

STAFF STUFF



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POLITICAL stuff

ROCK HILL stuff



Kara Traverse, from the Office of Records & Registration, attended an event on February 25 where Former President Bill Clinton spoke at Freedom Temple, in downtown Rock Hill.

Do not forget the upcoming Presidential Primary dates:

NC PRIMARY: March 15, 2016



Millstone Pizza and Taphouse along with 22 + local breweries, live music and 500 -600 of our friends will be taking over the Old Town Market parking lot April 9 for the 3rd Tap Old Town! Tickets: general admission \$20 in advance, \$25 day of and VIP \$30 in advance and \$35 day of. Good beer, good food, good music and great friends.

FIND BIG STUFF stuff

Can you find Big Stuff? Each issue of Staff Stuff has an illustration of our beloved mascot, Big Stuff, hidden somewhere throughout the pages. If you find Big Stuff, send an e-mail to staffstuff@winthrop.edu and tell us where he is. Those who find to find Big Stuff will be entered into a drawing to win a prize courtesy of the Office of Institutional Advancement.

Congratulations to the January Winner: Jill Stuckey of University Communications and Marketing!

ATHLETIC stuff

VOLUNTEER stuff



THE EAGLE CLUB

invites you to the
**25TH ANNUAL EAGLE CLUB
SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION**

Silent Auction
Dinner
Main Auction

SATURDAY MAY 14, 2016
6 P.M.- 9 P.M.

WINTHROP COLISEUM
1162 EDEN TERRACE

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT KAREN TRUNK:
803/323-2129 EXT. 6224

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM | TICKETS: \$75 | BUSINESS CASUAL ATTIRE
MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND

TO PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE VISIT
WWW.501AUCTIONS.COM/EAGLECLUBAUCTION



The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs is looking for volunteers to be a part of this year's Fraternity & Sorority Awards Selection Committee. We have a total of 12 awards that need reviewers: seven chapter awards and five individual awards. Each

award will have one fraternity and one sorority winner. We are looking for as many volunteers to allow for multiple reviewers per award. The timeline for reviews is Tuesday, March 22-Tuesday, April 5. If interested in learning more and what the process entails, please contact Sarah Pankratz, assistant director of student activities for fraternity & sorority affairs at pankratzs@winthrop.edu. She will send you the awards packet, reviewer instructions, and what our evaluation form looks like to give you an idea of what you would be asked to do if you decide to assist us in this process. This is a great opportunity to get a glimpse of all of the things are fraternities and sororities here at Winthrop do for the campus and Rock Hill community. We would like to finalize our selection committee by Monday, March 14 and would greatly appreciate your help.

CRAFT stuff

COMMUNITY stuff

Crafts@Lunch has big plans for the next 2 months! For more information contact Sherry Jordan jordons@winthrop.edu or 323-2272.

March 23-
Photo Pendant/Charm:



April 21-
Crafts with Pots:



On Saturday, March 12, the Charlotte Checkers hockey team is holding a Domestic Violence Prevention night. Safe Passage, a non-profit organization in Rock Hill that assists in this cause, is selling tickets for \$16 each to benefit their cause. The game is at 7

p.m. at Bojangles Coliseum against the Rockford IceHogs. Please contact Judy Longshaw to purchase tickets (longshawj@winthrop.edu).

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SURVEY stuff

The Staff Conference Professional Development committee would like for everyone to fill out their [questionnaire](#). You can fill it out electronically or by hand and send it to:

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WELCOME stuff

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST STAFF MEMBERS!

Cindy Brown– *Campus Police Telecommunicator*

Erica Brantley– *HR Employee Diversity/Wellness*

Jeffrey Helms– *Accounts Payable*

Randolph Walker– *Campus Police*

Kaye Burkes– *HR Employee Diversity/Wellness*

IN MEMORY

George Kannon, of the facilities maintenance department, passed away February 10 from injuries he sustained in a motorcycle accident. During his years at Winthrop, George served in a variety of capacities including maintaining the Hardin Family Garden. Most recently, he worked in the special events set-up department. He was not only a gentleman, but a gentle-man, always smiling and friendly, and a person who will be missed by all.

Please remember his family in your thoughts.

STAFF stuff MILESTONES

STAFF EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

LINDA MASON

ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST

PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT

JANUARY 2016

How many years have you been at Winthrop?

I have been at Winthrop 16 years, working in several different departments along the way. I have been the admin. in Psychology for seven years now.

What makes Winthrop special to you?

My days are special because of all the wonderful students and professors that I see and interact with every day. I love coming to work.

What drives you every day to make such a big difference?

As my spiritual gift is service, I like to do things for people to help them and make them happy. My goal is for our office to be a happy, friendly place for professors and students when they come in.

What is your favorite part of Winthrop?

My favorite part of Winthrop is the many friends that I have made during the years. They are like family.

What do you do in your spare time? Hobbies?

I like to bake cookies/cakes to share. I also love music, and was a church organist for many years.

If you had to tell an incoming student one thing about Winthrop, what would that be?

I would tell an incoming student that Winthrop is a place to get a quality education, while being a part of a wonderful family environment that is conducive to learning.

Congratulations to January's Staff Member of the Month nominees:



Back Row Left to Right: Linda Mason, *Psychology*; Victoria Miller, *Mass Communication*; Claire Weikle, *Interdisciplinary Studies*;

Front Row Left to Right: Larry McLaine, *Athletics*; Sharda Nelson, *Disability Services*; Rosanne Sabisch, *HCS*; Phyllis Redden, *Digs*; Wanda McCullough, *Facilities*; Jackie Brockington, *Records and Registration*.

Not Pictured: Nancy White, *Circulation/Dacus Library*

getting to know



This month's spotlight is Part Two of Winthrop's Office of Records and Registration. The Registration team consists of Jackie Brockington Jr., Susan Crowder, TJ Hyatt, Gina Jones, Nancy Thomas, and Sherri Wilson.



Top Row (left to right): Nancy Thomas, Jackie Brockington

Middle: Gina Jones

Bottom Row (left to right): Susan Crowder, TJ Hyatt, Sherri Wilson

Registration Team

Jackie K. Brockington, Jr. '03, '08, Associate Registrar, Registration & Transfer Articulation

Jackie has worked at Winthrop seven Years, 10 Months (Anniversary Date: March 17th). He oversees the registration staff and the academic space and scheduling coordinator. He is responsible for coordinating activities with campus offices as related to academic space and scheduling, registration, transfer articulation, course curriculum and maintaining the degree audit system (Degree Works). Jackie was born Savannah, Georgia, and raised in Ridgeland, South Carolina. In his spare time, Jackie enjoys traveling, cooking, and trying new things.

Susan Crowder, Data/Registration Coordinator

Susan began working at Winthrop June 1992. She is responsible for special course registrations, off-campus and continuing education courses, INSA and NSE international students, Winthrop Think College, EEAP, Banner training, course archives, name/ID changes, data edits, degree verifications, and privacy restrictions. Susan also assists as the backup to the front desk and assists staff during graduation. Susan is from Rock Hill, South Carolina. Susan is married to her best friend Mike—who loves being Paw

Paw and Gigi to their two grandsons Gavin, age 6 and Avery, age 9. They are their world. Susan loves doing things with her family like camping, hiking, swimming, boating, kayaking, visiting the beach and mountains; traveling is a must. She also loves decorating, creating, and photography. Susan has two grown children Chris (Christy/spouse) and Magan (Matthew/spouse) who travel with them, along with Butters, the family Chihuahua.

TJ Hyatt, Academic Space and Scheduling Coordinator

TJ has worked at Winthrop for 15.5 years. She is responsible for all Academic Space and Scheduling across campus. TJ is originally from Michigan. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her dog.

Gina Jones, Registrar

Gina has been at Winthrop for 14 years. She oversees the Office of Records and Registration, so her job includes many different areas. She specifically is involved with grading, curriculum, residency, FERPA training, catalog editing, the office budget, and also serves as secretary to the Academic Council.

Gina is originally from Mullins, South Carolina. In her spare time, Gina enjoys singing in her church choir and spending time with her family.

Nancy Thomas, Office Manager and Transcript Coordinator

Nancy has been at Winthrop for eight years. She is the office manager for records and registration so she will help you with all things, as well as transcripts, whether you are a current student or if you were a student in 1912. Nancy was born in Columbus, Ohio. In her free time she loves hanging out with her grandchildren and working in her alteration business.

Sherri Wilson, Registration Coordinator

Sherri joined Winthrop five years ago. As the registration coordinator, Sherri is responsible for front desk customer service, transcript requests, course registration, degree program edits, as well serves as the office website editor. Sherri was born in Midwest City, Oklahoma. Sherri is currently taking courses at Winthrop and trying to complete her degree in anthropology.... hopefully Sherri will be graduating in May!

getting to know



Each month, Staff Staff will be featuring fellow staff members, in an effort to help us get to know each other. This month, meet Becky Best.



This month our spotlight is on Becky Best, who is a member of the Staff Conference representing Facilities. Becky grew up in Ohio, near Youngstown. Before relocating to South Carolina in 2005, she worked as a bookkeeper/office manager at a small trucking company. She has been working at Winthrop since April of 2005 as a groundskeeper. She currently resides in the Lowrys area. She and her husband, Wayne, have been married for eleven years, and she has a son, Dylan, 16. Becky and her family enjoy spending time outdoors, camping and riding their horses.

STAFF ASSEMBLY stuff

Do you have a question for President Mahony?

You can submit anonymous questions to be asked at our next Staff Assembly meeting to Grant Scurry at scurryg@winthrop.edu. Dr. Mahony will do his best to address all questions at our next meeting.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 2 p.m. in Whitton Auditorium in Carroll Hall. We hope to see you there!

CONFERENCE stuff

All meeting minutes from both Staff Assembly (elected representative group) and Staff Conference (large group meetings in Whitton Auditorium) are ONLINE. [Click over](#) to see what you might have missed.



We're having all kinds of fun over on Facebook with photos and updates and even videos. Don't miss out! Like us today, or add to the conversation!

STAFF ASSEMBLY stuff

The staff assembly serves as an advisory group that provides staff with a forum for communication and community and provides a voice in matters of importance and concern to staff. The group offers opportunities for staff to support one another, participate as a group in community outreach and engagement, and make recommendations to the university's president and the administration in support of staff needs and the university's mission.

Please e-mail staffassembly@winthrop.edu with any questions or suggestions you may have. If you would prefer the option of contacting the assembly anonymously, please complete the online staff feedback form via a non-Winthrop computer.

www.winthrop.edu/staff

Story or content ideas? Contact a member of the Media & Communications Committee:

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