



The Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Awards Information

Each year, the Oregon Academy actively solicits nominations for awards from our entire membership. Qualified nominees were asked to submit an application to the committee for consideration.

The 2016-17 committee included the Oregon Academy Awards Chair, President, President-elect, and a Past President. We are pleased to present this year's recipients to you.

The Oregon Academy would like to thank everyone who nominated a peer or colleague this year. Please consider nominating someone next year!

We encourage you to begin thinking about nominations for the 2017-2018 year!

Look for announcements on our website and via email in December 2017.

Help us recognize our outstanding members!

Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
Outstanding Dietitian of the Year
(Formerly the Award of Merit)

Purpose

The Outstanding Dietitian Award is the highest honor given by the Oregon Academy. The purpose of the ODY award is to recognize the accomplishments of dietitians in the state of Oregon. This award will be reserved for special citations given only for notable leadership, ability and service. One award may be presented each year.

Award criteria

- Member of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics for a minimum of 8 years
- Active participation in the district, state or national association for at least 5 years.
- Has served as an outstanding role model of professionalism and as a source of inspiration to others in dietetics.
- Has demonstrated leaderships, e.g. in legislation, research, education, clinical dietetics, career guidance, public relations, community nutrition, etc. in the association or employment.
- Age requirement at May 1, 2016, over 35 years of age.

Past Award of Merit/Outstanding Dietitian of the Year Recipients

1983	Virginia Harger	1999	Kelly Streit
1984	Elisabeth Yearick	2000	Peggy Paul
1985	Eleanor Latterell	2001	Brenda Ponichtera
1986	Betty Johnson	2004	Kimra Warren Hawk
1987	JoAnne Magee-Marshall	2005	Anne Goetze
1988	Kathy Dobyms	2006	Mary Cluskey
1989	Elaine Mackie	2007	Carolyn Raab
1990	Sonja Connor	2008	Pat Fischer
1991	Cheryl Bittle	2009	Melinda M. Manore
1992	Jessie Pavlinac	2010	Martha P. McMurry
1993	Marjorie Norman	2011	Terese Scollard
1994	Madelyn Koontz	2012	Maureen McCarthy
1995	Alyce Puppe-Waverly	2013	Connie Liakos Evers
1996	Sabine Artaud-Wild	2014	Nancy Becker
1997	Ann Messersmith	2015	Garrett Berdan
1998	Marie Banfe	2016	Sarah McCormick

Outstanding Dietitian of the Year Diane Stadler, PhD, RDN, LDN



Dr. Stadler received a BS in Special Studies with an emphasis in Genetics and Development from Davidson College, an MS in Nutrition Science from Virginia Tech, and a PhD in Human Nutrition from the University of Iowa. She completed a post-graduate fellowship at the Kennedy-Krieger Institute/Johns Hopkins Hospital and focused in nutritional interventions for children with developmental disabilities and/or gene disorders. She joined the faculty at OHSU in 2000, where she is an Associate Professor of Medicine. More than 200 dietetic interns have graduated from the internship program at OHSU since she became Director of the Graduate Programs in Human Nutrition in 2008.

As an educator, Dr. Stadler she has been actively involved in teaching at the undergraduate and graduate-level for more than 23 years and also spends a considerable amount of time providing career guidance to students of all ages interested in a career in nutrition and dietetics. In 2016, she received OHSU's School of Medicine Excellence in Education Award for Excellence in Teaching. This is the highest award given to faculty for teaching excellence.

Dr. Stadler is also a clinical nutrition scientist and has been continuously funded to carry out translational and community based research since 1994. Her research has supported more than 30 graduate student thesis projects and has resulted in a number of publications and presentations at national meetings. In 2014 she received the John A Resko Faculty Research Achievement and Mentoring Award which is the OHSU School of Medicine Graduate Studies Program's highest faculty award.

Her clinical work and research has focused on dietary interventions for the treatment and prevention of disease including:

- Nutritional rehabilitation of severely malnourished children in Zambia, Africa.
- Nutrition education and growth monitoring of infants and young children at risk for malnutrition in the rural mountainous region of eastern Honduras
- Dietary treatment of children with rare genetic disorders.
- Use of extremely high fat ketogenic diets for children with severe, unresponsive seizure disorders.
- Comparing the health risks and benefits of very low-and high-complex carbohydrate diets for weight loss in obese adults.
- School-based interventions for diabetes prevention.

During the past ten years most of Dr. Stadler's community service has been with non-profit organizations that have an international nutrition focus, the most significant of which is her work as an International Nutrition Team Director for Medical Teams International (Portland, OR) and PREDISAN (Catacamas, Honduras). She worked with groups of 5-6 dietitians/nutrition graduate students to develop and implement a variety of nutrition intervention projects in the remote eastern mountains. This work earned Dr. Stadler grant funding as well as the 2010 Wimpfheimer-Guggenheim Award for International Exchange in Nutrition, Dietetics and Management from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation.

Thank you Dr. Stadler, for your outstanding contributions to dietetics as an educator, scientist and humanitarian.

Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year

The Recognized Young Dietitian of the year must be 35 years old or younger and meet the following criteria:

- Be a national Academy & Oregon Academy member
- Demonstrate active participation in national, state or district dietetic association activities
- Demonstrate concern for the promotion of the optimal health and nutrition status of the population
- Demonstrate leadership

Past Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year Recipients:

1974	Cheryl Bittle & Sue Pisas	1996	Cindy Freer Francois
1975	Brenda Ponichtera	1997	Kimra Warren Hawk
1976	Jan Daoust & Carol Linn	1998	Anne Schenk & Lean Van Winkle
1977	Kathleen Loomis	1999	Kevin Monti & Patricia Rose
1978	Cheryl Boyum	2000	Catherine Bennett Dunster
1979	Signa Gibson	2001	Colleen Freeh Flattum
1980	Jenny Nelson	2002	Niki Strealy & Kerri Traynor
1981	Christy Strong	2003	Katherine Hill Burton
1982	Suzanne Kahn	2004	Juleanna Andreoni & Betty Izumi
1984	Patti Tarbet	2005	Lila Ojeda
1985	Marjorie Norman	2006	Jenny Vannoy
1986	Peggy Lawson	2007	Andi Markell
1987	Annie Fanning	2008	Monica Hunsberger
1988	Peggy Paul	2009	Amy Floreen
1989	Kelly Van Horn	2010	Jeri Greenberg & Katherine Dodd
1990	Ruth Carey	2011	Danielle Podesta
1991	Connie Evers & Julie Hood	2012	Jordann Kearns
1992	Mary Baron & Sandra Kelly	2013	Garrett Berdan
1993	Anne Goetze & Lynn Guiducci	2014	Leah Brandis
1994	Mary Kay Dilerette & Robin Stanton	2015	Whitney Ellersick
1995	Cheryl Alto & Diane Quiring	2016	Sareena Smith-Bucholz

Oregon Academy Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year
Michele Guerrero, RDN, LDN



Michele completed her Bachelor of Science degree at Seattle Pacific University in 2011 and completed her internship at Oregon Health & Sciences University in 2012

She holds a number of appointments, including those on the Committee for Public Health and Community Nutrition, the Academy's Health Resources and Services Administration Task Force, the Academy's RDNs in Healthcare Transformation Group and Oregon State University Dietetic Internship Advisory Committee and is a member of the Nutrition Council of Oregon.

Michele serves as the lead of a collaborative diabetes and food insecurity pilot project with the Oregon Food Bank and Portland Open Bible Church food pantry.

As the Primary Care Registered Dietitian Supervisor at the Yakima Valley Farm Workers Rosewood Family Health Center in Portland, she co-manages a budget of greater than 1.5 million dollars and supervises 8-15 primary care RDNs that provide Medical Nutrition Therapy for a multicultural and low-income patient population in primary care setting.

In her application for this award, Michele shared the following about her work:

“One of the most difficult realities I’ve had to confront was the increasing amount of uncertainty and scarcity that patients and providers feel on a daily basis. Many of my patients can’t say where or when their next meal will come. And there’s not a day where both myself or my staff aren’t confronted with the finite amount of time and resources available. It is in this imbalance of needs and resources that I lead my team of dietitians. Which is not to say that I’m currently winning the fight, or that I succeed more often than fail. What I want to say is that I’m fighting. Hearing the stories of my patients, their diverse backgrounds and experiences, means never needing a reason to keep fighting. In a time when healthcare is an exercise in uncertainty, advocacy makes me certain. When scarcity has become the norm, the strength of my convictions has multiplied. So that is what I want the Academy to know. I’m going to spend this year and the next and the next trying to do better than last and in the process I will fail hundreds of times over. I’ll get frustrated and raise my hands to the sky because what we’re doing is not easy. However, when the dust is settled I’ll do it all over again only better because it is the only thing to do and I’m happy to do it.”

Thank you, Michele, for the commitment and care you have toward your r patients and staff.

Emerging Dietetic Leader

The Emerging Dietetic Leader of the year must:

- Be a national Academy & Oregon Academy member
- Initial practice experience not less than 5 years and not greater than 10 years. Interrupted careers or time periods not in practice are not to be considered or rationed into the 5-10 years of professional practice experience.
- Active participation in the national, state, or district association for at least 5 years.
- Not previously selected as an RYDY or RDTY.
- Demonstrated concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutritional status of the population.
- Demonstrated leadership, e.g., in legislation, research, education, management, etc., in the Association, community or employment.

Past Emerging Dietetic Leader Recipients:

1997	Sharon Salmonson Brown
1998	James Fox
1999	Lillian Brevoort
2000	Carol DeFrancesco
2004	Diane Stadler
2005	Kirstin Thingvold
2011	Garrett Berdan

Emerging Dietetic Leader
Emily Kennedy MS, RDN



Emily received her Bachelors of Science in Nutrition and Dietetics in 2009 from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma and her Masters of Science in Human Nutrition in 2011 from Oregon Health & Science University.

Highlights of her career thus far include serving as a preceptor to dietetic interns in her current work in inpatient, surgery and neurology teams at the Portland VA Hospital, as well as serving on the board for the Hunger and Environmental Nutrition Dietetic Practice Group (HEN DPG). Emily is also proud to have participated in two medical mission trips to Honduras with Dr. Diane Stadler and others from the Graduate Programs in Human

Nutrition at OHSU. Nutrition interventions on these trips focused on maternal and child health, and chronic disease management and prevention.

In addition to serving as Secretary for HEN DPG, Emily currently serves on the Oregon Academy Nominating Committee and has previously served as student liaison and secretary for the Portland Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

Emily shares that she is honored to receive this award alongside Dr. Diane Stadler and Michele Guerrero, both of whom she admires and respects immensely

Thank you, Emily, for fostering the education of dietitians-in-training and for your community service to our profession!

Oregon Recognized Dietetic Technician of the Year

The Recognized Dietetic Technician of the year must:

- Be a national Academy & Oregon Academy member
- Demonstrate active participation in the national, state or district dietetic association
- Demonstrate concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutrition status of the population
- Demonstrate leadership

There were no nominations this year

Past Recognized Dietetic Technician of the Year Recipients:

1986	Catherine Peterson	1995	Sharon Miller
1987	Robert Wilson	1997	Deborah Carreon
1988	Laura Condit	1998	Cindy Heilman
1990	Connie Gilbert	1999	Kathleen Cunningham
1991	Debra Tapp	2004	Julie Kerr
1992	Lorie Hallahan	2006	Linda Powell
1993	Laura Zollner	2007	Kim Elite
1994	Carla Patterson		

Oregon Outstanding Student Achievement Awards
Peggy Spangler and Anna Gianpetro



Peggy Spangler is a Didactic student at Oregon State University. Having previously earned a PhD in Food Science from University of Wisconsin she is bringing well rounded knowledge and experience to the table.

Peggy has a wide interest in many aspects of health promotion and food sustainability; healthful cooking, one-on-one counseling, teaching, working with children and seniors, clean water and renewable resources.

Through her professional and volunteer work Peggy has shown to exemplify the leadership skills the Academy holds in high regard for the future growth of the Dietetics profession.

Join us in congratulating her on being chosen as an Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics outstanding student and scholarship award winner.



Anna Gianpetro is participating in the Oregon State University Dietetic Internship. She graduated from Arizona State University with a Bachelors in Dietetics. She was awarded the 2016 Outstanding Dietetics Student Award by the Arizona Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

Anna has shown her dedication to the Dietetics profession through her active engagement in numerous professional organizations and volunteering extensively over the years.

Anna shares “I am committed to developing patient-dietitian relationships and becoming an effective and successful dietitian.”

That says a lot about Anna’s professional approach and dedication to promoting the Dietetics profession in a positive and future oriented way.

Join us in congratulating Anna on being chosen as an Oregon Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics outstanding student and scholarship award winner.