

Congratulations to Laurel Lohrey — Zipstastic Award winner for May

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Please make an effort to congratulate **Laurel Lohrey**, above, right, as the winner of the Zipstastic Award for May. She is the coordinator of training and testing in the Dean's Office in the College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering (CPSPE). Pictured with her is her nominator, **Pam Duncan**, an administrative assistant senior in University Communications and Marketing.

Active as a parent and then as a team coach with Science Olympiad, Lohrey saw a job posting here for someone with teaching experience, administrative experience and Science Olympiad Experience. She was hired in September 2013.

Lohrey works with **John Fellenstein** on the Akron Regional Science Olympiad Tournament and Western Reserve District 5 Science Day, events that bring 600-plus and 300-plus middle school and high school students and their parents to campus. She assists with the Research Experience with Teachers and the Research Experience for Undergraduates grants. Lohrey served at Akron Polymer Technology Services (APTS) - Training Division, programming an automated customer registration, course enrollment and expense tracking system.

She upgraded the APTS-Testing customer quoting and invoicing process, and coordinates the college's customer quoting and invoicing for testing jobs. She programmed the CPSPE and College of Engineering faculty summer-salary PAF system, and a research database that stores and sorts CPSPE faculty research summary Power Points for industrial outreach.

Lohrey lives in Northfield Center with her husband **Roger** and son, **Stuart**, who is a sophomore here.

"Laurel is a tireless advocate for STEM education," says Duncan. "She is collegial and supportive to her colleagues on campus."

Don't forget to send in your June nominations by June 10 by completing the Ziptastic online nomination form available on the [Staff Employee Advisory Committee website \(http://www.uakron.edu/seac/\)](http://www.uakron.edu/seac/).

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