Dear Colleagues,

Now that the holidays are behind us, the A&S Staff Member of the Month Selection Committee wishes to announce our November and December winners. They are Jennifer Steigerwald, an administrative specialist in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD), and Patricia Whitmore, an academic program coordinator in the Department of Physics, respectively.

Here’s what our colleagues have to say about our winners:

**Jennifer Steigerwald**

“I can’t say enough about Jennifer—she is ALWAYS willing to go above and beyond her expected job responsibilities, in order to make things easier on faculty and students in the department. She is very knowledgeable, and we all know that if she doesn't know the answer to a question, she will find out where to go or whom to ask for the answer. Jennifer keeps our department running smoothly, and does so in such a friendly manner. Her positive attitude and constant attention to the needs of faculty and students are an example to others, and she should be recognized for making the College a better place.”

**Patricia Whitmore**

“Patty is extremely self-motivated, efficient, and friendly. She always takes the initiative to
do way more than she is asked to do, improving the student experience and generally making the physics department a better place to work. I look forward to interacting with Patty, and I am always impressed with her work and her work ethic. Patty is often the first point of contact for students taking physics classes. She took the initiative to put together an amazing set of posters outside her office that help students find the information they need immediately, something that has never been done before. She helped gather information and design a poster, highlighting the accomplishments of alumni from our graduate program, and it has been successfully used for recruiting and retention. Patty really deserves recognition for making the College of Arts and Sciences function better for students, faculty, and staff, alike."

Please join us in congratulating Jennifer and Patricia on a job well done! We are fortunate to have them as part of the A&S family, and appreciate all that they do for the campus community.

Please continue submitting your nominations to ASNews@syr.edu.

Sincerely yours,

A&S Selection Committee