

# TAMING OF THE SPRUE

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## Annual Cookie Exchange

**Date:** Thursday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** Swedish Medical Center, 501 E. Hampden Ave., Englewood, CO 80113

The meeting will be held on the second floor of the hospital in the Spruce Conference rooms.

Three exciting gluten free vendors will give brief demonstrations: Bready North America, The Sugar Mamma, and a Deli Chef from King Soopers. Please bring 2-3 dozen of your favorite GF cookies and the recipes to share with members.\*

There will be plenty of time after the presentations to exchange cookies and share in some holiday fun. Free covered parking is available in the garage at East Hampden and Pearl Streets. Hope to see you there!

\*See p.9 for important allergen alert form for cookie recipes.

## October Meeting Recap

### Rodney Ford, MD, The Children's Clinic and Allergy Centre, Christchurch, New Zealand: Toward A Gluten-Free Planet

Chapter members enjoyed an informative presentation from Dr. Rodney Ford on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Dr. Ford is an expert on the issues of food allergy, gluten-sensitivity (the gluten syndrome), celiac disease, and gastroenterology problems. Based on his 30 plus years of experience in his own medical clinic, Dr. Ford has concluded that 1 in 100 people have Celiac Disease, and 10 in 100 people react adversely to gluten. This means that more than 10% of the population should be on a gluten-free diet. Dr. Ford believes that many more people will be diagnosed with Celiac Disease or gluten intolerance in the coming years. Dr. Ford projects that by 2060, 1 in 50 people will have Celiac Disease and 30 in 100 people will have gluten sensitivity - more than 1/3 of the population on the planet! He believes that at some point gluten will affect such a large part of the population that the World Health Organization will declare gluten to be a toxin. Dr. Ford's vision is to one day achieve a gluten-free planet. No one knows what the future holds, but in the mean time, it's nice to know that there are doctors out there advocating a better gluten-free lifestyle for all.

A Special Thank You to our vendors at this event: Rudi's, Svelte, Solterra Foods, and Collin and Bob St. Clair, authors of Nutritious Gluten Free Cookbook. It was a great opportunity to learn about and/or taste these gluten free products. Also, a special thanks to Gluten Free Dee for donating the door prize gift baskets!

## 33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL CSA CONFERENCE SUMMARY

### Alessio Fasano, MD, Professor of Pediatrics, Medicine and Physiology, University of Maryland School of Medicine: Changing the World for Celiacs

Dr. Alessio Fasano has been sharing current research on Celiac Disease with CSA member audiences across the United States. The Denver-Metro Chapter was honored to sponsor Dr. Fasano on the evening of November 17. Dr. Fasano also recently presented his research at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual CSA Conference on October 29. He began by citing research that now indicates that there are a total of 27 genes



(besides DQ2 and DQ8) involved in celiac disease. He then emphasized that no one can completely digest gluten protein, even individuals with healthy guts. He used the following example to make his point. If one were to immerse their index finger in stomach acid, the finger would be eaten to the bone within 12 seconds. In conducting the same experiment by immersing gluten instead, the gluten would still be present in the stomach acid after 12 hours.

#### No Oats at Meetings

In consideration of newly diagnosed members, and those who have problems with oats, please do not bring snacks with oats.

Dr. Fasano stated that gluten is more enriched today as compared to the gluten found in wheat 70 years ago. This difference could very possibly explain the increasing prevalence of celiac disease and gluten sensitivity in our population.

He also cited a long-term clinical study which focuses on infants at high-risk for CD. The infants are fed nothing containing gluten until after their first year of life. So far, more than 700 susceptible infants are enrolled in the study and will be followed over time to see if this dietary practice can delay the onset of CD, or even prevent it entirely. It will be decades, however, before we know for certain if this strategy can prevent the disease from ever occurring. This study is being conducted by Carlo Catassi at the University of Maryland.

Dr. Fasano briefly mentioned the new "Quick Test" which claims to be able to "diagnose" based on antibody levels. However, he does not consider this to be a reliable diagnostic tool and does not recommend that it be used as an alternative to diagnosis by a physician. According to Dr. Fasano, a positive diagnosis of CD can be made once an individual displays at least 4 of the 5 markers listed below:

- 1) Presence of classic signs or symptoms of Celiac Disease
- 2) Positive serology (tTg test +/- EMA results)
- 3) Positive testing for HLA- Q2 or HLA-DQ8 genes
- 4) Positive biopsy of the gut
- 5) Resolution of symptoms when following a GF diet

Dr. Fasano closed his program by announcing that doctors at the University of Maryland Center for Celiac Research have received a major boost in their efforts to find new treatments, and even a cure, for the autoimmune disease — a \$45 million donation that is a record for the university system. The donation, which was made by the family of a grateful patient from Indiana, was announced Thursday, October 28, by Dr. Fasano during a press conference in the University of Maryland BioPark in West Baltimore. This event was attended by top university administrators, staff and some patients. Fasano said the money will be used to create a first-of-its-kind institute that could eventually employ up to 200 doctors and researchers. They will not only study the often-misdiagnosed celiac disease but use it as a model to study other related diseases, including diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis and multiple sclerosis.



A special Thank You to our vendors that offered a variety of gluten-free goodies at this event: Free Choice Foods, Udi's, Svelte, Venezuelan Arepas, Carol Fenster with her new cookbook, Gluten-Free Jubilee, Broomfield Farms, Namaste, Snyder's, and 1-2-3 Gluten Free.

## **Neal Stenberg, Attorney at Law, Stenberg Law Office, Lincoln, Nebraska: Celiac Disease as a "Disability" Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)**

Attorney Stenberg addressed the obligations of child care centers, the rights of students in connection with school lunch programs, and the rights of employees disabled by celiac disease.

The ADA defines disability as a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities. Major life activities include **eating**, sleeping, walking, standing, lifting, bending, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, and working. Major life activities also encompass functions of the immune system, normal cell growth, **digestive, bowel**, bladder, neurological, brain, respiratory, circulatory, endocrine and reproductive functions.

**Child Care Programs:** Title III of the ADA prohibits discrimination on the basis of public entities. Government agencies and privately-run child care centers are "public accommodations" and must comply with Title III of the ADA. Centers cannot exclude children with disabilities unless their presence would pose a direct threat to the health or safety of others or require a fundamental alteration of the program. Child care centers run by religious organizations are not covered.

**School Lunch Programs:** Section 504 of the ADA protects the rights of individuals with disabilities in programs and activities that receive federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Education. Hence, the USDA School Lunch Program in public schools must comply with Section 504 of the ADA. USDA guidelines state that a child with a disability must be provided substitutions in food when that need is supported by a licensed physician. These guidelines only pertain to public schools.

**Employment:** Title I of the ADA protects employment in stating that there can be "No discrimination against a qualified individual on the basis of disability with regard to any employment-related activities including job application, hiring, training, advancement, termination, compensation, fringe benefits, etc..." Title I requires an employer to provide reasonable accommodation to qualified individuals with disabilities who are employees or applicants for employment, unless to do so would cause undue hardship. Specific requirements must be met and thorough documentation is needed to obtain reasonable accommodation from an employer in the work place.

If discrimination is suspected in any of these situations based on CD, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is an excellent starting point in determining if further legal action should be pursued.



## **Chef Frank Majowicz, Executive Chef, Hyatt Regency Crown Center, Kansas City, Missouri: Changing Perceptions of Gluten-Free Cooking**

Chef Frank demonstrated how to prepare 3 quick, flavorful GF meals using leftovers!!! His first recipe called for leftover seasoned halibut. Chef Frank added olive oil, jalapeno pepper, onions, garlic, black beans, red pepper, corn, salt and pepper to a saute pan. After cooking 2-3 minutes, he broke leftover seasoned halibut filets into pieces and added it to the pan. Lemon and lime juice were sprinkled over the mixture and topped with chopped cilantro. After sautéing 2-3 minutes more, this colorful and aromatic dish was transferred to a serving plate.

Chef Frank's next recipe focused on leftover grilled chicken breast. Vegetable oil, garlic, chopped tomatoes, salt, pepper, red pepper flakes, fresh basil and vegetables were added to a saute pan. While these ingredients cooked, Chef Frank cut the leftover chicken breast into pieces and added this to the pan. The mixture was sautéed for an additional 2-3 minutes and then poured over pieces of grilled polenta. Chef Frank had prepared another wonderful GF meal in just minutes using leftovers and a little creativity!

Chef Frank's final recipe called for left over vegetables and cooked beef to prepare a simple stew. Vegetable oil, diced potatoes, carrots, turnips, parsnips, fennel, beets and beef cubes were added to a saute pan and heated through. He added a small amount of beef stock and continued to heat until bubbling. This quick, hearty, steaming dish was transferred to a large serving bowl.

Chef Frank offered the following advice when preparing GF meals:

- Include foods and ingredients that you like and leave out those that you don't care for. Do not feel obligated to include all ingredients listed in a recipe.
- When planning to use leftovers in another dish, be sure to complement the seasonings or flavors in the original dish.
- Get creative and don't be afraid to make leftovers into another great meal.

The Hyatt Regency Crown Center is just one of five food service establishments in the country that is recognized by CSA, thereby allowing the use of the CSA Recognition Seal on their menus. This means that the restaurant has agreed to adhere to CSA's standards in representing menu items to be free of wheat, rye, barley, oats, their crosses and derivatives in product, processing and packaging. Each restaurant in this Hyatt has gluten free options, as does Milano's Italian Restaurant and the Crayola Café, which are located in the Crown Center Shopping Center. Chef Frank oversees the daily operations in each restaurant to assure compliance with CSA's standards for gluten-free menu offerings. Conference attendees enjoyed Chef Frank's meals which emphasized creative, well-seasoned and very tasty entrees and side dishes.



## **Patricia Duprey, MD, Board Certified Dermatologist, Danville, Virginia: Common Nutritional Deficiencies in Celiac Disease**

Vitamin and mineral deficiencies are not uncommon in individuals with Celiac Disease. In an open forum format, Dr. Duprey addressed some of the more common nutrient deficiencies and medical testing required to diagnose and treat these deficiencies.

Given the fact that awareness of Celiac Disease is now just beginning to increase in the medical community, many physicians and health care providers may have long overlooked testing patients for the following nutrient deficiencies:

**Iron:** Hemoglobin level indicates the amount of iron in the blood, but does not indicate the total amount of iron stored in the body. While hemoglobin levels may be normal, the stores of iron in the body can be low at the same time. Ask your health care provider to also request an analysis of ferritin along with TIBC (total iron binding capacity). If found to be iron deficient, Dr. Duprey recommends slowly building iron stores by supplementing diet with ferrous fumarate (18mg) along with 500 mg of Vitamin C/day. This dosage apparently lessens the side-effects of nausea associated with iron supplementation.

**Vitamin B12:** Dr. Duprey recommends that Vitamin B12 testing be done in conjunction with MMA (methylmalonic acid). MMA indicates how well the B12 is working. Without MMA, B12 cannot be adequately absorbed by the body.

**Vitamin D:** This nutrient exists in several different forms in the body with 25 -OH being the more active form. Dr. Duprey recommends having 25-OH levels tested to determine Vitamin D status. Normal test levels range widely from 32 - 110. She stated that a minimum range of 60-70 is desirable. Dietary and supplemental Vitamin D are available in different forms but she feels that Vitamin D<sub>3</sub> is best absorbed by the body.

Note: The information provided above are guidelines suggested by Dr. Duprey. Please discuss any concerns regarding these and other nutritional deficiencies related to your own health with your personal doctor and/or healthcare provider.

# NATIONAL CSA CONFERENCE SUMMARY...CONTINUED

## David Sands, PhD, Professor of Plant Pathology, Montana State University: Better Foods - Discovery, Innovation, and Production

Gluten is the springy, flexible protein found in wheat flour which gives bread its light and fluffy texture. This protein evolved to provide nutrition to the germinating seed of grain, not specifically for human consumption. Gluten is very hard to digest, as less than half of the amino acids are released in the digestive tract. Furthermore, the sky-rocketing incidence of health problems such as obesity and diabetes over the past 20 years has been related to the over-consumption of foods with under-nutrition.

Dr. Sands stated that in order to address these problems, grains with better and more nutritious protein should be developed to replace conventional grains. These new grains should also be safe, non-allergenic (including GF), contain high levels of amino acids, be completely digestible, and neutral in flavor. Grains containing higher omega-3 oil contents may help reduce inflammation associated with CD and other diseases. More dietary fiber and affordability are also key attributes to consider in development of these new grains. Agricultural practices to breed such plants must focus on higher nutritional value, value added non-commodity crops, and most importantly – human health.

Dr. Sands stated that “In the future, the safest, most nutritious food may well be both in combination: organically grown and genetically modified”. Under the USDA’s National Organic Program, organically grown plant and animal products may not be genetically modified.

Dr. Sands and Montana State University have been credited with the development of and/or rediscovery of GF grains with higher nutrient content. These include Montina (Teff), Proatina (GF Oats) and Timtana (Timothy), all of which are commercially available and accessible on the internet.

### Did you know...?

There is no reason why people with Celiac Disease cannot donate blood. Beware that donating blood regularly can deplete iron stores. If you tend to have low iron stores, consider donating blood less frequently.

### New Gluten-Free Online Community

Glu.fi is the largest online community for celiac patients in Finland and it is finally available to the rest of the world. Glu.fi has versatile features for celiacs created by fellow celiacs; GF forums for conversation and peer support, maps of GF shops and restaurants, recipe ideas, a comprehensive list of GF products, links to interesting GF services, and much more! Best of all Glu.fi is FREE!  
[www.glu.fi/en/](http://www.glu.fi/en/)

## Spotlight ON... GLUTEN-FREE HOLIDAY MEAL PLANNING

The holiday season is upon us – bringing us time to reflect on our blessings and to gather for memorable meals with family and friends. Food, wonderful food to be enjoyed by all – including those of us with special dietary needs!

Have you found yourself anticipating holiday meals and feeling your anxiety level on the rise? Are you fretting over what foods will be served? Which dishes are safe? What can you eat? What can you bring? What can you make? Relax! The keys to calm and happy holiday meals are planning and preparation. Whether you’re the host or the guest, these tips will help you enjoy every bite of your holiday meals!

**You’re the Host:** Is the holiday celebration being held at your place? Ask guests ahead of time about their special dietary needs and plan your menu accordingly. Gluten and other food allergens are easily avoided with advanced planning. Here are some GF and allergy-friendly items that guests can bring to the table:

Steamed Fresh Vegetables  
Baked Potatoes or Sweet Potatoes  
Brown or Wild Rice  
Cranberry Sauce (hold the nuts!)  
Wine (look for no added sulfites)

Fruit or Vegetable Tray  
Salad Greens with Oil & Vinegar Dressing (hold the croutons!)  
Real Fruit Juices or Sparkling Apple Cider  
Flowers for the Table



**You’re the Guest:** No one wants you to go hungry, especially on a holiday! Use this opportunity to educate your host about your special dietary needs. Offer menu suggestions, recipes, and even special ingredients so your host is not left wondering what to prepare. Cheerfully offer to help prepare the meal.

## Spotlight ON... GLUTEN-FREE Holiday Meal Planning CONTINUED

Honor the food traditions that you love and miss the most – fresh baked bread, stuffing, green bean casserole... Prepare your own recipes and bring enough to pass around the table. And don't forget dessert! There's always room for one more pie.

Other tips to keep in mind:

Inform your host about any cross-contamination concerns.

Meaty matters: Suggest brands of turkey or ham that are gluten-free, or suggest fresh cuts of meat to roast.

Ask your host not to stuff the bird. Instead, bring your own gluten-free, allergy-friendly stuffing to share.

Bring along safe condiments, sauces, croutons, or any other items to season your meal.

Ask the host if you can serve yourself before problem dishes are dressed (i.e. hold the butter sauce and salad dressing!) Prepare your plate ahead of time and set it aside until the group is served.

Adapted from Easy [and Delicious!] Thanksgiving, by Jules E. D. Shepard, *Living Without*, October/November, 2010.

## SPEAKING GLUTEN FREELY – NEW GLUTEN-FREE PRODUCTS

- Back to Nature - Multiseed and Sesame Flavored Rice Crackers.
- Boulder Canyon - Hummus and Hummus with Sesame Seeds Tortilla Chips..
- Boulder Soup Works - All varieties are in the refrigerator case.
- Forbies GF- Granola bars in the refrigerator case at Denver-Metro stores only.
- Glutino- Pepperoni Pizza, 5 types of boxed cold cereals, and breadcrumbs.
- Ian's Frozen Foods - French Bread Pepperoni Pizza.
- Immaculate Baking - Ready to Bake GF Chocolate Chip Cookies are in the refrigerator case. Wheat products made in the same facility.
- Free Choice Foods - 6 premium varieties of entrees/side dishes are in the ethnic and/or GF sections of Denver-Metro stores only. Certified GF by CSA and made in a dedicated GF facility.
- Inka Crops Cassava Chips, Picante or Sweet Plantain Chips and Sweet Potato Chips. Made in a dedicated facility.
- Kinnickinnick Foods - Chocolate Animal and Graham Animal Cookies, Fudge Sandwich Cremes, GF Panko-Style Breadcrumbs and Graham Crumbs.
- Let's Do Organics - GF Ice Cream Cones.
- Livin Spoonful - Raw GF Crackers in 5 flavors.
- Mary's Gone Crackers - 3 types of GF cookies; Chocolate Chip, Ginger Snap and 'N' Oatmeal Raisin, which has no oats.
- 1-2-3 Gluten Free - Yellow cake mix has no sugar- add your own sweetener.
- Natures Path - Enviroidz Peanut Chocolate bars come in an 18-ct bag.
- Snyder's - Pretzel Sticks. Certified GF by GFCO.
- Sunbutter - Sunflower Seed Butter available in single packets that come in a 10-ct box.
- Tambo Bamba - 3 Nuevo Latino side dishes and 3 Mojo rice bowls that are both GF and vegan.
- WOW Baking Company - Several flavors of GF ready-to-bake refrigerated cookie dough in tubs and boxes. Only GF products are made in their facility. The oatmeal cookies contain GF oats.
- Deby's Gluten Free - A new line of soft, artisan rustic breads that are very low in modified food starch (6%), and available in small and large loaves. Varieties include French, Brown Pumpernickel, Zesty Italian, Cinnamon, and Maple Pecan. Deby's standard bread line is also available in the freezer section, in several flavors.
- Namaste Foods is now available at several Colorado Target locations. Check their website for a location near you! [www.namastefoods.com](http://www.namastefoods.com).

\*A very special thanks to Debbie Knapp of Vitamin Cottage and our contributing members for providing this invaluable information to our members.

## CAROL FENSTER INDUCTED INTO DENVER CHAPTER OF LES DAMES d'ESCOFFIER INTL.

Carol Fenster, a leading culinary authority on the gluten-free lifestyle and author of 10 gluten-free cookbooks, has been inducted into the Colorado chapter of Les Dames d'Escoffier International (LDEI), an organization of woman leaders in the food, beverage, and hospitality industry. Induction into LDEI is by invitation only. Named for legendary French chef, restaurateur and culinary writer Georges Auguste Escoffier, Les Dames d'Escoffier inspires women to develop their leadership skills in culinary professions. Established in 1986 and based in Louisville, Ky., the organization has more than 1,500 members in 27 chapters across the United States and Canada. "I am extremely honored to be a member of this prestigious society," said Fenster, who has lived without gluten for 22 years and is widely regarded as a pioneer in the gluten-free culinary world "and I will continue to educate others about the gluten-free lifestyle."

## WHEAT-FREE MODELING COMPOUND FOR Kids!

Soy-Yer Dough is a wheat-free modeling compound that can be enjoyed by children who otherwise would have missed out on all of the squishy, rolling, slicing fun of modeling dough. Many of us grew up with the vibrantly colored store bought products or had fun helping mom mix up a homemade batch in the kitchen. Sadly, kids with celiac disease or other conditions that keep them away from wheat – and other gluten containing products – couldn't experience this popular childhood pastime. Soy-Yer Dough is not only gluten free, it is non-toxic and comes in an array of colors! Presently, Soy-Yer Dough can be purchased directly from the Soy-Yer Dough website, [www.store.soy-yer.com](http://www.store.soy-yer.com).



## GLUTEN-FREE CULINARY SUMMIT

### *The Armchair Edition*

GF Culinary Productions, Inc. is pleased to announce that it will present its 2010/11 Fifth Annual Gluten-Free Culinary Summit in a new Armchair Edition format. We invite you to sit back and relax in the comfort of your home or office and enjoy top caliber gluten-free culinary and baking education via our live phone conferencing seminar series that begins on Saturday, December 4, 2010 and continues through April 30, 2011. The Summit features over 22 hours of gluten-free baking and cooking education throughout 30 a la carte phone seminars.

Exciting Summit details are featured at [www.theglutenfreelifestyle.com](http://www.theglutenfreelifestyle.com).



## "I NEED HELP" BRACELET

Do you have a special needs child or adult in your life that could benefit from an "I Need Help" bracelet? When words or facial expressions are not understood, these bracelets provide an easy form of communication between those special needs people and their parents, physicians, therapists and teachers. One side of the bracelet reads, "I Need Help" while the reverse side contains icons that function as visual aids. Diet restriction bracelets are available for "Gluten-Free Diet" or "Casein-Free Diet" as well as medical condition bracelets reading "I have Diabetes", "I have Epilepsy", "I have a Pacemaker" or "I have Autism". Many other icons are also available. Find out more at [www.ineedhelpcommunicationbracelets.com](http://www.ineedhelpcommunicationbracelets.com) or call 507-744-2027 or email [sherri@means.net](mailto:sherri@means.net).

## YUMMEE YUMMEE RECIPE IDEAS FOR BUSY STUDENTS

The Yummee Yummee Team works everyday to make eating gluten-free fast and effortless. That's why they've developed a series of recipes for the microwave. These recipes are for gluten-free college students or anyone with a busy lifestyle. Most of these recipes take only minutes to prepare and enjoy. Make pizza, brownies, cookie bars, enchilada pie, and much more. Designed for the gluten-free diet; quick to make; and great to eat. Microwave recipes are free with a purchase of the "student pack" of 8 microwave pizzas, which costs less than \$20 including shipping and processing. Purchase online at [www.yummeeyummee.com](http://www.yummeeyummee.com).

# DINING OUT



HACIENDA  
COLORADO

**Hacienda Colorado Restaurants** have a gluten-sensitive menu which includes appetizers, salads, entrees, and desserts. Gluten-sensitive meals are served on different colored plates to ensure order accuracy. There are four locations in and around Denver. [www.haciendacolorado.com](http://www.haciendacolorado.com).



Jason's deli

**Jason's Deli** offers a gluten-sensitive menu at all of their Colorado deli restaurants. Jason's has also eliminated artificial trans fats, processed MSG, artificial colors & dyes, and high fructose corn syrup from its food. Find your deli at [www.jasonsdeli.com](http://www.jasonsdeli.com).



**3 Guys Pies** located in Capital Hill has a great gluten-free pizza. Their chef makes each gluten-free pizza crust from scratch and takes great pride in their taste and consistency. Check them out at [www.3guyspies.com](http://www.3guyspies.com).



**The Denver Cupcake Truck** travels the streets of Denver selling conventional cupcakes but they usually carry a couple of gluten-free, as well as vegan cupcakes and brownies on board. They don't have a specific route but check their daily locations on Facebook or Twitter! The Denver Cupcake Truck is part of the service provided by Cake Crumbs Bakery located at 1422 E. 22nd Ave., Denver, CO 80205 (303) 861-4912. This is not a gluten-free facility. They take special orders for gluten-free cupcakes and cakes.



**Angel Food Ministries** has not discontinued their Allergen Free Box due to popular demand! Each Allergen Free Food Box has 5 pounds (1 lb. each) of breaded chicken nuggets, strips, chicken breast patties, wings, and cubed steaks. These items are minus the top 8 allergens including gluten. For more information visit their website, [www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com).



**Tony's Market** produces several spices and packaged seasonings which are gluten free as well as MSG free. From now on, all of their gluten-free spices and seasonings will say "Gluten-Free" on the packaging. For locations visit their website, [www.tonymarket.com](http://www.tonymarket.com).



**Shabtai Gourmet Gluten Free Bakery** has just won the Kosherfest Best New Passover Product Competition for the 4th time. This time the winning item was their Gluten-Free Yidels Mini Swiss Chocolate Rolls. Visit their website for a complete product listing, [www.shabtai-gourmet.com](http://www.shabtai-gourmet.com).



Red Lobster

**Red Lobster** Diners at locations nationwide will gain access to information about food allergens more easily over the next few months. Red Lobster has been testing an allergen menu which will become available nationwide sometime in the fall. For more information, visit [www.redlobster.com](http://www.redlobster.com).



**New Planet Gluten Free Beer** of Boulder took home a bronze medal at this year's Great American Beer Festival and they received a great write up in the Denver Post! A new flavor-Off Grid Pale Ale will be released in late Dec./Jan. Check them out at [www.newplanetbeer.com](http://www.newplanetbeer.com).



JOLLY PUMPKIN ARTISAN ALES  
DEXTER MICHIGAN

**Jolly Pumpkin** Master-brewer Ron Jeffries took home a gold medal from the Great American Beer Festival for a gluten-free beer. His beer won in a respected competition against beers malted with barley. For beer lovers, gluten-free people, and gluten-free beer lovers, this is an earth-shaking achievement! See all of their gluten-free options at [www.jollypumpkin.com](http://www.jollypumpkin.com).



**Every Day with Rachael Ray** website now offers 700+ gluten-free recipes, [www.rachaelraymag.com](http://www.rachaelraymag.com).

# Neighborhood Huddle Information

## Meet Your Neighborhood Celiac Resource Contact

Below are the resource contacts in eleven neighborhood areas in Metro Denver, as well as resource contacts throughout Colorado. If you have questions or are not sure which area is your neighborhood, please contact Mike Brook, at (303) 858-0822 or email [mikebrook@aol.com](mailto:mikebrook@aol.com).

As the neighborhood resource groups have progressed, some areas join together for activities. Flexibility is the keyword, as area needs and/or interests change. The objective in setting up these various areas has been to provide an additional way for celiacs to interact and support each other.

**Any member can attend any huddle/activity they want by calling the huddle's contact. Regardless, the Denver Metro Chapter #17 is the umbrella organization for all of our members wherever they live.**

METRO DENVER AREAS	CONTACT	PHONE	E-MAIL
<b>CENTRAL</b> Denver City and County	Laura Determan	(303) 757-3982	<a href="mailto:lddet@msn.com">lddet@msn.com</a>
<b>NORTH</b> Westminster, Commerce City, Brighton, Northglenn, Thornton	Darci Kunard	(720) 214-3144	<a href="mailto:kdarci@yahoo.com">kdarci@yahoo.com</a>
<b>SOUTH</b> Centennial & Greenwood Village (W/I-25), Englewood, zips: 80120,-21,-22	Cathy Curtiss	(303) 771-8029	<a href="mailto:cathycurtiss@q.com">cathycurtiss@q.com</a>
<b>WEST</b> Lakewood	Betty Morris	(303) 238-5145	<a href="mailto:wabe22204@comcast.net">wabe22204@comcast.net</a>
<b>EAST</b> Aurora, zips: 80231 & 80247	Maria Brotherston	(303) 752-0958	<a href="mailto:maria@brotherston.us">maria@brotherston.us</a>
<b>NORTHWEST</b> Arvada, Wheat Ridge, Zips: 80021&80212	Melissa McLean Jory	(303) 868-7790	<a href="mailto:Melissa@glutenfreeforgood.com">Melissa@glutenfreeforgood.com</a>
<b>SOUTH</b> Highlands Ranch, Lone Tree, Castle Rock	<b>OPEN HUDDLE POSITION</b>	If you are interested in this position, please contact Karen Cranford, <a href="mailto:president@denverceliacs.org">president@denverceliacs.org</a> or (303) 979-8094	
<b>SOUTHEAST</b> Centennial & Greenwood Village (E/I-25), SE Aurora, Parker, Elizabeth	Becca Konen	(303) 693-3795	<a href="mailto:beccakonen@gmail.com">beccakonen@gmail.com</a>
<b>SOUTHWEST</b> Littleton, Ken Caryl, Roxborough	Joan Van Loozenoord Nancy Lindsey	(303) 933-1565 (303) 973-1279	<a href="mailto:jkvanlooz@comcast.net">jkvanlooz@comcast.net</a> <a href="mailto:n-lindsey@comcast.net">n-lindsey@comcast.net</a>
<b>WEST</b> Golden, Evergreen, Morrison	Beverley Haney	(303) 670-0063	<a href="mailto:mrsbevins@q.com">mrsbevins@q.com</a>

## Other Colorado Area Contacts

AREA	CONTACT	PHONE	E-MAIL
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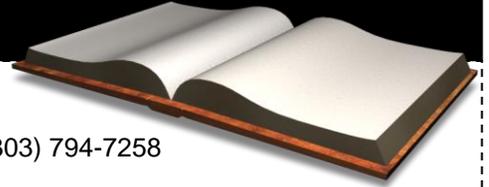
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