

# The *Spirit* of the Awards

# 2012 *ElderAce* Award Winners

**Innovation, Advocacy, Leadership,  
Service, Organizational Excellence,  
Best Practices**

These are the qualities and ideals that make Wisconsin's Aging Network a nationally-recognized leader in helping older people stay healthy and independent.

The Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR) **ElderAce Awards** honor and celebrate those individuals and organizations that exemplify these qualities and serve as inspiration to others in the Wisconsin Aging Network.

**Recognizing**  
*Achievement* and  
*Commitment* to  
*Excellence* in Aging

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## **BEST PRACTICE AWARD** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ginger Ayers**

Information & Assistance Specialist,  
ADRC of Ozaukee County

## **INNOVATION AWARD** \_\_\_\_\_

**Barron County Office on Aging**

## **ADVOCACY AWARD** \_\_\_\_\_

**Oneida Nation Commission on Aging**

**Ingrid Thompson**

Director, McFarland Senior Outreach Services

## **SPECIAL SERVICE AWARD** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ethel Dunn**

Coordinator, Relatives Raising Relatives Children  
The Rainbow Project, Madison

## **LEADERSHIP AWARD** \_\_\_\_\_

**Janet Zander**

Director, ADRC of Portage County

**Jennifer Owen**

Supervisor, ADRC of Eau Claire County

## **ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD** \_\_\_\_\_

**Active Older Adult Program**

Menasha Senior Center &  
Neenah-Menasha YMCA

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATION** \_\_\_\_\_

**Gail Schwersenska**

Retired, Director of the Office on Aging  
Bureau of Aging & Disability Resources