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ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA – For **Mary Kate Bell Brearley Glasser '46**, a Winthrop University education is more than simply a framed degree and a lifetime of memories – it's also a family tradition.

Glasser established the **Brearley-Rogers Endowed Scholarship** to honor her family's connection to Winthrop as well as provide scholarship support to current students. This **\$25,000 endowment** will assist Winthrop students who are South Carolina residents majoring in education. The scholarship will be awarded for the first time during the 2015-16 academic year.

Mary Kate Glasser

The Columbia, South Carolina, resident earned her B.S. in business education at Winthrop – and her degree signaled the continuation of a long, proud family tradition of receiving a Winthrop University education. Glasser's mother-in-law, Evelyn Montgomery Brearley, Class of 1916, was a Winthrop graduate, while her aunt, Daisy Rogers Montgomery, graduated in 1954. Glasser's daughter, Margaret Rogers Brearley Mitchum '75, also graduated from Winthrop, earning a B.S. in early childhood education.

This scholarship also honors Glasser's mother, Ola Rogers Bell, who taught her the value of a college education, and her aunt, Margaret Rogers, who made a Winthrop degree a reality for Glasser after she lost her parents.

Glasser, who was South Carolina's **2008 Mother of the Year**, explained that she created the **Brearley-Rogers Endowed Scholarship** to honor her family's connections to Winthrop and help future students create their own family tradition of Winthrop experiences.

"Establishing this scholarship is a way to honor the educational foundation Winthrop has given me and my family and help future students create their own legacies," said Glasser.

For more information, contact Meredith Carter, campus relations coordinator, at 803/323-2236 or email her at carterm@winthrop.edu.

About the Brearley-Rogers Endowed Scholarship

The Brearley-Rogers Endowed Scholarships illustrates key tenets of the *Winthrop Stands* Initiative: the notion that Winthrop University stands, first and foremost, for providing access, quality and an exemplary education to its students. Gifts of all sizes and types have a place in *Winthrop Stands*, which allows the university to complete the *Distinction* capital campaign. For more information, contact the Office of Development at 803/323-2150 or giving@winthrop.edu, or make an online gift.

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