

STAFF STUFF

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AWARD stuff

Congratulations to the following staff members who received service awards for the 2015-16 school year:

10-year pin: Kimberly Brazzell; Eric Threatt; Catina Vinson; David Rollings; Joan Vandersloot; Scott McDonald; Daniel Ridenhour; Walter Bell; Andrew Johnston; Kelly Huber; Robert Bergseng; Rebecca Best; Gregory Bridges; Phyllis Hayes; William Haynes; Odessa Peterson; Michael Thomas; Brenda Watson; Linda O'Connor.

20-year pin: Thea Barnes; Gina Jones; Rose Guyer; Barbara Biggerstaff; Nancy White; Michael Herron.

30-year pin: Gina White; Susan Gunderson.

Thank you for your service to our University!

STUDENT ORG stuff

Patricia Riley is looking for staff and faculty who might be interested in being an advisor to a student organization. There are a number of groups whose advisor from last year has left Winthrop, and they are now looking for a new advisor. There are also requests from students for new groups and those groups need advisors. **If you are interested please fill out this [interest form](#).** You may contact Patricia for more information at rileyp@winthrop.edu or at extension 4868.

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 Big Stuff will be entered into a drawing to win a prize courtesy of the Office of Institutional Advancement.

GRADUATION stuff

MANY Congratulations to our 2015-2016 Staff Graduates:



From left to right: Lydia Johnson; B.A. – Sociology, Office of the Vice President for Finance and Business; Sherri Wilson: B.A. – Sociology, Office of Records and Registration.



From left to right: Shannon R. Smith: M.B.A.- Office of Human Resources; Nicole S. Chisari: M.L.A.- Office of University Communications and Marketing.

SPORTS stuff

On August 26, the Winthrop women's soccer team will be facing Coastal Carolina at Eagle Field at 7 pm. This event is not only against one of our rivals but also is a special event. "Instead of charging admission for this event, we hope that fans would make a \$5 donation to the Lutzie 43 Foundation," said Spencer Smith, women's soccer head coach. "Ann and her family have been great Eagle supporters throughout the years, and I hope that we will rally to support this wonderful foundation." The foundation was established in honor of former Auburn football star Philip Lutzenkirchen who tragically died in a car accident. Philip's sister, Ann, a WU alumni and student athlete, played for Winthrop women's soccer from 2007-2010. Ann, along with her family, started the Lutzie 43 Foundation. The Foundation aims to develop the character of young people and their influences by focusing on leadership, charity, compassion, mentorship, hard work, honesty and faith through education and world application.



CCIC stuff

Campus & Community Involvement Committee would like to announce the following upcoming events:

Winthrop Night at the Old Town Farmers Market (FREE EVENT) Thursday, August 25, 5-8 p.m.

Come explore Downtown Rock Hill at the Old Town Farmers Market at Fountain Park! Featuring live music, food trucks, local farms, and free fun! Bring a yoga mat for our free yoga class, lace up your sneakers for a jog with our run club, or snack on locally grown food in the shade with some friends. There's something for everyone at the market – we'll see you there! There will be FREE \$5 "Market Bucks" on a first-come, first-served basis for the first 200 Winthrop staff, faculty, and students. You must show your valid Winthrop ID to take advantage of the "Market Bucks."

Winthrop Night at Food Truck Friday- September 23

Downtown Rock Hill is once again opening its doors to Winthrop with Winthrop Night at Food Truck Friday, September 23. 15+ food trucks, fun, free entertainment and free "Food Truck Bucks."

On a first come-first serve basis, we will have \$5 free "Food Truck Bucks" with a valid Winthrop ID just waiting for you and your fellow staff, faculty and students. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. to get your free "Food Truck Bucks."

LIL' WU CREW KIDS CLUB

Cost: \$20 for renewals (\$10 for each additional child) | \$25 for new members (\$15 for each additional child). Membership includes: free admission to all home games, kids club t-shirt, kids club goodie bag, official kids club nametag, birthday card, newsletter during the year, other fun events. [Click here to join!](#)

Upcoming Home Athletic events

Remember: All athletic events are free to all F/S members, just show your Winthrop ID at the gate.

August 12	7 p.m.	Men's Soccer v. North Carolina
August 21	3 p.m.	Women's Soccer v. Western Carolina
August 21	7 p.m.	Men's Soccer v. Queens
August 26	7 p.m.	Women's Soccer v. Coastal Carolina (Lutzie 43 Foundation Game)
August 30	7 p.m.	Women's Soccer v. South Carolina State
September 2	7 p.m.	Women's Soccer v. Georgia Southern
September 5	6 p.m.	Volleyball v. Georgia Southern
September 11	noon	Women's Soccer v. Marist
September 13	7 p.m.	Volleyball v. Western Carolina
September 17	9 a.m.	WU/Adidas Men's Cross Country Invitational
September 17	10 a.m.	WU/Adidas Women's Cross Country Invitational
September 20	7 p.m.	Volleyball v. Gardner Webb
September 24	1 p.m.	Women's Soccer v. Radford (Carolina's Kickin it Challenge)
September 24	7 p.m.	Men's Soccer v. Liberty
September 27	7 p.m.	Men's Soccer v. Charlotte
September 28	6 p.m.	Women's Soccer v. High Point
September 30	7 p.m.	Volleyball v. Campbell

UNITED WAY stuff



Two members of the Winthrop United Way campaign team, **Joanna Harris** and **Judy Longshaw**, accepted the Circle of Honor Award at the May 16 York County awards lunch. Winthrop was one of 48 government agencies, schools, agencies and businesses who received the designation.

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STAFF MEMBER OF THE MONTH stuff

DARLENE LEDWELL
ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST, DESIGN
APRIL 2016



Congratulations to the April Staff Member of the Month nominees:



From Left to Right: Steve Workman, Facilities Management; Pam Varraso, Student Affairs; Jill Stuckey, University Communications and Marketing; Angie Conner, Printing Services; Jen Fricke, Dean's Office, Richard W. Riley College of Education; Pansy Phillips, Curriculum & Pedagogy; Laura Foster, Career and Civic Engagement; Darlene Ledwell, Design; Richie Parrish, Printing Services.

Not Pictured: Jane Bailey, PESH; Linda Campfield, Purchasing; Sibbie Lowery, Printing Services; Susan Sistar, Health and Counseling Services, Office of Disability Services; Zan Jones, Human Resources.

CHARLIE MCDONALD
LANDSCAPING, FARM FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
MAY 2016



How many years have you been at Winthrop?

I have been working here for 20 years.

What makes Winthrop special to you?

The people I have met through the years.

What drives you every day to make such a difference?

I am very blessed to be where I am, so it is a win / win situation.

What is your favorite part of Winthrop?

Winthrop Farm. It's like home. Lol

What do you do in your spare time? Hobbies?

My hobby used to be collecting beer cans, and I have several thousand in storage. My spare time is spent enjoying life, nature, and friends.

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

It may not be South Carolina, or Clemson, etc., but by the time you leave here it will be your university, and a part of your life that you will feel special about.

Congratulations to the May Staff Member of the Month nominees:

From Left to Right:

Carrie Whiteside, director of New Student and Family Programs; Nicole Chisari, communications coordinator, Office of University Communications and Marketing; Michelle Mitcham, administrative assistant, Social Work.

Not Pictured:

Deborah Broome, Fiscal Analyst, SPAR; Carol Burns, Supervisor, Shipping/Receiving, Central Receiving; Kay Foster, Service Desk Manager, Computing and Info Technology.



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WELCOME stuff

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST EAGLES



Left to right: Roberta Daniels, program assistant, College of Arts and Sciences; Danielle Hepburnm, assistant volleyball coach, Athletics; Kayla Minner, assistant women's lacrosse coach, Athletics; Noreen Gaubatz, director, Academic Affairs; Mitchell Hill, Athletics; Aaron Stout, groundskeeper, Finance and Business.



Left to right: ZaDonna Slay, MSW admissions coordinator, College of Arts and Sciences; Julika Blankenship, head women's lacrosse coach, Athletics; Jeremy Brown, police officer, Student Life; Amy Phillips, residential learning coordinator, Residence Life; Cindy Bekier, administrative specialist, Richard W. Riley College of Education.

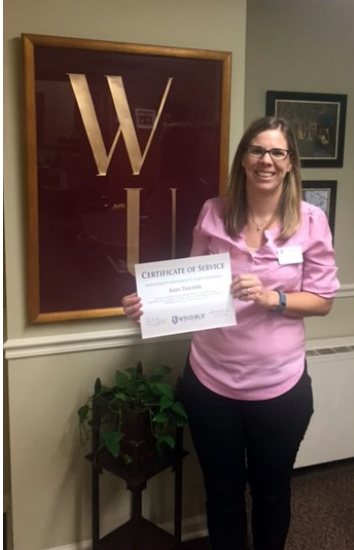


Left to right: LeeAnn Pounds, Human Resources, Employee Diversity and Wellness; Amani Franklin, Athletics; Ashley Johnson, Athletics; Allen McCreary, Athletics; Kimberly Foster, Access and Enrollment Management; Kimberlyn Moultrie, Access and Enrollment Management; Laura Johnson, Student Life.

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, we thank our outgoing members for their service and welcome our new members.



Many thanks to **Kara Traverse**, Academic Affairs (pictured left), **Jonathan Brabson**, Athletics, and **Jill Simpson**, Student Life, for their service to our Staff Assembly. We appreciate your work and dedication!

We also extend a heart-felt welcome to our new members: Athletics: **Karen Trunk**, membership coordinator/donor assistant, Athletics.

Student Life: **Jackie Concodora**, director of health and counseling services.

Academic Affairs: **Susan Sauvigne**, administrative specialist, Dean's Office CVPA.

President's Office: **Lisa Brody**, receptionist, Office of the President.

University Relations: **Nicole Chisari**, communications coordinator, Office of Communications and Marketing.

Finance and Business: **Becky Best**, groundskeeper supervisor, Facilities Management.

Thank you all for everything that you do!

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, August 16, 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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