's College of Pharmacy.

Ohio State's Board of Trustees on Friday (10/5) named the area in the medical center as the Josephine S. and Jay L. Failer Fountain Plaza.

Jay Failer graduated from Ohio State in 1921 with a bachelor's degree in pharmacy. He died in 1969.

His wife, Josephine, earned her bachelor's degree in pharmacy in 1939. Since her graduation, she has been an active alumnus and supporter of Ohio State.

She has been a member of the University Hospitals Board since its establishment in 1980. Among many other activities at the university, she is a former member of the executive board of Ohio State's Alumni Association. She has been a member of The Presidents Club, an organization which recognizes major donors to the university, since 1965.

In their resolution naming the fountain plaza, the trustees said that Josephine and Jay Failer had brought honor to the university through their accomplishments.

"Mrs. Failer has carried on that tradition of loyalty,
devotion and service since the passing of her husband in 1969, giving generously of her time and resources to students, faculty, alumni and the community," the trustees noted.

The recommendation to name the area for the Failers came from the hospitals administration, the Medical Staff Administrative Committee, the Joint Conference Committee and the University Hospitals Board.

Josephine Failer lives on 15th Avenue in the university area.
Plaza named

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAS NAMED the fountain area at the entrance to Rhodes Hall the Josephine S. and Jay L. Faifer Fountain Plaza. The Failers both earned bachelor's degrees in pharmacy from Ohio State. Josephine Faifer is presently a member of the Hospitals Board. Jay Faifer died in 1969. Dedication ceremonies are to be held at 4:15 p.m. Oct. 25 in the open area under the Health Sciences Library, 376 W. 10th Ave.
Rhodes Hall plaza dedicated

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The plaza at the entrance to Rhodes Hall in the hospital complex was named the Josephine S. and Jay L. Failer Fountain Plaza Thursday, 10-25-84.

President Edward H. Jennings dedicated the fountain in an afternoon ceremony.

The Failers, College of Pharmacy alumni, have supported OSU in volunteer work and through donations, according to the OSU Alumni Association.

The Board of Trustees approved the naming at its Oct. 5 meeting.

Jennings presented Josephine Failer with a framed photo of the plaza fountain at the ceremony.

Mrs. Failer earned her bachelor's degree in pharmacy from OSU in 1939. Since then, she has been raising money for the university, serving on advisory boards and donating service to the university, according to the Alumni Association.

Failer has been a member of the University Hospitals Board since its beginning in 1980.

In 1950 she began the "Original Greater Columbus Antique Show" to benefit OSU. The show has become one of the largest antique shows in Ohio, said Dan L. Heinlen, director of the association.

Failer's husband Jay graduated from OSU in 1921, earning a bachelor's degree in pharmacy. He died in 1969.

Mrs. Josephine Failer is congratulated by Shirley Bawser after the Rhodes Hall plaza dedication. The plaza will be known as the Josephine S. and the Jay L. Failer Fountain Plaza.
COLUMBUS, Ohio -- A fountain area in the middle of the Ohio State University medical center was formally dedicated Thursday (10/25) in honor of two alumni of the university's College of Pharmacy.

The open area at the entrance to Rhodes Hall, 450 W. 10th Ave., was named the Josephine S. and Jay L. Failer Fountain Plaza by the university's Board of Trustees on Oct. 5 in recognition of the many contributions the Failers have made to Ohio State.

Jay L. Failer graduated from Ohio State in 1921 with a bachelor's degree in pharmacy. He was a research pharmacist and city sales manager for a wholesale drug firm at the time of his death in 1969 and was well known in the university community for his interest in and support of alumni activities.

His wife, Josephine Sitterle Failer, earned her pharmacy degree in 1939 and has been an active alumna and supporter of the university ever since.

She has been a member of the University Hospitals Board since its establishment in 1980 and has served the university's Alumni Association in many capacities, including terms on the Board of Directors and Executive Board.

Since 1965, she has been a member of The Presidents Club, -more-
an organization which recognizes major donors to the university.

Participants in the plaza dedication ceremonies represented the many areas of the university to which Jo Failer has contributed. A contingent of the Ohio State Marching Band provided music, and the flag was raised by the Naval ROTC color guard. Speakers included Shirley Bowser, a university trustee; Albert Soloway, dean of the College of Pharmacy; Dan Heinlen, director of the Alumni Association, and Thomas Tobin, vice president for communications and development. Manuel Tzagournis, vice president for health services, introduced the speakers.

President Edward H. Jennings spoke of Jo Failer's dedication to Ohio State and presented her with a framed photo of the fountain. Mary Eleanor Jennings gave her a bouquet of roses.

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"Mrs. Failer has carried on that tradition of loyalty, devotion and service since the passing of her husband in 1969, giving generously of her time and resources to students, faculty, alumni and the community," the trustees noted.

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Josephine Failer lives on East 15th Avenue in the university area.
A fresh memory

A SCULPTURED SIGN graces the Failer Fountain Plaza south of Rhodes Hall. The cast bronze piece, designed by Julie Karovics, landscape architect and coordinator of campus graphics, was donated by the Hospitals Service Board to remind passersby of the late Jo Failer, longtime University supporter. Installing the new sign in the fountain May 18 are Louis Wingerten, left, and Jim Pryor, installation contractors. The board also funded six benches for the plaza.