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Faculty and Staff Recognized at Annual “Apples and Accolades” Award Program

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—Gardner-Webb University honored outstanding faculty and staff members on May 1 during the annual “Apples and Accolades” program.

Dr. Joseph Webb, professor of Communication & New Media and a faculty member since 2007, was recognized with the 2015 Excellence in Teaching Award. “He entertains and inspires his students with detailed descriptions and imaginative lectures,” said GWU President Dr. Frank Bonner. “A colleague described him as ‘one of the most engaging professors I’ve had the pleasure to watch. He is always well-prepared and delivers his message in a most intriguing way. The students respond to him enthusiastically.”

Dr. Joseph Webb

Also honored for excellence in teaching was Russ Gribble. He received the teaching award for Adjunct Professor of the Year for his leadership role in American Sign Language courses.

Russ Gribble

Staff Member of the Year Awards were presented to Cindy Wallace, Barry Johnson and Mike Roebuck, who were nominated by colleagues for their work for the University community

and its students.

Roebuck worked for more than two decades at Gardner-Webb in financial aid and then as assistant athletic director for academic services, where he served as a liaison between student-athletes, faculty and staff members. He passed away in March. “He understood his most important goal was to help student-athletes excel in the classroom and ultimately earn a degree,” Bonner shared. “As one nominator stated, ‘His dedication, love, concern, expertise, creativity, and enthusiasm were the tools he used to get the most out of every single student. He wanted to do all that he could to help them be successful.’”

Mike Roebuck

Johnson has served as chief of Gardner-Webb University Police since 2000. “He manages to be a compassionate and comforting presence, even while holding students accountable for their

Barry Johnson

actions, which is sometimes a difficult balance to strike,” Bonner offered. “For nearly 20 years, he has put the needs of the students first and has provided essential leadership in managing a variety of challenging situations.”

Wallace came to Gardner-Webb in 1994 and now serves as director of counseling services. “Her care and concern for others goes before her each day,” Bonner said. “Her colleagues have witnessed her steadfast commitment to those around her, both in her professional and personal life. Across the University campus and even beyond it, she has garnered a positive reputation as one who exemplifies service, collaboration and teamwork.”



Cindy Wallace

Community engagement awards were presented to Dr. Susan Manahan, assistant professor of biology and director of service learning, and Dr. John Karriker, associate dean for Degree Completion Program regional management.

Susan Manahan

GWU employees were also recognized for their tenures of service to the University. Lou Ann Scates, Gardner-Webb’s registrar, was honored for 30 years of service.

Dr. John Karriker

Awards for 25 years of service were presented to:

David M. Carscaddon	Audrey M. Sloan
Tammy C. Hoyle	David K. Yelton
Wayne E. Johnson Jr.	Ralph W. (Scoot) Dixon Jr.
James C. Johnson	

Awards for 10 years of service were presented to:

John M. Karriker	Suzanne H. Bonner	M. Lynn Hicks
Cary L. Caldwell	Jeffrey M. Hartman	Natetsa M. Lawrence
Rebecca L. Toney	Steven G. Johnson	Deborah T. Hill
Summer G. Nance	Deborah M. Ware	Pamela L. Skinner
Shannon P. Pruett	Karen C. Ferree	Elizabeth M. Pack
David W. Morrow	Teresa White	Joe W. Collins

Retirement awards were presented to April Harrill, Ralph W. (Scoot) Dixon Jr., Oscar Zamora, and Harrison Williams.

Located in Boiling Springs, N.C., Gardner-Webb University's purpose is to advance the Kingdom of God through Christian higher education by preparing graduates for professional and personal success, instilling in them a deep commitment to service and leadership, and equipping them for well-rounded lives of lasting impact, Pro Deo et Humanitate (For God and Humanity).