The Hammond Incorporated Library Award for 1977 was presented to the Upper Hudson Library Federation, Albany, New York for "its outstanding contribution to their community's knowledge of local history by using maps to mark the original Indian names of local places." The Award was presented to The Upper Hudson Library Federation on Tuesday, June 21, during the Annual Conference of the American Library Association in Detroit.

The Award, consists of $500, and a citation donated by Hammond, Inc. for "an unusual contribution through either continued service or a single contribution of lasting value, to effective use of or increased interest in maps, atlases, and globes by children and young people through high school age."

The citation presented to The Upper Hudson Library Federation reads: "for their Outstanding contribution to their community's knowledge of local history by using maps to mark the original Indian names of local places. A large map accompanied by a key to the meanings of the names circulated throughout Albany and Rensselaer Counties encouraging new interest in the Indian heritage of the area. "This project has provided the impetus for other groups to carry out further research into local history and create maps of their own. We commend the Upper Hudson Library Federation for this
important contribution to the bicentennial era."
The Director of the Upper Hudson Library Federation is Edgar Tompkins.

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