



Affiliate Annual Report for Calendar Year 2019

(Complete Attachment B to be considered for one or more 2020 Affiliate Awards.)

To maintain compliance with IAFP Constitution and Bylaws, Affiliates must return this completed report. Please send by email to Susan Smith at: ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Please return the following items **electronically** by **Tuesday, February 11, 2020 (late reports will not be considered for awards):**

REQUIRED:

This completed form (*in English*).

Your Association's membership list (Item 2).

Your Association's list of current term officers (complete Attachment A).

OPTIONAL:

Attachment B: Completion required **only** if your Association requests to be considered for one or more Affiliate Awards.

IAFP now accepts **all** Affiliate Annual Reports electronically, including those vying for one or more of the Affiliate Awards. *Affiliates seeking to present the highest quality visual presentation are encouraged to present their Annual Report in the highest quality possible for review by the Selection Committee. To avoid errors and omissions, please limit your submission to ONE email with all attachments.*

Digital photos (with names and descriptions) to appear in the *Affiliate View* quarterly newsletter.

Georgia Association for Food Protection

1. Your Official Delegate to IAFP Affiliate Council and Contact

Enter in the fields below the information requested for your Association's official Delegate to the IAFP Affiliate Council and your official Contact for IAFP correspondence. **Delegate must be an IAFP Member.**

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2. Membership List

- a. Indicate the current total number of members in your Association: 210
- b. How many NEW members joined your Association in 2019? 49
- c. Fax or email your current membership list. Include name, title, complete address, phone number, fax number, and email address of all active members. Attached.

3. Meetings: Annual Meeting/Conference, Educational, Workshops, Webinars, etc.

- a. On what date(s) was your most recent general membership or major meeting (i.e., Annual Meeting/Conference) during the past year? Please list number of attendees.
76 members attended our GAFP Fall Meeting on September 16, 2019 (additional information listed below).
- b. Please provide the date(s) and location of your next scheduled major meeting (i.e., Annual Meeting/Conference):
GAFP Spring Meeting, Kroger Offices at North Lake, Tucker, GA, April 29, 2020
- c. List all other general membership meetings held in 2019 (excluding board meetings). Include title, dates and attendance numbers.

GAFP Spring Meeting	April 24, 2019, Food Safety Services, attendees 51
GAFP Summer Meeting	June 20, 2019, Kroger Distribution Center, attendees 48
GAFP Fall Meeting	September 16, 2019, University of Georgia, attendees 76

4. Awards and Scholarships

a. List members honored with an award from your Association and/or IAFP during 2019. Include name of award and qualification for award.

Georgia Association for Food Protection	IAFP Affiliate Membership Achievement Award
Tori Stivers	IAFP Fellow Award
Francisco Diez-Gonzalez	IAFP Fellow Award
Larry Beuchat	Maurice Weber Laboratorian Award

b. List scholarships awarded during 2019; include recipient and qualification for scholarship.

Chase Golden – Jim Ayres Young Investigator Award – 1 st place (\$1,000)	Chase Golden is a PhD student and student member of the GAFP. He recently presented his research at the IAFP meeting in Louisville, Kentucky. A panel of non-GAFP food professionals judged the abstracts for this award. Chase Golden won second place for his research “Comparison Between Random Forest and Gradient Boosting Machine Methods for Predicting <i>Listeria</i> spp. Prevalence in the Environment of Pastured Poultry Farms”.
Ikechukwu Oguadinma – Jim Ayres Young Investigator Award – 2 nd place (\$500)	Ikechukwu Oguadinma is a MS student and student member of the GAFP. He recently presented his research at the IAFP meeting in Louisville, Kentucky. A panel of non-GAFP food professionals judged the abstracts for this award. Ikechukwu Oguadinma won second place for his research “Persistence of <i>Cryptosporidium parvum</i> , <i>Cyclospora cayetanensis</i> and <i>Salmonella Typhimurium</i> on Cilantro and Parsley in the Field When Introduced by Spray Inoculation”
Himabindu Gazula – Jim Ayres Young Investigator Award – 3 rd place (\$250)	Himabindu Gazula is a MS student from the University of Georgia and member of the GAFP. She recently presented her research at the IAFP meeting in Louisville, Kentucky. A panel of non-GAFP food professionals judged the abstracts for this award. Himabindu Gazula won third place for her research “Influence of Pre-adaptation to Sub-lethal Concentrations of a Sanitizer on the Susceptibility of Fecal Coliforms on Antibiotics”
Julia Sobolik – 1 st place poster competition (\$500)	Julia Sobolik is a PhD student from Emory University and member of the GAFP. She recently presented her research at the IAFP meeting in Louisville, Kentucky. Two food professionals judged the abstracts for this award. Julia Sobolik won first place for her research

Sheridan Brewer – 2 nd place poster competition (\$250)	Sheridan Brewer is a MS student from the University of Georgia and member of the GAFP. He recently presented his research at the IAFP meeting in Louisville, Kentucky. Two food professionals judged the abstracts for this award. Sheridan Brewer won second place for his research
Shaoting Li – 3 rd place poster competition (\$75)	Shaoting Li is a PhD student from the University of Georgia and member of the GAFP. He recently presented his research at the IAFP meeting in Louisville, Kentucky. Two food professionals judged the abstracts for this award. Shaoting Li won third place for his research

5. Web Communication

Please be sure to keep the IAFP office on your mailing list for newsletters, email, and other communications to your general membership.

Please provide your existing Affiliate's Web site address AND date last updated:
<https://www.gafoodprotection.org>; February 10, 2020

Did you launch a new Affiliate Web site in 2019? Y N

Attachment A (completion required)

Association Officers List

Provide the contact information requested below for all current officers of your Association. **Please indicate if each officer is an IAFP Member (reminder: Your President and Delegate are required to be IAFP Members).** The information you provide here is published on our website and in select membership materials. The information may be typed in the fields below or may be sent to our office by email, fax or regular mail.

Indicate the term dates (e.g., 2019–2020) for your current Executive Board:
2019-2020

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Attachment B (optional)

Affiliate Award Considerations

To be considered for one or more of the five Affiliate Awards to be presented at IAFP 2020, Affiliates are **required** to check the box next to the award(s) for which you wish to be considered and provide the related criteria (in English). (REMINDER: Please confirm IAFP Membership of your Affiliate President and Delegate **before** completing Attachment B to avoid award disqualification.) Submit your Annual Report and any attachments in **ONE** email to avoid errors and omissions.

Affiliate Membership Achievement Award

How did your Affiliate grow **AND** retain members during the past year? Please provide details on:

- how new members were recruited throughout the year;
- the number of new members joining the Affiliate;
- the percent increase in membership from 2018 to 2019;
- specific efforts on how you retained existing members; and
- other methods related to helping grow and maintain your membership.

You may cut and paste copy in the space below or use a separate page if necessary; please limit your explanation to 500 words or less in 12 point type.

The Georgia Association for Food Protection (GAFFP) has been working on recruiting and retaining members by providing the best experience possible. The results of these efforts are as follows:

2019 Achievements

- In 2019, we had a Spring meeting at Food Safety Net Services in the Atlanta area. In the Fall we had another meeting at the University of Georgia, Griffin Campus and hosted by the Center for Food Safety. For the first time we decided to begin hosting a half day summer meeting in addition to our usual 2 full day meetings held in the Spring and the Fall. This first summer meeting was held at the Kroger Distribution Center in the Atlanta area.
- Highlights from the meetings included tours of the Food Safety Service Net location as well as the laboratories at the Center for Food Safety and Product Innovation and Commercialization Center, both at the University of Georgia.
- Emphasis was placed on providing members exposure to leading food safety professionals, at both a local and national level, through invited talks and panel sessions on timely issues.
 - The Spring meeting welcomed Wendy White (Food Safety & Quality Consultant) who talked about blockchain past traceability, Brian Eyinks (Hogan Lovells) on intentional adulteration rule, and Krissa Jones (Georgia Department of Agriculture) on food safety preparations for Super Bowl LIII
 - The Summer meeting had Charles Otto, III (Reliable Environmental Health Services, LLC) who addressed norovirus control in cruise ships and Ai-Ping Hu (Georgia Tech Research Institute) on the use of robotics for food and agriculture.
 - The Fall meeting welcomed Tim Oliver(OSI Jobs) addressing Food Science careers, Dylan Anderer (Chick-fil-A) on digital transformation of restaurants, and a career round table with industry, academia, and regulatory agency panelists. We also had student oral presentations of

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- All three meetings had high attendance.
- Announcements were made of the date and location of future meetings at the current gathering and provided 6 weeks advance notice for meeting registrations. Promotional material (magnets and save-the-date cards) was also distributed to our members and used to recruit new members at other area food safety events.

Membership recruitment/engagement

- In 2019, for a second year in a row we sustained high attendance at our three educational meetings.
- Developing our future food safety leaders through student involvement is a top priority for GAFP. GAFP offers three competitive student scholarships annually to travel to the IAFP Annual Meeting. Award winners are invited to present at the fall educational meeting.
- This year we started a poster session and competition in the Fall meeting with monetary awards and recognition for the top three posters.
- A student liaison participates in board and committee meetings to drive efforts to engage GAFP student members. We also had a board member, Wendy White, speak at the University of Georgia Food Science Club. As a result in 2019, GAFP added 9 new student members.
- We have started a mentoring program where industry partners will mentor students. We have 5 companies that have expressed interest in participating in this program.
- Promotional material (magnets and safe-the-date cards) was also distributed to our members.
- In 2019 we launched a new GAFP website powered by Squarespace which allows us to make more frequent updates and list current food safety jobs openings in the area. Our new website can be found at <https://www.gafoodprotection.org>. We also routinely update our LinkedIn page.

☒ C.B. Shogren Memorial Award

How did your Affiliate demonstrate exceptional overall achievement during the past year in promoting the mission of IAFP (*"To provide food safety professionals worldwide with a forum to exchange information on protecting the food supply"*)? "Overall achievement" should encompass at least several of the following activities/accomplishments of your Affiliate during 2019:

- Exceptional achievement in membership;
- Types and effectiveness of communication and education;
- Awards and scholarships presented;
- Attendance numbers at meetings;
- Collaboration with other professional organizations;
- donations to the IAFP Foundation; and
- Representation at the IAFP Affiliate Council Meeting (held during IAFP Annual Meeting); and
- Other pertinent information.

While not a requirement, strong consideration will be given to an Affiliate whose officers (beyond the requirement for the President and Delegate) are also IAFP Members. Provide a description and include any supporting documents. You may cut and paste copy in the space below or use separate pages if necessary; please limit your explanation to 1,000 words or less in 12 point type.

The Georgia Association for Food Protection (GAFP) is a strong contender for the C.B. Shogren Memorial Award, given our collective achievements in 2019. Our affiliate had 210 members with 49 new members and a combined 175 attendees at three GAFP meetings. Efforts were made to announce the date and location of future meetings at current meetings and other food safety meetings, in addition to providing 6 weeks advance notice for meeting registration resulting in sustained high attendance and membership engagement in 2019. The three meetings (Spring, Summer, and Fall) sold high numbers in quick timeframes, all well in advance of registration deadlines. This year we added a Summer meeting to provide more informational food safety talks and networking opportunities among members. Quarterly newsletters provide members updates about events, area workshops, and noteworthy information, in addition to job postings and award opportunities. This information was also posted in the GAFP LinkedIn group and newly launched website.

Our efforts to advance the mission of IAFP by providing food safety professionals with a forum to exchange information on protecting the food supply was accomplished by intentional planning to expose GAFP members to leading national and local food safety experts, and through strategic collaboration with other local food safety organizations. Focused planning of educational meetings paid dividends in 2019 as members heard talks from renowned food safety experts. Speaker highlights from 2019 meetings included a talk

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GAFP continues to have active delegate representation and participation in the IAFP Affiliate Council Meeting. Jessica Chen, Katie Murchison, and Wendy White represented GAFP at the 2019 Affiliate Council Meeting. Wendy, Jessica, and Katie provided updates on GAFP's 2018-2019 activities and took note of ideas from other affiliates. They also participated in brainstorming activities to identify ways to expand membership and continue to add value for our affiliates' members.

We awarded 3 students with the Jim Ayres Young Investigator Award. This award is a long-time tradition at GAFP, which honors Dr. Jim Ayres, an inspired mentor and long-time member. Current Georgia student members submit research abstracts in hopes of winning one of three awards (First = \$1,000, Second = \$500, Third = \$250); A travel stipend to attend the IAFP Annual Conference and an invitation to present their research at the subsequent fall GAFP meeting. The three recipients of the 2019 Jim Ayres Young Investigator Award included: Chase Golden with his work "Comparison Between Random Forest and Gradient Boosting Machine Methods for Predicting *Listeria* spp. Prevalence in the Environment of Pastured Poultry Farms", Ikechuckwu Oguadinma "Persistence of *Cryptosporidium parvum*, *Cyclospora cayetanensis* and *Salmonella Typhimurium* on Cilantro and Parsley in the Field When Introduced by Spray Inoculation", and Himabindu Gazula "Influence of Pre-adaptation to Sub-lethal Concentrations of a Sanitizer on the Susceptibility of Fecal Coliforms on Antibiotics". Each 2019 award winner shows promise as a future food safety professional and we look forward to following their successes as developing food safety professionals. During the Fall meeting we also launched a new a poster competition and the top three posters were selected and received awards (First = \$500, Second= \$250, and Third =\$75). The winners were Julia Sobolik, Sheridan Brewer, and Shaoting Li. In 2019, the GAFP also donated \$1,000 to the IAFP Foundation.

In conclusion, GAFP has had a phenomenal year, producing three fantastic meetings with exciting programs (see below) all with high attendance. For the first time we had a poster competition in one of our meetings. These efforts attracted 49 new members to our organization. We engaged our student members through our Jim Ayres Young Investigator Award program. Due to our numerous accomplishments, we submit for consideration our application for the C.B. Shogren Memorial Award.

Agenda

8:30 AM - REGISTRATION

9:00 AM - WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Jairo de Jesus, GAFFP President

**9:15 AM - TAKING BLOCKCHAIN PAST TRACEABILITY
USING THE INTERNET OF THINGS**

Wendy Wade White, Food Safety & Quality Consultant

10:00 AM - BREAK

10:15 AM - GAFFP BUSINESS MEETING

- IAFP Delegate Report – Wendy White
- Secretary Report – Jessica Chen
- Treasurer Report – Jessica Chen
- Invitation to Join GAFFP Committees – Katie Satchwell
- Introduce GAFFP Student Liaison – Katie Satchwell
- Elections (Treasurer, Secretary, Vice-President)
- Raffle

**11:00 AM - FOOD SAFETY NET SERVICES ATLANTA
LABORATORY TOUR**

Tony Petrucci, Food Safety Net Services

12:00 PM - EXTENDED NETWORKING LUNCH

**1:30 PM - WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT FDA'S
INTENTIONAL ADULTERATION RULE**

Brian Eyink, Hogan Lovells

2:15 PM - BREAK

**2:30 PM - SUPER BOWL LIII FOOD DEFENSE
SAMPLING**

Krissa Jones, Georgia Department of Agriculture

**3:15 PM - CLOSING REMARKS & PASSING OF
THE GAVEL**

Jairo de Jesus, GAFFP President & Cheryl Brown, GAFFP President-Elect

3:30 PM - ADJOURN

GAFFP Spring 2019 Meeting
24 APRIL 2019 • 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM EST
FOOD SAFETY NET SERVICES, TUCKER, GA

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AGENDA



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*Georgia Association for Food Protection Summer Meeting
June 20, 2019 – 10:30 AM – 3:15PM
Kroger Distribution Center, Atlanta, GA*

10:30 AM – REGISTRATION

11:00 AM – WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Cheryl Brown, GAFP President

11:15 AM – CRUISE SHIP NOROVIRUS CONTROL AND RESPONSE REALLY WORKS!

CAPT Charles S. Otto, III, REHS, USPHS (Ret.) - OTTO III REHS/ Reliable
Environmental Health Services, LLC

12:00 PM – LUNCH & BUSINESS MEETING

1:00 PM – ROBOTICS 2.0 FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Dr. Ai-Ping Hu - Georgia Tech Research Institute

1:45 – TOUR OF KROGER DISTRIBUTION CENTER

3:00 – CLOSING REMARKS

Cheryl Brown, GAFP President

3:15 – ADJOURN

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9:00 AM - WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

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9:15 AM - WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Francisco Diez-Gonzalez, Professor and Director,
Center for Food Safety

9:30 AM - FOOD SCIENCE CAREERS

Tim Olliver, OSI Jobs

**10:15 AM - DIVERSITY IN FOOD SAFETY JOBS - A
CAREER ROUND TABLE**

- David Baker - Dr. Baker P.C. Consultancy & Outsource Quality Management
- Laurie Farmer - Food and Drug Administration
- Kirk Kealey - University of Georgia, Griffin
- Ynes Ortega - University of Georgia, Griffin
- Dina Scott - Darden Restaurants Inc.
- Tori Stivers - University of Georgia, Extension
- Anna Townsend - University of Georgia, Athens

11:30 AM - BREAK

**11:45 AM - DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF
RESTAURANT FOOD SAFETY**

Dylan Anderer - Chick Fil-A

12:30 PM - LUNCH

1:15 PM - BUSINESS MEETING

**1:45 PM - 2019 JIM AYRES YOUNG INVESTIGATOR
AWARD RECIPIENTS**

- Chase Golden - University of Georgia
- Ikechukwu Oguadinma - University of Georgia
- Himabindu Gazula - University of Georgia

**2:30 PM - POSTER SESSION & STUDENT POSTER
COMPETITION**

**3:15 PM - TOUR OF CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY
LABORATORIES AND FOOD PRODUCT INNOVATION
& COMMERCIALIZATION CENTER**

4:00 PM - POSTER AWARDS & CLOSING REMARKS

Cheryl Brown, GAFFP President

4:30 PM - ADJOURN

GAFFP Fall 2019 Meeting
16 SEPTEMBER 2019 • 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM EST
HOSTED BY THE CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA - GRIFFIN, GA

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