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Dr. Marilyn Winkleby, Professor of Medicine, Stanford University, has been awarded the Judith Pool Award from the Northern CA Chapters of the Association for Women in Science (AWIS). The award is given annually to a senior level woman scientist who has contributed to the success of women in the sciences. Dr. Winkleby was named as the award winner because of her years of mentoring low-income high school students in the sciences, helping to break down barriers and create opportunities to ensure that women in the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields can achieve their full potential.

The award is in honor of Judith Poole, Ph.D., 1919-1975, who co-founded the Association for Women in Science (AWIS) in 1971, was its first co-President, and was the founder and first chairwoman of the Professional Women of Stanford Medical School. □ In 1972, Dr. Pool was promoted to Professor of Medicine at Stanford, making her one of the first two women to attain this position at Stanford Medical School. It was in part her struggle for recognition at Stanford that led her to AWIS.

Dr. Winkleby will be honored at an awards ceremony in April where she will speak about how and why she came to commit time and effort in outreach to assist others in their career and professional development.

For further information, see:

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National AWIS <http://www.awis.org/>

Northern California Chapters-AWIS <http://www.nccawis.org/frmmain.htm>