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## EPICUREAN GROUP CEO RECEIVES TOP HONOR

Mary Clark Bartlett, CEO of Epicurean Group, recently received the Carême Medal from the Chefs Association of the Pacific Coast for her education and advocacy efforts.



The Carême Medal is an exceptional food industry honor and was awarded at a black-tie ceremony in Monterey, California on November 3, 2013. Named for Chef Antonin Carême, “the chef of kings and the king of chefs,” the award honors “individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the culinary profession, to education, or the advancement of gastronomy and to the culinary arts.” Bartlett was one of this year’s six distinguished medal recipients, including the Honorable Leon Panetta, Aaron Johnson, Lars Kronmark, Thomas Macrina and Bobby Moghaddam. She was the 160th recipient and the seventh woman to have been named a medalist, joining such notables as Julia Child and Martin Yan.

Bartlett was honored as “a recognized thought-leader in sustainable food,” citing her environmental education and advocacy efforts. She accepted the award on behalf of her two business partners, Rey Hernandez and Marvin Rodriguez, who, she said, have been by her side since the company’s inception. “Martin and Rey share my vision of a new American food system, one that provides the kind of food that’s good for our bodies and for the environment.” Bartlett said that the award was particularly meaningful because this year is Epicurean Group’s ten-year anniversary.

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