



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### UNSA/KDDA Student Mentoring Network

I am a RD and am interested in learning more about serving as a mentor for undergraduate nutrition students. Please forward my information to Katie Kavanagh, PhD, RD.

I am an undergraduate student and am interested in learning more about being mentored by local RDs. Please forward my information to Katie Kavanagh, PhD, RD.

### Nominating Committee

The nominating committee would like your help with nominations for the 2009-2010 KDDA Officer Ballot. Please write in your nomination for the officer positions (including self-nominations). Nominees will be contacted to discuss the position (or other officer positions) prior to being placed on the ballot.

President-Elect: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary (two year term): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Committee (2 positions): \_\_\_\_\_

CPI- Chair Elect: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like the nominating committee to contact me to discuss officer positions. All nominees will be considered by the committee but not guaranteed to be placed on the ballot. Please contact Melissa Hansen-Petrik, PhD, RD, KDDA Nominating Committee Chair, with any questions @ [phansen@utk.edu](mailto:phansen@utk.edu)

## RETURN INFORMATION

Please return this form with membership dues to:

Leslie McAmis, MS, RD, LDN  
1818 Maury Circle  
Alcoa, TN 37701

Make checks payable to "**Knoxville District Dietetic Association**"

In order to be included in the directory, please return form and dues by **August 31, 2009**

For questions concerning the directory, please email:

Send an email to at [kddard@yahoo.com](mailto:kddard@yahoo.com) if you would like to receive email notifications.

Knoxville District Dietetic Association  
Membership survey

1. Who would you recommend be nominated for this years KDDA awards?  
Please see enclosed descriptions for KDDA Award Criteria.

Recognized Young Dietitian\_\_\_\_\_

Outstanding Dietetic Educator\_\_\_\_\_

Outstanding Dietetic Student\_\_\_\_\_

Outstanding Dietitian\_\_\_\_\_

IRIS Award\_\_\_\_\_

Emerging Dietetic Leader\_\_\_\_\_

2. Here is your chance to make a difference in your community and make KDDA an alive and influential organization. Please check the areas that you are willing to participate in the coming year. Please see enclosed descriptions of KDDA activities.

\_\_\_\_\_ Media/ Public Relations Team

Helps to maintain a positive image of the dietetics profession among consumers and health professionals by creating opportunities for positive visibility to the general public. The media team represents KDDA through various media outlets which may includes printed articles, television/radio interviews, and website/online opportunities.

\_\_\_\_\_ National Nutrition Month (March 2010)

Works with Public Relations/Marketing to promote nutrition by coordinating National Nutrition Month activities.

\_\_\_\_\_ KDDA Website

Works with the KDDA Webmaster to maintain and update the association website. Individuals may be responsible for a specific aspect or “page” of the site (e.g. Job Listings, Announcements) or work with a board member (e.g. assist the President-Elect with meeting schedule dates). If you love to write, there’s plenty of room for all things dietetic on our blog, Food for Thought.

\_\_\_\_\_ Legislation/Political Scene

Assist with monitoring and interpreting legislative issues. Serve as a liaison to legislators and government agencies. Keep membership informed of pending legislation relating to dietetics at the local/state/national level. May participate in the legislative “phone tree” to alert other members of legislation and to contact legislators to advocate for the nutrition community. Provides the opportunity to participate on TDA’s Day on the Hill.

\_\_\_\_\_ CPI committee

Assist with organizing KDDA update including determining topics, speakers, and exploring sponsorship opportunities, etc.

\_\_\_\_\_ Other Interests:\_\_\_\_\_

3. Please share any comments or suggestions for KDDA in the coming year.

## **KDDA Award Criteria**

**Recognized Young Dietitian:** Must be 35 years of age or less, a member of ADA, and active participant in the national, state, or local association. Must not have previously received the award, demonstrate concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutrition status of the population, and demonstrate leadership in the Association or in employment. LDN preferred.

**Outstanding Dietetic Educator:** Must be a member of ADA, faculty with or preceptor in the CAADE accredited and approved dietetics education program, demonstrate innovative teaching skills and techniques, demonstrate mentoring as documented by letters from students, and demonstrate leadership in the profession.

**Outstanding Dietetic Student:** Must be a member of ADA (by January 1 of the year in which they receive the award), enrolled in a CAADE accredited program, demonstrate academic achievement documented by letters from professors or preceptors, and demonstrate leadership and professional potential.

**Outstanding Dietitian:** Must be a LDN in Tennessee, active in or contributing to the field of dietetics and nutrition, an active participant in the national, state, or local association, not have previously received the award, demonstrate concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutrition status of the population, and demonstrate leadership in the Association or in employment.

**IRIS Award:** Must NOT be an RD or a member of ADA/TDA/KDDA, must be known to Dietitians throughout the District, and must contribute to nutrition in one of the following ways: a) promoting the advancement of the field of nutrition through scientific knowledge or technical skills, b) demonstrating goodwill through notable service in furthering the advancement of dietetics and promoting its high standards through resourced, time, financial or personnel support, c) furthering the cultural growth of dietetics, or d) contributing to the public awareness of the field of dietetics

**Emerging Dietetic Leader:** Must have been in practice for greater than 5 and less than 10 years. Must be a member of ADA, an active participant in the national, state, or local Association, not have previously received the Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year award, demonstrate concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutrition status of the population, and demonstrated leadership in the Association or in employment. LDN preferred