

STAFF stuff

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Homecoming Events

Alumni Faculty/Staff Luncheon

Tuesday, November 13

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Richardson Ballroom

Winthrop faculty and staff who are **Winthrop alumni** are invited to a luncheon, courtesy of the Alumni Association.

Garnet and Gold Friday

Friday, November 16

Show the world your Winthrop pride! Wear garnet and gold and let everyone know you support the Eagles. Send your photos to alumni@winthrop.edu.

Homecoming on the Green

Friday, November 16

5-8 p.m., Campus Green

Join students, faculty and staff, and the Winthrop community at the center of campus for a family-fun event featuring food trucks, music, corn hole, photo ops, and more activities! The Winthrop Bookstore will be open to purchase your Winthrop swag, and the West Center will be open for tours.

For more information about the full week of Homecoming activities, visit www.winthrop.edu/homecoming.

Halloween Fun

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STAFF MEMBER of the month

Craig Sauvigne, *systems administrator, Computing & Information Technology.*



How many years have you been at Winthrop?

I was here three years as an undergrad, six months as a temp and 21 years full time.

What makes Winthrop special to you?

Throughout the years, I have made a lot of great friends here at Winthrop and best of all, I met my wife, Susan, here.

What drives you to make such a difference?

I enjoy working with technology, and I get a sense of satisfaction seeing my work helping others to do their jobs.

What is your favorite part of Winthrop?

The people that I have met. But since I mentioned that, I will say it is the technology. I enjoy puzzles and sometimes, it can be a major puzzle trying to figure out how to make some technology work the

way we want it to. I also enjoy helping folks use the technology to their advantage and teach them new ways to do things.

What do you do in your spare time? Hobbies?

I really enjoy geocaching. I also like kayaking and Steelers football (I was a Steelers fan before the Panthers existed).

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

Embrace the diversity. Not just racial diversity but cultural as well. Go meet people that can expose you to new music, new foods, new hobbies, new ways of seeing the world. You may not get another chance to learn so much about so many different people again.

Finding Big Stuff



Can you find Big Stuff? Each issue of Staff Stuff has the illustration to the left 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 Big Stuff will be entered into a drawing to win a prize. Congratulations to last month's winner:

Laurie Grove, *student services program coordinator, College of Business Administration.*

S.M.O.T.M. nominees



from left to right: Brittany Cromedy, *benefits administrator, Human Resources*; Craig Sauvigne, *systems administrator, Computing & Information Technology*; Jamie Ray, *web developer, University Relations*; and Tiffany Smathers, *administrative assistant, Interdisciplinary Studies.*

not pictured: Julia Hinton, *custodial worker, Facilities Management*; and Miranda Knight, *assistant dean of students, Student Affairs.*

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- Nominations for Staff Member of the Month
- are due at the end of each month and can be
- submitted below!
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- <https://www.winthrop.edu/staff/employeeofmonth/>
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Accessibility Advocate of the month

LeeAnn Pounds

employee relations/diversity manager, Human Resources



LeeAnn has proven to be an invaluable resource working with students and faculty to secure reasonable accommodations. She has offered her knowledge and experience to the Office of Accessibility when consulted on complex accessibility-related matters. Her advocacy and advice is deeply appreciated!

WU Milestones



Winthrop staff assisted at the 2018 U.S. Disc Golf Championship held October 3-6 at the Winthrop Recreational Complex.



Staff Conference turned pink to raise awareness for the importance of early detection of breast cancer during Pink Out Day on October 16.



The fall 2018 Welcome to Winthrop group of new staff with President Dan Mahony.



Dan and Laura Mahony with facilities management staff during this year's Staff Appreciation Lunch at Thomson.

SPOTLIGHT on Staff Assembly

Rachel Glover

administrative coordinator, Computing & Information Technology



I have been at Winthrop for 5 years. Currently, I am the administrative coordinator for the Computing and Information Technology Department. My husband and I moved here from Kentucky in 2013, and we love it! I love hiking and tubing and basically any outdoor hobby. I spend a large portion of my free time hanging out with my best friend, Lisa Harris, at her farm, helping out and playing with the animals. I own (or am owned by!) a 12-year-old African Grey parrot named Mak. He is a chatterbox just like me! I look forward to doing everything I can to assist Staff Assembly and Staff Conference moving forward.

Volunteer Stuff

Are you looking for a way to get involved in the Rock Hill community? Here are three easy ways to get connected and make a difference:

Rock Hill Reads is an early literacy initiative that focuses on reading to groups of children between birth and age 8 in non-traditional locations. They are seeking adults to become certified readers for groups of children, especially in the Saluda Corridor.

Bike Mentoring supports middle school aged children with community based mentors that utilize the bike facilities in our community. Adult mentors a.k.a. "Bigs" meet with students a.k.a. "Littles" two to four times a month.

Workforce Development provides underemployed individuals with developmental opportunities to broaden their skillset and gain employment exceeding livable wage standards. There are weekly mentoring check-ins, one-day a month training, and enrollment in a specialized program.

For more information about any of these programs, please e-mail cauthenk@winthrop.edu.

New Hires

Welcome to the newest members of our Winthrop Family:

Jamil Edwards, *groundskeeper, Facilities Management*

Jake L'Etoile, *boiler operator, Facilities Management*

Deborah Newkirk, *assistant women's basketball coach, Athletics*

Peter Powers, *director of creative content and production, Athletics*

Winthrop & United Way

A York County United Way survey this summer of its 10 partner agencies showed that Winthrop plays a vital role for those organizations. Faculty, staff and students contributed in multiple ways:

- board involvement
- needs assessments
- data analysis
- professional expertise
- volunteers
- internships
- and potential employees.

Three agencies reported 10-20 volunteers, while two others benefited from more than 20 Winthrop volunteers. Four of the 10 agencies used our facilities, while 30% benefited from three or more services.

Please consider supporting the York County United Way this fall. Our campus helps their organizations fulfill their vital missions on a regular basis. Winthrop's United Way campaign will accept last minute donations and pledges until mid-November. Please contact Karen Kedrowski at kedrowskik@winthrop.edu if you have any questions.

Women's Basketball

Come support our women's basketball team at their upcoming home games! Bring your staff ID to get into the game for free. The full season's schedule is available online.

November 14 at 7 p.m. vs. North Carolina Central
November 17 at 11:30 a.m. vs. Newberry College

December 9 at 2 p.m. vs. Elon

Staff Conference Highlights

- Staff questions regarded the reasoning behind the Student Payroll Adjustment form, why work times aren't standard for all employees, difficulties in getting questions answered, and royalty fee charges on nametags.
- Nicole Chisari, *communications coordinator, Office of Communications and Marketing*, gave tips on submitting questions to be answered during Staff Conference.
- Betsey O'Brien from National Alliance of Mental Illness spoke briefly about mental health issues. She will do a longer presentation on November 8, which will be on the TLC calendar for anyone who wants to sign up.
- The Staff Feedback Committee has put information regarding the Margaret Nance Parking Lot and Raises & Wages online. Contact Rachel Glover, *administrative coordinator, Computing & Information Technology*, if there is a topic you would like the committee to research.
- The Mobile Mammogram Unit is coming to campus on November 13. Check the Daily Digest e-mails for more details.

More information can be found in the minutes on our webpage.

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 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.

2017-2018 Annual Report

Click here to view the Staff Conference 2017-2018 Annual Report.

Find us on 

Story or content ideas? Contact a member of the Media & Communications Committee:
Kara Cauthen, Maria D'Agostino, Judy Longshaw, Kelly McGinnis, Summersby Okey, Kat Wilson.

HALLOWEEN FUN!

Take a look at some of the great costumes spotted around campus on Halloween, and congratulations to Residence Life for winning this year's Door Decorating contest!



Jessica Martin, residential learning coordinator, Residence Life; and Callie Smith, director of new student and family programs, Student Life.



The alumni relations team dressed as the four seasons!



The bookstore staff dressed up as the Addams Family.



The International Center celebrated Día de los Muertos with these Sugar Skull inspired costumes and door decorations!



Pam Varraso, administrative specialist, Student Affairs, as the old woman who lived in a shoe.



Jill Stuckey, director of printing and creative services; Katie Price, director of marketing; and Nicole Chisari, communications coordinator; from the Office of Communications and Marketing were Sadness, Joy, and Disgust from Inside Out.



Kimberly Byrd, director of web development, Office of Communications and Marketing, as donuts!



Faculty, staff, and GAs from the PESH department.



Jennifer McDaniel-Milliken, music librarian, Department of Music, as "Big Red" Riding Hood.



Linda O'Connor, student financial services assistant manager and marketplace manager, Student Financial Services, as Kim Possible.



Kaye Hayes, communications coordinator, Office of Communications and Marketing, as a zombie and a meme!



Amanda Marshall, residential learning coordinator, Residence Life, as Ash from Pokemon.



Faculty, staff, GAs, and students joined together for this shot from the Richard W. Riley College of Education.



Trey Woodring, library technical assistant, Ida Jane Dacus Library, looking a little lost and getting directions from a witch.



Peace and love from Records and Registration!