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# ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

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**2024 Recipients from Left to Right:**  
Kelsey Smith, Gene D. Thin Elk, Ronald  
Place, David Cullen and Kathy Cullen.

2024

## **Emerging Leader**

Kelsey Smith '10, '16

## **Public Service**

Ronald Place, M.D. '86

## **Service to the University**

Gene D. Thin Elk

## **Professional Achievement**

David and Kathy Cullen '76

## **Legacy Family of the Year**

The Maloney Family

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2023

**Emerging Leader**

Dr. Melissa Dittberner '12, '14, '18

**Public Service**

Matt Michels '80, '82, '85

**Service to the University**

Nancy Gallagher '77

**Professional Achievement**

Dr. Vance Thompson '82, '86

**Legacy Family of the Year**

The Cash Family



**2023 Recipients from Left to Right:**

Dr. Melissa Dittberner, Matt Michels and Nancy Gallagher.

Not pictured: Vance Thompson and representatives from the Legacy Family of the Year.

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2022

**Emerging Leader**

Dawn Marie Johnson '12, '20

**Public Service**

Erik Muckey '14

**Service to the University**

Dennis Duncan '70, '73

**Professional Achievement**

Julie Johnson '74, '76, '76

**Legacy Family of the Year**

The Mickelson Family



**2022 Recipients from Left to Right:**

Julie Johnson, Dawn Marie Johnson, Erik Muckey, Dennis Duncan and emcee Tyler Torsen.

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2021

**Emerging Leader**

Tamara Nash '13

**Public Service**

Kent Peterson '03, '04

**Service to the University**

Scott Jones '75

**Professional Achievement**

Russell Olson '94, '96

2020

No recipients named.

2019

**Emerging Leader**

Laura (Doshier) McNaughton, MD '11

**Public Service**

Alissia Canady '10

**Service to the University**

David Hultgren '79

**Professional Achievement**

Bob Sutton '90



**2019 Recipients from Left to Right:**

Bob Sutton, Laura (Doshier) McNaughton,  
USD President Sheila K. Gestring, Alissia  
Canady and David Hultgren.

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2018

**Emerging Leader**

Tyler Tordsen '15

**Public Service**

Deb Peters '97

**Service to the University**

James "Jim" Clement '88

**Professional Achievement**

Dr. Richard "Rick" Holm '71, '73

2017

**Emerging Leader**

Frank Leibfarth '08

**Public Service**

Hon. David Gienapp '64

**Service to the University**

Dan Radigan '79

**Professional Achievement**

Bryan Hisel '73, '82

2016

No recipients named.

2015

**Outstanding  
Public/Community Service**

David Gilbertson '72, '75

**Outstanding Service in a  
Profession and Career**

Dr. John Hallenbeck '64

**Outstanding Service to the  
University**

Susan Tuve (attended '67-'67)

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## 2014 AND BEFORE - CONTINUED

Richard Anderson

Mark Barnett

James Beddow

Richard Black

Ken Bode

Kevin Brady

Joan Brock

Thomas Brokaw

John Broome

Martin Chaney

Julia Chaney

Linda Hasselstrom

Maurice Haugland

Joan Holter

Richard Jacoby

Paul Jenson

Harvey Jewett

John Kingsbury

Lori Kumar

Darcy Kuronen

David Landry

Craig Lawrence

Mi Young Lee

Peter Dexter

William Donaldson

Orrin Estebo

Frank Farrar

Sandra Fisk

Kelly Flynn

Robert Frieberg

Thomas Fritz

Tom Gallagher

Richard Garry

Joan Gross

Joel Portice

Larry Pressler

Jeremiah Reedy

Carol Ricciardello

Charles Ruhr

Karon Schaack

Paul Schiller

Truman Schwartz

Dennis Shull

Denise Smart

Dallas Smith

William Stofft

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## 2014 AND BEFORE - CONTINUED

Nancy McCahren  
Nancy McCollum  
Judith Meierhenry  
Robert Michaels  
Lorie Michaels  
Edward Mickelson  
Linda Mickelson Graham  
Greg Mortenson  
Stephen Myers  
Allen Nord  
Lynn Odland  
Jerry Popham

Colleen Strand  
Harold Sykora  
Roy Terwilliger  
John Thietje  
Andrea Thompson  
Cathleen Tobin  
Lesta Turchen  
June Wagner  
Lyle Wagner  
Roger Wollman  
Marlon Young  
Elizabeth Zorn

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