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Virginia Tech Staff Employee of the Week

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Name: Joyce Nester

Job Title: Library Specialist II

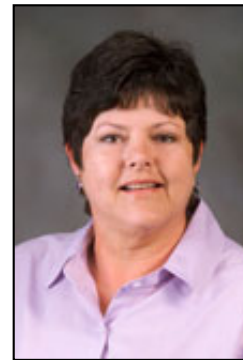
Employee's Home Department: Library/Digital
Library & Archives

Employee's College or VP Area: University Libraries

Nominated For: President's Award for Excellence

Nominated By: Carol Dallman, Library Specialist I

Virginia Tech Hire Date: July 27, 1982



Summary

Joyce Nester has been instrumental in developing Special Collections for the University Library, notably the Civil War Collection which has served as a signature holding for Virginia Tech. Through Joyce's excitement and creativity, she has contributed to University Development and Alumni Relations efforts by cultivating the passions of alumni and other supporters in the preservation of collections of special written materials. She has used these archives to teach concepts of Civil War history to Virginia Tech students, secondary school educators, and the general public. Joyce is well-versed in Civil War subject matter and is generous and gracious with her personal time to showcase the library holdings for students, parents, researchers, and other special guests of the university. Joyce "works with the big picture in mind." She uses a "strong customer service ethic" to generate exceptional donations to library collections that have potential for larger gifts to the university. Joyce Nester's commitment to the Civil War Collection at Virginia Tech is exceptional.

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