

## LEGAL ASSISTANTS OF WYOMING

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LAW News

January 2012

### 2011-12 Officers:

- President: Jeanne Jackson-Heim, CLAS
- President-Elect: Amanda Nelson, ACP
- 1st Vice President: Rhonda Hoadley
- 2nd Vice President: Jessica Duty, CLA
- Treasurer: Jane Fisher, CLA
- Secretary: Amy Wyatt, CLAS
- NALA Liaison: Tammy Wuertley, CLA

### Regional Director:

- Region 3 : Susan Sprague

### Committee Chairs:

- Awards: Wendy Trembath, CP
- Nominations & Elections: Kristi Fields, ACP
- Website: Wendy Trembath, CP
- Casper College Liaison: Kristi Fields, ACP
- LCCC Liaison: Susan Lewis, CLA

## Spring Seminar & Annual Meeting — Casper, Wyoming

Save the date! LAW's Spring Seminar is set for Friday and Saturday, **April 20-21, 2012** at the **C'mon Inn** in **Casper**, Wyoming. 1st Vice President Rhonda Hoadley is hard at work to put together a fun and informative seminar.

The Board considered member feedback and selected Casper for the Spring Seminar and Annual meeting due to its central location. The seminar is scheduled for Friday afternoon and Saturday morning to minimize hotel expenses and facilitate travel for our attendees. We hope you will find this convenient!

Please plan to join us for all or a portion of this year's seminar, or the annual meeting. Watch your e-mail box for a registration brochure and hotel information coming soon.

In conjunction with the seminar, the annual meeting and election for your association 2012-13 officers and directors will take place Saturday, April 21, 2012.

**WHAT: LAW Spring Seminar  
5 hours of CLE**

**AND: Annual Meeting & Election**

**WHERE: C'Mon Inn, Casper, Wyoming**

**WHEN: April 20-21, 2012**

## Bowling for Jason's Friends

by Amanda Nelson, ACP

I wanted to take a minute to notify everyone that Region 3 will again have bowling teams for Jason's Friends, which is scheduled for February 25, 2012. We do not have a specific bowling time yet, but I am attempting to get one in the evening. As of now, I will be captain of our team and if we can get enough participation from our members, Tammy Wuertley has graciously agreed to captain a second team. As this is a fundraising event, each member of the team will be asked to collect \$75.00 in donations. Each team member will then be provided with a T-Shirt,

free bowling and pizza. Also, last year several of our team members won prizes while at the bowling alley!! We had a lot of fun and were able to raise over \$1,000 for a great cause!

For those of you who aren't familiar with Jason's Friends, it is a wonderful non-profit organization whose mission is to assist Wyoming families with children suffering from brain or spinal cord tumors and childhood cancers by providing advocacy, helping hands and encouragement in the face of despair. As many of us are mothers, I am sure we can

all image how difficult that situation would be. I hope you honestly consider participating, or donating, to our bowling team (s). This is a great way to show community support and get the Legal Assistants of Wyoming name out there. If you would like more information about Jason's Friends, you can visit their website at [www.jasonsfriends.com](http://www.jasonsfriends.com).

If you are interested in bowling or donating, please contact [me](#) or [Tammy Wuertley](#) by email. We look forward to hearing from you soon!!



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Legal Assistants of Wyoming (LAW) is a nonprofit organization established in 1990 to promote continuing education, professionalism and networking to paralegals in Wyoming and the surrounding areas. LAW is registered with the Wyoming Secretary of State and operates under [Bylaws](#) adopted by its members. LAW has also adopted and is governed by the [The National Association of Legal Assistants Code of Ethics and Professional Responsibility](#).

LAW is an affiliate member of The National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA). NALA is the leading professional association for paralegals/legal assistants, with over 18,000 members. To find out more about NALA, visit their website at [www.nala.org](http://www.nala.org).

## NALA Liaison News

Be sure to save the date for the 2012 NALA Annual Meeting and Summer Institutes to be held this year July 25-28, 2012, at the Hilton in Omaha, Nebraska. I had a lot of fun at last year's meeting and learned a lot when attending the Personal Injury Institute. (There are several institutes to choose from). I also had the opportunity to meet a lot of other paralegals and was inspired by their stories and professionalism. This year, with it being in Omaha, maybe a group of us could even carpool and share the costs! For more informa-

tion, visit NALA's website at [www.nala.org](http://www.nala.org).

I wanted to send a big thank you to all of those in Region 3 that participated in our "Adopt a Guest" program this Christmas. Thanks to your donations, we were able to provide clothing and gift cards to two homeless people at the Central Wyoming Rescue Mission. I would like to send a special thank you to Wendy Trembath for helping me wrap the gifts! LAW will be participating in a fundraiser on

by Tammy Wuertley, CLA

February 25 for Jason's Friends. We are putting together a bowling team to help those families who are suffering with childhood cancer. We had a great time last year. For more information, please contact Amanda Nelson or me.

Don't forget to cast your vote for this year's upcoming candidates. I have enjoyed serving on the Board as your NALA liaison and look forward to being a continuing member of LAW!

## Call for Nominations—Due Feb. 15, 2012

LAW needs your Nominations and Declarations of Candidacy for officers and regional directors for the 2012-13 year. We encourage you to make one or more nominations for officer and regional director positions, or nominate yourself!

Kristi Fields, Nominations & Elections Chair, must have your nominations and declarations of candidacy in hand by February 15th. Kristi will contact all nominees to obtain their acceptance of nominations prior to placing their names on the ballot.

Click the link below to download a nomination form and information on submitting your nominations.

[Call for Nominations](#)

## Awards Applications Accepted Now!

Are you a LAW member who is interested in obtaining your designation by taking the CLA/CP exam? Are you a paralegal student who would like to be recognized by LAW for your accomplishments?

Applications are now being accepted for LAW's Outstanding Student Award and Future CLA Attainment Award. The criteria for each award and an

application form are available on the LAW website. (You must log in and view the Members Only page to obtain the award information.)

Recipients receive a CLA Review Manual, as well as a year's membership for the Outstanding Student Award and payment of the CLA/CP exam fee for the Future CLA Attainment Award.

Submit applications to Wendy Trembath, Awards Committee Chair, by February 1 for the Future CLA Attainment Award, and March 1 for the Outstanding Student Award. The committee will make selections from the applications received, and recipients will be announced at LAW's Spring Seminar and Annual Meeting in Casper.

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