



### Letter from the President

It's hard to believe that winter is upon us already! During the board meeting conference call in August, it was decided to go forward with changing our association name to Wyoming Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. More information regarding the name change will be sent out as it becomes available. Regarding licensure, the deadline to apply was July 1, 2012. At this time, 105 Wyoming RDs are now licensed. If you have any questions or concerns regarding licensure, please contact the Dietetics Licensing Board at (307) 777-3628. Information can also be found at

<http://plboards.state.wy.us/dietetics/index.asp>

Remember, the WDA board is always looking for suggestions on how to improve communication and involvement in our association, so if you have any ideas please send me an email at [kcase@natronacounty-wy.gov](mailto:kcase@natronacounty-wy.gov). Also, if you're interested in becoming more involved in the Association or would like more information on how to serve on the board, please contact me. Nominations are due soon, so now is the time to speak up!

Thank you!

*Karla Case, RD, LD*

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## 2012-2013 Board of Directors

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## Looking for a WDA Member?

Check out the Updated WDA Membership List on the WDA Website

[www.wyomingdieteticassociation.com](http://www.wyomingdieteticassociation.com)

Member Section

Password: *eatwyo* – press the login button

Thank you for the corrections

Please email [paulae@bresnan.net](mailto:paulae@bresnan.net) with additional corrections.

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## Get Involved!

Seeking Nominations for 2013-2014 WDA Board of Directors

President Elect

Secretary

Nominating Committee

*Interested...please contact Debbie Collins at [debbie.collins@bannerhealth.com](mailto:debbie.collins@bannerhealth.com)*

Why Get Involved? Click on Link

[Seven Ways Volunteer Leadership Can Help Your Career.pdf](#)

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## Let's Celebrate!

### Congratulations WDA!

The 2012 Affiliate Challenge has come to a close and the Wyoming Dietetic Association has won an award!

We have been commended on our outreach and recruitment efforts and are the recipients of \$500 from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

### Mindy Meuli, MS, RD, CDE, LD

New advisor for the Student Dietetic Association

WDA looks forward to working with you and the UW students.

### Emily Sims, DTR

She recently passed her DTR exam

Food Service Supervisor/DTR at Iverson Memorial Hospital.



## REQUEST NOMINATIONS FOR 2013 WDA AWARDS

Nominations for 2013 WDA Awards which include Outstanding Dietitian of the Year (ODY), Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year (RYDY), Emerging Dietetic Leader (EDL), and Recognized Dietetic Technician of the Year (RDTY) are being requested by the WDA Award Chair.

Please have your nominations to Sharon Crispin by December 15, 2012.  
You may contact her at 307-673-1948 or e-mail at [rcsc@fiberpipe.net](mailto:rcsc@fiberpipe.net).

The names of previous winners can be found in the front of your WDA Membership Directory.  
The 2012 winners were Kate Stratton-Schulz ODY, Jamie Wilder RYDY, and Sarah Downs RDTY.  
The 2011 winners were Beth Kamber ODY, and Karla Case EDL,

Following are the 2013 WDA AWARDS CRITERIA:

- 1. OUTSTANDING DIETITIAN OF THE YEAR, 2013** - This is the highest honor bestowed on a member by the Wyoming Dietetic Association. It is designed to recognize and honor a Wyoming dietitian who has made outstanding and significant contributions to WDA as well as to the profession of dietetics. The Wyoming Outstanding Dietitian of the Year will be recognized by ADA as the Outstanding Dietitian of the Year for the state affiliate.  
**Criteria:** The recipient must be a member of the American Dietetic Association and the Wyoming Dietetic Association; must have lived and worked professionally in Wyoming for a minimum of five years and must reside in Wyoming at the time of the award; must have demonstrated leadership and/or outstanding accomplishments as an officer, committee chair or committee member at the state or national level in WDA and/or ADA; must have made outstanding contributions to the goals of the profession which are to improve the nutrition of human beings and to advance the science of nutrition and dietetics.
- 2. Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year, 2013 (RYDY)** - Award criteria are established by ADA. **Criteria:** Nominee must be 35 years or younger as of 5/1/13; must be a member of ADA; an active participant in national, state, or district levels; not previously selected as RYDY; demonstrated concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutrition status of the population; demonstrated leadership in legislation, research, education, management, etc., in the WDA.
- 3. Emerging Dietetic Leader Award 2013** - Award criteria are established by ADA. **Criteria:** Member of ADA; initial practice experience not less than 5 years and not greater than 10 years, interrupted careers or time periods not in practice are not to be considered or rationed into the 5-10 years of professional practice experience; active participation in the national and state assoc. for at least 5 years; not previously selected as an RYDY or RDTY; demonstrated concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutritional status of the population; demonstrated leadership, e.g. in legislation, research, education, management, etc. in the Association, community or employment.
- 4. Recognized Dietetic Technician of the Year, 2013 (RDTY)**-Award criteria are established by ADA. **Criteria:** Member of ADA; active participant in national, state, or district levels; not previously selected for this award, demonstrated concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutritional status of the population; demonstrated leadership in legislation, research, education, clinical dietetics, food service management, public relations, career guidance, etc., in the Association



## Wyoming Licensure Update

The Wyoming Dietetics Licensing Board would like to announce that the board's office has relocated to:

**2800 Central Avenue  
Cheyenne WY 82002**

In conjunction with the move, the administration of the Board has been reassigned. Effective immediately Debra Bridges assumes the duties of Executive Director for the Board. She will be assisted in her duties by Licensing Specialist Brenda Cowley. Their contact information is as follows:

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Executive Director  
Phone: (307) 777-6529  
Fax: (307) 777-3508  
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Brenda Cowley  
Licensing Specialist  
Phone: (307) 777-7387  
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email: [Brenda.Cowley@wyo.gov](mailto:Brenda.Cowley@wyo.gov)

Please update your contacts and feel free to share this information with others within your facility.

Veronica Skoranski  
Section Supervisor  
Professional Licensing Board Administration

Visit the Professional Licensing Boards Website at:

<http://plboards.state.wy.us/>

### **The Dietetics Licensing Board Members:**

**Mindy Meuli – Chair**

Dietitian – Laramie, WY

**Leisann Paglia**

Dietitian – Cheyenne, WY

**Anne Saunders**

Public Member- Douglas, WY

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I just wanted to remind everyone that the Dietetic Licensure Board is a regulatory body not a legislative body. The licensure board makes rules and regulations based on what is written in the statute. The Rules and Regulations of the Board have been adopted and are awaiting final approval from the Governor's office. The board is not soliciting suggestions for the rules and regulations at this time. The time to make those comments was during the public comment period for the rules and regulations.

The requirement for continuing education is by statute W.S. 33-46-103(d). The Board does not have the authority to change the statutes. Only the state legislature can make those changes by passing a bill.

I understand this is a learning process for all of us. Please direct any questions or concerns you have to the Dietetic Licensing Board. Both Leisann Paglia and myself are dietitian board members. Ann Sanders is the public board member. The board meetings are open to the public and the minutes can be found on the website. If you have a complaint, you can access the complaint procedure at <http://plboards.state.wy.us/dietetics/index.asp>.

Thanks,  
Mindy

## Action Alert

**October 18, 2012**

The new school meal standards are under attack, and we need your help!

Please support our School Nutrition Services Dietetic Practice Group (DPG). **Take two minutes and send an e-mail** using the grassroots manager to your members of Congress. **Ask them to support** these new standards that pave the way to a healthier generation.

Take Action Today!

- [Click here](#)
- Sign into Eatright.org
- Take action through grassroots manager

For the first time in 15 years the nutrition standards in school meals have been significantly improved. Thanks to your support and your voice, kids are offered more fruits and vegetables, more whole grains and less fat, sugar and salt at lunch time. We are so proud of our School Nutrition Services Dietetic Practice Group (DPG) that is leading the way in school nutrition. We appreciate and support their efforts!

Like all important changes, time is a factor. It can take time for students to become familiar with some of the new food items being offered. You might have heard a few stories that have surfaced in the media of kids throwing out school meals while complaining of still being hungry. A great example of our member's success can be found here at [www.schoolmealsthatrock.org](http://www.schoolmealsthatrock.org) a website created by Dayle Hayes, MS, RD. Rich in ideas and solutions, the photos only strengthens the position that these meal standards are achievable.

A few members of the House of Representatives have listened to isolated comments, and have reacted by introducing H.R. 6418, the "No Kids Hungry Act". This act would significantly dilute the new nutrition standards in our schools and undermine our members' efforts. We need to support our members and the creative and innovative ways they are implementing these standards, which are based on nutrition science and not just on what kids want to eat.

Thank you for your time!



**"Weighing in on Change"**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

**4:00\*PM - 8:30PM**

**\*REGISTRATION BEGINS  
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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2013**

**7:00AM - 3:30PM**

**Holiday Inn - Cody  
1701 Sheridan Ave  
Cody, Wyoming**



**IN CELEBRATION OF  
NATIONAL HEART  
AWARENESS MONTH**

For Additional Information click on link  
[2013 Heart Smart.pdf](#)

Or Contact **LIZ OR DIAN**  
E-mail: [lfabrizio@wphcody.org](mailto:lfabrizio@wphcody.org)  
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**Coming Soon!**  
**Information about the *WDA Annual Conference***





West Park Hospital in scenic Cody, Wyoming currently has a career opportunity for a compassionate Clinical Dietitian who will be responsible for the nutritional care of the Long Term Care Center residents, hospital patients and Cedar Mountain Center patients with special needs.

Cody, Wyoming is nestled among mountain ranges where fishing, hunting, camping, skiing, snowmobiling and other outdoor adventures are abundant. Should you choose to join our workforce, you will be among co-workers who are friendly, compassionate, caring and courteous.

If you are looking for the ability to provide exceptional care in a nurturing environment while focusing on work/ life balance, please visit our website at [www.westparkhospital.org](http://www.westparkhospital.org) to view the current list of openings, job descriptions and to complete an application or Contact Linda Veylupek at 307-578-2465.

West Park Hospital District is committed to providing a workplace free from alcohol and controlled substances in order to ensure a safe, healthy, and work-efficient environment for employees, patients and visitors. Successful candidates will be required to complete a post-offer drug screen. EOE

Memorial Hospital of Converse County is a 25 bed, critical access hospital located in Douglas, Wyoming. Memorial Hospital is currently seeking a Wyoming Licensed, Registered Dietitian. The successful candidate will work as an independent contractor/consultant for the hospital serving up to 21 hours per week in the hospital. Some duties include assessment of patient's nutritional status, medical nutrition therapy education including diabetic education in both the inpatient and outpatient settings and the approval of patient-menus. Food service duties include education for staff in the areas of nutrition and food safety, involvement in quality assurance program and support for the dietary manager. For additional information contact Karl Hertz at Memorial Hospital of Converse County, (307) 358-1417. Memorial Hospital is an equal opportunity employer. [www.ConverseHospital.com](http://www.ConverseHospital.com)

We have an immediate need for a consultant RD at Green House Living for Sheridan, a long-term care home in Sheridan, Wyoming for 4 hours/week. Duties involve direct observation of 1 meal/week, intake assessment, and cycle menu analysis.

Contact Chris Dempsey, HR representative, at 307-672-0600 for details.

*If you have any information you would like to share with the WDA membership please email Paula Eskam @ [paulae@bresnan.net](mailto:paulae@bresnan.net).*