

Award of Appreciation to Denny Nash

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On behalf of the Honors and Awards Committee of the Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences & Disorders, it gives me great pleasure to present the Council's Award of Appreciation. This award is given to individuals in recognition of significant contributions to the Council, or to the discipline and professions they serve. This year's recipient has fulfilled both of these criteria.

Tonight we recognize an individual who has dedicated over 30 years to the discipline. After receiving a PhD in 1970 from the University of Kansas, he began his academic life as a faculty member at an institution where he remained for over 30 years. During that time, he has served 10 years as the Director of Clinical Services and for the last eight years, he has served as the head of the School of Communicative Disorders. Since the 1970s, he has consistently served in various leadership capacities at the local, state, regional, and national levels for the American Cancer Society. His commitment was recently recognized by becoming the recipient of the American Cancer Society's St. George National Award.

We began to see him at the Council's meeting about 12 years ago. Much to his pioneering credit, he was attending as a clinic director, well before the days that clinic directors were mainstream participants. Within a short time, he served as a facilitator and recorder for the conference, was a member of the Publications Committee, and served two consecutive two-year terms as Treasurer of the Council. I had the pleasure of serving on the Council's

Executive Board for four years with him. It was during this time I came to know him as an individual who took the responsibilities of his elected position with seriousness, dedication, and by taking pride in a job well done. I also came to know him as a great storyteller and an avid Green Bay Packer's fan.

For his significant, all around contributions to the Council and to the discipline, we are pleased to present the 2001 Award of Appreciation to Dr. Denny Nash of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.