

## **The Donald V. Adams Spirit of Drake Award**

The following is inscribed on the plaque awarded to Spirit of Drake Award Recipients.

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Throughout his exemplary career at Drake University,

Don Adams has demonstrated and defined the “spirit” of this institution.

An administrator, mentor, role model, leader, advisor, teacher and friend, Don has been an invaluable to Drake in the many roles he has undertaken on behalf of the University. A true “champion of the student”, Don has been the voice of reason and the steady hand that has worked both out front and behind the scenes to make Drake a truly outstanding University.

Presented annually by the Drake Athletics Department to the Drake University faculty of staff member who best exemplifies the spirit of Drake University as reflected in its mission statement and in the daily life of the University.

This individual shall embrace the principles of a “student centered learning environment” while actively and consciously serving as a mentor, role model, advisor, and teacher. The recipient recognizes that Drake students are the top priority, fosters an environment of life-long learning, an appreciation for humankind and the development of Drake students to fulfill their goals for personal growth, career aspirations and citizenship responsibilities.

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