



May 2020



Winthrop's Visionary President DiGiorgio Dies in Arizona

Winthrop recently announced the passing of Dr. Anthony J. DiGiorgio, who served as president of Winthrop for 24 years. Under DiGiorgio's visionary leadership, Winthrop achieved university status, then experienced a renaissance and period of unparalleled growth. [Read More>>](#)



Hynd to Recommend No Tuition Increase for 2020-21 Academic Year as Campus Focuses on August Re-opening

Interim President George W. Hynd will recommend to the Board of Trustees' finance committee and full board to hold tuition constant at 2019-20 levels for the 2020-21 academic year. Board members will hold their regularly scheduled meeting June 18-19, 2020. At the June board meeting trustees will hear details of Winthrop's plan to open the campus for new and returning students in August. [Read More>>](#)



Winthrop Modifies Homecoming and Reunion Weekend

Due to the challenges of maintaining connections while social distancing, Winthrop

has made plans to reschedule class reunion activities and events for classes that end in 0 and 5 from November 2020 to Spring 2021 to help ensure alumni can safely gather and celebrate. At this time, Homecoming activities and events will be hosted by Winthrop as planned for the week of November 9-14, 2020. These events include student activities, Homecoming on the Green, Winthrop Athletics events and Homecoming tailgate. [Read More>>](#)



Winthrop Announces Tentative Aug. 15 Commencement Ceremony for Spring Graduates

Winthrop is tentatively planning to hold an in-person Commencement ceremony for all graduate and undergraduate students who would have graduated in May on Saturday, Aug. 15. The number of ceremonies that will be held on Aug. 15 will be determined by the number of graduates participating. More information on the number of ceremonies and their times will be released at a later date. [Read More>>](#)



Winthrop Celebrates Top Faculty Award Winners

Winthrop recently honored outstanding faculty members for their significant contributions and scholarship. Professor Brad Witzel was named the recipient of the Distinguished Professor Award, the highest recognition for faculty members, and Assistant Professor Crystal Glover '97, '99 was recognized with the Outstanding Junior Professor Award, which is presented to a faculty member with a rank of assistant professor. A third faculty award – the Jane LaRoche Graduate Faculty Award – was given to Associate Professor Adriana Cordis of the College of Business Administration. [Read More>>](#)



Alumna Kaetrena Kendrick Named New Dean of Dacus Library and Pettus Archives

Winthrop will welcome alumna Kaetrena Davis Kendrick '95 as its new dean of Dacus Library and Pettus Archives. An associate librarian and associate professor at the University of South Carolina Lancaster, Kendrick will begin work on July 1 following current Dean Mark Herring's retirement. [Read More>>](#)



Eagle Club Scholarship Auction Going Virtual With "A Night In the Nest"

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 Winthrop Eagle Club Scholarship Auction will be transformed into an interactive online experience. The auction, originally scheduled for May 30, will now take place virtually on Thursday, June 25 as "A Night in the Nest." [Read More>>](#)



Alumni Director's Letter: Resources for Alumni

As the nation slowly begins to re-open, we realize that hosting alumni events may still not happen for some time so we can remain safe. The Alumni Association hosted its first virtual social on May 21 and we look forward to hosting many more! [Read More>>](#)



Alumni Spotlight: Diego Toledo '11

Tech gurus like Diego Toledo '11 are some of the geniuses behind creating cool yet user-friendly interfaces and experiences on streaming services like Hulu. Toledo, a senior software engineer at Hulu, has been working in the tech industry for nearly 10 years. [Read More>>](#)

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