

I am The ROCK

Jean Richardson

Job: Administrative assistant, Office of the Provost.

Joined SRU: 1971.

Background: Following graduation from high school I worked in Grove City for three years as a bookkeeper. Joe Marks, the then University registrar, hired me in 1971. I have also worked in the Academic Advisement Center, the Admissions Office and for the past 20 years, the Office of the Provost.

Interests: I have been blessed with a wonderful family and spend a great deal of my time with them, especially my 2-year-old granddaughter, Adelyn. I love working outside in my flowers. I also enjoy reading, sewing and decorating.

Person I'd most like to have dinner with: Florence Nightingale (1820-1910). Although known for her pioneering work in health care, she was also a brilliant statistician who won many of her battles for change using facts and figures she collected and analyzed. She was truly a woman ahead of her time.

Why I work At The Rock: Slippery Rock University has offered me a lot of opportunities to grow as a person and to expand my skills. I have had the rare privilege of working with a lot of wonderful people and throughout the years have had really great bosses. The university has given a lot to me and I hope, in exchange, I have given a lot back to the University. I plan to retire in June. Although I will be leaving SRU, a part of the University will always be with me.

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