# ANTE MINNESOTA

Association of Nutrition & Foodservice Professionals

# FALL 2023 NEWSLETTER

### INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER:

OUR CHAPTER PRESIDENTS 2024 OUTLOOK MN ANFP FALL CONFERENCE RECAP CDM APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS

### Our Chapter Presidents Outlook for 2024



Jessica Weisbrich RD CDM CFPP Hello MN ANFP members! I am your current chapter president. If you don't know me, I have worked in long term care for many years as both a CDM and RD and have been involved with MN ANFP for over 10 years. This is my second time as your president. I have also served on the national board and committees.

Each year the board collectively develops a plan for the chapter year. The fall conference is the highlight of the first half of our year and involves lots of teamwork to put together. It was a success in October with 90 attendees, 11.5 CEUs and an excellent vendor show. Thank you to everyone who was involved!

### The MN ANFP goals for the 2023-2024 year are :

- Focus on recruitment of chapter volunteers and increase general membership for our Minnesota chapter.
- Advocate for the CDM credential and collaborate with other chapters and allied groups to educate the importance of employing a CDM.

To best represent the chapter and our members, we want your feedback. ANFP will be sending you a member satisfaction survey on our behalf in the coming weeks. Please complete the survey so that we can continue to have a strong membership and establish goals for the years to come.

Finally, I encourage anyone to volunteer for our chapter leadership roles. Volunteering with this organization has brought me so many opportunities and relationships that would never have been possible if I hadn't stepped up to help the awards committee 16 years ago. Our MN chapter is blessed with strong leaders who are also great mentors for any position on our board or committees.

> Thank you and have a great holiday season! Jess Weisbrich

### ANFP Upcoming Events

November 28th, 2023 -National CDM Day

January 19th, 2024 -MN ANFP Winter Board Meeting

January 22nd, 2024 -ANFP Townhall Meeting

April 4th, 2024 -Spring Regional Meeting -Cleveland OH



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MN ANFP on Instagram

# MN 2023 AWARDS

<u>MN ANFP takes applications applications for chapter awards</u> <u>presented at Fall Conference. These awards are modeled after</u> <u>national ANFP Awards. Chapter winners are forwarded to ANFP for</u> <u>consideration for a national award, presented each summer at the</u> <u>ACE Leadership Conference.</u>



Ambassador of the Year Two Awards given this year. Tim Kelly, Administrator, St Williams Living Center, Parkers Prairie Pictured with CDM Shana Nordland And Jennifer Mitchell, Martin Brothers Pictured with Jeff Wuollet





Horizon of the Year - Valerie Nelson of Pelican Valley Senior Living, Pelican Rapids MN. Pictured with Paige Kort CDM



CDM of the Year - Teri Ersbo of Waterview Pines, Virgina MN. Pictured with Jeff Woullet CDM.







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### SECURE YOUR FUTURE WITH AN ANFP YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP

The ANFP Youth Apprenticeship program provides 16 to 21 year olds in high school and post-secondary education a new and additional pathway to a stable career by combining applicable academic and technical instruction with paid, structured work experience. As an ANFP apprentice, you can earn the nationally recognized CDM, CFPP credential and acquire relevant work experience in food service management.

Leading healthcare employers such as Compass Group, Creative Solutions in Healthcare, Presbyterian Homes, and others are increasingly turning to apprenticeship programs to develop and retain the next generation of talent they need to stay at the top of their industries.



TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR FUTURE CAREER: Visit https://www.ANFPonline.org/apprenticeship for more details

#### BENEFITS UPON PROGRAM COMPLETION

- Popular as an alternative to college
- A well-paying position in food service management
- Eligibility for the CDM, CFPP credential
- Career training resulting in immediate employment
- Invaluable industry experience and networks
- The expectation to earn \$300,000 or more over your career
- Invaluable food service industry experience

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR APPRENTICES**

- Get paid from day one and earn while you learn
- Learn and master cutting-edge skills
- Build relevant on-the-job experience and gain exposure to workplace norms
- Receive regular mentoring and career support
- Access employer healthcare benefits and professional development programs

#### ABOUT THE YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP INTERMEDIARY PROJECT

The Youth Apprenticeship Intermediary Project, led by the Urban Institute in partnership with the Department of Labor's Office of Apprenticeship, brings together schools, colleges, employers, workforce development organizations, and other stakeholders to increase the quality and quantity of registered youth apprenticeship positions available to young Americans.

Learn more here: https://www.urban.org/ya

Meet Your Board

# 2023/2024 Executive Board



President Jessica Weisbrich



Treasurer Dawn Nickelson



Secretary Colleen Zenk



President-Elect Jeffrey Wuollet



Treasurer Elect CarieAnn Williams



Past President Marj Smith

Call for volunteers opens in February. Contact us if you're looking to get involved <u>mnanfp@gmail..com</u> **Committee Chairs:** 

Awards- Kristi Salisbury

Communications-Paige Kort

Education- Jeff Wuollet

Membership-Kathryn Hagen

**Strategic Plan-**Allison Josephson/ Marjorie Smith

Vendor- Bea Peterson

Workforce Development-Dorothy Rademacher

Brand Ambassador Lead-Dawn Nickelson

The secretary minutes and the treasurer reports from each board meeting are posted on chapter website page at <u>MN ANFP Chapter Page</u>

## **October 2023 Board Meeting Minutes**

The MN ANFP Chapter Board met on Wednesday evening, October 11, 2023 prior to the fall conference. All board members were present, and no members audited the meeting.

The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were read and approved. ANFP's bank accounts are now with Bremer Bank. The financial report does not include revenue and/or expenses from the fall conference. A summary of conference revenue and expenses will be presented at the January 2024 board meeting. The chapter treasury is in good standing and has sufficient funds available to supplement conference expenses if needed. AFNP has initiated new procedures for chapter financial policies and reporting in an effort to standardize those reports and better protect member dues and chapter funds.

Final details and registration numbers (+/- 80) for the fall conference were discussed. Using Eventbrite instead of Whova was reviewed and suggestions made for future conferences. Eventbrite was more cost effective for the chapter. Certificates of attendance will be distributed at the end of each day. 31 vendors registered using a separate procedure and invoiced through PayPal. This simplified the process and facilitated collection of set-up details. Several vendors offered to present sessions in exchange for a complimentary exhibit table which helped keep costs down.

Award applications were solicited using Google Docs as the use of Survey Monkey has been discontinued. There will be 2 recipients of the Ambassador Award this year along with 1 Horizon and 1 CDM of the year award. Recipient applications will be forwarded to ANFP for consideration for awards presented at ACE next year. MN received awards for membership, communications, brand ambassador initiatives, the state achievement award and was a finalist for the Diamond Award at ACE in New Orleans this summer. Colleen Zenk also was awarded the ANFP Legacy Award.

Other committee reports included discussion of upcoming social media posts and suggestions for the next newsletter, current chapter membership numbers, contacts with dropped members and challenges in retaining members, news from Care Providers and Leading Age and our participation at their conferences, news on workforce development initiatives through the MN Pipeline Project and Career Force and news from the Foundation, of which Dorothy Radermacher is chair.

Chapter Goals for 2023 and the recent ANFP/MN Chapter conference call discussion was reviewed. Plans will be forthcoming for the first ever "CDM Recognition Day" on November 28th and exciting news that ACE will be held in Minnesota in June of 2025! Watch for details.

Submitted by Colleen Zenk, Secretary