



Last call for Nonprofit Impact and Spirit of Philanthropy Nominations.

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Casper Volunteer Guide 2010

Look for the 3rd annual, Volunteer Guide on April 21st in the Casper Star Tribune. This has been made possible by the generous support of the Casper Star, Casper Journal, and the City of Casper.

April/May 2010

Enhancing Community and Empowering Citizens Through Service and Volunteerism

Jefferson Awards Nominees

The Jefferson Awards recognizes Wyoming people who make a difference...individuals who have made Wyoming, and the world, a better place. The Jefferson Award program, presented by Hilltop National Bank, KCWY News 13 and ServeWyoming.org, honors ordinary people who through volunteer service do extraordinary things for other people, their community, their nation or the environment. Since 1977, when the program began in the state of Washington, many outstanding people have earned Jefferson Awards medallions.



This year 42 individuals have been nominated: <http://kcwy13.com/jeffersoninfo.php>
A panel of judges will review the nominations and medalists will be selected by the local Jefferson Awards Committee based on information submitted and verified. Four nominees will be selected as the Wyoming State

Upcoming Events in April/May 2010

National Volunteer Week, April 18-24
volunteerwyoming.org

Casper Volunteer Fair Casper College
Roberts Commons Ballroom
April 20
10am - 1pm

Earth Day Projects
Laramie, WY
Community Clean-up
Meet at Train Depot
Saturday, April 17
8am - 12pm

Torrington, WY
Community Wide Clean-up Event
April 22

Global Youth Service Day
Laramie, WY
Washington Park
April 24
10am - 2pm

Uinta County Volunteer Fair
Evanston Chamber of Commerce
1020 Front Street
April 30
11am - 3pm

AmeriCorps Week Celebration
Laramie, WY
Student Union
Family Room
May 15
12pm - 3pm

winners and will receive a Jefferson Awards medallion. One of those will then be chosen to represent the people of Wyoming at a national awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. in June, 2010.

Wyoming Philanthropy Days June 16-18, 2010

The Wyoming Community Foundation, in partnership with ServeWyoming, says it will present an exciting line-up of workshops designed to provide the staff and boards of non-profits, industry and private funders and local government leaders an opportunity to understand the changing needs of our state and collaborate to facilitate these changes.



This is the only statewide event of this scope and magnitude that offers sessions germane to all non-profit staff and board members and as the 7th Biennial event. More than 300 attendees are expected. Registration costs only \$85. The conference will be held in Laramie at the Hilton Garden Inn and University of Wyoming Conference Center.

ServeWyoming Nonprofit Impact Award

How has your organization used the time, talent, and treasure of your staff, volunteers/board, and donors to make an impact in your community and meet your mission?

This year the Wyoming Nonprofit Impact Award will recognize organizations, or groups who have demonstrated innovation, diversity, sound fiscal strategies, and a lasting impact on Wyoming communities, by using time, talent, and treasure.

The top three finalists will be notified by April 30, 2010 and will be required to send a representative to the Wyoming Philanthropy Days conference award ceremony in Laramie,

Wyoming Philanthropy Days

Laramie

Hilton Garden Conference Center

June 16-18

*For more information or to register for any of these events, please contact us at 866-737-8304.

NOLS Scholarship for Casper Residents

NOLS, a Wyoming based non-profit organization and school is offering scholarships for their wilderness based courses to Casper residents.

Those who fit the scholarship criteria for merit and financial need are urged to apply.

Get the word out! Set up a scholarship informational presentation for students at local school or for members in the community who may be interested.

NOLS courses are open to those ages 14 and up so spread the word to those you know who might be interested!

For more information about NOLS and to access the scholarship application please visit www.nols.edu. or contact Lara McCluskey, Special Projects Manager for NOLS Rocky Mountain at rm_studentservice@nols.edu or (307)332-9900.

Wyoming, June 17, 2010 (all expenses paid). The organization with the most votes will be selected to receive an unrestricted grant of \$1000.00. Voting will be available online and at Wyoming Philanthropy Days. Voting will close on June 17, 2010 at 5:00pm.

Application and details available at www.servewyoming.org/media.php, on ServeWyoming Nonprofit Impact Award Application.

Wyoming Community Foundation - Newell B. Sargent Spirit of Philanthropy Award

The Spirit of Philanthropy Award was established in the fall of 2001 by the Board of Directors of the Wyoming Community Foundation in honor of one of the Community Foundation's earliest and most faithful benefactors, Newell B. Sargent.

The purpose of this award is to celebrate the spirit of philanthropy in Wyoming and to honor an individual or family who has demonstrated outstanding philanthropic leadership and therefore an extraordinary personal commitment to preserving and enhancing the quality of life for Wyoming citizens.

The award recipient will be announced during Philanthropy Days, will receive a commemorative plaque, and will choose a charitable organization within Wyoming to receive a cash award. This year the award provided by the Newell B. Sargent Foundation is \$2000.

The charitable recipient must be a 501(c)(3) organization and the Community Foundations Board must approve the cash award. Nominations are due by April 15, 2010. If you are interested in nominating an honorable individual or family who has shown philanthropic leadership please visit: <http://servewyoming.org/news.php?id=9>

**Need Volunteers?
Want to Volunteer?**



Volunteer Wyoming
A project of *Serve Wyoming*

New Community Partnership in Laramie

ServeWyoming and the Albany County Drug Court have partnered to help provide meaningful community service opportunities for participants in the Drug Court Diversion Program. This partnership will add to the betterment of Albany County through community engagement and problem solving. Through the Volunteer Wyoming website, volunteerism and support can be gained increasing the efforts of this Community Service Partnership.

Young Professionals Association in Torrington

ServeWyoming, together with the Goshen County Economic Development Corporation has partnered to help establish the Platte Valley Young Professionals Network (PVYP). PVYP launched in January, and the group continues meet once a month. The group has a service component to membership, and the result has been inspiring.

Young Professionals are getting together to discuss changes they would like to see in their community and how they can be involved whether it's through service projects or mentoring youth, the group is exploring their options to be influential within the community.

The Platte Valley Young Professionals are new to Goshen County, but already their excitement at what they can accomplish in the community has been wonderful. For more information, contact Amanda@servewyoming.org.

Join Our Mailing List!

We hope you enjoyed reading about ServeWyoming's latest news. For more information about what we are doing, visit our website at www.servewyoming.org.

ServeWyoming and our partners understand the importance of volunteering as a way to mobilize people and resources to deliver creative solutions for community problems and opportunities.

Thank you for your commitment to service and volunteerism!

Sincerely,
ServeWyoming Board of Directors and Staff