



WAND President's Report

This past month I attended the 2016 Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo (FNCE) in Boston as WAND's President. The four days spent in Boston were a great opportunity to meet and network with RDNs, DTRNs, and other professionals across the county. It was also an excellent opportunity to find inspiration, learn new information, and advocate for the profession. Highlights included attending the opening session and listening to the Academy's President, Lucille Beseler, visiting the many poster breakout sessions, wandering the expansive Expo floor, and running into other Wyoming RDNs and University of Wyoming dietetic students.

More than anything else my time spent in Boston reminded me how the services we provide as RDNs and DTRNs are extremely important and how serving our profession through WAND helps keep us strong collectively. As I approach the midpoint of my tenure as President, I can't help but be amazed by all the great work being done statewide and nationally through so many committed and passionate individuals serving on the WAND Board. The commitment and passion demonstrated by these individuals helps make our profession and the RDN credential stronger. I would like to thank those that have worked hard and continue to do so. I would also like to take this opportunity to call on all WAND members that would like to "step up to the plate." Consider volunteering your time, commitment, and passion by serving as a WAND Board member because the work that is accomplished through our organization is important. The following positions on the Board will be open for the next year:

- President-elect
- Secretary
- Treasurer- elect
- Chairman Council on Professional Issues
- Nominating Committee (2 positions)

Best,

Megan

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Vision Statement

Wyoming Academy of Nutrition and Dietetic members are recognized and utilized as the most valued resource for food and nutrition services.

Mission Statement

Empowering Wyoming's food and nutrition experts.

Wyoming Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (WAND)

2016-17 Board of Directors and Committee Chairs

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Past President
Secretary
Treasurer
Delegate
Nominating Committee:

Council on Professional Issues

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Check out the Updated WAND Membership
List

on the WAND Website

www.eatrightwyoming.org

Member Section

Password: **eatwyo** – press the login button

Please email info@eatrightwyoming.org
with corrections.



Election Time...Get Involved!

Seeking Nominations for 2017-2018 WAND Board of Directors

President- Elect

Serves as President-Elect for one year, President for one year, and Past President for one year.

Secretary

Serves for two years.

Treasurer-Elect

Serves as Treasurer-Elect for one year and as Treasurer for two years.

Chair of the Council on Professional Issues

Serves for two years.

Nominating Committee (2 members)

Will serve for two years with the one receiving the most votes serving as Chair.

Please start thinking about any of your member colleagues who might be interested in becoming involved with WAND in a leadership capacity or let us know if you yourself are interested in any of these positions.

You can contact Sue Combe at pcombe@bresnan.net, Cheryl Gray at cheryl22gray@gmail.com, or Jamie Marchetti at jamie.marchetti@cchwyo.org to make a nomination or to submit your name for any of the board positions outlined above.

Please review the WAND Job Descriptions on the WAND Website at
www.eatrightwyoming.org

Member Section – password is *eatwyo* (press the login button)

Nominations must be submitted to the Nominations Committee by Dec. 15th.

Please check out the WAND Website for a complete list of
Past Elected Board Members

REQUESTING NOMINATIONS FOR 2015 WAND AWARDS

Outstanding Dietitian of the Year (ODY)
Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year (RYDY)
Emerging Dietetic Leader (EDL)
Recognized Dietetic Technician of the Year (RDTY)

Please email your nominations to Liz Fabrizio by December 15, 2016 at lfabrizio@wphcody.org

The names of previous winners can be found on the WAND Website www.eatrightwyoming.org
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Following are the 2017 WAND AWARDS CRITERIA:

- **Outstanding Dietitian of the Year, 2017 (ODY)** - This is the highest honor bestowed on a member by the Wyoming Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (WAND). It is designed to recognize and honor a Wyoming dietitian who has made outstanding and significant contributions to WAND as well as to the profession of dietetics. The Wyoming Outstanding Dietitian of the Year will be recognized by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (the Academy) as the Outstanding Dietitian of the Year for the state affiliate.
 - **Criteria:** The recipient must be a member of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and the Wyoming Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics; 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 WAND and/or the Academy; 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.
- **Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year, 2017 (RYDY)** - Award criteria are established by the Academy.
 - **Criteria:** Nominee must be 35 years or younger as of 5/1/15; 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 WAND.
- **Emerging Dietetic Leader Award 2017** - Award criteria are established by the Academy.
 - **Criteria:** Member of the Academy; 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.
- **Recognized Dietetic Technician of the Year, 2017 (RDTY)**-Award criteria are established by the Academy.
 - **Criteria:** Member of the Academy; 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

Welcome to Wyoming!

How I got to WY:

I was actually born in Douglas, WY, but moved to Fargo, ND, at only 2 months old. However, my dad was born and raised in Wheatland, WY, along with his 6 siblings so our family often returned to the WY, MT, CO corridor for family reunions and holidays. My husband and I have lived in ND, MN, and IA, so this is our first experience living at elevation! After completing my PhD in May and accepting a faculty position in the department of Family & Consumer Sciences at UW, we moved from Barnesville, MN, to Laramie.

Professional/Personal Interests:

Professionally, I have worked in the field of nutrition in clinical, community, and foodservice capacities. However, when I began teaching and working with students at a tribal college in Bismarck, ND, I felt I found my true calling in research and teaching! I'm passionate about nutrition education and addressing health and education disparities through research. My research interests include identifying contributing factors to eating behaviors such as the role of food preparation skills, consumer perception of nutrition information, and the effect of utilizing culturally relevant educational strategies. In addition, my previous work with American Indian students contributed to a desire to benefit the health and future goals of American Indian youth and tribal communities through focused efforts to understand barriers and strategies to promote healthy food choices.

Personally, I am so excited to be in WY and for the opportunities for outdoor activities. I enjoy hiking, biking, skiing (water and snow), camping, and all of the beautiful mountain scenery that is so different from the prairie and farmland I am used to. I also enjoy sporting events (particularly volleyball and football), scrapbooking, and reading a good book.

Family/Pets:

My husband, Nathan, and I have 3 children (Samuel - 11, Alex - 8, and Cara - 6) and 2 Australian Shepherds (Alpha & Omega). We are all enjoying the Wyoming sunshine, scenery, and friendly people!



Thanks for the opportunity to introduce myself. I'm excited for the chance to meet other nutrition professionals across the state!

Jill Fabricius Keith, PhD, RD

Assistant Professor
Human Nutrition & Food/Dietetics
University of Wyoming

SAVE THE DATE!

The 2017 Annual WAND Meeting is scheduled to be held at Cheyenne Regional Medical Center in Cheyenne, WY, in May!

Thursday, May 4, all day
Friday, May 5, half day
Details and schedule coming soon!

This event is co-sponsored by President-Elect Heidi Gillette and Public Relations Committee Member Leisann Paglia.

FNCE Summary from UW Dietetics Students

A total of six undergraduate students were able to attend the 2016 annual Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo in Boston Massachusetts this year partly due to the generous stipend granted by the Wyoming Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Each student received \$125 from WAND to be used toward their conference registration, flight, or hotel expenses. The students were able to get to know and network with WAND dietitians in a south-side Boston restaurant, Coppersmith, on the Saturday that the conference began. Each student attended four sessions from tracks that individually interested. This allowed for each student to have a unique FNCE experience that appealed to them most. Attending FNCE is an integral way in which students expand their knowledge base and learn about the impacts of the field of nutrition and dietetics:

"Being surrounded by thousands of other individuals who share the same passions that you do is very uplifting. As a whole, the largest impact that attending FNCE had on me was that it elevated my desire and reaffirmed my goal of excelling in the field of dietetics." - Alli Hinze, Junior in Dietetics Program

"As a graduating senior, the Dietetic Internship Fair was one of the most beneficial experiences at FCNE, I was able to meet Dietetic Internship Directors of schools that I am applying to this year. Hearing first hand accounts from their students helps me decide which school is the best fit for me." - Erin Lindorfer, Senior in Dietetics Program

"I attended sessions that addressed topics such as nutrition policy, food insecurity, and global agriculture. These specific subjects are ones that are not typically covered in depth in my degree program and therefore expand my knowledge of the scope of nutrition and dietetics." - Katie Jacobs, Senior in Dietetics Program

WAND Weekly Email

Keeping you connected and informed!
In an effort to reduce the number of emails you are receiving we are providing the WAND Weekly Email.

Please email Camden Robbins, WAND Secretary
at camden.robbins@wyo.gov
with information you would like to share with our
WAND members.

WAND Range Rider

The WAND Range Rider is published
3 times a year.

Our next edition will be in Feb/Mar 2015.

If you have any information you would like to share with the WAND Members in the WAND Range Rider

Please email Range Rider Editor
Paula Eskam at peskam@outlook.com

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