

# Rejoice!

Joy! Tis' the season to celebrate and rejoice! We're excited to announce that our 2015 Annual River Celebration was a great success! A dedicated committee of volunteers and generous supporters like you raised over \$15,000 for *Waccamaw RIVERKEEPER®* program. On behalf of all of us at Winyah Rivers Foundation, thank you! It is with great honor and appreciation that we celebrate your goodwill!



**THANK  
YOU**

# HAPPY holidays

As a busy mother of two, there are never enough hours in a day and I rarely have time for myself. Nonetheless, I try to make time. While my husband and kids slept in, giddy with excitement, I jumped in my car to enjoy a sunrise walk along our cherished Waccamaw River.

It was a beautiful December dawn. The sun was rising, the clouds were bursting with light, pretty in pink, as they reflected off the water. I felt alive, as the sun was breathing life into a new day and into me. Sadly, my divine moment of peace turned to frustration. There, about five yards away, was a ripped bag of trash scattered everywhere. I spent the remainder of my "time-away" cleaning up trash and my mind was flooding.

I began thinking about our relationship with nature. How pure and beautiful it is but as with all relationships, they can be easily damaged, or weighed down. That perfect unity becomes invaded by the accumulations of life and of time making things complicated and encumbered. It's all too easy to forget that our relationships are our greatest treasure.

Relationships are the source of most if not all of our joy. A place to renew oneself. No relationship can survive on its own. They need to be nurtured. By nurturing our relationships, we create a mutually beneficial connection. A connection that can be sustained and enjoyed for years to come.

Our relationship with nature is no different than the ones we share with our family, our friends, our community and YOU! We value your relationship tremendously, so please call or email us; or better yet come by! We would love to meet you, or reconnect in our commitment together.

On behalf of all of us at *Winyah Rivers Foundation*, we want to wish you and your loved ones a blessed holiday season.

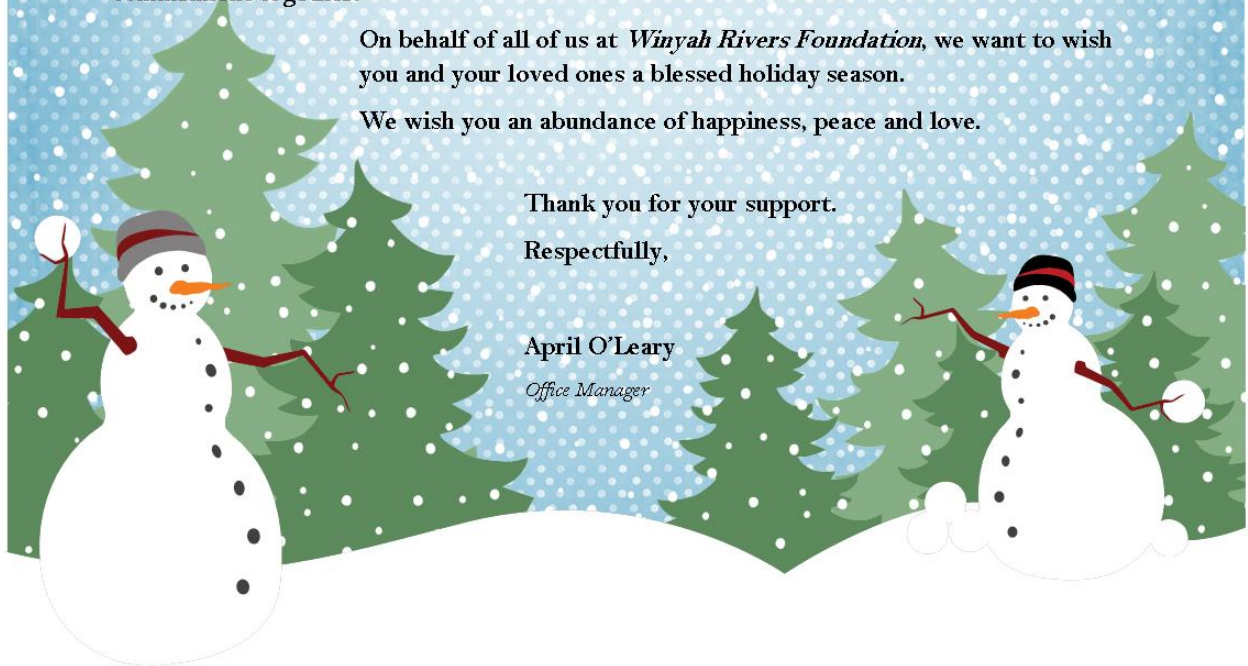
We wish you an abundance of happiness, peace and love.

Thank you for your support.

Respectfully,

April O'Leary

*Office Manager*

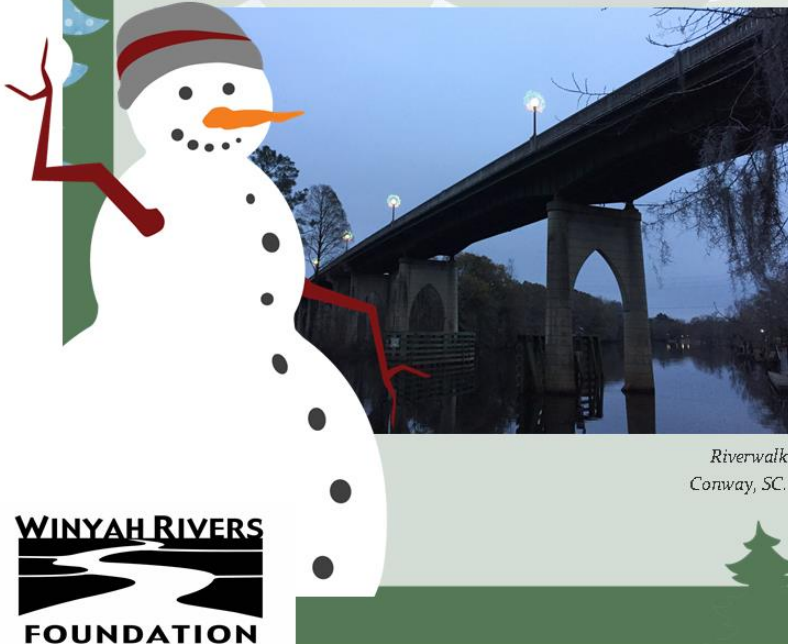




## Give up the Gifts

*The Waccamaw and the other rivers of the Pee Dee Basin have played a major role in our regions history providing opportunities for exploration, inspiration, recreation and commerce. Today our rivers provide much of the same; recreational opportunities, drinking water, a venue for tourism, and inspiration to those who either work or spend their leisure time on the water.*

*The Waccamaw RIVERKEEPER® program of The Winyah Rivers Foundation is a network of concerned citizens whose primary focus is to protect and revitalize our rivers and watershed. So give up those gifts and instead give the perfect gift of a holiday charity donation. Help us preserve, monitor and revitalize the health of the lands and waters of the greater Winyah Bay watershed.*



Riverwalk  
Conway, SC.

**WINYAH RIVERS**  
  
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## New

- \$100 Donation includes a one year membership, Long-sleeved RIVERKEEPER® T-Shirt and subscription to our newsletter.

*(Shipping and handling: \$5.95)*

- \$50 Donation includes a one year membership, Short-sleeved RIVERKEEPER® T-Shirt and subscription to our newsletter.

*(Shipping and handling: \$5.95)*

- \$10 Donation includes one Waccamaw RIVERKEEPER® bumper sticker

*All donations are tax-deductible*

