

## *Staff Employee of the Week*

### **Arlice Banks**

[Arlice K. Banks](#) is known to her colleagues across campus as someone who gives 110 percent to her job all the time. Banks, who currently serves as the executive secretary to the dean of the [College of Natural Resources and Environment](#), has been a Virginia Tech employee for more than 26 years.

“Ms. Banks has huge capacity for work, organization, details, and follow-through,” said Paul Winistorfer, college dean. “She has always demonstrated excellence throughout many years of dutiful and faithful employment.”

When a colleague in the dean’s office retired earlier this year, Banks accepted additional responsibilities without complaint or hesitation. She also reduced administrative costs and increased efficiencies in the college, according to Bob Smith, associate dean for engagement.

Banks has led the development of numerous publications and presentations. Her work on “[Engagement Matters Newsletter](#)” has won her awards for best southeastern Extension newsletter. The College of Natural Resources and Environment won the first year of the engaged college award in 2009 thanks to her efforts.

According to her colleagues, Banks is the embodiment of excellence in all she does. “Arlice is the glue that holds the College of Natural Resources and Environment together, and she does it all with such grace,” a co-worker observed. She is known to be extremely pleasant and makes her colleagues’ jobs better because of her efforts. She represents the university at the very highest level of professional service and is committed to excellence in all she does.

**Nominated For:** President’s Award for Excellence

**Nominated by:** Paul M. Winistorfer, Dean

