

## DONNELLY COLLEGE END OF YEAR AWARDS

# Faculty of the Year



## Dr. Patty Palmietto Raculty of the Wear

- Patty was able to increase our commitment to even more students with an additional cohort this year, successfully complete the application for ACEN accreditation, all while completing her DNP which she defended on April 10, 2023
- Students cry when they graduate, and she is asked repeatedly to pin them at graduation. They value her love of learning and dedication to the mission of Donnelly College.

Staff of the Year



#### Dr. Karen Lombardi

Not only does Karen step up outside of her job role, but she is an excellent voice for students. She is a great coworker—someone you want on your team. In meetings, she listens well, and offers sound arguments or discussion points. She is always respectful and kind. She has an extensive knowledge-base of Donnelly and understands that student needs are all different. Whenever we share meeting times, I am always relieved if they include Karen. People respect her because she respects others and truly cares for the College.



Adjunct of the Year



## Christopher Lowrance

• Christopher has been our dedicated adjunct of art and has taught our students to appreciate the art of drawing and painting. He has always challenged our students to be the best they can be and to recognize the talents within themselves.





Ana and Joe work tirelessly to promote STEM with current students, In addition, they promote STEM to every student group who comes to campus and are champions for all grade levels. They attend every event they are invited to and will think outside of the box every time. We are a stronger Donnelly because of Ana and Joe!!!



## John Hewitt, Director of Prison Programs

• You changed my life in ways you are unaware of even. I was sitting in accounting, and you came in and someone said," thank you, you're a gentleman and a scholar!" You smugly smiled and said, "yes you are right, I am!" I have always been a little ashamed or embarrassed of being seen as smart or intelligent. At the moment you said that response, I thought, "heck yeah and he's proud of it and has put hard long work into it. "I realized that was one of the most inspiring sentences I had ever heard. In a place where a man with good fists rules and gains reputations, you put the speaker at a complete disadvantage. I was not only inspired but I was on the fence about quitting school. I stayed. John, You as a teacher and friend have my deepest respect and appreciation for what you have done for me.