



Call for Entries opens
1 November 2010

Deadline
1 March 2011

Entry fee
US \$50

The fee structure for nominations outside the U.S. will be set according to World Bank classifications based on per capita income designated as low, middle and high.

Submission guidelines
Award entries must be submitted via the online submission system. Instructions are available at www.nursingsociety.org/awards.

Judging
Qualified judging panels representing strong talent and expertise are appointed.

Notification
Award recipients will be notified by e-mail by 1 July 2011.

Presentation
All awards will be presented at STTI's 41st Biennial Convention in Grapevine, Texas, USA, on 29 October – 2 November 2011.

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Melanie C. Dreher Outstanding Dean Award for Excellence in Chapter Support

PURPOSE

During the 1995-1997 biennium, Melanie C. Dreher, president of STTI, appointed the Deans' Task Force to recommend strategies for orienting, involving and recognizing nursing program administrators for their support and effort in promulgating the honor society's mission and goals. The 1997-1999 Deans' Task Force further explored how the organization could better support nursing program administrators to develop and strengthen their support of chapters and work at the regional and global levels. In order to provide recognition, this task force recommended the creation of the Melanie C. Dreher Outstanding Dean Award, which was approved by the Board of Directors in September of 1999. The award was named after Dr. Dreher because she is an outstanding example of a dean who "lives" her commitment to STTI. In creating this award, the task force stressed that the support of deans in the success of local chapters cannot be underestimated, and there are a number of deans whose contributions have gone beyond normal expectations.

ELIGIBILITY

- All active members of STTI who are deans or the chief administrative officers (e.g., director, chairperson) of baccalaureate and/or graduate nursing education programs are eligible.
- Current members of STTI's Board of Directors, the award selection committee or members of the headquarters staff are NOT eligible.

NOMINATIONS

An STTI chapter or at-large chapter is required to nominate an individual. The individual nominated must be a member of the nominating chapter.

CRITERIA

- Actively engaged in supporting STTI chapter activities
 - Is an active participant in the chapter
 - Provides significant support from the school to the chapter
 - Involved in nominating new members, including students, faculty and nurse leaders
 - Supports faculty and student involvement in chapter activities, including actively publicizing STTI chapter activities
 - Supports faculty and student participation in local, regional and/or global STTI activities
- Assumes an ambassador role of STTI including demonstrating leadership by promoting excellence in nursing practice, education and scholarship
 - Maintains current knowledge of local, regional and/or global initiatives of STTI
 - Promotes STTI collaboration at the local, regional and/or global level
 - Encourages contributions to scholarship in nursing education, practice and/or research
 - Uses opportunities to promote STTI in presentations, seminars, conferences, workshops, etc.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A complete nomination consists of:

- Online entry form and payment
- Supporting narrative that addresses criteria (3-5 pages)
- Letter of acceptance by nominee
- Three (3) letters of support, two (2) required from STTI active members
- Nominee's curriculum vitae

CONTACT INFORMATION

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