



# STEVE BODINE

## EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR 2014

Over the years, the Information Systems team at Willow Run Foods has provided customized in-house developed solutions for Customers, Vendors and our Employees. This critical value-added service we are able to provide depends greatly on quality team members like Steve.

Steve started his employment with Willow Run Foods on March 14, 2011 as our Applications Developer. Shortly after joining the team, Steve was tasked with the opportunity to assist with the development of a Warehouse Management System. Many third-party providers sell WMS systems which are very costly to integrate, implement and operate. Having a team willing and able to develop in-house solutions reduces this cost dramatically.

In-house development comes with additional opportunities as well. One opportunity that should not go unmentioned is the collaborative effort it takes, working with fellow employees to provide the very-best solution possible. We have received many compliments on Steve and his personal and professional approach to development.

We also have a business partner that provided resources for purchasing the necessary hardware. Scott Edwards of VPN systems has stated that "Not many IT teams would even attempt to write their own WMS in this era of packaged software and ERP systems. The fact that you did it is not only commendable, but provides a major benefit to the company because you were able to develop the software in a way that fits your work-flows and truly increases efficiency and productivity as a result".

Steve's passion for quality shows in his work. Coding is a craft, requiring a blend of skill and creativity. We are so fortunate to have Steve as a part of our Willow Run family.