



Arctic Circle (Buhl) proudly displays their accomplishment of being one of the first area restaurants chosen to receive a Food Safety Recognition award.

What can I do to increase my chance of receiving the Recognition Award?

The best way to increase your chance of getting the award is to make food safety a priority at your establishment by encouraging managers and employees to obtain food safety training. The training is online and free at www.foodsafety.idaho.gov.



September 2008, First Food Safety Recognition Award recipients (left to right) Rick Harmon, Con Paulos, and Julie Emery of Subway; Rene LeBlanc, SCPHD District Director; Melody Bowyer, SCPHD Food Program Manager

How can I find out more information about the award?

You may call Melody Bowyer, Food Program Manager, at 737-5909 or mbowyer@phd5.idaho.gov, or you can contact Kathy Schroeder, Chairperson of SCIFSAC, at 280-0843 or beacon@cablone.net.



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2009 FOOD SAFETY CLASS SCHEDULE

South Central Idaho Food Safety Awareness Coalition

Twin Falls

Burley

DATE	TIME
Jan. 20	9am-1pm
April 21	1-5pm
July 21	5-9pm
Oct. 20	9am-1pm
Feb. 11	1-5pm
April 8	9am -1pm
June 10	1-5pm
Aug. 12	9am - 1pm
Oct. 14	1-5pm
Dec. 9	9am - 1pm

Who is the South Central Idaho Food Safety Awareness Coalition?

South Central Idaho Food Safety Awareness Coalition (SCIFSAC) is a group of community members from industry, academics, institutions, county/state governmental agencies, and the general public. The members share the common vision of increasing food safety awareness of food handlers and the general public through *Advocacy, Collaboration, and Education (ACE)*.



What is a Food Safety Recognition Award?

The Food Safety Recognition Award is designed to acknowledge local restaurants and supermarket/warehouse establishments who have demonstrated heightened awareness of food safety and excellent practices in safe food handling.

What are the selection criteria for the Food Safety Recognition Award?

The selection criteria are based on results from the annual inspection during an unannounced visit from South Central Public Health District (SCPHD) and investigations, if any, done due to complaints from consumers. To qualify for the award, food establishments must have 1) no more than one high risk factor violation that is corrected within 10 calendar days or 2) no more than a combined total of two high risk violations and/or retail practices violations that are corrected within the required time frame per Idaho Food Code.

Who recommends the food establishment for the Recognition Award?

SCPHD screens the food inspection database for potential award recipients. SCIFSAC collaborates with SCPHD to select recipients for the award.

There were 105 recipients for the first annual Food Safety Recognition Award given out in September 2008.

Check your calendars and plan on having the designated "Person-in-Charge" for each shift trained in one of the scheduled classes.

Classes are \$15 per person. Please call your local Public Health office to pre-register or schedule a private class.

(Payment is nonrefundable, and we require a minimum of 10 people to be preregistered to hold the class.)

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