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**Wednesday, March 1, 7 p.m.**

*WUG Artist Talk: Phil Moody,  
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**Wednesday, March 1, 7:30 p.m.**

*Special Event*  
Delta Omicron New Music Recital  
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featuring Stefan Engels, organ and Christoph Wolff, lecturer  
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**Saturday, March 25, 2 p.m.**

Lecture: "The Leipzig Organ Tradition: Bach and Beyond"  
featuring Christoph Wolf  
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**Saturday, March 25, 4 p.m.**

*Special Event*  
DB Johnson Memorial Organ Performance Series  
featuring Stefan Engels  
Co-Sponsored by The Friends of the Conservatory  
Byrnes Auditorium

**Tickets: \$25 for all three events or \$10 per event;  
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*Special Event: "Die Fledermaus" by Johann Strauss*  
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**April 2 at 2 p.m.**

*Proof*  
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# WU Reviews

We want to know what Winthrop staff members are reading, watching, or eating! If you are interested in writing a review, please contact a member of the Media and Communications Committee or send an e-mail to [staffstuff@winthrop.edu](mailto:staffstuff@winthrop.edu). This month's review is by Emily Simoneau, designer, University Communications and Marketing.

## The Roasting Company (RoCo):

Pictured in the foreground is the Vegetarian Plate, with no queso sauce on the rice and beans, with cornbread (corn kernels visible), squash casserole, and okra and tomatoes. The smoky Costa Rican spices were prevalent in the beans, which were not mushy. The rice was tender and the cheddar and onions complemented the beans. The okra and tomatoes had that traditional Southern taste and the squash casserole was outstanding. In the background is the Rotisserie Chicken Sandwich with buttered spinach. The chicken had a nice smoked flavor and was not dry. The addition of RoCo's own Costa Rican sauces at the table worked well on the sandwich. The spinach left more to be desired. Will be back for quality food with great prices, 4/5 stars.



# New Hires

Welcome to the newest members of our Winthrop Family:

**Debbie Brown**, custodial supervisor, Facilities Management; **Katie Gawronski**, financial aid counselor, Office of Financial Aid; **Laurie Grove**, student services program coordinator, Business Administration; **Chandler Brotak**, external clients manager, Office of University Events; **Johnny Vaughan**, human resources assistant, Human Resources; **Caroline LeBoeuf**, veterans benefits and degree program coordinator, Records and Registration; **Mark Bates**, debt and capital asset accountant, Controllers Office; **Abbey Hardin**, recruiter and communications coordinator, Graduate School.

# Who Are WU?

## The President's Office:



front left to right: Lisa Brody, Kimberly Faust back left to right: Dr. Mahony, Tammie Phillips, Kirk McSwain

### Daniel Mahony, Ph.D.; President

Dr. Mahony became Winthrop University's 11th president on July 1, 2015. He previously served for seven years as dean of the College of Education, Health, and Human Services at Ohio's Kent State University. He spent thirteen years at the University of Louisville where his positions included sport administration program director, department chair, associate dean, assistant provost, and associate provost. Dan also worked in both public accounting and intercollegiate athletics before joining the faculty ranks. Originally from Clinton, New Jersey, he lives on the Winthrop campus with his wife, Laura; and their children, Gavin and Elena; and their dog, Washington.

### Kimberly Faust, Ph.D.; Chief of Staff and Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Kimberly started at Winthrop in 2004, where she serves in the university's senior leadership group, as liaison to the governing board, and as campus Title IX coordinator. When Kimberly is not baking sweet treats for her co-workers, she is out traveling within the U.S. and abroad with husband, Jerry, and son, Jerome – having visited forty-two states and twenty-six countries. Not too many people can boast they crossed the Arctic Circle in Finland on a reindeer sleigh!

### Tammie Phillips, Executive Assistant to the President

Two and a half years ago, Tammie's Winthrop career began in the Foundation office and shortly afterwards she became an integral member of the President's Office. She currently assists President Mahony with coordinating the details of his hectic schedule and ensures he's prepared for all meetings and presentations. A true South Carolinian, she is originally from Gaffney and earned a B.S. from the University of South Carolina and received a Certificate of Nonprofit Management from Winthrop University. She and her husband, Craig, have two grown daughters (Allison Teno and Brittany Neely), two shelties, and a cat. Tammie loves to cook and get the sand between her toes with a good book in her happy place – the beach.

### Kirk McSwain, Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Although he is relatively new to the university staff, Kirk is no stranger to Winthrop, having grown up in the area and as the son of a Class of 1981 alumnus. If you have read President Mahony's page on the university website, then you are familiar with some of his work, as he is responsible for updating webpage content, assisting with the Board of Trustees, and numerous special projects. He is a recent political science graduate from the College of Charleston and has previously been involved with the Charleston homeless shelter and the College of Charleston Center for Civic Engagement. When he is outside the office, Kirk enjoys disc golf, kayaking, and playing pool.

### Lisa Brody, Receptionist/Human Resources Assistant

Lisa has served as the welcoming face to all visitors to the President's Office for nearly five years. In her versatile role as receptionist, Lisa greets all visitors to the President and Provost offices, answers and routes incoming calls, and handles a variety of other office tasks. Married to her husband of forty-two years, Mark, they have three grown daughters and three precious grandchildren. Lisa enjoys entertaining family and friends with playing her accordion, and goes bowling in her "spare" time.

# STAFF MEMBER of the month

January 2017

Carolyn Sumner, *assistant to the chair,  
Department of Fine Arts*

**How many years have you been at Winthrop?**

I started here in 1994.

get top marks, of course; my co-workers in CVPA; and having a boss who can make me laugh every day in spite of it all!

**What do you do in your spare time? Hobbies?**

Well, soon, there will be more spare time to spend with our three grandchildren, and my husband and I look forward to that. I love antiques, reading, movies, Broadway musicals, and The Beatles. I am on the board of the Woman's Club of Fort Mill, which keeps me very busy. I enjoy a monthly outing with nine friends I have known since we were all in nursery school together, which was a while ago. After high school, we went our separate ways before reconnecting ten years ago. We are our own support group and have great fun together.

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

Speaking from the standpoint of fine arts, there are unique opportunities here to learn from and work with a truly dedicated and talented faculty as well as to engage and collaborate with their fellow students. Those are invaluable skills that will serve them well in their future endeavors.

**What makes Winthrop special to you?**

The students. I have enjoyed watching so many of them grow into confident, thriving adults ready for the big world beyond. It's interesting to see how much they can change from freshman orientation day to graduation day.

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

Maintaining a professional work ethic is very important to me. At the same time, while a job well done at the end of the day is a good thing, we also need to remember to have compassion and understanding for those around us.

**What is your favorite part of Winthrop?**

The students, faculty, and staff in the Department of Fine Arts



## Medal of Honor in the Arts Weekend

**SAVE THE DATE**  
Medal of Honor in the Arts Weekend  
April 6-9, 2017  
Invitation to Follow

The Winthrop University Medal of Honor in the Arts acknowledges and recognizes the unique roles of individuals and groups who have made a significant contribution to the arts, as well as those who have positively impacted the quality of the cultural life in communities across the Carolinas.

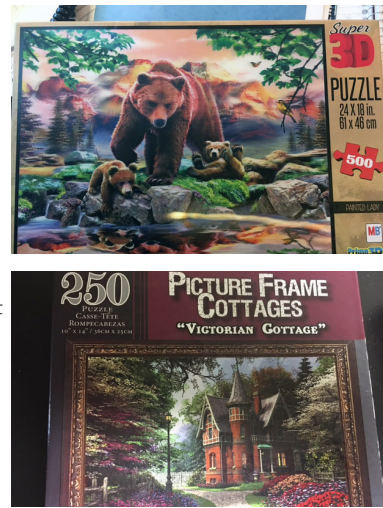
For the first time the Medal of Honor in the Arts will be a weekend full of celebration, highlighting the many activities of the College of Visual and Performing Arts. The weekend will conclude with an awards dinner recognizing each of the honorees.

Join us as we come together to celebrate the arts and those who have dedicated their lives to impacting the arts in our community!

ARTS AT WINTHROP

## Puzzle Exchange

Do you have an area where sometimes students, employees, or visitors need to wait for a few minutes? Or, do you just need a stress-break? Puzzles can be a great way to take oneself off the stress track for a few minutes! The Office of Accessibility recently piloted a puzzle-table in the hall where students frequently wait for appointments. Interestingly, it was well-received by students AND faculty-staff; many stopping by just to place a couple of pieces for a moment of peace. We started with the two you see here and have rotated them to a table in Counseling Services. Currently, Crawford Suite 6 has started a new one: The Periodic Table of Elements! Feel free to come by and put in a few pieces. Let Tina Vires know if you would like to get in on the puzzle exchange (vires@winthrop.edu)!



# Committee Corner



The Campus and Community Involvement Committee coordinates activities related to fostering strong intercampus relationships, as well as relationships with our community. These activities could be of a social nature, to build comradery, or a public service nature. Some of our activities include a Winthrop tent at the annual Come-See-Me festival, an annual Halloween costume contest, annual cookie exchange, and a bi-annual food drive to help support Project Hope, a local food pantry. We meet in DiGs 257 at 9 a.m. on the second Wednesday of each month. We would love for you to join us!

## S.M.O.T.M NOMINEES:



Mary Jo Barreto, *assistant director of health services, Health Services*; Shannon Smith, *benefits and wellness program manager, Office of Human Resources*; Carolyn Sumner [winner], *assistant to the chair, Department of Fine Arts*; Linda McKeown, *laboratory manager, Biology*; TJ Hyatt, *academic space and scheduling coordinator, Records and Registration*; Kimberly Byrd, *director of web development, Office of University Communications and Marketing*.

*Not Pictured:* Ruth Gaylor, *coordinator of academic advisement, Student Academic Services*; Deborah Broome, *fiscal analyst, Sponsored Programs and Research*; Chris Holloman, *administrative specialist, Office of the Dean of Business Administration*.

## Finding Big 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](mailto:staffstuff@winthrop.edu) and tell us where he is. Those who find Big Stuff will be entered into a drawing to win a prize. Congratulations to the February 2017 Finding Big Stuff Winner: Evelyn Cameron, *licensed practical nurse, Health Services*.

# SPOTLIGHT

## on Staff Assembly

# WVU Milestones

This month's spotlight is on **Nicole Chisari**, *communications coordinator, Office of University Communications and Marketing*.



Originally from Greenville, South Carolina, Nicole Chisari has worked at Winthrop for four years. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication from Winthrop in 2009 and worked at newspapers in Anderson, Greenwood, and Rock Hill, before returning to Winthrop—this time as an employee. She received her Master of Liberal Arts from Winthrop in 2016. She and her husband, Jason, live in Rock Hill and have a 4-month-old son, Eddie Dean. Nicole swears he's the cutest, sweetest, handsomest, etc., baby in the whole world, but admits she's biased. She reads an average of 100 books each year.

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# Staff Assembly

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](mailto: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](http://www.winthrop.edu/staff)

Story or content ideas? Contact a member of the Media & Communications Committee: Maria D'Agostino, Tracy Holbert, Whitney Hough, Judy Longshaw, Kelly McGinnis, Summersby Okey-Hamrick, Allie Briggs, Kat Wilson.



The Office of Accessibility featured a "Black Excellence" display during the month of February. It was their way of promoting Black History Month. To be included, the individual has to have completed college, have a successful career, and happen to have a disability, as well as being black. They also have a larger, race-inclusive, "Legacy Wall" in their suite, which they maintain year-round.



Simon Price, son of Katie Price, *director of marketing, Office of University Communications and Marketing*, turned 1 on February 12. Happy Birthday, Simon!



Mallory Tuttle, daughter of Lori Tuttle, *executive director of alumni relations and annual giving, The Morgan-Holcombe Alumni Center*, turned 1 on February 15. Happy Birthday, Mallory!



At the southern region annual conference of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), Winthrop University received the Grand Award in the category "special events" for our First in the South Democratic Presidential Candidate Forum. This is among the highest awards CASE bestows. Accepting the award on Feb. 7 at the Nashville, Tennessee, conference were Jeff Perez, *vice president for university relations*, third from left, and Judy Longshaw, *news and media services manager*.



Congratulations to Brittany Moore, *assistant director for Fitness and Aquatics, Office of Recreational Services*, on the birth of her daughter, Brielle P. Moore. Brielle was born December 31, 2016. Welcome to our newest little Eagle!



from left to right: Patricia Riley, *assistant director of student activities, Student Affairs*; Summersby Okey, *program assistant, Sociology & Anthropology/ Philosophy & Religion*; Allie Briggs, *operations manager, Social and Behavioral Research Lab*; Judy Longshaw, *news and media services manager, Office of University Communications and Marketing*, waiting on the metro in Washington, D.C., when they attended the Women's March on Washington on January 21, 2017.