

## President's Report

MS Dietetic Association

January 29, 2010

### Announcements:

Shelia Triggs has accepted the position of Executive Director for the MS Dietetic Association effective February 1, 2010. Rusty's resignation as Executive Director of MDA was effective December 31, 2009. He and Jean agreed to work on a month by month basis until we were able to fill the position. Rusty has also agreed to complete the tax return for 2009. We appreciate all they have done for us and will miss them. Shelia will be working from her home in Gulfport and will be accessible via a cell phone, provided by MDA.

ADA is currently advertising "Opportunities to Serve ADA committees and Task Forces". This is the annual process of filling positions on committees and task forces within the organization. This is an opportunity for you to get involved at the national level. Go to the "Opportunities to Serve" link on the ADA homepage for more information. This link is also to a survey. Appointments will be made based on information submitted via this survey.

The annual Leadership Institute will be June 10 – 13, 2010 in Scottsdale, AZ. The approximate cost is \$1,200 to \$1,500 per person. The registration has been reduced to \$519.00 for this workshop.

Shadowz Paranormal is coordinating a Paranormal and Wellness Expo at the Jackson County Fairgrounds May 15 and 16, 2010. They are interested in a speaker on diet and nutrition. If anyone is interested let me know and I will forward that contact info to you.

### Activities:

Coordinated the Search Committee for Executive Director. The committee met via conference call and in person to conduct applicant interviews. This committee will remain active and is tasked with reviewing this position at the end of six months and then annually. This is something that we let slip with the previous

Held phone conferences with ADA liaison on 2 occasions to update ADA with our progress in various areas, including grassroots and member retention and recruitment.

Participated in the #rd annual MS Blues Marathon with other MDA members. Thanks to Heather Crawford for leading this group.

### Financials:

No financial activity occurred this quarter.

Sincerely,  
Gina Wack

