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View From the Chair

Phoenix Marriott ...

By Stephanie Olmsted

It's a "dry heat"... 110 degrees daily. August 8–11, 2004. Who in their right mind would have planned an international conference, IAFP 2004, in August, in the middle of the desert? That's what I thought when I heard the plans for this year's meeting. However, I was pleasantly surprised. I must admit that although I cannot be considered a pro yet at IAFP conferences (I think I've been to seven in the past nine years), I can honestly say that this past meeting in Phoenix was the best yet (that I've been able to attend). Beautiful, brand new venue, phenomenal sunsets, top-notch speakers and timely topics. And, as usual, fantastic company. This really became apparent to me this year with my first real taste of being involved with the IAFP Board. What a dedicated group of board members. I never realized just how much work the board puts into not only planning, but also executing the annual conference. And – for those of you who have not had the chance to see the IAFP staff in their prime – well, trust me. It's a sight that you must see. Talk about a group! Well, more about them later ...



When I was nominated by my local affiliate to serve as Washington State's "liaison" to the annual meetings in the mid-1990s, I didn't know much about this "parent" group which was then "IAMFES" (International Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians).

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All that I had been exposed to was our local group of dairy professionals (OK ... we were a bunch of “dairy dudes”). But, I must admit, I was VERY nervous with the expectation of trying to fill my predecessor’s shoes. Professor Lloyd Luedecke had been our secretary-treasurer and affiliate delegate for what seemed like 100 years! Talk about a tough act to follow!

When I first became involved as an affiliate delegate, I must admit that I was a bit skeptical of just where I fit in with this “parent” group. I mean, just reading some of the titles of the symposia left me with a “twisted tongue”... Heck, I vaguely remember (OK – maybe it’s still the case) that I had to work on some of the pronunciations. It must be obvious by now that I chose not to pursue a further “formal” education, going the route of many of the board members (I think I might be the only non Ph.D or M.S. on the board). So, what does someone like me, with a background in the “practical” aspects of the dairy industry, get from being an active member of IAFP? This question was quickly answered after my first conference in Pittsburgh in 1995 (which provided technical knowledge, access to scientific journals, food science professionals, and discussing common topics with old friends). Where else can one get all of this?

Last April, before I became an official voting member of the board, I had the opportunity to sit in on my first board meeting. Along with the standard planning that goes on before the big conference, we had the opportunity to take a stab at some strategic, long-term planning. The board and IAFP staff met in Des Moines and spent two days trying to brainstorm and focus on the future of IAFP. The strategic planning session with the group surfaced several repeating issues. Affiliates are the backbone of the organization. How do we provide value to our Members? How do we grow and “squash” the competition, and continue to maintain and market IAFP as the “Premier Food Safety Organization for Food Professionals”? Obviously, we have a lot on our plate, and maybe bit off a little too much to tackle in such a short period of time. But with the strong leadership of Kathy Glass, the other executive board members, and of course, the hard work of the IAFP staff, the answers to these questions may be easy to digest.

Those of you who serve as affiliate delegates are familiar with the 7:00 a.m. Sunday ritual with the Affiliate Council breakfast and meeting at IAFP’s Annual Meeting. Each year, this meeting is a forum for all of the delegates to talk about what they’ve been doing at their local meetings, ideas to share with the other attendees, scholarship updates, and just to compare notes. This year in Phoenix was no different than others, but I will admit it was nice being one of the few who didn’t have to adjust to a major time zone difference. Some great dialogue and ideas about how to open up the communication lines (other than at the Annual Meeting) were tossed out to the group.

Some that stood out were:

*** Invite fellow IAFP Members from neighboring states to attend or speak at your local meeting, possibly giving them a discounted rate.** Set aside some funds in your budget to send some members to neighboring meetings to “cross-pollinate” the groups and meeting topics. As a side note, I was able to attend the CADMS gathering in June 2004, as I was working at one of our California plants for an extended period of time this summer. That was a great opportunity to pick up new ideas for our future meetings, as well as make new contacts. Along the same lines, John and Christine Bruhn from California will be coming up to Washington State to speak to our group this fall.

***Make your meetings fun.** One idea that came up from the group was to help promote the affiliates by sharing digital photos. A slide show presentation could be displayed on the affiliate annual report tables or at the IAFP exhibit booth.

In closing, I’d like to acknowledge a few of my fellow affiliate delegates: David Fry from the Georgia Affiliate, with over 50-years involvement with IAFP; Helene Uhlman from the Indiana Affiliate with over 35-years of involvement, and “Sir” Randall Dags from the “other” WAFP... or WAFP East. I wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors as the new City of Madison Pool Guy. I’m glad we were able to take up a collection at the meeting to buy you a new Speedo.

And, of course, Steve Murphy – thanks for your leadership this past year, and tremendous support.



“Sir Pool Guy,” Randy Dags, WI Affiliate Delegate

IAFP 2004 Highlights

IAFP 2004 once again exceeded expectations with record attendance of more than 1,580 attendees who gathered at the J.W. Marriott Desert Ridge Resort in Phoenix, Arizona, August 8–11. The international audience of food safety professionals represented 32 countries, 47 states, and eight Canadian provinces along with 110 companies exhibiting equipment and services supporting food science and safety.

The Affiliate Council Meeting kicked off a full day of Committee and Professional Development Group meetings on Sunday. A big “thank you” is extended to those people who chose to be involved and give of their valuable time to participate and share their talents, ideas, and expertise to help our Association grow.

At the close of the Affiliate Council Meeting, Steve Murphy, Affiliate Council Chairperson, handed over the



Steve Murphy,
Affiliate Council Chairperson

gavel to Stephanie Olmsted, Affiliate Council Secretary. Stephanie will now serve as Affiliate Council Chairperson for 2004–2005. Terry Peters, who works as a Microbiology Program Specialist for the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Richmond, British Columbia, Canada was elected Affiliate Council Secretary for the upcoming year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Stephanie and Terry in their new positions, and thank Steve for his past service.

Dr. Martin B. Cole, presently Director at the National Center for Food Safety & Technology, Summit, Illinois, opened IAFP 2004 on Sunday evening with the Ivan



Kathy Glass, IAFP President-Elect (right) presented Dr. Martin Cole with the Ivan Parkin Lecture Award on Sunday, August 8.

Parkin Lecture entitled “Advanced Food Protection Technology.” Dr. Merle Pierson, Deputy Under Secretary for Food Safety, United States Department of Agriculture, addressed IAFP 2004 attendees during a presentation on Tuesday, August 10. The Inaugural John H. Silliker Lecture, also on Tuesday, featured R. Bruce Tompkin, Retired Vice President of Product Safety for ConAgra Refrigerated Foods.

The Meeting included a well-diversified program of over 500 presentations including 29 symposia, 76 technical and 249 poster presentations. Sessions ranged from Foodborne Disease Outbreaks, Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy, Quorum Sensing and Food Safety, Food Toxicology, Safety of Raw Milk Cheeses, *Mycobacterium paratuberculosis*, Retail Food Safety Risks, and many others. Three pre-meeting workshops were also conducted to provide additional educational opportunities for attendees.

The Awards Banquet concluded IAFP 2004 with 19 awards presented to individuals and organizations. The evening closed with the gavel presentation to Incoming President, Kathleen Glass.

IAFP 2005 will be held in Baltimore, Maryland, August 14–17, 2005.

2004 IAFP Award Recipients

Congratulations to the 2004 IAFP award recipients! The following awards were presented at the Awards Banquet at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort, Phoenix, Arizona on Wednesday, August 11.

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Not given

Honorary Life Membership

Harold Wainess

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Educator

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Not given

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Helen Piotter

Maurice Weber Laboratorian

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Kathleen Rajkowski

International Leadership

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Martin Cole

President's Lifetime Achievement

Reginald Bennett

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DEVELOPING SCIENTISTS:

First Place Oral Recipient

Wei Zhang

Second Place Oral Recipient

Katija Blaine

Third Place Oral Recipient

Keith Vorst

First Place Poster Recipient

Kaye Sy

Second Place Poster Recipient

Yohan Yoon

Third Place Poster Recipient

Dennis G. Allen

Affiliates Honored at IAFP 2004



Five Affiliates were honored at the IAFP 2004 Awards Banquet on August 11. Representing their Affiliates were the following recipients, left-to-right:

**Fred Weber, Metropolitan Affiliate Delegate, Best Educational Conference Award;
Marjorie Jones, Florida Affiliate President, Best Annual Meeting Award;
Steve Murphy, Affiliate Council Chairperson;
Tom Graham, Ontario Affiliate President, C. B. Shogren Memorial Award;
Terry Peters, British Columbia Affiliate President and Delegate, Affiliate
Membership Achievement Award, and
Bob Gravani, New York Affiliate Member, Best Communication Materials Award.**

Florida's Salute to the Olympics!



The Florida Association for Food Protection (FAFP) donated \$1,000 to the IAFP Foundation Fund at the Business Meeting. Pictured left-to-right are: Todd Rossow, FAFP Board Director; Zeb Blanton, Past President; Marjorie Jones, President, and Peter Hibbard, Affiliate Delegate. FAFP challenged other Affiliates to devise a creative way to deliver a Foundation Fund contribution at IAFP 2005.

IAFP Introduces 2004–2005 Executive Board

IAFP is pleased to announce its Executive Board for 2004–2005. Board members serve a succeeding five-year term on the Board beginning as Secretary moving through to Past President. These positions became effective immediately following IAFP 2004.

A sixth position on the Board is filled by the Affiliate Council Chairperson, Stephanie Olmsted, Safeway, Inc., Bellevue, Washington, serving a one-year term.



IAFP 2004-2005 Executive Board, left-to-right: Gary Acuff, Secretary; Kathy Glass, President; Paul Hall, Past President; Jeffrey Farber, President-Elect; David Tharp, IAFP Executive Director; Stephanie Olmsted, Affiliate Council Chairperson, and Frank Yiannas, Vice President.

Affiliate Members to Receive IAFP Fall Newsletter

In an effort to reach more of our Affiliate's Members, IAFP Affiliate Delegates are asked to forward this newsletter to all of their members who have E-mail. This can be done by inserting the newsletter's link from the IAFP Web site in the E-mail sent to Delegate's Affiliate members.

Affiliate members who wish to be added to the E-mail newsletter list should contact Lucia McPhedran at lmcphe@foodprotection.org. If Affiliate members do not have E-mail but want to be added to the newsletter mailing list, they should contact Lucia at the Association office.

IAFP Welcomes New Affiliate! *Arizona Environmental Health Association*

IAFP extends a “special thank you” to David Ludwig, Aimee Upton and Chris Reimus, along with the Arizona Environmental Health Association (AEHA). AEHA has been affiliated with the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) for several years, and is the newest IAFP Affiliate to receive a charter. We appreciated their ability to assist in the support of IAFP 2004. Volunteers from AEHA helped at the registration desk, in the Audiovisual Theater, in the Spouses’ Hospitality room, with the Silent Auction, and with the tours and social events. David, Aimee, and Chris helped to organize the volunteer staff from AEHA. We’re grateful for the special support provided by all AEHA volunteers!



David Ludwig (left) of the Arizona Environmental Health Association (AEHA) accepted the AEHA Affiliate Charter from IAFP President Paul Hall.

Calendar of Events

November 18, 2004	Ontario Food Protection Association Annual Fall Meeting , Stage West, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada.
February 16–17, 2005	Arizona Environmental Health Association Southwest Food Safety Conference and Exhibition , Riverside Resort Hotel & Casino, Laughlin, NV.
February 17, 2005	Georgia Association for Food Protection Annual Spring Meeting , University of Georgia, Food Science Building, Athens, GA.
February 22–24, 2005	Kentucky Association of Milk, Food & Environmental Sanitarians Annual Spring Meeting , Executive Inn West, Louisville, KY.
May 17–18, 2005	Pennsylvania Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians Annual Spring Meeting , Penn State University, State College, PA.

IAFP 2004 Exhibitors

IAFP Thanks the Following Companies Who Exhibited at IAFP 2004:

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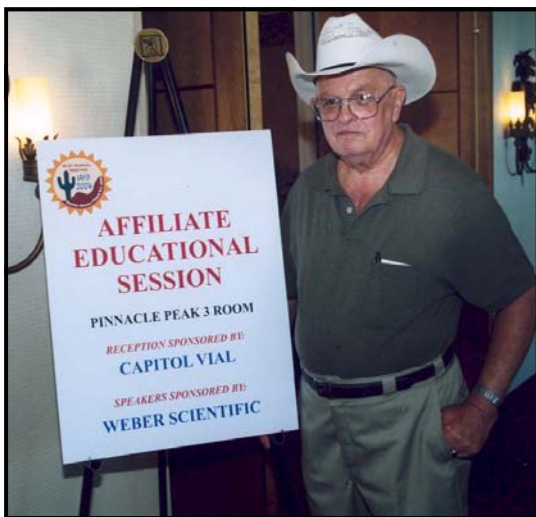
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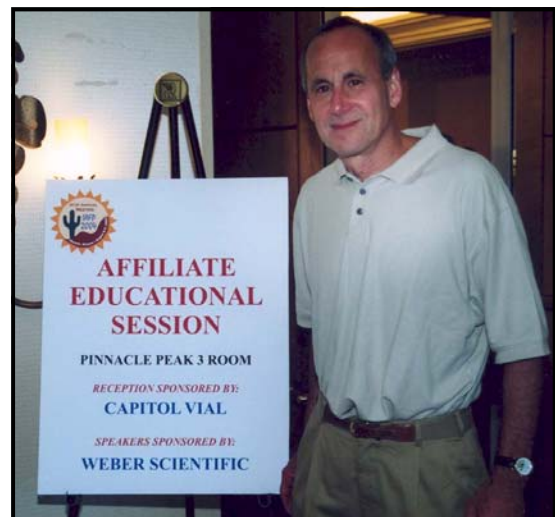
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Silent Auction Results

WE DID IT! With your help, the seventh Annual IAFP Foundation Fund Silent Auction was another successful addition to the Annual Meeting. The auction raised \$4,644.00 for the Foundation Fund this year.

The following Affiliates donated items for the 2004 Silent Auction in Phoenix, Arizona:

Mirror Wall Hanging	Arizona Environmental Health Association
2 Taste of Chicago Gift Certificates	Associated Illinois Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians
Brazil Cook's Tour	Brazil Association for Food Protection
Brazilian Folk Art	Brazil Association for Food Protection
Kendall-Jackson Collage Zinfandel-Shiraz	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Leaping Horse Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Golden Gate Vintners Merlot	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Vintners Reserve California Zinfandel	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Paso Robles Cross Point Merlot	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Napa Valley Leaping Lizard Zinfandel	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Pepperwood Grove Syrah	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Napa Ridge Coastal Zinfandel	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Muir Wood Monterey	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Monthaven Coastal Pinot Noir	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Monsieur Omo's Red Sunshine	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
Engel Cellars Zinaz	California Association of Dairy and Milk Sanitarians
US Flag	Capital Area Food Protection Association
2 Country Cured Hams	Carolinas Association for Food Protection
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Florida wine	Florida Association for Food Protection
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Georgia Gift Basket	Georgia Association for Food Protection
Steven D. Cale Wildlife Print	Indiana Environmental Health Association
Kansas Survival Kit	Kansas Environmental Health Association
Bath & Body Works Gift Basket Kentucky	Kentucky Association of Milk, Food & Environmental Sanitarians
Masks of Korea	Korea Association of Milk, Food, and Environmental Specialists
Plum Ridge Wine	Metropolitan Association for Food Protection
Blueberry Cream Ridge Wine	Metropolitan Association for Food Protection
2 Cranberry Cream Ridge Wines	Metropolitan Association for Food Protection
Almondbery Cream Ridge Wine	Metropolitan Association for Food Protection
2 MEHA Sanitarian's Ready Reference Manuals	Metropolitan Association for Food Protection
Hand Painted Canoe Paddles with Michigan Outdoor Scenes	Michigan Environmental Health Association
Missouri Ham	Michigan Environmental Health Association
Lucas Cayuga White	Missouri Milk, Food and Environmental Health Association
Lafayette Chardonay	New York State Association for Food Protection
Wiemer Dry Reisling	New York State Association for Food Protection
1/2 Gallen New York State Pure Maple Syrup	New York State Association for Food Protection
5 Lbs. New York State Sharp Cheddar Cheese	New York State Association for Food Protection
Dr. Frank Semi-Dry Riesling	New York State Association for Food Protection
2 Ontario Ice Wines	New York State Association for Food Protection
Embroidered Wine Holder and Wine	New York Association for Food Protection
Embroidered Towels with Phoenix Logo	Ontario Food Protection Association
Central Market Gift Basket	Southern California Association for Food Protection
Team USA World Rugby Union Cup Shirt	Southern California Association for Food Protection
Polish Bison Vodka	Texas Association for Food Protection
3-Month Washington Cougar Gold Cheese	United Kingdom Association for Food Protection
WEHA T-Shirt	Upper Midwest Dairy Association
	Washington Association for Food Protection
	Wyoming Environmental Health Association

Meet the New Affiliate Council Secretary Terry Peters

Terry Peters, a Microbiology Program Specialist at the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), has been a member of IAFP since 1990, and was one of the founders of the British Columbia Food Protection Association (BCFPA), which received its IAFP charter in 1999. He has remained on the BCFPA board of directors, first as vice president and currently as president.

Terry was born in England and emigrated with his family as a young child to Alberta, Canada. It did not take long for his family to move to British Columbia (BC) and settle in Richmond. Growing up in Richmond and graduating from Richmond High School, Terry received a B.S. degree in Chemistry from the University of British Columbia, and an M.S. in Food Science from the University of Manitoba. He then articulated and qualified as a professional agrologist in BC. Terry is married to Lyn and has one son, Luke. He enjoys traveling to foreign countries and spending leisure time at his cabin on one of BC's gulf islands. In addition, he volunteers for the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada, negotiating improved working conditions for fellow employees.

Following graduation, Terry's first job was as a research assistant at the University of BC. Two years later he joined the Health Protection Branch where he worked for 11 years as a chemist. Acting on the desire to work more closely with people and industry, Terry decided that his future lay outside the laboratory setting and moved to the inspection division of the Branch. He now has 22-years experience working in food safety, first as an inspector and later as a technical food specialist. Canada's move to combine the food inspection functions of four federal

departments into a single food agency resulted in Terry joining the CFIA. He has been with them since its creation seven-years ago.

Terry has considerable involvement with the safe production of many different commodities including smoked fish, tofu, sprouts, ready-to-eat meats, canned foods, apple cider, bottled water and dairy products. He is a national trainer for CFIA's *Metal Container Integrity Course*; national coordinator of a project to develop inspectional procedures and code of practice for sprouts, and a member of CFIA's national microbiology committee.

Terry's professional affiliations are with IAFP, the Pacific Fisheries Technologists, and the BC Institute of Agrologists. He is a member of the Technical Review Board for the International Sprout Growers Association, a member of the BC FOODSAFE Steering Committee, and a member of the BC Food Quality and Safety Advisory Committee to administer the Agrifood Futures Fund.



Terry Peters

Affiliate Annual Reports

It's that time of year again! In November, the Affiliate Annual Report forms will be E-mailed to all Affiliate contact persons who have E-mail, and mailed to those without E-mail.

The reports are due back to the IAFP office by March 14, 2005 and can be returned via E-mail to affiliate@foodprotection.org. As part of your report, it is important that we have addresses of each Affiliate's Executive Board Members so that we can send newsletters, updates and other information.

A panel reviews the Annual Reports to determine Affiliate Awards presented at the Annual Meeting. Awards are given for Affiliate Membership Achievement Award, Best Communication Materials, Best Educational Conference, Best Annual Meeting and the C.B. Shogren Memorial Award for the Affiliate demonstrating exceptional overall achievement in promoting the mission of IAFP.

Send Us Your Meeting Photos!

A request was made at the IAFP 2004 Affiliate Council Meeting to provide a PowerPoint presentation at IAFP 2005, highlighting our affiliates' annual meetings. A slide show presentation would be displayed on the affiliate annual report tables or at the IAFP exhibit booth.

If enough digital pictures are sent to the IAFP office from our affiliates, they will be placed in a PowerPoint presentation and

shown at future IAFP Annual Meetings.

Please E-mail Lucia at the IAFP office at lmphedran@foodprotection.org with your affiliates' digital annual meeting(s) photos. Also include names and titles of the persons shown in your photos and the activity featured.

Thank you!

Dr. Jeffrey Farber Speaks at Alberta Association for Food Protection Meeting

Gary Gensler (right), President of the Alberta Association for Food Protection (AAFP), welcomed Dr. Jeffrey Farber to the AAFP Annual Meeting.



Dr. Jeffrey Farber, IAFP President-Elect, spoke at the Alberta Association for Food Protection Affiliate Meeting held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada on June 21, 2004. Dr. Farber's presentation centered on the microbial safety of produce, with emphasis on fresh-cut products, and some recent outbreaks, including the hepatitis A green onion outbreak.

Dr. Jeffrey Farber and Lynn McMullen, Alberta Affiliate Delegate

Certificate of Merit Awards

Affiliates are encouraged to nominate individuals for Certificate of Merit Awards. These awards are given to Members who have been active in both their Affiliate and IAFP, and have shown support of the ideals and objectives of IAFP.

The nomination must be in writing and background information needs to be provided regarding the individual's involvement with IAFP and Affiliate organizations.

Nominations should be addressed to David Tharp, IAFP Executive Director. Allow 60 days for processing. All nominations are reviewed by the IAFP Executive Board.

Georgia Association for Food Protection Hosts Fall Meeting

By Mark Norton
GAFP President

The Georgia Association for Food Protection (GAFP) held its Annual Fall Meeting on September 14, 2004 at Zep Manufacturing in Atlanta. The theme for the meeting was “Topics in Food Safety & Technology.” Russell Zablan of the US Food and Drug Administration was a featured speaker and his presentation covered “FDA’s Response and Related Activities to the G-8 Summit” held at Sea Island, Georgia last June. Mr. Craig Wyvill of the Georgia Tech Research Institute covered “Emerging Technologies for Improved Food Processing Safety and Quality” and Dr. Ynes Ortega of the University of Georgia’s Center for Food Safety covered “Parasites in Fresh Produce and Seafood.” The afternoon session concluded with a tour of Zep Manufacturing.

The winners of the 2004 Dr. Jim Ayres Young Investigator Award were recognized at the business meeting. The Award Winner was Glenner M. Richards, Center for Food Safety and Department of Food Science and Technology, “Attachment of *Salmonella* Poona to Surface Tissues of Cantaloupes as Affected by Temperature Differential, and Migration into Edible Tissues as Affected by Co-Infection with Phytopathogens”. The Runner-Up was Kaye Valerie Sy, Center for Food Safety and Department of Food Science and Technology, “Evaluation of Gaseous Chlorine Dioxide as a Sanitizer for Killing *Salmonella*, Yeasts, and Molds on Blueberries, Strawberries, and Raspberries”. The Honorable Mention was Joshua Gurtler, Center for Food Safety and Department of Food Science and Technology, “Effects of Pre- and Post-Cooling Treatments on CO₂ Cryogenically Cooled Table Eggs Inoculated with *Salmonella* Enteritidis and Held at 10°C for 56 Days”.

GAFP holds two meetings each year with attendance varying between 45–55 people. The Winter Meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2005 at the University of Georgia’s Food Science & Technology Building in Athens. Two newsletters are published each year. For more information, please check out the GAFP website at www.gafes.org.



Joshua Gurtler (center), Graduate Research Assistant at the University of Georgia, received Honorable Mention for the 2004 Dr. Jim Ayres Young Investigator Award at the Georgia Association for Food Protection (GAFP) Affiliate Meeting on Sept. 14, 2004. Louis Hughes, GAFP Vice President, is on the left, and Mark Norton, GAFP President, on the right.

Call for Award Nominations

The International Association for Food Protection welcomes your nominations for our Association Awards. Nominate your colleagues for one of the Awards listed below. You do not have to be an IAFP Member to nominate a deserving professional. To request nomination criteria, contact:

International Association for Food Protection
6200 Aurora Ave., Suite 200W
Des Moines, Iowa 50322-2864
Phone: 800.369.6337; 515.276.3344
Fax: 515.276.8655
Web site: www.foodprotection.org
E-mail: info@foodprotection.org

Nominations deadline is March 14, 2005. You may make multiple nominations. All nominations must be received at the IAFP office by March 14, 2005.

- Persons nominated for individual awards must be current IAFP Members. Black Pearl Award nominees must be companies employing current IAFP Members. NFPA Food Safety Award nominees do not have to be IAFP Members.
- Previous award winners are not eligible for the same award.
- Executive Board Members and Awards Committee Members are not eligible for nomination.

Presentation of awards will be during the Awards Banquet at IAFP 2005 – the Association's 92nd Annual Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland on August 17, 2005.

Nominations will be accepted for the following Awards:

Black Pearl Award — Award showcasing the Black Pearl

Presented in recognition of a company's outstanding achievement in corporate excellence in food safety and quality.

Sponsored by Wilbur Feagan and F & H Food Equipment Company.

Fellow Award — Distinguished Plaque

Presented to Member(s) who have contributed to IAFP and its Affiliates with distinction over an extended period of time.

Honorary Life Membership Award — Plaque and Lifetime Membership in IAFP

Presented to Member(s) for their devotion to the high ideals and objectives of IAFP and for their service to the Association.

Harry Haverland Citation Award — Plaque and \$1,000 Honorarium

Presented to an individual for years of devotion to the ideals and objectives of IAFP.

Sponsored by ZEP Manufacturing Company.

Harold Barnum Industry Award — Plaque and \$1,000 Honorarium

Presented to an individual for outstanding service to the public, IAFP and the food industry.

Sponsored by Nasco International, Inc.

Educator Award — Plaque and \$1,000 Honorarium

Presented to an individual for outstanding service to the public, IAFP and the arena of education in food safety and food protection.

Sponsored by Nelson-Jameson, Inc.

Sanitarian Award — Plaque and \$1,000 Honorarium

Presented to an individual for outstanding service to the public, IAFP and the profession of the Sanitarian.

Sponsored by Ecolab, Inc., Food and Beverage Division.

Maurice Weber Laboratorian Award — Plaque and \$1,500 Honorarium

Presented to an individual for outstanding contributions in the laboratory, recognizing a commitment to the development of innovative and practical analytical approaches in support of food safety.

Sponsored by Weber Scientific.

International Leadership Award — Plaque, \$1,000 Honorarium and Reimbursement to attend IAFP 2005

Presented to an individual for dedication to the high ideals and objectives of IAFP and for promotion of the mission of the Association in countries outside of the United States and Canada.

Sponsored by Unilever, Safety and Environmental Assurance Centre (SEAC).

Food Safety Innovation Award — Plaque and \$2,500 Honorarium

Presented to an IAFP Member or organization for creating a new idea, practice, or product that has had a positive impact on food safety, thus, improving public health and the quality of life.

Sponsored by 3M Microbiology.

NFPA Food Safety Award — Plaque and \$3,000 Honorarium

Presented to an individual, group, or organization in recognition of a long history of outstanding contribution to food safety research and education.

Sponsored by National Food Processors Association.

IAFP Officer Speaker List

Kathy Glass, Ph.D.
President

Topics

- 1) Formulating Foods for Safety
- 2) *Clostridium botulinum*: Friend or Foe
- 3) Emerging Pathogens 101: What Lurks around the Corner?
- 4) Control of *Listeria* in Ready-to-eat Foods

Jeff Farber, Ph.D.
President-Elect

Topics

- 1) *L. monocytogenes*, a Foodborne Pathogen
- 2) *Enterobacter sakazakii* – Should We be Concerned
- 3) Molecular Typing of Foodborne Pathogens
- 4) Microbial Food Safety Policy in Canada

Frank Yiannas, M.P.H.
Vice President

Topics

- 1) Food Safety is Magical, but It Doesn't Magically Happen – A Retail Safety Overview
- 2) Key Trends Influencing the Future of Food Safety
- 3) Using Information Technology to Manage Food Safety Risk
- 4) Innovations in Retail Food Safety

Gary Acuff, Ph.D.
Secretary

Topics

- 1) Microbiology of Meat Products
- 2) HACCP Validation and Verification with Microbiological Testing
- 3) Food Safety Objectives

Paul Hall, Ph.D.
Past President

Topics

- 1) Microbiology Food Safety Management
- 2) Application of Rapid Microbiological Methods
- 3) HACCP/Prerequisite Programs and Microbiological Food Safety
- 4) Pathogen Environmental Monitoring and Control
- 5) *Mycobacterium paratuberculosis* – A Research Update

Stephanie Olmsted,
Affiliate Council
Chairperson

Topics

- 1) The New Dairy HACCP Program (Traditional vs. NCIMS HACCP)
- 2) Extending the Shelf Life of Pasteurized Fluid Milk

Terry Peters,
Affiliate Council Secretary

Topics

- 1) Sprouts – The Canadian Perspective
- 2) An Introduction to Classification and Identification of Metal Can Defects

**International Association for Food Protection
Executive Board Speaker Program
Guidelines for Affiliates**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. International Association for Food Protection Executive Board Members are available to speak at Affiliate meetings on numerous topics involving food safety. 2. Each Affiliate may request one Executive Board speaker for one Affiliate meeting within a 12-month calendar year. 3. A minimum of 15 minutes should be allowed for the Board Member to deliver information about the International Association for Food Protection in addition to their main subject(s) (see #1). 4. The Association will pay the Board Member's expense to travel to your Affiliate meeting location. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. The Affiliate covers local expenses, including meals, lodging, and local transportation for the Board Member. 6. The Board Member makes their own travel reservations and will submit an expense report to the International Association for Food Protection within 10 days of completion of their travel to the Affiliate meeting. Any local expense (see #5) will be billed to the Affiliate. 7. A two-month advance notice is requested. 8. To invite a Board Member to speak at your Affiliate Meeting, contact Lucia Collison McPhedran, Affiliate Council Staff Liaison for additional details (800.369.6337 or 515.276.3344 or E-mail lmcphebran@foodprotection.org). |
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Turbocharge Your Board Meetings

Power tools and rules to help you accomplish more in less time

By Sammi Soutar, CAE

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Today's volunteer leaders serve in an environment in which a trio of association challenges—membership, meetings, and money—compel lively, and often lengthy, boardroom discussions. Therefore, you must find fresh ways to compress time while making your board meetings more meaningful, productive, and satisfying. This is especially necessary because committed volunteers are invaluable but not inexhaustible. Following are some suggestions to maximize productivity and time:

1. Engage the entire board. To avoid letting a few people dominate the discussion, encourage everyone to contribute. Call on members individually, if necessary, to ensure that all voices are heard.

2. Focus on the future. What's done is done, so relegate the historical—that is, minutes from previous board and committee meetings, financial statements, and so forth—to a consent agenda. (More on this tool in a moment.) Use the precious time you save to address strategic goals, planning, and policy.

3. Start on time, keep to a schedule, and finish strong. Respect those who arrive on time by beginning promptly. Tardy members who regret disrupting a meeting already in progress will be motivated to arrive earlier next time.

To keep the focus on business at hand, incorporate time frames into the written agenda. By indicating that you'll devote 30 minutes to one issue and two hours to another, you provide cues about the relative importance of each. Finally, at the meeting's close, summarize what the group has accomplished and end on a positive note. That's always easier to do at the conclusion of a productive, well-managed meeting.

4. Use a consent agenda. This kind of agenda removes reports of past activities from general (and sometimes tedious) discussion. Items that fall into this category might include meeting minutes, committee reports, financial statements, and updates on completed work or works in progress that do not require further action. Consent-agenda items are typically included as one of the first items of business. They require a motion, a second, and a vote to approve—but no discussion. Batching these housekeeping reports can easily trim 20–60 minutes from a typical board meeting.

To rev up the pace of business, consider an *inverted consent agenda*. Move all action agenda items to the top of the meeting so that you can discuss them while you're fresh and alert.

At a typical board meeting for one of the associations I manage, we convene with a three-to-five minute warm-up by sharing communications and a few brief announcements, followed by a motion to accept or amend the agenda. If board members wish to move any items in the consent agenda back into the action agenda for discussion, this is the time to do it.

After approval of the action-consent, we move right into the action part of the meeting. Then we reserve the last few minutes of the meeting for the consent agenda.

You can save even more time with this action-consent agenda framework if you encourage members to draft their motions and present them for consideration before the meeting. For example, if your association's education committee plans to introduce a motion to increase by 5 percent the association's annual budget, the chair would draft the motion and submit it to the board in advance, along with supporting arguments and documentation. This would ensure that informed discussion of the proposal is not delayed.

5. Adopt a meeting countdown. A predictable activities schedule for the weeks leading up to a board meeting can further enhance overall productivity. Here's one possible timetable:

- *Six weeks out from a board meeting:* Remind board members and committee chairs to send in items they wish to see incorporated into either the consent or action agenda—which the board president, working with staff, will then create. Also, remind board members to submit any supporting documentation, committee reports, position papers, and so forth for fellow board members to review before the meeting.
- *Four weeks out:* Distribute the meeting notice. Also make the meeting agenda, board books, and support documentation available via E-mail, mail, or the Web.
- *One-to-two weeks out:* If you have concerns about achieving a quorum, this is the time to get a head count and issue a reminder about the upcoming meeting.

6. Get feedback. Every so often, poll board members to determine how productive they perceive meetings to be and to get suggestions for fine-tuning. However, do not conduct the surveys at the conclusion of every board meeting. The feedback will be more meaningful if you make it occasional rather than routine.

Remember, any amount of meeting time you free from low-priority business can be focused on your association's strategic needs. With so many economic, political, and technological challenges jockeying about for board member's attention, that's time well spent indeed.

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Highlights of the Executive Board Meeting

August 6 – 12, 2004

Following is an unofficial summary of actions from the Executive Board Meeting held at the J.W. Marriott Desert Ridge Resort on August 6–12, 2004:

Approved the following:

- Minutes of April 28–30, 2004 Executive Board Meeting
- Issuance of Affiliate Charter to Arizona Environmental Health Association
- Change of Committee name for Committee on Communicable Diseases Affecting Man to Committee on Control of Foodborne Illness
- Foundation Fund vision statement

Discussed the following:

- E-mail votes taken since the last meeting
- Board responsibilities at various Annual Meeting functions
- Possible new Affiliate organizations
- Affiliate organizations not in compliance with IAFP Bylaws
- 3-A Sanitary Standards, Inc. update
- World Health Organization – Non-Governmental Organization
- Working together with ILSI Europe to hold a workshop in Europe
- Restructure of Awards Criteria
- Released restriction on contribution to IAFP Foundation
- Code of Ethics assigned to Past Presidents' Committee
- A review of IAFP 2004
- Committee recommendations

Reports received:

- *Food Protection Trends*
- *Journal of Food Protection*
- IAFP Web Site
- Membership update
- Advertising update
- Financial statements for period ending June 30, 2004
- Board Members attending Affiliate meetings
- Affiliate Newsletter
- Future Annual Meetings
- Co-sponsorships
- Exhibiting (IAFP On the Road)
- Future Board meeting dates

Next Executive Board meeting: November 15, 2004

Affiliate Council Minutes
IAFP 2004 – August 8, 2004
Held at the J.W. Marriott Desert Ridge Resort

Affiliates Present:

Alabama	Tom McCaskey
Arizona	Chris Reimus
Brazil	Maria Teresa Destro
British Columbia	Terry Peters
California	John Bruhn
Capital	Carl Custer
Carolina's	James Ball
Florida	Peter Hibbard
Georgia	David Fry
Illinois	David Robbins
Indiana	Helene Uhlman
Kentucky	Sue Jewell
Metropolitan	Fred Weber
Michigan	Brian T. Cecil
Missouri	Gala Jaramillo
Nebraska	Tom Tieso
New York	Steve Murphy
Ohio	Gloria Swick-Brown
Ontario	Tom Graham
Portugal	Laurentina Pedroso
Pennsylvania	Gene Frey
Southern California	Margaret Burton
Texas	Fred Reimers
United Kingdom	David Lloyd
Upper Midwest	Dan Erickson
Washington	Stephanie Olmsted
Wisconsin	Randy Daggs



2004 Affiliate Council

Members Absent: Korea, Connecticut, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Wyoming.

Board Members and IAFP Staff Present: Paul Hall, Kathy Glass, Jeff Farber, Gary Acuff, Frank Yiannas, Anna Lammerding, David Tharp, Lisa Hovey, and Lucia Collison McPhedran.

Guests: Judy Greig, Sid Camp, Zeb Blanton, Roger Cook, Joe Disch, Malcolm McDonald, Dave Gagnon, and Fumiko Kasuga.

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05 a.m.

Recording Secretary of Minutes: Stephanie Olmsted.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 a.m. by Affiliate Council Chairman Steven Murphy. A sign-up form for attendees was distributed for delegates and guests. There were 44 delegates and guests present.

Steven Murphy introduced Chris Reimus as the delegate from our newest affiliate, Arizona. It was also announced that there are also two new affiliates being worked on, New Zealand & Japan. The minutes from our 2003 meeting were distributed as part of the attendees packet, and were approved and seconded as published in *FPT*.

Executive Board Report: Paul Hall, IAFP President gave an extensive report from the Executive Board, and announced that the IAFP membership is stable, and that Gold & Silver sustaining memberships have increased. His report also included updates on *Food Protection Trends* and *Journal of Food Protection*. Reports on the 2004 IAFP attendance looks favorable, with an estimate of 1550 to 1600 attendees to be registered. There are 128 booths registered for the Exhibit Hall, and sponsorships are up 20% over last year. The Foundation Fund is also growing, closing in on \$220,000.

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IAFP Office Report: Reports were given by both David Tharp and Lucia Collison McPhedran. David was happy to report that after carrying a negative balance in the General Operating Fund for almost 15 years, we are finally showing a profit. Lucia encouraged the affiliates to take advantage of the Executive Board Speaking Program. She also encouraged the affiliates to keep her informed of any changes in officers, as well as contact information. Affiliates were also encouraged to utilize the Certificate of Merit Award. Fred Weber asked if nominees for the award needed to be members of IAFP, and this was confirmed that they do indeed need to be members of both the local affiliate, as well as IAFP. This past year, 36 of 39 annual reports were returned, which is the best return rate seen in many years.

Election of Affiliate Council Secretary: Steven Murphy went over the commitments expected of the Affiliate Secretary. Terry Peters from the British Columbia Affiliate was nominated by the Nominating Committee, and was approved unopposed by the Council.

Affiliate Reception and Symposium: Steve reported that the affiliate reception & symposium was well attended. Capitol Vial and Weber Scientific provided funding for this event. Continuation of this event was discussed with the attendees, and it was determined that it was of definite value to make plans again for Baltimore. Attendees were encouraged to provide suggestions for future topics to Steve or Stephanie Olmsted.

New Affiliates: Chris Reimus with the Arizona affiliate reported on the membership and the prior affiliation of the group with the National Environmental Health Association. Roger Cook from New Zealand also reported on progress in his country towards forming an affiliate.

Unfinished Business: David Tharp reported on the status of our Non-compliant affiliates. There are currently 4 affiliates that are not in compliance, however Lucia is working with these affiliates with hopes of bringing them back into compliance.

New Business: The winners of the 2004 affiliate awards were announced. They were:

Membership Achievement Award: British Columbia Association for Food Protection

Best Communication Materials Award: New York State Association for Food Protection

Best Educational Conference: Metropolitan Association for Food Protection

Best Annual Meeting Award: Florida Association for Food Protection

C.B. Shogren Memorial Award: Ontario Food Protection Association

It was discussed & decided that we would include affiliate Web sites as part of the consideration components for both the Communication and Shogren awards.

A lengthy discussion was held with the attendees discussing ways to drive membership. Ideas discussed included inviting other local affiliate members that are in close proximity, & waiving registration fees to those neighboring affiliates. It was suggested that IAFP look into the logistics of having a PowerPoint presentation made available including digital pictures that would be provided by the affiliates. It was recommended that IAFP staff investigate this possibility.

Affiliate Reports: Affiliate delegates present gave a brief synopsis of their activities over the past year reflecting membership, scholarships, educational and annual meetings, newsletters and Web sites and association with IAFP and other organizations.

Other Business: Steve Murphy thanked the affiliates that provided items for silent auction. He also encouraged & thanked affiliates for providing student support & scholarships. The IAFP staff was thanked for all of their hard work & support to the organization.

Passing of Gavel: Chairperson Steven Murphy expressed his appreciation to Lucia and the IAFP staff in assisting him during his term as the Affiliate Council Chairperson. He then passed the gavel to Stephanie Olmsted signifying the beginning of her term as chairperson of the affiliate council.

Next Meeting Date: August 14, 2005, Baltimore, MD.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:05 a.m.

Chairperson: Steven Murphy.



Stephanie Olmsted (far left) received the gavel from Affiliate Council Chairperson Steve Murphy (second from left) at the IAFP 2004 Affiliate Council Meeting. Looking on are Paul Hall, IAFP President (far right), David Tharp, Executive Director (second from right), and Lucia McPhedran, Affiliate Staff Liaison.

IAFP Membership Dues

The following rates are effective September 1, 2004 through August 31, 2005.

UNITED STATES:	<i>FPT</i>	\$100.00
	<i>FPT & JFP</i>	\$185.00
<i>Student/Retired:</i>	<i>FPT</i>	\$50.00
	<i>JFP</i>	\$50.00
	<i>FPT & JFP</i>	\$92.50
CANADA/MEXICO:	<i>FPT</i>	\$115.00
	<i>FPT & JFP</i>	\$220.00
<i>Student/Retired:</i>	<i>FPT</i>	\$65.00
	<i>JFP</i>	\$70.00
	<i>FPT & JFP</i>	\$127.50
INTERNATIONAL:	<i>FPT</i>	\$130.00
	<i>FPT & JFP</i>	\$265.00
<i>Student/Retired:</i>	<i>FPT</i>	\$80.00
	<i>JFP</i>	\$100.00
	<i>FPT & JFP</i>	\$172.50

New: Student Membership with *JFP* Online only (does not include print copies) for \$48 per year.

Add *JFP* Online to your membership for \$36.00

****PLEASE NOTE** - If you have a renewing IAFP Member within your Affiliate, have them contact the IAFP office before renewing, as they may be eligible for a discount on their IAFP Membership.

Future IAFP Annual Meetings...

August 14 – 17, 2005 – Baltimore, Maryland
 August 13 – 16, 2006 – Calgary, Alberta, Canada
 July 8 – 11, 2007 – Lake Buena Vista, Florida



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