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President's Message

Dear friends,

Words cannot express the gratitude Larry and I feel regarding the warm and genuine welcome we have received from the Winthrop family over the last year. Your love of this fine institution touched us from our first visit to campus when I was still a candidate for the presidency. And, your affection has been obvious as I interacted with many of you on the *Onward. Upward. Winthrop Ever Stand.* tour, as well as during events on campus and in the community. My initial thought was what a uniquely wonderful place Winthrop is, and that impression has been reinforced over and over as I have settled into my “dream job” leading the university as its 10th president.

If you are as lucky as I am to regularly interact with our inspiring Winthrop students, you know that they are prepared for successful careers, engaged in our democratic society, responsive to local and global concerns, and grounded in values that give meaning to their lives. Sound familiar? The education today's students receive is not unlike the Winthrop experience you lived — whether 50, 30 or 10 years ago. While this institution has progressed as the times have, its mission has remained constant.

In fact, that has been one of the most rewarding parts of the time Larry and I have spent with you, our alumni, over the last year. We've enjoyed hearing your treasured Winthrop memories and connecting them to those of the students living in the residence halls and attending classes today. These shared experiences I call the Blue Line — the thread that knits together a community of learners across student groups and over time. Whether it has been only a few years or a long while since you walked our campus, you share a bond with today's generation of Eagles, bold and strong.

Other rewarding aspects of our first year's work on campus have been the exciting initiatives we are undertaking to move Winthrop forward. We are uniquely positioned with our emphasis on quality and access to grow our enrollments and share the Winthrop experience with additional talented, deserving students. You'll hear more about this theme in my inaugural address, but rest assured the vision we desire for Winthrop will be realized as we plan strategically and, as a community, dare to rise.

I do hope to see you during the week of Inauguration, March 24-29. The Investiture Ceremony and the many other events that are planned are sure to make you proud. I look forward to meeting and connecting with as many of you as possible, but until then let us fly like Eagles...

Always onward. Always upward. Winthrop ever stand.



Jayne Marie (Jamie) Comstock
President



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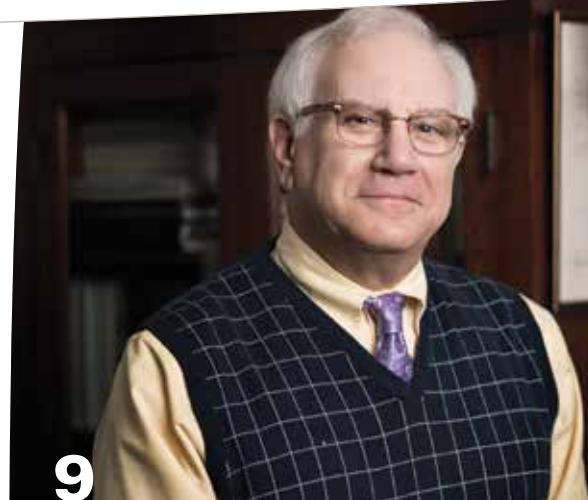
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President Jayne Marie (Jamie) Comstock and husband Larry Williamson led the Blue Line procession for the first time following the Aug. 19, 2013 Convocation ceremony. Photo courtesy of Andy Burriss of The Herald.

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Larry Williamson,
Jayne Marie (Jamie) Comstock
and Cocoa at the
President's House.

An Uplifting Leader

Jamie Comstock Dares to Put Winthrop on the Rise

By Judy Longshaw

Jayne Marie (Jamie) Comstock entered Tillman Hall on her first official day as Winthrop's president to rousing applause.

On July 1, 2013, staff and Board of Trustees members gathered in the administrative building to greet Winthrop's 10th president with congratulations and well wishes on the shared journey ahead. Comstock, who came to Winthrop with extensive experience as a senior-level academic administrator, said when hired that becoming Winthrop's president was her dream job.

Her frequent comment during her first months on campus was, "I'm walking on sunshine."

Comstock moved to Winthrop from Washington, D.C., where she served as the director of the Executive Leadership Group for the **American Council on Education** and prepared the higher education vanguard for tomorrow's challenges. Key reasons the Winthrop Board of Trustees hired Comstock were her national reputation as a leading expert in strategic planning and institutional effectiveness as well as her leadership roles at five public and private higher education institutions.

"It was clear to all of us that Jamie Comstock was the right person at the right time to take Winthrop to the next level," said Board Chair Kathy Hudson Bigham '73. "She has the knowledge, experience, energy and charisma that will effectively rally Winthrop constituents across the board to invest in the university's bright future."

Before her stint with ACE, Comstock served as provost and vice president for academic affairs at Butler University in Indianapolis, Ind. She also served as vice president for academic affairs at Millikin University in Decatur, Ill., and as vice president and dean of the college at Baker University in Baldwin City, Kan. In addition, she held leadership positions in Saint Louis University's School for Professional Studies and directed the organizational communication program and the Center for Leadership Development at the University of West Florida.

An effective and energetic public speaker, she earned a Ph.D. in communication from the University of Arizona and bachelor's and master's degrees in communication from

Illinois State University, where she was named among that institution's "outstanding alumni." Comstock's notable blog, "Advancing the Higher Education Agenda," connects to Winthrop's website, and her posts have been linked and frequently referenced on such national websites as those of the Lumina Foundation and the Huffington Post.

The Illinois native brought to Winthrop her husband, Larry Williamson, an experienced administrator in his own right. He has an extensive background in higher education as a former vice president for advancement, director of government relations and executive director of a university foundation. He has taught political science courses at several universities, has served on the staff of a U.S. congressman, and retired from the U.S. Navy as a captain.

The couple enjoys their Chesapeake Bay retriever, Cocoa, who enlivens the President's House and often attends Winthrop events alongside her closest companions.

High-Energy, Collaborative Leadership

Winthrop's 128th academic year opened with Comstock encouraging faculty and staff members to join with her on setting the university's future direction. Her opening address challenged the campus community to refresh its thinking, renew its strategies, and put Winthrop on the rise. Her message set several important visioning topics for the campus community, including:

- Enrollment strategies for traditional and post-traditional students, as well as the burgeoning veteran population.
- Bold retention goals and higher graduation rates.
- New approaches to course delivery and scheduling.
- Evolution of the Graduate School and certificate programs.
- Exploration of a football program.

The fall semester proved non-stop for the new president as Comstock juggled her time to meet with students,

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Cheers and applause greeted Comstock as she walked into Tillman Hall on July 1, 2013, her first day as Winthrop's 10th president. Photo courtesy of Andy Burriss of The Herald.

faculty/staff, alumni, community organizations and local leaders.

She crisscrossed the campus for meetings, lunch in Thomson Dining Center, college and divisional presentations, university and admission events, while also making inroads with folks across the state. She traveled to Columbia to ask legislators to restore funding based on impact and joined other college presidents to discuss higher education accountability with S.C. Governor Nikki Haley.

With students, Comstock set aside time once a month for "Face Time" in the Campus Center lobby. The president talked with them about their Winthrop experience and fielded their questions and concerns.

Council of Student Leaders Chair Christopher Aubrie has observed Comstock at work for several months. "President Comstock has been outstanding with her passion and vision," said Aubrie, a senior international business major from Bennettsville, S.C. "I believe that her leadership has stimulated the students, faculty, staff and the Rock Hill community to take this university to a national level."

Her accessibility to students, in particular, has impressed Aubrie. "She genuinely cares about what we, the students, think," he said. "She's an inspiration because she maintains her optimistic outlook day in and day out."

Alumni were encouraged to meet the president at events in Rock Hill, Greenville, Columbia and Charleston as well as out-of-state events in Raleigh, N.C. and Washington, D.C.

Comstock spoke about how Winthrop prides itself on producing graduates who are prepared for successful careers, engaged in a democratic society, responsive to local and global concerns, and grounded in values that give meaning to their lives. She implored alumni to engage with their alma mater and contribute to Winthrop's future success with their time, expertise and resources.

Visioning Process a Top Priority

In preparing for Winthrop's future, Comstock sponsored three town halls to gain input from faculty and staff on key issues identified in her "Refresh, Renew and Rise" opening address. From there, the community came together in a series of focus groups to fine tune suggestions for improving the university and taking it to the next level. Oth-



Comstock and Williamson read to preschoolers at Macfeart Early Childhood Laboratory School during a March 2013 visit to campus.

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Comstock and Williamson celebrated the game-winning shot of the Jan. 25 men's basketball game versus VMI.



In August 2013 Comstock sat down with students for her first “Face Time” session to hear feedback on students’ Winthrop experiences.

er issues — on campus culture and the possibility of football — are up for discussion during the spring semester.

English Professor John Bird, Faculty Conference chair and representative to the Board of Trustees, said he has been impressed by President Comstock’s focus on faculty and academic life at Winthrop. “She has spent her first months here listening to our voices and responding to our needs,” he said. “I look forward to hearing more about her plans as she moves forward. “To use a phrase she likes to use, President Comstock ‘gets it.’”

Inauguration to Showcase Winthrop

The next major event in Comstock’s tenure is her Inauguration in late March. Winthrop faculty and staff members have spent months preparing for what will be a memorable way to showcase university life and Winthrop’s points of pride.

A week of activities will take place March 24-29 that includes a spotlight on faculty and student research, a campus day of service surrounding literacy initiatives, events sponsored by women’s studies and other programs, lunch and learn sessions, Model U.N. activities, a peace pole dedication, not to mention numerous arts and athletic events, creation of a Global Village and more.

Comstock’s Investiture Ceremony will be held March 28 at 2 p.m. in Byrnes Auditorium and will be followed by a campuswide reception. Presidents and university representatives from institutions across the United States have been invited to attend the Investiture Ceremony, along with members of all of Winthrop’s constituent groups.

Comstock’s inaugural address during the Investiture Ceremony will likely touch on key themes identified by the president as vital to the university’s future — continuing high-quality academic and student life programs, improving access to deserving students and making the Winthrop experience more affordable.

A Challenge to All: Dare to Rise

In honor of Comstock and her vision for Winthrop’s future, a new fund has been established, and initial contributions will be announced at the Investiture Ceremony. The Dare to Rise fund will galvanize a spectrum of initiatives designed to ensure the highest caliber instruction and academic support for students, including need-based scholarships that will help make going to college and completing a degree a reality. To make a contribution, visit www.winthropalumni.com/daretorisefund.

A visionary and inspirational leader, Comstock already has made her mark on Winthrop by putting students first and charting a bold course for Winthrop’s future. Passionate in her belief that access is the key education issue of our time, she believes that all students — regardless of demographic category or life experience — deserve the kind of education that an exceptional public institution like Winthrop offers. Under her leadership, the university is redefining public higher education as “inclusive” rather than “exclusive,” refusing to sacrifice quality, while opening doors to students who want to transform their opportunities through education.

Learn more about Comstock and her vision by visiting her website, www.winthrop.edu/president and the Inauguration website, www.winthrop.edu/inauguration.



In December 2013, Comstock and Foundation President Gary Williams, right, accepted a \$10,000 check from Rock Hill Economic Development Corporation Chair Greg Rutherford. The \$10,000 was the final installment of the corporation’s \$100,000 gift to the Winthrop Foundation.



Comstock posed for a photo with a graduate during the December 2013 graduate Commencement ceremony, the first Commencement ceremony that Comstock presided over since becoming president.

Bright Stars

Alumni Shine

By Nicole E. Smith

“All That Glitters is Garnet and Gold,” the theme of Winthrop’s 2013 Homecoming and Alumni Reunion, also serves as an appropriate description for four alumni, who have cast their shining stars on both the big and small screens. From producing to acting to creating art for movie sets, Linda Johnson King ’69, Shanola Hampton ’98, Maria White ’98 and Raynard Gadson ’05 make their mark in the entertainment industry every day.

Linda Johnson King ’69 Earns Acclaim by Telling Extraordinary Stories

Linda Johnson King made history as South Carolina’s first female television news anchor for a 6 p.m. newscast. She produced stories on spousal abuse and anorexia, topics that, before then, had received limited coverage. She interviewed country music superstar Reba McEntire in Nashville at the Country Music Awards, prompting an invitation to the singer’s Oklahoma ranch, and she has anchored and produced for Newsweek’s nationally syndicated “Today’s Woman.”

“I always knew I wanted to be in media,” said King, a communications major. “I enjoy meeting people, have a natural curiosity about almost everything, and I enjoy writing and presenting, so a television media career was a perfect fit for me.”

King attended Winthrop when it was an all-women’s school, and said she and her peers were inspired and encouraged to take leadership roles with support from professors, administrators and each other.

“That is the primary lesson I took away from my college years at Winthrop, and it has sustained me through my life and career,” she said. “I hope I have instilled this important lesson in parenting my own daughters: to pursue your passion with energy and enthusiasm, and work at what you love to do.”

King, now president and owner of King Media Associates, recently celebrated a new achievement — an Emmy Award for her production work on “The Veterans Portrait Project,” which appeared on The American Veteran, the Department of Veterans Affairs’ television news program; the program airs in select cable channels and at military bases all over the world. The short

video tells the story of former combat photographer Stacy Pearsall, who, while recovering from war-related wounds, began to take photos of other war veterans and tell their stories through those photos. Other career highlights include a silver medal from the International Film and Tele-



Linda Johnson King



Their Talents onto the Entertainment Industry

vision Festival of New York for her docudrama “A Priest Indeed;” the Detroit Vanguard Certificate of Merit; two Golden Triangle Video Awards; and gold and silver awards for “Today’s Woman” and “Newsweek Women.”

“Even though I have had the opportunity to interview people from all walks of life including many celebrities, the stories I enjoyed reporting most of all were those of ordinary people, doing extraordinary things,” she said.

Shanola Hampton '98 Watches Her Career Skyrocket

Former theatre major Shanola Hampton may regularly be seen on Showtime’s “Shameless,” about a dysfunctional family of six children led by an alcoholic father. The show, in its fourth season, features Hampton as the family’s neighbor, and best friend and confidante of one of the oldest children.

“It’s a different world now after being on a series for three years,” Hampton said. “People recognize you almost everywhere, which is so nice, but it also requires you not to show if you are having a bad day. I still walk on the lot and take it all in. I am so incredibly grateful.”

Hampton’s break-out year of 2013 included “Things Never Said,” her first major starring role,

which won her critical acclaim, and she also starred in the Lifetime movie “Christmas in the City,” which premiered in December. Viewers saw Hampton like never before in the Christmas film because she had the opportunity to sing.

“In most cases movies move a lot slower than television,” she said. “I like being on a series because I can grow with the character, but I also love to dive into the world of a character for a short period of time in a movie.”

Before “Shameless,” Hampton had roles on “Popular,” “Criminal Minds,” “Scrubs” and “Reba,” as well as roles in several short films and independent movies.

Hampton said she owes much of her success to her training at Winthrop, calling it the “backbone of her career.”

“The theatre department was nurturing, yet challenging,” she said. “It allowed me to play a wide range of characters while learning techniques to be a good actor. I hold the department in the highest regard.”

Maria White '98 Creates Art with Filmmaking

Whether in front of the camera, behind the camera, or indirectly on screen, Maria White makes an impressive statement.

“I consider filmmaking a form of art and, whether I’m creating pottery or working on telling a story, the desire to create essentially comes from the same place,” said White, an art major. “I honestly feel like I could not have had a better, more well-rounded academic experience than Winthrop provided. While at Winthrop, I had the ability to take so many interesting classes while enrolled in other disciplines — a few of them being acting and theatre appreciation that definitely sparked something that was there all along to eventually pursue filmmaking.”

White and her husband moved to Los Angeles in 2001 on the recommendation of Academy Award-winning cinematographer Russell Carpenter, whom they met when White took a small role for “Shallow Hal,” the film Carpenter had been working on at the time in Charlotte.

For her first piece behind the camera, she produced the short film “Tackle Box,” inspired by a poem her aunt had



written. The film screened in more than 50 film festivals worldwide, garnered 16 awards and earned Academy Award consideration.

Now, she has several more short films under her belt, including her newest, "Locker 13," in which she produces a segment starring Ricky Schroeder, and "The Debutante Hunters," which follows a group of female hunters in the South. She won Sundance Film Festival's audience award for the latter, which she also directed.

Her pottery and ceramic work also caught the atten-



Maria White

tion of industry insiders, and her work appeared on NBC's "Friends," the Jennifer Lopez film "Monster-in-Law" and the romantic comedy "The Ugly Truth," starring Katherine Heigl and Gerard Butler.

"I am grateful that I have been able to experience all three [acting, directing, producing] but I find myself most comfortable and useful behind the camera producing and/or directing," White said. "I love being part of a project from the very beginning and seeing it through until the end."

Raynard Gadson '05 Takes Emmy Wins with Uplifting Entertainment

Like Linda King, Raynard Gadson '05, a broadcast major, takes pride in an Emmy win. Calling on his childhood love of storytelling, Gadson naturally shifted into a television production career, first with an internship at A & E, and then production assistant stints with The History Channel, Food Network and

daytime court shows.

He then took an associate producer role with "The Dr. Oz Show" and said Dr. Mehmet Oz's energy and passion inspired him for every show.

"A show like 'Dr. Oz,' with so many viewers depending on information to help or even save their lives, is such a creative challenge," he said. "It's medically centered, so the scope of what types of topics we could cover was limited. The challenge became how to present all of this important information in new and exciting ways. It was great knowing that all of our work was opening up dialogue between doctors and patients around the world. I'm very proud of my contributions to 'Dr. Oz,' and I'm proud to be the type of television producer who aims to entertain and uplift instead of degrade and exploit," Gadson added.

The show won two daytime Emmy Awards with Gadson on staff.

After five years in daytime television, Gadson made the transition into primetime, and now works as an associate producer at Atlas Media Corp., a production company for several networks including The Travel Channel and Investigation Discovery.

Gadson also published his first fiction novel, the suspense thriller "Ashes," and hopes to push through some of his original movie screenplays in the next few years.

He credits a lot of his success to his time at Winthrop.

"I've always been proudest of some of the projects I spearheaded at Winthrop," he said. "Having been able to write and produce a 10-episode sitcom for

the campus' cable access channel, executive producing Winthrop Close-Up and being editor-in-chief of The Roddey-McMillan Record — all of these projects really embedded a kind of confidence that has carried me throughout my career."

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A Crowning Achievement

Revered History Professor Honored with Scholarship During Inaugural Palmer Lecture

By Judy Longshaw



A new scholarship will allow alumni the opportunity to honor a beloved history professor who regaled them with stories about the Old South, Civil War and Reconstruction, not to mention his favorite topic, Abraham Lincoln.

The Dr. Jason Silverman Scholarship was announced March 11 at the Palmer Lecture, an event held for Silverman to showcase his latest Lincoln research that he conducted alongside students.

History students will benefit from the scholarship named for a man who has spent years as an outstanding scholar, teacher, mentor and friend to many at Winthrop. Silverman joined the Winthrop faculty in 1984.

“Having devoted the past 30 years of my life to Winthrop students I can think of no higher honor than to have a scholarship in my name established,” said Silverman. “That an aspiring young historian will be named recipient of a Silverman scholarship is both humbling and indescribably rewarding. It is the crown jewel of my career.”

Winthrop President Jamie Comstock hopes alumni will support the scholarship as a way to help future generations. The fund also helps honor a faculty member who continues to inspire his students and takes great interest in their lives.

“One of Winthrop’s most beloved and inspirational faculty members, Silverman has a sterling reputation as an historian; his service to his community inspiring; his accomplishments too many to mention,” Comstock said. “His commitment to students is legendary.”

In 2010, Silverman was named the inaugural recipient of the Ellison Capers Palmer Jr. Professorship. The designation gave the history professor time and resources to research his proposed area of study, Lincoln’s views on immigration.

Colleagues, too, are delighted to see Silverman’s achievements recognized. “Silverman exemplifies Winthrop University’s commitment to excellence in teaching and personal relationships with students and engaged scholarship,” said Karen Kedrowski, dean

of the College of Arts and Sciences. “He is an example of the best higher education can offer.”

During the Palmer Lecture, Silverman announced that his findings will be compiled in a book, “Lincoln and the Immigrant,” for the Concise Lincoln Library Series, a new series of short books on the life, times and legacy of Lincoln, published by the Southern Illinois University Press. The primary audience consists of general readers, but the books also are of interest to scholars, specialists and students.

Silverman noted that Lincoln is the subject of some 16,000 books, making him the most studied and written about American figure. The Library of Congress reports a Lincoln book is released weekly. Yet little has been written about Lincoln’s views on immigration, still today a timely topic.

“Lincoln and the Immigrant,” Silverman’s 11th book, will provide an important perspective on a president who welcomed immigrants but who also made derogatory comments about ethnic groups who were parts of the immigrant population. The book will come out in late 2015.

To make a gift to the Dr. Jason Silverman Scholarship, please contact the Office of Development at 803/323-2150 or make an online gift at www.winthropalumni.com/silverman.



Danny Nicholson Joins Winthrop as Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Dr. William D. (Danny) Nicholson II joined Winthrop on Nov. 1 as vice president for institutional advancement. The Hartsville, S.C., native has a career that spans nearly 30 years in fundraising at six different higher education institutions. Before coming to Winthrop he worked as the vice president for advancement at Carson-Newman University in Jefferson City, Tenn. At Winthrop, he leads the activities of alumni relations, development and university relations. Kim Keel, the former vice president for development and alumni relations, assumed the role of vice president for community engagement and impact, and executive director of the Winthrop Foundation, also on Nov. 1.

Nicholson graduated from Charleston Southern University with a communications degree. He also earned a master's degree and a Ph.D. in higher education administration from the University of South Carolina. "I have long admired Winthrop's dedication to providing a distinctive educational experience for its students. I believe Jamie Comstock to be a tremendous leader and consummate professional who will undoubtedly carry the university to ever-greater heights of excellence. I'm thrilled to be part of her team," said Nicholson, who first met Comstock in 2007 when both attended the Harvard Institutes for Higher Education's Management Development program at Harvard University.

Dare to Rise Fund Created to Honor President Comstock and Her Vision for Winthrop University

President Jamie Comstock's passion for higher education has long been found in the intersection of quality and access. In her 30-year career, she has steadfastly advocated that all students — regardless of demographic category or life experience — deserve the kind of education that an exceptional public institution like Winthrop offers.

The Dare to Rise fund will promote Comstock's vision of Winthrop as uniquely positioned to offer quality and access in a singular institution. The fund will galvanize a spectrum of initiatives designed to ensure the highest caliber instruction and academic support for students. The fund also will allow Winthrop to redefine quality higher education as "inclusive" rather than "exclusive" by supporting access through creation of need-based scholarships. These scholarships will be a source of real help that will make going to college and completing a degree a reality for all deserving students who want to transform their opportunities through education.

Thank you for considering a gift to the Dare to Rise fund. Your gift, commensurate with the value you place on access to higher education, will be celebrated as the initial fund contributions are announced at Comstock's March 28 Investiture Ceremony.

To make a gift, please visit www.winthropalumni.com/daretorisefund or call the Office of Development at 803/323-2150.

Sisters of Mercy Grant Supports Two University College Programs

Sisters of Mercy of North Carolina Foundation, Inc., recently awarded Winthrop a \$75,000 grant that will be used to enhance the Learning Excellent Academic Practices (LEAP) program and the Academic Success Center, both housed in University College. These programs provide crucial academic support to help retain Winthrop students and aid in strengthening the foundation of overall degree attainment. University College, which facilitates the Winthrop community's commitment to lifelong learning, leadership and service, offers a fitting home for these programs.

The Sisters of Mercy grant, noted University College Dean Gloria Godfrey Jones '84, will allow the college to "continue a mutually beneficial trial program that we initiated last year of using successful LEAP students as mentors and tutors for former LEAP students who need additional support."

Jones said that the mentoring experience also enriches the students' experiences as well, allowing them to transition to the Academic Success Center.

"Our hope is that these students will transition to become tutors in the Academic Success Center, a support service that is open to all students and provides tutoring in a variety of foundational courses," said Jones.

Jay Dowd, Family Establish Scholarship to Honor His Mother

Jay Dowd '89 and his family established the Barry Gibson Webster '63 Scholarship to honor Dowd's mother, Barry Gibson Webster, a former Winthrop student and retired social worker.

Established by Dowd, his wife, Kim, and their children, Gibson and Brauer, the scholarship will be awarded annually to a rising sophomore who exhibits financial need with first preference going to a special education major. The first recipient will be selected in fall 2014. The scholarship was announced during 2013 Homecoming and Alumni Reunion, where Webster celebrated her 50th reunion with her Class of 1963 classmates.

Webster, a South Carolina native, left Winthrop after two years to care for her mother who was diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease. She went on to earn her M.Ed. at the University of South Carolina and retired as deputy commissioner for the S.C. Department of Social Services in 2006. Webster noted that her brief time at Winthrop, however, had a lasting impact on her life and career.

"I was only here two years, but my son knows how much I love Winthrop," said Webster. "I appreciate Winthrop and all that it gave me throughout my career."

To make a gift to the Barry Gibson Webster '63 Scholarship, contact Teleia White at 803/323-3199 or whitet@winthrop.edu.



Jay Dowd



Classes of 1968, 1958 Top 2013 "Come Back, Give Back" Challenge

In a show of outstanding support to the Winthrop Fund, two reunion classes rose to the occasion and took top honors in the 2013 "Come Back, Give Back" Challenge. The Class of 1968, which raised an impressive \$25,162.68, received the award for largest donation. The Class of 1958 topped the ranks in highest level of participation, with more than 18 percent of the class contributing gifts during the challenge. Both classes received recognition and awards during the Alumni Awards Ceremony on Nov. 9, in McBryde's Vera Gruber Batten Dining Hall.

The "Come Back, Give Back" Challenge, an annual event that ends during Homecoming and Alumni Reunion, benefits the Winthrop Fund. Gifts to the Winthrop Fund, an unrestricted annual fund, support key priorities such as scholarships, faculty enrichment and awards, and the Winthrop Alumni Association. More importantly, contributions to the fund have a direct and critical impact on the lives of Winthrop students, providing them the opportunity to take advantage of a first-class education and to craft their own unique Winthrop experiences.

Many thanks to the Classes of 1968 and 1958 for their participation and generosity!

Spring 2014 Phonathon Now Underway

Winthrop supporters, listen for ringing telephones! Phonathon, which generates support for the unrestricted Winthrop Fund, kicked off Feb. 10, and continues through April 24.

During Phonathon, 30 student callers reach out to alumni, parents and friends to raise valuable dollars for student scholarships, faculty awards and the Winthrop Alumni Association. Students call between Monday-Thursday from 6-9 p.m. and Sundays, 2-5 p.m. Phonathon generates nearly half of the funds raised each year for these Winthrop priorities. Please consider making a gift to this important fund!

For more information about the Winthrop Fund and Phonathon, contact the Office of Development at 803/323-2150.



Winthrop Earns National Recognition in Key Areas

Winthrop recently received several third-party rankings that highlighted the university's commitment to quality, value, student-veterans and the environment.

- **U.S. News & World Report's** "America's Best Colleges" edition ranked Winthrop among the South's top 10 public universities that convey bachelor's and master's degrees. The 2014 edition marked the 22nd year that the magazine has included Winthrop in its list of top tier institutions. The guidebook also included Winthrop in its 2014 list of Up-and-Coming Schools in the South.
- **Washington Monthly** identified Winthrop as one of America's "Best Bang for the Buck Colleges," according to the magazine's 2013 College Guide Rankings edition.
- **The Princeton Review** once again listed Winthrop among the 138 institutions in its "2014 Best Colleges: Region by Region."
- **AffordableCollegesOnline.org** identified Winthrop as one of the top five South Carolina public universities with the greatest lifetime return on investment.
- **The Princeton Review's** Guide to 322 Green Colleges ranked Winthrop as one of the 322 most environmentally responsible colleges in the U.S. and Canada.
- **The College Database** placed Winthrop in the top five schools in the Palmetto State for future military service members for teacher education.



English Chair Gregg Hecimovich's Slave Author Research Makes the New York Times' Front Page

English Professor and Department Chair Gregg Hecimovich's detective work in identifying the author of the first novel written by an African-American woman made the front page of the Sept. 19, 2013 New York Times. The newspaper reported that Hecimovich spent a decade scouring government documents, diaries and other private family documents to deduce that the author was Hannah Bond, a fugitive slave who escaped in 1857 from her N.C. owner, John Hill Wheeler. Some of the research that Hecimovich completed was done alongside Winthrop undergraduate and graduate students in his classes.



His upcoming book about the discovery, tentatively called "The Life and Times of Hannah Crafts," is slated to be published in 2015. It is expected to contribute significantly to the study of slave narratives and 19th century transatlantic studies. Hecimovich currently is on sabbatical in order to complete the book.

His discovery, and subsequent New York Times feature, generated a firestorm of state, regional, national and international publicity. CBS News, NBC's *The Last Word* with Lawrence O'Donnell, National Public Radio, the *Chronicle of Higher Education* and many more media outlets reported Hecimovich's research.

Two Seasoned Professionals Added to Senior Leadership Team

President Jamie Comstock recently announced the addition of two veteran higher education professionals to her senior leadership team. Eduardo Prieto joined Winthrop Jan. 27 as vice president for access and enrollment management and Jeffrey Perez began work on Feb. 3 as senior counsel to the president for public affairs.



Eduardo Prieto

Prieto oversees the recruitment and retention of traditional, post-traditional and graduate students to Winthrop, and leads the university's enrollment functions, including undergraduate admissions, recruitment, and financial aid. Most recently, Prieto worked as an associate vice president for enrollment management for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Perez serves as Winthrop's public affairs strategist and communications adviser to the president as well as to the president's advisory council. He is the principal institutional spokesperson on matters involving public policy and leads the university's work with local, state and federal officials. He previously served as vice president for external affairs at The Citadel.



Jeffrey Perez



Class Travels to Dallas to Study JFK Assassination on Event's 50th Anniversary

Who killed President John F. Kennedy? Students in a Critical Reading, Thinking and Writing course taught by Instructor of English Bryan Ghent '05 may not know, but they examined the question from multiple perspectives over the fall semester.

Ghent's class spent the semester focused on what happened during the assassination of Kennedy, the 35th president. The 50th anniversary of the shooting in Dallas, Texas, took place Nov. 22, coinciding with the end of the course. Conspiracy theories abound about the man arrested for the crime, Lee Harvey Oswald; whether there were other shooters on the nearby grassy knoll; what groups were behind the assassination; the "magic bullet" that killed the president and also injured Texas Gov. John Connally, who sat in the front seat of the presidential limousine; and why did Dallas nightclub owner Jack Ruby fatally shoot Oswald when the lone gunman was in police custody. Students read two books in the course: "Crossfire" and "Case Closed."

The class then spent Nov. 9-10 in Dallas touring the Texas Schoolbook Depository, the Dealey Plaza and the grassy knoll. The class attracted quite a bit of media attention, including from NBC News, the Dallas Morning News, Charlotte Observer, (Rock Hill) Herald and some online sites. The students discussed, argued and dissected plenty of documents. Their final conclusion was that the Warren Commission, charged with finding out what happened, botched the investigation because they didn't follow up on basic leads.

Ghent said he isn't sure what he believes now, even after studying it for years. His course's final exam asked the students to reflect on one of Kennedy's most famous lines: Ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country. Ghent encouraged the students to ponder what activist role they can take in their own lives.

Basketball Standout Dequesha McClanahan Breaks Scoring Records

Senior point guard Dequesha McClanahan broke the all-time Big South Conference scoring record of 2,154 points on Feb. 27 during a game against High Point University.

McClanahan, of Oak Ridge, Tenn., broke the Winthrop women's program record of 1,699 points that had been held for 25 years by Kim Segars '89 during the season opener victory. McClanahan then surpassed the men's scoring record of 1,850, held by Charles Brunson '82.

Breaking records adds to a long list of achievements for McClanahan. She was named the Big South Conference's Women's Basketball Player of the Year for the third straight season. She is among 22 players on the watch list of candidates for the 2014 Nancy Lieberman Award and she also is among 30 NCAA women's basketball student-athletes selected as candidates for the 2013-14 Senior CLASS Award.



Wear Garnet and Gold on April 5 for Worldwide Winthrop Day!

Show your Winthrop pride on April 5 by wearing a Winthrop T-shirt or other apparel to celebrate the fourth annual Worldwide Winthrop Day.

This popular day brings admitted high school students to campus for a visit and gives Winthrop alumni a chance to let their communities know they take pride in their alma mater. In addition, the purpose of alumni involvement in Worldwide Winthrop Day is to welcome the newest freshmen to the Winthrop community.

Alumni around the world are encouraged to e-mail pictures of themselves in their Winthrop gear to photos@winthrop.edu or to post the photos to Winthrop's Facebook page.

Look for more information and pictures about Worldwide Winthrop Day on Facebook.



Winthrop rolled out the garnet and gold carpet to celebrate the Hollywood inspired "All That Glitters is Garnet and Gold" theme for Homecoming and Alumni Reunion, held Nov. 8-10, 2013. Alumni spanning eight decades enjoyed trolley rides on campus, a pep rally, tailgating, victories by the men's and women's basketball teams, the men's soccer team and the volleyball team, class reunions and a variety of others events throughout the weekend.



1. Alice Willimon Von Stein celebrated her 75th reunion and represented the Class of 1938 at the Alumni Awards luncheon.
2. Members of the Classes of 1953 and 1958 enjoyed lunch, hearing remarks from President Jamie Comstock and the awards presentation during the Alumni Awards Ceremony.
3. From left: Tracie Martin Blankstein '84, Kristina Walters Militello '84, Cara Labrozzi Iovino '85, Lynne Neal Todd '84 and Brynne Link Bowman Beaver '86 reunited at Saturday's tailgate. The friends lived together on the seventh floor of Wofford Hall.
4. The "Golden Girls" from the Class of 1963 made a grand entrance into the Alumni Awards luncheon wearing sunglasses and dancing to "Carolina Girls." From left are Anne Bonnette Harmon, Martha (Marty) Callahan Grigsby and Patricia (Patty) Waites Ulku. Ulku currently lives in Turkey, and her 50th reunion marked the first time she has been on campus since graduation.
5. 2012 Homecoming King and Queen

6. From left: Students Christian Gibson, Chris Ervin and Chris Aubrie, chair of the Council of Student Leaders, posed for a photo with President Jamie Comstock during Saturday's tailgating festivities.
7. Stephanie Stephens Burnett '98, left, and Carie Hucks '97, '03, '08, smiled for the camera.
8. From left: Kimberly Simpson, Janiva Willis '05, '08, who delivered the keynote address at the 2013 Convocation ceremony, and Stephanie Davis '10 enjoyed catching up with one another on Saturday.
9. From left: Jamie Creech Reinsch '72, Betty Creamer '73, Chris Ericson Vernon '73

- and Bonnie Farmer '73 took their seats to watch the men's basketball game versus Roanoke College.
10. From left: Former student-athletes Andy Reid '08, '10, Patrick O'Callaghan '06, Daniel Revivo '09, Shannon Reid '09, Stevie Lucas '10 and Rainer Blickle '10 enjoyed remembering their Winthrop days.
 11. Jai Eun Kim Lee '63, right, who attended Winthrop as an exchange student from Seoul, South Korea, recently discovered that she and classmate Judy Johnson only live a few hours apart from one another – Lee in Bethesda, Md., and Johnson in Farmville, Va. The two, who lost contact years ago, reconnected, spent time together at Lee's home, and made plans to attend their 50th reunion, the first time Lee has been back to campus since graduation.
 12. The student section arrived "early, loud and hostile," just as Men's Basketball Head Coach Pat Kelsey requested, to voice support during the men's basketball game.





From left: Kristen Gebhart Magee '95; Delores Johnson Hurt '68; Martha (Marty) Callahan Grigsby '63; President Jamie Comstock; Johnny Deal '84 and Christopher Bennett '09.

Homecoming, Alumni Reunion Awards Honor Exceptional Graduates

President Jamie Comstock presented awards to five outstanding alumni during the 2013 Alumni Awards Ceremony on Nov. 9. Award recipients included:

- **Christopher Bennett '09**, Outstanding Young Alumni Award, for his service as a research fellow at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute and as a visiting scientist at the Johns Hopkins Institute of Genetic Medicine. Bennett is pursuing a doctorate in medicine at the University of North Carolina.
- **Delores Johnson Hurt '68**, Alumni Professional Achievement Award, for her induction into the Women's History Hall of Fame at the Levine Museum of the New South in Charlotte, N.C., and for her accomplishments as a civil rights activist, journalist, philanthropist, entrepreneur and educator.
- **Kristen Gebhart Magee '95**, Alumni Distinguished Service Award, for her invaluable assistance with restructuring the Alumni Association in order to develop reunion methods for alumni groups, enhance Homecoming and Alumni Reunion and expand the association's role in student recruitment.
- **Martha (Marty) Callahan Grigsby '63**, Mary Mildred Sullivan Award, for her pivotal role in raising more than \$50,000 for the Class of 1963 Scholarship, and for her assistance in helping raise more than \$250,000 overall for scholarship support to Winthrop students.
- **Johnny Deal '84**, Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award, for his dedicated service as a goodwill ambassador for his alma mater, as treasurer of the Kershaw County Alumni Chapter and as a former member of the Alumni Association executive board.

Alumni Association Welcomes Nancy Donnelly '77 as President

During fall 2013, the Winthrop Alumni Association welcomed Nancy Donnelly '77 as its newest president with an afternoon reception in Deepark Restaurant at Biltmore® in Asheville, N.C.

Donnelly, a resident of Weaverville, N.C., earned her B.A. in communications at Winthrop and her master's in public administration at the University of South Carolina. She works as a senior systems and process consultant for Rightstar Systems. Before joining Rightstar Systems, Donnelly created her own company that specialized in information technology.

During her student years at Winthrop, she served as first parliamentarian of the Model United Nations. Today she serves on the Winthrop University Foundation Board.

Donnelly also remains involved in community service efforts. Recently, she and her son, Brooks Bostick, a top-level amateur racer, completed a 106-mile bike ride in Richmond, Va., to raise money to find a cure for ALS, or Lou Gehrig's disease, a disease that has affected the lives of several of Donnelly's family members. Together Donnelly and her son raised more than \$1,800 for ALS research.

Donnelly is married to Tycer Lewis and also has a daughter, Katherine Berry.





From left: President Jamie Comstock; Anne Bonnette Harmon '63 and Martha (Marty) Callahan Grigsby '63.

Class of 1963 Presents Scholarship Check at Alumni Awards Ceremony

Members of the Class of 1963 — the Golden Girls of Homecoming and Alumni Reunion 2013 — exceeded their goal of raising \$50,000 for the Class of 1963 Endowed Scholarship. The fund will provide renewable scholarships to a sophomore student who has demonstrated community service and leadership during high school or as a college freshman. President Jamie Comstock accepted the generous gift on Nov. 9 from Anne Bonnette Harmon and Martha (Marty) Callahan Grigsby, members of the Class of 1963 gift and reunion committee.

Blue Line E-Newsletter Keeps Alumni Informed of Latest Happenings

The monthly Blue Line E-Newsletter features the latest in alumni news and features, institutional happenings, upcoming events and more. To receive the Blue Line, please submit your e-mail address to wualumni@winthrop.edu.

I just...



- went back to school
- saw the world
- started a business
- got married
- had a baby
- started my first job
- started my dream job
- finished my last job
- won an award
- published a book

Whatever you've been up to, we'd like to hear about it. Submit a class note at:

www.winthropalumni.com

Save the Date



Nov. 14-15

Dear alumni,

Celebrate your classmates! Each year, the Winthrop Alumni Association presents awards during the Alumni Awards Ceremony and Luncheon, held during November's Homecoming and Alumni Reunion, to alumni who have demonstrated Winthrop's tradition of excellence. Nominations for the Mary Mildred and Algernon Sydney Sullivan Awards; the Alumni Distinguished Service Award; the Alumni Professional Achievement Award; and the Outstanding Young Alumni Award are being accepted until April 1. If you would like to nominate a classmate or other graduates, please review the award descriptions and nomination information that may can be found at www.winthropalumni.com. Click on the Learn tab and select Alumni Awards. Thank you for taking the time to nominate a deserving candidate.

With Eagle pride,



Debbie Garrick, Ed.D. '87, '89

Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Winthrop Alumni Association

1950

Longtime friends **Ruth Williams Cupp** of Charleston, S.C., and **Anne Kay McWilliams '50** of Lexington, S.C., reunited at the Palmetto Club in Columbia, S.C., where Cupp was the featured speaker for a meeting of the South Carolina Women Lawyers Association.

1951

Author **Bela Padgett Herlong** of Saluda, S.C., and her daughter, **M.H. Herlong**, were the featured speakers at a recent book talk hosted by Friends of Dacus Library at Winthrop.

1957

Sylvia Clark of Manning, S.C., authored "If These Walls Could Talk," a history of downtown Manning.

1963

The York County Regional Chamber of Commerce honored Winthrop Professor of Geology **Irene Brunson Boland** of Rock Hill as part of the Teachers of the Year Awards for educators at public, private and higher education institutions.

1964

Elizabeth Bankhead Buccheri of Evanston, Ill., is head of music at the Aspen Opera Theater Center at the Aspen Music Festival and School.

1966

Columbia, S.C., resident **Delores Dalrymple Gullede** released "A Mourning Miracle: the Dawning of My Dance," a book which encourages using expressive arts as a method of intervention for loss and grief.

1974

Beverly Carroll of Rock Hill, a partner with Hamilton, Martens, Ballou and Carroll, LLC, is president of the South Carolina Bar Foundation's board of directors.

Springfield Middle School recognized **Lou Funderburk Wylie** of Fort Mill, S.C., as Support Staff of the Year.

1978

Charleston, S.C., resident **Deborah Moseley** published a second book, "The Souls of Black Folks' Style," which, as did her first book, teaches complex vocabulary words using vintage African-American photographs.

1980

Agapé Senior healthcare executives **James (Jimmie) Williamson** of Cheraw, S.C., and **Scott Middleton '81** of West Columbia, S.C., presented at an international eldercare conference in Shanghai, China.

1981

The South Carolina Elks Association recognized **Roger Pittman** of Myrtle Beach, S.C., with the Elk of the Year Award. Pittman also was named the Myrtle Beach Elk of the Year.

1983

Beaufort, S.C., resident **Jack Gannon** co-authored his second novel, "Trail of the Talon: A Task Force Novella."

Doris Waddell Gilliam of Columbia, S.C., earned a doctor of philosophy degree in humanities from Florida State University. Her dissertation explored the impact of Africana womanism on the literature of Afro-Brazilian writers **Miriam Alves**, **Esmeralda Ribeiro** and **Conceição Evaristo**.

1984

Former men's tennis player **Ronald**

Davis of Pineville, N.C., was inducted into the York County Sports Hall of Fame.

1985

Gaston County Schools selected **Terry Usery** of Bessemer City, N.C., as Principal of the Year.

1986

Winnsboro, S.C., resident **Beverly Wilson Mozie** was elected as board secretary for the Government Finance Officers Association of South Carolina.

1989

Jay Dowd, formerly of Florence, S.C., was named vice president of institutional advancement and chief executive officer of The Citadel Foundation.

Spartanburg, S.C., resident **Gena Miller Hammett** was selected as the executive director of the Lawson Academy Band, part of the Lawson Academy of the Arts at Converse College.

The Higher Education Academy of the United Kingdom honored **Francois Nel** of Manchester as a National Teaching Fellow.

Hoboken, N.J., resident **Roy Weathers Jr.**, a partner with PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP's New York office, was the featured speaker at a recent M.B.A. lecture at Winthrop.

1990

Keys Innovation Solutions, a custom manufacturer of printed materials, named **J. Scott Ross** of Easley, S.C., as president.

Kim Young Woods of Bradenton, Fla., was named vice president of advertising for the Herald-Leader in Lexington, Ky.

1991

The Upper Palmetto Chapter of the American Red Cross named longtime volunteer and employee

Stephanie Wilson White of York, S.C., its executive director.

1993

The Yale School of Music recognized Frank Casstevens of Monroe, N.C., with the Yale Distinguished Music Educator Award for his work as a music teacher in Union County Public Schools.

The Mathematical Association of America honored Ronald Taylor Jr. of Rome, Ga., with the Southeastern Section Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics.

1995

Atlanta, Ga., resident Buck Cooke was promoted to executive director of the Atlanta Pride Committee.

1996

Irmo, S.C., resident Paul Matheny III served as the official juror for the 25th annual Undergraduate Juried Exhibition at Winthrop.

Emory University appointed Atlanta, Ga., resident Andy Wilson as senior associate dean for external relations in the Division of Campus Life.

1997

Chris Cooper, associate professor and head of the Department of Political Science and Public Affairs at Western Carolina University, was named Professor of the Year in the state of North Carolina by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Millicent Whitener Dickey of Charlotte, N.C., is director of teacher quality for the Clover School District.

1998

South Bend, Ind., resident Jessica Collett was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor of sociology at the University of Notre Dame.

Shane Duncan and Brandy Ray Duncan '01 of Simpsonville, S.C., finalized the adoption of their son, Andrew Seth Duncan, in December 2013.

Morris, Manning, and Martin, LLP hired Rusty Fleming of Cumming, Ga., as a partner in the Atlanta office.

Premier, Inc., honored Eric Johnson of Rock Hill as one of 16 employees who received the company's highest honor, the Premier Values Award.

Pamela Dabney Trimnal of Lancaster, S.C., is vice president of

marketing for Comporium.

Melanie Quinn Wall of Clover, S.C., is director of testing and accountability for the Clover School District.

1999

Appalachian State University recognized Boone, N.C., resident Jennifer Perry Cecile with the Honors College Thesis Mentor of the Year Award.

Bradlee Davis of Raleigh, N.C., is director of records and information governance for New York-based national law firm Jackson Lewis LLP.

Sandy, Utah, resident Matthew Ellinger was named associate head coach of men's soccer at Utah Valley University.

Spartanburg, S.C., resident Tracy Mabry received her doctor of education degree from the University of Phoenix.

Former men's soccer player Jeffery Muschik of Rock Hill was selected to referee the Division II National Soccer Championship for the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Alumni Recently Named Teacher of the Year

Cathy Childers Lowman '80, '84
York, S.C.

Kinard Elementary School

Rita Welch Whitesides '82
Rock Hill

Richmond Drive Elementary School

Julie Tucker Jackson '86, '89
Rock Hill

Mount Gallant Elementary School

Rhonda Parrish Hudak '87, '88
Rock Hill

Rawlinson Road Middle School

Susan Elaine Barnette '90
Rock Hill

Sullivan Middle School

Darleen Simpson Sutton '90
York, S.C.

State of South Carolina

Diane Lipka Bailey '93
Rock Hill

Ebinport Elementary School

Lipi Boghani Pratt '94
Fort Mill, S.C.

Sugar Creek Elementary School

Monica Kish Roveri '94
Clover, S.C.

Bethel Elementary School

Amy McEntyre Brewer '96
York, S.C.

Larne Elementary School

Christy Cobb Wilson '98
Clover, S.C.

Clover High School

Angela Vess Covington '02
Rock Hill

York Road Elementary School

Kristen Shanelle Dawson '03
Marietta, Ga.

Sawyer Road Elementary School

Jose Juan Figuero '03, '10
Rock Hill

Nation Ford High School

Mary Elizabeth Kinard '03
Fort Mill, S.C.

Fort Mill High School

Sheleea Simon Leonard '03
Charlotte, N.C.

The Children's School at Sylvia Circle

Christopher Joel Beasley '04
Rock Hill

Gold Hill Elementary School

Jennifer Threatt Camp '04, '11
Rock Hill

Mount Holly Elementary School

Megan Rowland Sexton '05
Fort Mill, S.C.

Central Child Development Center

Tawanda Marie Wells '05, '11
Charlotte, N.C.

Lesslie Elementary School

Samantha Rumpfelt McCarter '07
York, S.C.

Griggs Road Elementary School

Casey Swecker Davis '08, '11
Rock Hill

Rosewood Elementary School

William S. Chappell '10
Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Horry County Schools' Early College High School

Jenna Elaine Burris '11
Rock Hill

Sunset Park Center for Accelerated Studies

2000

As part of the Chinese Culture Center Exchange Program, **Keisha Gadson Gaskins** was one of 15 teachers chosen from Rock Hill School District Three to spend one month in China teaching English to students and teachers.

2001

Rock Hill resident **Laura Dowey** opened Dahlings Accessory Boutique and Tea Room, a specialty boutique for women of all ages.

The South Carolina Association of School Administrators named **David McDonald** of Travelers Rest, S.C., the Middle School Principal of the Year.

Clover School District named **Georgia Westmoreland** of Clover, S.C., the principal of Crowders Creek Elementary School.

2002

Raleigh, N.C., resident **Scotia Burrell** earned certification as a licensed clinical social worker.

Rock Hill resident **Chrissy Needham Catoe** joined Winthrop as the senior director for donor and community engagement.

Greenville Business Magazine and Southern First Bank honored **Ken Cummings** of Simpsonville, S.C., as one of the "2013 Best and Brightest 35 and Under."

2003

Christiansburg, Va., resident **William (Bill) Pruitt III** was named assistant director for education abroad at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Ceramics artist **Frank Vickery** of Glenville, N.C., was recently featured at Fired Works, the largest regional exhibit of functional and sculptural pottery in Georgia.

2004

Chicago, Ill., resident **Casey Chap-**

man was named Best Actor by the International Film Awards Berlin for his performance in "Mother's Milk."

WRHI employee **Chris Miller** was recently named Sportscaster of the Year by the South Carolina Broadcasters Association.

Charleston, S.C., resident **Veronica Vereen** joined The Citadel Foundation as an annual giving gift officer.

2005

Blackbaud, Inc., hired **Bobby Earl** of Charleston, S.C., as a senior interactive developer.

Jeff Dezen Public Relations in Greenville, S.C., appointed **Matthew Lochel** as the company's newest account executive.

Janiva Willis of Charlotte, N.C., clinical supervisor at Youth Villages, received the Sustained Excellence Award for Therapist Adherence from Multisystemic Therapy Services. Willis also delivered the keynote address at Winthrop's 2013 Convocation ceremony.

2006

York, S.C., resident **Calub Patrick Courtwright** was named principal of Clover Middle School.

Raleigh, N.C., resident **Kathryn Patricia Kohl** was named a recipient of the Harold W. Weintraub Graduate Student Award by the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The award recognizes biological sciences students for the quality, originality and significance of their graduate work.

Willie Lyles III of Washington, D.C., works as the legislative director for Rep. William Enyart (D-III).

2007

Denver, Colo., resident **Justin Cohen** joined Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, as an associate in the litigation department, and

was appointed to the America SCORES Board of Directors which provides strategic guidance around community involvement, fundraising and business development.

The Herald named **Adam Cole** of Fort Mill, S.C., as Coach of the Year. Cole serves as head coach of the Indian Land High School men's varsity soccer team.

Rock Hill resident **Christopher Corrado** published a fiction book entitled "A New York Night with Carmine McNally."

Arpit Patel of Fort Mill, S.C., earned a master of business administration degree from Wake Forest University.

Worthwhile, a digital strategy firm, hired Charlotte, N.C., resident **Michelle Rock** as a strategy architect.

U.K.-based Merlin Entertainments hired **Jack Stevenson II** to serve as marketing manager for the SEA LIFE Charlotte-Concord Aquarium.

2008

Newberry College hired Columbia, S.C., native **Angelo Geter** as coordinator of student engagement and leadership.

Morgan Grant of Lexington, S.C., serves as the education and development coordinator for the National Association of Campus Activities.

Darlington County School District named **Tara DuBose King** the principal of West Hartsville Elementary School.

KeenanSuggs hired **Matt Middlebrooks** as a broker in the Columbia, S.C., office.

Carla Anderson Watford of Hartsville, S.C., is principal of Cain Elementary School in the Darlington County School District.

2009

New York, N.Y., resident **Bineta**

Diop founded the Sama Tata Foundation, a non-profit organization that provides services to aid child victims of forced labor and exploitation.

Discoveries Soccer Club in Rock Hill named **Stephen Nsereko** of Kampala, Uganda, as Coach of the Year.

Columbia, S.C., resident **Jennifer Potts** earned a doctor of veterinary medicine degree from Mississippi State University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

Porto Alegre, Brazil, native **Tiago Ruffoni** was selected as the Adult Male Player of the Year by the North Carolina affiliate of the United States Tennis Association.

Everglade City, Fla., native **Danielle Swisher** published her first book, "Murder on O'Hollow's Eve and Other Short Stories."

The South Carolina Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics recognized **Keisha Vanlue** of Rock Hill as Outstanding Dietetic Technician of the Year.

2011

The Knowles Teaching Foundation announced **Sharon Jenkins** of Gastonia, N.C., as a recipient of a teaching fellowship, which offers financial support and professional development for early-career science, technology, engineering and mathematics teachers.

2012

Stallings, N.C., resident **Christopher Barton** was named executive director of the Flagstaff Symphony Association in Arizona.

Charlotte, N.C., resident **Katie Levans** was featured in SouthPark Magazine for her work developing PlateShare, a smartphone application that lets diners round their restaurant bill up to the nearest dollar and donate the change to feed the hungry.

Congratulations on National Board Certification

Curwood Vachel Dillingham '87, '91
Rock Hill

Donna Shivers Morrow '89, '09
Kershaw, S.C.

Donna Landreth Fields '93, '95
York, S.C.

Donna White Wilder '93
Rock Hill

Charlene Blackwood Cruse '97
York, S.C.

Wendy McCutchen Cutchins '99
Fletcher, N.C.

Amy Bedenbaugh Rossett '00
Charlotte, N.C.

Lynn Jordan Kelley '03, '08
Kershaw, S.C.

Mary Elizabeth Kinard '03
Fort Mill, S.C.

Rhonda Willard Welborn '03
Clover, S.C.

Lizzi Eargle '04, '06
Lancaster, S.C.

Sara Carey Howard '05, '06
Clover, S.C.

Catherine Ardrey Sims '05
Heath Springs, S.C.

Tawanda Marie Wells '05, '11
Charlotte, N.C.

Katherine Marie Crawford '06
Lancaster, S.C.

Kristin Robinson Dover '06
Clover, S.C.

Jonathan Randall Hall Jr. '07, '09
Rock Hill

Mindy Ghent Ries '07
Lancaster, S.C.

Jennifer Marie Jolly '08, '11
Rock Hill

Jenny Litchford McPhaul '12
Fort Mill, S.C.

Congratulations to these Recently Retired Alumni!

Gail Sapp Toatley '73, '76
Eden Prairie, Minn.

Susie Williams Byrd '76
Darlington, S.C.

Eve Moredock Stacey '76
Columbia, S.C.

Judy Rast Krenzer '78, '79, '99
Rock Hill

Brian Trammell Bowen '85
Easley, S.C.

Births

Margaret Roquemore Hale '92,
a daughter, Caroline Marie Hale,
Dec. 7, 2012

Jeff Marvin Revels '93,
a son, Chancellor Neely Revels,
March 19, 2012

Sandra MacKinnon Long '94,
a daughter, Alexandra Olivia Long,
Sept. 6, 2012

David Glaser '95,
a daughter, Anna Isabel Glaser,
Dec. 14, 2012

Mary Compton DeYoung '98 and
Jason Steven DeYoung '98,
a son, Benjamin Isaac DeYoung,
Aug. 1, 2013

Eric Michael Johnson '98 and
Riley Griggs Johnson '04,
a daughter, Amelia Mae Johnson,
Sept. 17, 2013

Leslie Sizemore '98 and Ashley Stowe '11,
a son, Beckett Grey Stowe Sizemore,
Oct. 13, 2012

Michelle Mays Crissinger '99, and
Andy Crissinger '00, '02,
a son, Judah Michael Crissinger,
July 11, 2013

Susan Kahn Huntington '99 and
Benjamin (Ben) Riddell Huntington '99,
a son, Charles (Charlie) Sheldon Huntington,
Aug. 10, 2013

Patrice Bostick Neely '00,
a daughter, Caroline Elizabeth Neely,
March 20, 2012

Margaret (Meg) Griffin Schriffen '00 and
Michael John Schriffen '07,
a daughter, Anna Catherine Schriffen,
Nov. 17, 2013

Carlos Hadad '01 and
Sophie Isabelle Soler '03,
a daughter, Ela Hadad Soler,
Sept. 13, 2012

Holly Elrod Hair '01,
a son, Coleman Beatty Hair,
March 17, 2013

David Ray Heilman '01 and
Stacey Figueroa Heilman '03,
a son, Hudson James Heilman,
Sept. 25, 2013

Leslie Roper Latimer '01 and
Ross Taylor Latimer '05,
a son, Ross Taylor Latimer Jr.,
Dec. 31, 2012

Adriane Livingston Radeker '01,
a daughter, Caroline Adams Radeker,
Dec. 19, 2012

Aaron David Bacik '02 and
Laura Trook Bacik '04,
a daughter, Avery Elizabeth Bacik,
July 12, 2013

Jeanette Manning Estoye '02,
a son, Derek Paul Estoye,
July 18, 2013

Jim Langer '02 and
Katie McKie Langer '03,
a son, Henry Jacob Langer,
Feb. 25, 2013

Amy Holland Harley '03,
a daughter, Emma Claire Harley,
Sept. 4, 2012

Jocelyn Decken Gunderson '04 and
Watson Matthews Gunderson '06,
a daughter, Zoe Dianne Gunderson,
Dec. 19, 2012

Merri Frush Parker '04,
a daughter, Josie Claire Parker,
Sept. 11, 2013

Gregory Hampton Rogers Sr. '04 and
Rebecca Jones Rogers '07,
a son, Gregory Hampton Rogers Jr.,
May 29, 2013

Anna Altman Boyd '05,
a daughter, Olivia June Boyd,
July 23, 2013

John Francis Clark '05 and
Crystal Martin Clark '06,
a daughter, Lauren Elizabeth Clark,
April 18, 2013

Elizabeth Richardson Melville '05,
a daughter, Nora Katherine Melville,
Nov. 21, 2012

Joshua (Josh) Warren Parks '05,
a son, Joshua Warren (Ren) Parks Jr.,
May 20, 2013

Tracy Hancock Terry '05 and
Jason Michael Terry '06,
twin daughters, Natalie Michelle Terry
and Sara Ruth Terry,
Nov. 15, 2012

Betsy Alexander Brown '06, '08,
a daughter, Meredith Charlotte Brown,
July 8, 2013

Jordan Davis Brown '06,
a daughter, Reese Anne Brown,
July 23, 2013

Jared Benjamin Kobe '06 and
Stacy Washburn Kobe '08,
a son, John Russell Kobe,
Aug. 4, 2013

Laura Rader Stiffler '06 and
Walter Gaylord Stiffler IV '06,
a son, Walter Gaylord Stiffler V (Quinton),
June 20, 2011

Molly Friddle Edwards '07 and
Thomas (Andy) Edwards '07,
a daughter, Callahan Ruth Edwards,
Nov. 26, 2012

Anna (Sophie) Hodaly Gorrin '07,
a daughter, Amalia Theresa Gorrin,
April 18, 2012

Meagan Meyer Hawkins '07,
a son, Noah Christopher Hawkins,
Nov. 11, 2012

Natalie Kotowski Hensen '07,
a son, Lucas (Luke) John Hensen,
Aug. 2, 2013

Josh McDonald '07 and
Ashleigh Kellet McDonald '08,
a son, Ryder Leigh McDonald,
Aug. 24, 2013

Erin Duffy Patel '07 and
Arpit Sarabhai Patel '07,
a son, Liam Arpit Patel,
Jan. 16, 2013

Kristin McQuigg Hayes '08,
a son, Grayson Franklin Hayes,
May 17, 2013

Linda Hellstein Marsden '08,
a son, William Alson Marsden,
July 13, 2013

Seth Daniel Clossman '09 and
Gabrielle Gruel Clossman '10,
a daughter,
Charlotte Rebecca Clossman,
May 29, 2013

Helen Gullick Minder '09,
a son, David Everett Minder,
April 6, 2012

Kimberly Simons King '10,
a daughter, Elsa Whitney King,
Dec. 8, 2012

Lisa Anne Hood Surratt '10,
a son, Grant Henry Surratt,
Sept. 13, 2013

Marriages

Nicole Anne Coffey '96 to
Brian Elliott

Melloney Latresse Robinson '97 to
Cedric Michael Cook

Angela LaShawn Sanders '97 to
Wade McCormick

Rebecca Leah Coefield '98 to
Jason Floyd

Andrew Stuart Ugtlehus '98 to
Choquette Marie Guiney

Jamaica Trevett Bennett '99 to
Brenton Hopkins

Jennifer Christine Beattie '02 to
Trent Hulehan

Carlie Schardt Maheurin '02 to
Stacie Yvonne Patterson

Melissa Rae McClelland '02 to
Giancarlo Airolti

Cameron Curtis Pace '02 to
Brittany Maureen Thompson '08

Courtney Elizabeth Blakely '03 to
Samuel Alexander Denton

Eleanor Grace Cunningham '03 to
Durant Cameron

Jennifer Alaine Lewis '03 to
James Willard Coble III

Brigitte Lynn Ashley '04 to
Geoffrey Adam Wagner '05

John Howard Bramlitt '04 to
Elizabeth Ashley Mutch '07

Geri Lynn Sponaas '04 to
Marcus Mullis

Laura Ann Cantrell '05 to
John Thomas Whitley

Sarah Elizabeth Rogerson '05 to
Bart M. Pogue

Ashlye Rumph-Geddis '05 to
L. Kobie Wilkerson III

Ryan James Sheehan '05, '07 to
Beverly Susan Frame

James Brandon Bozard '06 to
Anna Catherine White '09

Erin Marie Doran '06 to
Dan Wilson

Meghan Lindsay Galloway '06 to
Kent Clontz

Nakeshia Doris Gambrell '06 to
Jamaal Kennedy Robinson

Margaret Bailey Varner '06 to
Josh Vann

Rachel Leigh Williams '06 to
Matthew Brent Greer '07

Emery Alexander Glover '07 to
Ashley Ann Few '09

Marbra O'Neal Herlong '07, '11 to
Brian Edward Wayman

Jennifer Elizabeth Scrymgeour '07 to
Saul Giovanni Alvarez

Renee Theresa Thorsen '07 to
James Ross Crane '07

Ashley Ann Abood '08 to
Tim Sawyer

Cydney Nicole Carson '08 to
Brett Epps

Lauren Mary Chandler '08 to
Daniel Clayton Obermeier

Ashton Elizabeth Finley '08 to
Jonathan David Finley

Jodi Lynn Kemp '08 to
Matthew James Halpin

Katie Elizabeth Simmons '08, '11 to
Eric A. Wieberg

Scott Thomas Stack '08 to
Amanda Lynn Black '11

Helen Veronen Gullick '09 to
Tyler Minder

Mallory Lourene Page '09 to
Christopher Luciano

Marcia Elayne Rickenbacker '09 to
Ralph K. Mensah

Magan Renee Vess '09 to
Reid Michael Clark

Troy Kayne Evans '10 to
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Allison Kristin Gill '10 to
Daniel Evans Tapp

Julie Elizabeth Gross '10 to
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Elizabeth Danielle Oswald '10 to
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Tricia Leigh Vensel '10 to
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Samuel (Sammy) Lide Wheeler '10 to
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Evin Grant Whittle '11

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Mary Jean Faris Ligon Martin '54 Remembered as a Champion of Education, Dedicated Alumna



Mary Jean Faris Ligon Martin, 81, an educator and former chair of the Winthrop University Board of Trustees, passed away Dec. 9, 2013.

Martin served in various education roles across schools in DeKalb County, Ga., and York County, S.C., including positions as assistant superintendent in Georgia and principal in York schools. In 1996, she was honored with the Richard W. Riley College of Education's Award of Excellence for her contributions to school improvement in the district.

Martin joined the Winthrop Board of Trustees in 1994 as a representative of the alumni association, and served in the leadership roles of secretary, vice-chair and chair. When she completed her term in 2006, she was honored for her meritorious board service with a resolution.

In addition to her role on the board, she was a loyal member of the Eagle Club and Friends of Dacus Library.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John's U.M.C. Children and Youth Building Fund, P.O. Box 149, Rock Hill, SC, 29731.

Long-time English Faculty Member James Scott Ely Leaves Rich Legacy in Literature, Students' Lives

Celebrated novelist, writer and educator James Scott Ely, 69, an associate professor of English, passed away on Oct. 31, 2013.

In his illustrious writing career, Ely wrote hundreds of short stories and several novels. Calling upon his year as a soldier in Vietnam, Ely crafted the acclaimed sniper novel "Starlight." Other notable works include "Pitbull," "A Song for Alice Loom," "Plumb's Bluff," "The Dream of the Red Road," "The Elephant Mountain" and "Eating Mississippi," the latter of which prompted an invitation to read at the 12th Annual Delta Blues Symposium in Arkansas. He was the only novelist asked to do so. He also published multiple anthologies and had his own collections of short stories published as books.

He also received multiple awards, including an invitation to residency at Chateau de Lavigny in Switzerland; National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship; the Rockefeller Fellowship to Bellagio, Italy; and the Charles J. Finger Award in Fiction by the University of Arkansas Press.

He joined Winthrop in 1987. He shared his life with his wife, poet Susan Ludvigson, a professor emerita of English at Winthrop, two daughters and a granddaughter.



Deaths

1920s

Thalgie Buckner '27

Grace Vaughan Furman '29

1930s

Jennie Lesslie Dodds '30

Pauline (Polly) Nash Corder '31

Mary Ray Foster '31

Frances Koger Sanders Holmes '31

Jo Pace Evans '32

Jessie Rogers Mackinnon '32

Rebecca (Becky) Bonner Betsill '33

Frances Shearer Brickle '33

Mary Henderson Powell Finley '33

Gladys Harvey Knight '33

Elizabeth Gettys Parsons '33

Rebecca Walker Watkins '33

Alice Bishop Gaddy '34

Juanita Parrott Tompkins '34

Ruby Sadella Callison '35

Kathryn Watson Dixon '35

Virginia Rhem Hinson '35

Gwendolyn Ulmer Hodges '35

Sara Moore Mapp '35

Rachel Reolla McKown '35

Edith Clamp Watts '35

Maude Hudson Fletcher '36

Marie Williamson Glenn '36

Frances Ford Hamilton '36

Margaret Ida Blair Johnson '36

Dot Robinson Barnwell '37

Helen Perrin Bowen '37

Edith Evans Chapman '37

Ruth Bethea Lide '37

Doris Levkoff Meddin '37

Nell Carter Nickles Monroe '37

Hazel (Billie) Beacham O'Cain '37

Arthur May McLeod Bartell '38

Nell Connors Denton '38

Adronne Myers Finklea '38

Mary Ellen Graves Gerety '38

Flaura Pilgram Parrott '38

Crystal Theodore '38

Sally Todd Bethea '39

Sara Ferguson Bruner '39
 Ruth Wingard Caughman '39
 Annie Laurie Donald Cooper '39
 Augusta Cothran Fulmer '39
 Sarah Tribble Herriot '39
 Elizabeth Mace Lemon '39
 Louise Woodson Lyle '39
 Mary Ellen Adams Miller '39
 Mabel Wilson Poole '39
 Adele Ackerman Rosebrock '39
 Martha Dunlap Tucker '39
 Ganelle Odom Weinberg '39
 Laura Ard Westmoreland '39

1940s

Mignon Lanford Bonner '40
 Janie Lanford Burch '40
 Miriam Cox Glenn '40
 Rachel Pruitt Goble '40
 Lois Baker Gourdin '40
 Sarah (Babbie) Veronee Haynsworth '40
 Charlotte MacLaughlin '40
 Pauline Hartsell McKee Parker '40
 Helen Faulkner Schor '40
 Elizabeth Brown Summer '40
 Mildred Havird Vincent '40
 Harriett Robinson Whitesides '40
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