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Big Stuff Pale Ale Launch Party

This new golden pale ale, named in honor of our very own mascot, arose from a collaboration among Middle James Brewing Company, the Winthrop Alumni Association and Winthrop Athletics. The Winthrop community celebrated the partnership and unveiling of the new Big Stuff Pale Ale at a launch party hosted by Middle James Brewing Company.

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The next Staff Conference meeting is on Friday, April 26 at 2:30 p.m. in Whitton Auditorium.



Missed the last meeting? View the presentation on the [Staff Conference webpage](#).

Mark Your Calendars

WUCycle

April 11

WUCycle is an annual free event open to all where people bring items they want to get rid of and "shop" for items that they may need. There is no admission fee and no cost for items. Everyone is welcome!

Faculty/Staff Awards Ceremony

April 23

The Awards and Retiree ceremony will take place in Richardson Ballroom this year, starting at 9:30 a.m.

Commencement

May 2 & May 4

Commencement Ceremonies will be held at the Winthrop Coliseum.
Graduate - Thurs., May 2 at 7 p.m.
Undergrad - Sat., May 4
CAS and CVPA at 10 a.m.
CESHS and CBA at 3 p.m.

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The launch party boasted a who's who of Winthrop. You can enjoy your own Big Stuff Pale Ale the next time you stop in at Middle James Brewing, just off campus in Knowledge Park.



Staff Member of the Month Awards and Nominees will return next month.

Have an awesome coworker? Use the [nomination form](#) to submit their name for Staff Member of the Month.



Finding

Big Stuff



Can you find Big Stuff? Each issue of Staff Stuff has the illustration above of our beloved mascot, Big Stuff, hidden somewhere throughout the pages. If you find him, 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.

A Winthrop Welcome

to our newest hires!

Ty-Risha Jones Thomas, Business Operations Manager,
Center for Student Wellness

Dylan Patterson, Assistant Women's Soccer Coach, Athletics

Greely Saddler, Cultural Events/Degree Progress
Coordinator, Records and Registration

Julian Shaw, Police Officer, Campus Police

Collegiate Disc Golf Championship

Winthrop and the City of Rock Hill are hosting the Collegiate Disc Golf National Championship at Winthrop Lake, as well as other courses in Rock Hill, right now (April 3-6)! This competition includes Division I, II, and III athletes.

[Check out the schedule.](#)

CCIC and Bethel Men's Shelter

The Campus and Community Involvement Committee (CCIC) would like to send a big "thank you" to all those who helped out with our Bethel Men's Shelter Meal in March. The CCIC couldn't do it without all of you! We had many individuals, offices, departments, and areas come together to participate. Great Job everyone!



THANK YOU EVERYONE
FROM THE C.C.I.C.



BETHEL MEN'S SHELTER MEAL

The meal was a great success & the men were very appreciative!
Many thank yous from them to you!

Spotlight on Staff Assembly



Brittany Pigford
Archivist Photographs
Dacus Library

I will have been working at Winthrop for 25 Years on July 16, 2024. (How can this be?) I am an archivist at The Louise Pettus Archives and Special Collections. Every day is different in Pettus, and I learn something new about Winthrop all of the time. I graduated from Winthrop in 1999 with a B.A. in history and worked all four years as a student employee in Dacus Library. After graduating, I accepted a full-time position in the circulation department where I worked until I transferred to Pettus in 2013. I love watching movies and am in a documentary club. My mom and I make it a goal every year to watch as many Oscar nominations as possible and then have an Oscar party. I have an amazing husband, Patrick, that I love to volunteer to help with Winthrop events, like playing Big Stuff in the Rock Hill Christmas Parade. I have a son, Dustin, who is a senior at USC; a stepdaughter, Madison, that is junior at Lander; a stepson, Nathan, who is a junior at Catawba Ridge High School; and a granddogter, Reecey, who I love to tell stories about - my husband and I are a little obsessed with her.

Come See Me Festival



The 2024 Come-See-Me Festival will take place April 11-20 with more than two dozen events at multiple locations around Rock Hill. Check the website <https://www.comeseeme.org/> for more details, but below are some events happening on Winthrop's campus.

- **Road Races:** April 13 (7:30 a.m.–10 a.m.). There will be USATF-certified 5K and 10K races as well as a 1-mile Fun Run. Races will start and end near the Coliseum, and the 5K and 10K courses will go through the neighborhood streets between the Coliseum and main campus and around Glencairn Gardens.
- **Gourmet Gardens:** April 13 (11 a.m.–4 p.m.). Food trucks and live music around Winthrop Lake.
- **Hops at the Park:** April 13 (1–6 p.m.). Craft beverages will be available for individual purchase, or you can buy a \$40 ticket for unlimited sampling (must be 21+, and IDs will be checked).
- **Disc Golf Open:** April 14 (8 a.m.–4 p.m.). The tournament will take place at the disc golf course around the Winthrop Lake. There will be divisions for professionals, amateurs, and juniors.
- **Moonlight Jazz & Blues:** April 19 (6–10 p.m.). Live music near Winthrop Lake. Bring your own chair or blanket, and you can either bring your own picnic and cooler or plan to get food at the cook-off event happening at the same time (see below). Entry is \$5 (cash only) for 21+ or free for under 21.
- **Anything But Butts Cook-Off:** April 19 (6:30–8 p.m., or earlier if the food runs out). Cook-off competitors will have dishes such as gumbo, tacos, and wings. You can sample dishes for \$1 each, and vote for your favorite entry.
- **Barbeque Cook-Off:** April 20 (3–6 p.m., or earlier if the food runs out). Area barbeque masters will compete to win the cook-off. Barbeque sandwiches and barbeque by the pound will be available for purchase.
- **Tailgate party, Skydiving, & Fireworks:** April 20 (3–10 p.m.). The festival finale will include live entertainment until 9 p.m., skydivers at 7 p.m., and fireworks after dark. Bring chairs and coolers, as well as cash for parking (\$5 per car) and for entry (\$5 for 21+ or free for under 21). Check the website for an important list of rules and prohibited items.



Photos from last year's festival. The tailgate party (above), disc golf open (top right), and awards at the barbeque cook-off (bottom right).

Upcoming Events

Want to know what's happening around campus?

Go to <https://winthrovevents.coursedog.com/> for more information about Winthrop events.

West Center Fitness

Do you have a West Center membership? Employees of Winthrop can get a membership for just \$20 per month and you have the option to have it deducted directly from your paycheck. There are also memberships available that include a spouse and/or children, memberships for retirees, and memberships for alumni. Check out all the options on the [Recreation Services website](#).

In addition to the cardio and weight equipment that is available for use, the West Center also provides group fitness classes. To pre-register for each class, create your account through [IMLeagues](#) by using your provided email for your West Center membership. And download the WU Rec Services app (available on [Android](#) or [iOS](#)) to keep up with everything at the West Center.

WINTHROP UNIVERSITY
Recreational Services

SPRING 2024 GROUP FITNESS SCHEDULE

March 4th - April 22nd

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Zumba 6:30-7:15pm Room 122 Lilly	Powr Flow Yoga 6:30-6:15pm Room 122 Micahia	Zumba 6:15-6:45pm Room 206 Lilly	NO CLASSES	Beetcamp 8:00-8:45am Queenx Brooks
Zumba 7:30-8:15pm Room 122 Brooks	R&B Deep Stretch Yoga 6:30-7:15pm Room 122 Micahia	Cardio & Tone 7:30-8:15pm Room 122 Brooks	No classes March 11—15 due to Spring Break	

Schedule is subject to change: see WU Rec Services app for updates



Earth Day 2024

It has been 54 years since the first Earth Day brought us together to advocate for environmental health and social justice. Winthrop's Office of Sustainability will recognize **Earth Day 2024, Tuesday, April 16, 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Scholars Walk**. If you would like to volunteer for this event, please sign up [HERE!](#) Join us for:

- Free Table - reusable items available for free. Bring donate items (in good condition), take items you can use.
- Recycle plastic bags for the 'Bags to Benches' program!
- Information about recycling, energy, and water.
- Display of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.
- Trees available for free, courtesy of Bartlett Tree Experts.
- Representatives from
 - local dealerships to showcase EVs
 - Rock Hill Educational Community Garden
 - Rock Hill Clean & Green
 - Rock Hill's My Ride Bus
 - Keep York County Beautiful, and Nation Ford Land Trust.

EARTH DAY

Scholars Walk 10 am - 1 pm Tuesday April 16 2024

USE WATER WISELY
CHOOSE TO REUSE

My Ride
ROCK HILL

FREE TREES

COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION

No Dump Move Out! DONATION COLLECTION

Place Donations HERE!

FOOD DRIVE

April 12 to May 6

EAT MORE PLANTS

EAT LOCAL EAT SEASONAL

YOUR BOTTLE MEANS JOBS

REDUCE WASTE RECYCLE RIGHT!

TURN IT OFF!

Save Energy

Where are WU?

Center for Student Wellness (Health Services)

The Center for Student Wellness has a new location on the third floor of Joynes Hall!

Services Offered

Winthrop University's Health Services is an appointment-based clinic, offering episodic urgent and primary care services. Office visits with registered nurses and nurse practitioners are offered to all eligible students at no charge. Other services like minor office procedures, testing, specimen collection, medication administration, etc. will incur a minimal fee, billed directly to the student's account as "Health Services."



Laboratory: Health Services offers most routine diagnostic laboratory tests either onsite or in partnership with the South Carolina Public Health Laboratory and LabCorp. Tests ordered by an outside provider may be obtained on site and sent to an outside lab for a minimal fee.

Sexual Health Counseling: Students can speak with a healthcare professional about issues related to sexual health, contraception and sexually transmitted infections, and undergo confidential testing in a safe, non-judgmental environment. Confidential test results and your conversation with your provider will become part of your medical record, which is subject to HIPPA privacy standards, and will remain on file only within Health Services. This information cannot be shared with anyone, including your family, friends, or faculty or staff at Winthrop unless you sign the Authorization for Disclosure of Protected Health Information Form.

Travel Clinic: The Winthrop Travel Clinic is a service offered to those who plan to either travel or study abroad. A pre-travel appointment is scheduled to determine your healthcare needs, information about disease risks, as well as health information for your specific destination. Preventive medications and vaccinations are given as needed. Call 803/323-2206 for more information or to set up an appointment.

Hours of Operation

- Fall and Spring Semester: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Closed daily for lunch from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
- Summer Semester: By appointment only.



Campus Updates

Current Projects

- **Byrnes** – removing scaffolding under the balcony to start framing for the new bathrooms and ADA seating platform. Balcony bathroom rough in continues. Main auditorium scaffolding to start removal late next week
- **Architectural boxing** – repairing Johnson columns, waiting on delivery date for Kinard new columns. Working installing new treated wood trim in the back of Kinard
- **McLaurin** - flood/hallway renovation complete! McLaurin bathroom renovation waiting on final state sign off to allow them to be opened.
- **Courtyard** - ADA bathroom inspections ongoing, still waiting for shower solid surface panels that is the last item to complete
- **Wofford/Richardson** - Close out for abatement. Waiting on state to assign bid dates for demolition.



Projects Planned/Scheduled for Summer:

- Joynes roof replacement
- Lee Wicker roof replacement
- Stewart House building envelope renovation
- Residence Hall summer repairs
- Courtyard HVAC replacement phase 1
- Classroom AV refresh
- Classroom furniture replacement
- Bancroft fire alarm replacement

Photos: Byrnes balcony ceiling (top), Bancroft boxing (right), new furniture in Rutledge 220 (bottom).



For May...

Do you have a story idea or an upcoming event you want to see in the Newsletter?

Send your submissions to staffstuff@winthrop.edu to be included in the next issue.