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Virginia Tech Staff Employee of the Week

August 22, 2005

Name: Betty Mayton

Job Title: Program Support Technician Senior

Employee's Home Department: Southern Piedmont AREC

Employee's College or VP Area: Agriculture and Life Sciences

Nominated For: Presidents Award for Excellence

Nominated By: Carol A. Wilkinson, Director

Virginia Tech Hire Date: November 16, 1979



Summary

Betty is an extraordinary individual. Her responsibilities have significantly increased during the last two years due to the retirement of our Director and Farm Manager. Betty has readily and willingly accepted all new responsibilities. For example, she assumed full responsibility for procurement and scheduled training of a gps/beacon unit which will decrease the labor required to lay out field plots and is essential to the development of the forage/livestock program.

Betty is the staff person in Blackstone who people turn to when they need something absolutely, positively done right. Her unflinching accurate accounting of all financial transactions and personnel matters is certainly fundamental to the functioning of the department. The research, extension, and graduate education programs conducted by Virginia Tech through the center would not have been possible without her "steady as a rock" level of outstanding performance.

The deed has recently transferred to Virginia Tech from the U.S. Departments of Defense and Education; and the AREC has begun harvesting timber, clearing land, and developing new research areas. Betty has been an integral part of these activities and is perhaps the most knowledgeable person the office has on various legal and bidding activities that have occurred and are presently underway. She is very dependable, efficient, and a pleasant person to work with.

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