

ANFP Recognizes 2017 Award Winners at Annual Conference & Expo

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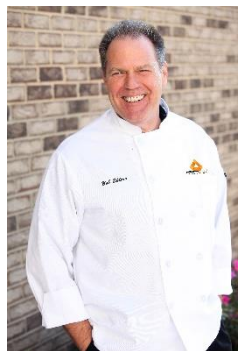
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St. Charles, IL - The Association of Nutrition & Foodservice Professionals (ANFP) recently presented awards to several individuals and corporate partners that demonstrate the highest level of dedication to the association and the foodservice industry. The honors were awarded during ANFP's Annual Conference & Expo (ACE), which took place June 6-9 in Las Vegas, Nev. The ANFP Awards Program celebrates foodservice industry innovators, and applauds individuals who advance and support Certified Dietary Managers and the CDM credential. The following awards were announced at ACE:

Ambassador Award

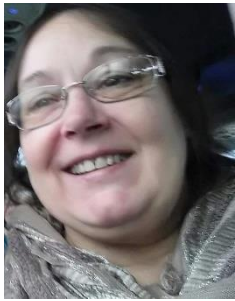
This award is given to an administrator, dietitian, etc. who demonstrated commitment of the CDM credential and supports the nutrition and foodservice department leader through mentoring.



Bob Ehlers is a chef and food broker with the Affinity Group. During his 20 years as a food broker, he has met and worked with many wonderful foodservice employees in their facilities. Bob understands the desire for the CDM, CFPP to be successful in providing quality food at a reasonable cost. His experience in long-term care, catering, restaurants, as a broker and chef, has made him an ideal mentor for CDM, CFPPs. He has taught CDMs from the NC and SC chapters for many years and has a strong desire to assist the industry in bringing educated, free-thinkers, like CDM, CFPPs, into the healthcare kitchen. Bob's years of commitment to the CDM, shown through his support, is a rare commodity in a challenging industry like foodservice. Bob has made those challenges a little easier with his devotion and advocacy for the credential.

Partnership Award

This award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated strong commitment to the CDM credential and supports the nutrition and foodservice department leader.



Tammy Renee Harms, CDM, CFPP is currently employed at Linn Manor Care Center in Marion, IA as the Dietary Services Manager. Tammy's foodservice career began as a bakery manager at her local Hy-Vee. From there, she decided to move into the healthcare industry. She began at Hiawatha Care Center in 1999, and in 2001 she earned her CDM, CFPP credential. Since Linn Manor Care Center has brought a CDM to their facility, the residents have had a more positive dining experience with fewer complaints for staff. Prior to Tammy, the kitchen served processed food. Now, everything is homemade. Families and staff also enjoy the meals at Linn Manor

Care Center. Many family members eat at the facility several times a week. Linn Manor Care Center recently completed a kitchen remodel that has supported their mission to prepare healthy, homemade, and delicious meals for residents. Tammy believes she has support from the facility to continue her career as a CDM, CFPP for many years.

Public Policy Leadership Award

This award is given to an individual who exhibits strong support for efforts to change/strengthen public policy in the areas of nutrition, food, healthcare, public health.

Carolyn Paseneaux embodies the Public Policy Leadership Award. Carolyn has helped to establish strong lines of communication between WY ANFP and Sen. Charles Scott and Rep. Eric Barlow, Chairs of the Senate and House Health Committees, explaining the importance of becoming certified. Carolyn is an invaluable resource and unwavering advocate for ANFP and the WY Impact Team. As she becomes aware of legislative issues, she is quick to inform the chapter and keep them in the loop on discussions with state licensing & surveys and other state agencies. Her long-time knowledge of the legislature and operations in the state capitol are a very valuable resource to WY ANFP. Carolyn earned her J.D. from the University of Montana School of Law.

Horizon Award

The Horizon Award recognizes members who are new to management, and who demonstrate a desire for future growth through conditions to their facility or community, or local chapter, and display leadership in fostering equality, diversity, and inclusion in the workplace.



Nancy Maslowas, CDM, CFPP is currently Chef Supervisor at Royal Suites Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center in Galloway, NJ. She began working in healthcare foodservice less than two years ago and within eight months, she joined ANFP and directed her focus towards earning the CDM, CFPP credential. Nancy's culinary background began in her parent's pizza shop as a child and expanded as far as Germany. She has worked as a chef for large hotels, casinos, catering facilities, military bases and iconic tourist areas. Nancy has discovered that working in healthcare is humbling, honorable and personally

fulfilling. It turned her job satisfaction into a passion and a rewarding career path. For Nancy, finding ANFP made the transition into healthcare easier with the valuable information, literature and credentialing program available. Nancy earned her Associates degree and her Culinary Arts degree shortly after high school, and recently

earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Hospitality Management with summa cum laude honors. She earned her CDM, CFPP in November 2016.

Innovation Award

This award recognizes members who enhance their nutrition and foodservice operations through technology, program development, nutrition, operations and/or creative use of financial management.



Margaret-Ann N. Leonard, MS, CDM, CFPP, is a General Manager with the Compass Group/St. Vincent's Hospital. Her career has led her to many facets of the hospitality field, from Courtyard by Marriott to Walt Disney World. Margaret-Ann currently manages foodservices, dietary and environmental services and recently created a new menu for patients and staff. The new menu tripled sales and has brought back the community to dine at the hospital for breakfast and lunch. The new system has decreased waste, increased patient satisfaction scores and cut food costs. Margaret-Ann has held many positions with Alabama ANFP including webmaster, newsletter editor, president elect, president, and is currently the past president. Margaret-Ann graduated from Tuskegee University with a Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management and a minor in Nutrition/Business Administration. She received her Masters in Hospitality/Nutrition from the University of Alabama. She earned her CDM, CFPP after completing the dietary manager program at Auburn University.

Dining Distinction Award

The dining experience can contribute significantly to the health and well-being of individuals; an optimal dining experience is more than "eating". It involved the nutritional value of food, the way food is presented, the environment in which food is presented, the human interactions that occur during the dining experience.



Michael D. Nowosielski, CDM, CFPP, FMP, is currently the Director of Dining Services for Chartwells K-12 with Strongsville City Schools. In this position, he is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day foodservice operations at a K-12 grade level account, while managing a team of 37 employees across seven schools. Michael is responsible for managing client relationships, along with ensuring that the food offered to students is fresh, healthy and tasty. He works with his teams and his client partners, their staff, students and the whole community, to ensure he is providing a great dining experience, while meeting the wants and needs of his students. Becoming certified through ANFP as a CDM, CFPP has opened doors for Michael to become a culinary ambassador and nutrition educator, by giving him access to an elite community of culinary professionals and support along with access to unlimited continuing education. It has allowed his continued success and growth to come full circle after being in the field for over 20 years.

Distinguished Service Award

This award is given to a member who has exhibited strong support for ANFP and its mission: Position the Certified Dietary Manager as the expert in foodservice management and food safety.



Jen Wright, MA, CDM, CFPP, supports ANFP by serving on numerous committees that promote future training and testing. She is also currently working at the corporate level to have all dietary managers within her employer's facilities pursue and obtain CDM certification to ensure compliance with the new CMS rulings. Jen encourages and educates new prospective students to join ANFP as soon as they register for the dietary manager training program. Jen volunteers as a speaker at local, regional and national meetings to share the knowledge gained over many years of research, and a commitment to honor ANFP and its many areas of support to the CDM, CFPP. She has more than 40 years of healthcare and foodservice experience. She is currently Director of Nutritional Services in a long-term care facility.



Dick Hynes, a Navy veteran, current Director Emeritus of Consultant Services with Hobart Corporation's management team, and long-time ANFP member, has a career spanning more than 47 years. Dick presently serves the Hennessy Travelers Association as its President, working with the Air Force, Marine Corps and Navy to help improve their foodservice programs. Dick recognizes ANFP members through his actions and support during ANFP meetings and beyond. He has put in countless hours of volunteering, as a speaker, exhibitor and as part of ANFP's Industry Advisory Council and Editorial Advisory Board. Dick shares his expertise and knowledge to improve the ACE meetings as well. Dick's love and passion for the foodservice industry, healthcare, and military segments, is obvious. Dick holds a degree from Dean College, has CFSP Level 1 certification, is a ServSafe instructor, and is also HACCP certified.

CDM Spotlight

This is awarded to a member who has received their chapter's CDM of Year (or equivalent award), or was named as the 'CDM of the Month' in Edge in 2015/2016.



Thomas H. Thaman, CDM, CFPP, AHCF, Tom Thaman is currently the Director of Food and Nutrition for Eskenazi Health (formerly known as Wishard Health Services). Tom has been with Eskenazi for 18 years and has been Director of Food and Nutrition for the last 13 years. In 1992, Tom began his healthcare career at Indiana University Medical Center as the Catering Manager and eventually became the Cafeteria Manager at Riley Hospital. Tom is an active ANFP member who has served in various roles through the years, including IN ANFP Chapter President in 2005-2006. He is currently serving on the national Certifying Board of Dietary Managers. Tom's hard work and dedication to ANFP proves he continually strives to bring the CDM, CFPP to the forefront of the foodservice and nutrition industry. Tom received his Bachelor of Science in Restaurant Management from The Ohio State University and his Dietary Management training through the University of Florida. He became certified in 1998.

Legacy Award

The Legacy Award recognizes commitment to ANFP through volunteer participation as well as event attendance at annual conferences, regional meetings, and chapter programs.



Ginger W. Cater, MEd, CDM, CFPP, is dedicated to the CDM and the organization. Ginger has served ANFP as the State President for SC. The year she was president, the state received the much-coveted Diamond Award from ANFP. She also received the Roland Peppard Award, which is the highest award that SC ANFP bestows. She went on to serve on many committees and task forces for national ANFP. She was the chair of the Search Committee that hired Joyce Gilbert, PhD, RDN as the CEO of ANFP. She has also held positions as a Director at Large, the only Treasurer to serve two elected consecutive terms, and as Chair of the national ANFP Board of Directors. She is currently the Immediate Past Chair of the NFEF.

The Nutrition & Foodservice Education Foundation (NFEF) - Foodservice Department of the Year Award

This award is based on Teamwork, Innovation, Customer Service and Operational Contribution.



Bethany Home, Inc. has been chosen to receive the 2017 Foodservice Department of the Year award! The Bethany Home dining services team pride themselves on the dining experience they provide to each resident. Cross training and team effort have proven meal service and events to be a success. The Bethany Home staff developed three new menus that now provide residents, guests and staff plenty of options daily. Bethany Home team members work diligently to offer true hospitality-style service and has a customized ticket system in place to ensure that all preferences and special needs are met. Bethany Home has catered numerous events in the community and earned a reputation as having “the best food in town.”

Diamond Award

The coveted Diamond Award recognizes one ANFP state chapter per year that exemplifies dedication to members through chapter initiatives and enthusiastic leadership.



This year, the Diamond Award was presented to Louisiana ANFP. This chapter's goal was to promote awareness of homeless veterans within their state and did so by working with the Veterans Administration and The National Coalition for the Homeless, to provide homeless veterans with a backpack full of daily essentials. During the year, each of the districts raised awareness as well as funds, for homeless veterans within their communities. At their spring meeting, the chapter collaborated with several high schools and Junior ROTC programs, to bag items for homeless veterans in their state. They filled 200 backpacks and delivered them to several homeless veteran outreach centers throughout the state. Through collaboration with local charity organizations that aid homeless veterans, they raised awareness within their community of their chapter's mission. Their hope is that the small gesture of appreciation for veterans can be the beginning of something bigger, and hope to continue to raise awareness throughout their communities. John Hickson, CDM, CFPP, accepted the award on behalf of the chapter.

Congratulations to ANFP's 2017 award winners!