2010 Award Recipient

Paula Delaney ’75

Paula Fragassi Delaney, the devotion to WPI demonstrated by alumni like you is the very reason we created the Taylor Award.

As an undergraduate, you kept your fellow students informed and in touch through your work on the student newspaper Newspeak, and the Peddler yearbook. As an alumna and an IT professional, you have worked hard to keep that connection strong and clear.

You graduated, married classmate William Delaney ’74, and pursued a career in higher education. You advanced through opportunities at RPI and several area colleges. WPI was fortunate enough to have you on board for many years, first as registrar for six years, and returning later for seven years at the Computing and Communications Center managing administrative computing applications. Today—though you are just down the road at Clark University—your loyalty has never strayed from your alma mater. You have been an engaged and enthusiastic presence wherever WPI alumni gather.

You have been a longtime member of your class Board of Directors, and the Alumni Leadership Council. For more than 15 years, you have served the Alumni Association on the Executive Committee, and as a current member of its Board of Directors. As chair of the Lifelong Learning Division, you created opportunities for WPI alumni to continue their education long after they earned their diplomas. You have served on a number of alumni committees and working groups, including the Citations Committee, online community initiatives, revision of the association constitution and by-laws, budgeting and finance, and Reunion committees. And you were tapped by Skull with the Class of 2006.

As a proud graduate of the WPI Plan, and because you believe so strongly in the value of a WPI education, you keep on giving back, reaching out through continued participation in alumni and Student Alumni Society events, and helping establish the Class of ’75 IQP Fund, which supports project costs and student scholarships. Your dedication has carried over to your current membership in the Alumni Association Board of Directors Alumni Engagement Committee, and as a member of the President’s Circle.

Paula Delaney, for your tireless work to make WPI a better place for its students and alumni, we are honored to present you with the Herbert F. Taylor Award for Distinguished Service to WPI.