# July 2021 Staff Appreciation Nominations

### Hospitality

One of Bellarmine's symbols is the Pineapple which represents hospitality and cura personalis - concern for each person. Please select a staff member that characterizes learning and life at Bellarmine, as well as truly valuing the faculty, staff and students in our community.

• Michael Baux: Michael and his team in food service have simply outdone themselves this year. Their can-do attitude and work ethic, particularly during the pandemic, has been outstanding. I realize Michael isn't a true Bellarmine employee but you would never know it - such a great addition to the campus community!

#### Solidarity

The Ursula Laurel Tree represents the merger between Ursuline College and Bellarmine University in 1968. Please select a staff member that is truly collaborative with others, one who seeks to compromise and improve the environment in the best interest of Bellarmine, and one who demonstrates teamwork and empathy.

Allison Becker: Ms. Allison Becker manages the office of the Bellarmine College of Arts & Sciences with professionalism and grace. She handles business for the dean and two associate deans while also providing excellent administrative support for the many faculty that comprise the College. Students as well have access to Ms. Becker's warmth and care. She is the thread that holds the many layers of the College together and I believe she should be recognized for her value and worth in this capacity! Allison Becker has served in the A&S Dean's office for three different deans, so it is no surprise that she has more knowledge of the day to day tasks than anyone else. While she has always been the "go to" person for our part time and full time faculty who need support and direction, in more recent years, she has become central to training and supporting our growing staff members who are beginning to take on many of the routine activities (load reports, PT and FT contracts, HR forms, etc). She does this with such a positive attitude but also with an equal commitment to excellence! She teaches and supports everyone with thoughtfulness and kindness and never becomes overwhelmed. In the 9 years I have worked with her, I have never heard her complain once! No one could ask for a more collaborative person to work with. We in the A&S Dean's office are truly blessed to have her support and are going to miss her terribly when she retires next year! She is unreplaceable!

#### **Intrinsic Values**

• James Campbell: James, as a member of IT, is always going above and beyond to help support the Bellarmine community. He is very informative and does his best to educate as he assists coworkers with their IT needs. He always has a positive attitude and is always readily available to help where he can. I know that if I ever experience technical issues, I can always count on him and he approaches the problem seamless and relaxed. It's so refreshing to know that if something occurs, he will have me back up and running in no time. I highly recommend James for this honor. He is extremely valued and is always working behind-the-scenes to keep Bellarmine and its staff functional so that we can be successful.

## Light of Truth

• **Piper Clark:** We would like to nominate Ms. Piper Clark for both the "Hospitality" and "Light of Truth" categories for March's Staff Appreciation recognition. She exemplifies the qualities in both categories. Piper Clark is a kind, compassionate, and collaborative colleague who always goes above and beyond to ensure that the clinical education department is running seamlessly in the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Bellarmine. Daily, her concern for students and colleagues is evident as she strives to ensure everyone's needs are met. She is empathetic towards all and willing to help resolve any challenge that may disrupt the flow of her "normal" workday without hesitation to step in and help. Despite the plethora of challenges that the pandemic has caused in clinical education, Piper has worked tirelessly to fully support our students and the clinical education faculty and does so with grace, compassion, and truly impressive attention to detail. Without Piper, the clinical education department and placements needed would have suffered significantly. For these and many other reasons, we hope she is recognized for her exemplary work ethic, empathy for others, and collaborative efforts to keep the clinical education department and students on track during a very challenging time.