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In Brief

Teacher named 2007 state chef of the year

Janet Shaffer, a Lake Washington Technical College baking arts instructor, was recently named the 2007 Chef of the Year by the Washington State Chefs Association.

The Chef of the Year Award, established in 1973, is given annually by the Washington State Chefs Association to recognize industry professionalism, contributions to the craft and community, and the advancement of culinary education.

"I was completely blown away by this award," Shaffer said.

Shaffer, a resident of Lynnwood, has also won three silver medals and two bronze medals at recent American Culinary Federation baking competitions. She participates annually as a judge in the Bite of Seattle and serves as the secretary of the Washington State Chefs Association.

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tor at LWTC's Baking Arts program since 2003 and is also an alumna of the program.