

"The Blender"

SNA Newsletter



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Howdy to all of you, SNA of NH members and future members. I feel honored to have the opportunity to serve as your 2010-2011 President.

It won't be too long before another school year will be under way, we will have many challenges at the national, state and local levels and it will take every one of us to assure that the future of the child nutrition program is sound and reasonable. I know that together as a team we will succeed. If each of us try to get one new member this year, that small effort would double our membership and make our effectiveness many times greater. This is the year for congressional reauthorization of our child nutrition programs. It is vital that we have strengths in numbers. Each one of us represents the strength of the whole. Remember the old saying "Two Steps Forward, Three Steps Back" a good reason to support and be involved, together we can support each other, grow together and move forward.

Strong membership is the key to our success. Your executive board is busy planning more training for you. Please let us know what areas you'd like additional training, we are all here for you.

Our fall conference is being held Saturday, October 30, 2010 at the Oyster River High School in Durham. We are excited to have Nancy Rice, our national president, as our guest speaker. You really won't want to miss seeing or meeting her. She is dynamic, has a great sense of humor and anxious to meet each and every one of you.

This is the first newsletter in several years. We want to hear and pass along what's happening in your school. Your comments and suggestions are very important to me. We will be striving to make "The Blender" a professional communication piece that is pertinent, timely and informative. What would you like to see? What can we do?

We are hopping on the band wagon and "going green." The newsletter will be directly emailed to you so please let us know your email address. If you do not have an email, let us know and we will snail mail it to you. Be sure to visit your new website www.snanh.org.

I have a true passion for child nutrition. I'm excited to have the opportunity to be involved in an association that supports and strengthens the people who work for the children of New Hampshire

I hope everyone has a great start of school and remember to recruit those members!

Always,

Harlene

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SNA of NH Well Represented in Dallas

Congratulations

SNA of NH President Donna Roy
Accepts Awards

This summer at SNA National Conference in Dallas, our President, Donna Roy, proudly accepted several awards from our National President, Dora Rivas.

Several New Hampshire members were in attendance to witness Donna's acceptance of the following awards:

- ~ Thelma Flanagan Gold Achievement Award
- ~ Membership Growth Award, 1-500
- ~ Membership Goal Award
- ~ Increasing Membership Award
- ~ Certification and Credentialing Goal Award



New Hampshire also had individual members winning awards.
Congratulations also goes to:

Outstanding Director
of the Year Award → → → Joyce Liebl, Gilford

Louise Sublette
Award of Excellence → → → Denise Nedeau, Pembroke Academy

Heart of the
Program Award → → → Sherry Collinge, Pembroke Academy

Tim Goossens and Nancy Faucon Present at the National Conference in Dallas



25 Years Silver Circle Pins

If you have been in school food
service for 25 years or know of
someone who has, please
contact:

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Note from Paule Ralph



My two years on the SNA Board of Directors came to an end this past week. I will always be grateful for your trust in sending me to represent you on the SNA Board; it has been a wonderful experience. I travelled much and met dedicated food service professionals all over the country. I made life long friends. I had no idea how hard SNA worked to improve the lives of children all over the world, it was a lot of hard work, but also lots of fun. If you have a chance to run, please do, it is a very rewarding and life changing experience. I will never forget it.

On another note, I am very happy to join our SNA of New Hampshire as your new membership chair. I hope I can keep up the wonderful job you did. New Hampshire won many awards for membership at our National Conference in Dallas. I know all of you participated in that endeavor. I was very proud to be from our wonderful state. I will need all of your help and support.

See you at our Conference,

Paule Ralph

SEND US YOUR STORIES

This newsletter is for you—about you!
We want to hear all about you!
Tell us what's happening in your kitchen.
We want to spread to the good word—include a picture.

Feed back Welcome

For continuous improvement, your comments and Suggestions are very important to me.

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Need training in Healthy Edge?

Contact Donna Roy, Professional Growth or Patricia Laska, Healthy Edge Trainer, plaska@portsmouth.k12.nh.us

Do you have any used kitchen equipment that you no longer use and would like to sell?

Do you need used kitchen equipment for a reasonable price?

If Yes to either of the above questions, Please contact Linda Dodds or Harlene Batchelder and we will include it in our next newsletter.

Excuses, Excuses



What's your excuse for not trying out for the Louise Sublet Award, or nominating someone for the Heart of the Program Award or on of the many scholarships that are available through SNA? By the time you think of your excuse you could have already set the ground work for getting one of these awards.

Several members have won these awards and they would be more than happy to help you get through it if you will just ask.

The Louise Sublet is simply taking something that you are already doing, setting a goal for it and putting it down on paper. Heart of the Program Look around you. Someone in your kitchen is always going the extra mile to make her job just a little better. Why not nominate them?

We all like recognition for a job well done. Why Not You? Just like the Lotto You can't win if you don't try. SO TRY!!!



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Louise Sublette Award of Excellence
Heart of the Program Award
Outstanding Director of the Year Award

Our 2010-2011 Scholarships and Awards are:

ANC First-Timer Scholarship
SNF Professional Growth Scholarship
Schwan's Food Service Scholarship
Nancy Curry Scholarship
Winston/SNF Build Your Future Scholarship
GED Jump Start Scholarship
Kathleen Stitt Award
Winston Equipment Award

Congratulations to Maggie Doane on her retirement and thanks for the many years of service to the SNA Association of NH.

Maggie served as:
Conference Coordinator 1998-2001
and
Treasurer 2002-2010

**Remember that
Serving Children
is our Business -
Serving them
Well
is Good Business!**

10 Good Reasons Why To Become a Member



- ☺ Improving child nutrition
- ☺ Growing Professionally
- ☺ Earning professional credentials
- ☺ Sharing good ideas
- ☺ Making new friends
- ☺ Keeping well-informed
- ☺ Strengthening professional image
- ☺ Shaping school nutrition policy
- ☺ Networking opportunities
- ☺ Having fun!



Now is the time to join SNA. This is a critical time for School Nutrition Programs. Be aware and prepared for changes that may affect your local program. For membership contact: Paule Ralph at ralphp@nashua.edu.

District Owned Membership

Ask your Director to sign up your district for the new "District Owned Membership" with SNA. The intent is to make it easier for everyone to become members of our wonderful association. When your Director pays for the membership thru their Food Services Funds, the District owns the Memberships. So get your membership paid and yet if someone retires or moves on, their membership would transfer to their replacement. You still get your Nutrition magazine every month, have access to the website and are eligible to apply for scholarships to continue your education, insurance plans and so much more. Talk to them today. It's a great investment for everyone.

Welcome New Members

Shirley Bisson, Manchester
Judith Johnson, Rochester
Gail Lemoyne, Rochester

Lillian Ralph, Rochester
Michele Dumont, Rochester
Tins, Mayotte, Rochester

Mary Farley, Rochester
Doreen Mayo, Rochester
Elaine Hamilton, Rochester

Join Us!

Look for SNA of NH Fall Conference

When: Saturday, October 30, 2010

Where: Oyster River High School, Durham, NH

Meet and Greet Nancy Rice, SNA President

More Information to Follow

