

To provide food safety professionals worldwide with a forum to exchange information on protecting the food supply

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View from the Chair: *Change is good!*

Summer has arrived for many of us and with it comes **IAFP 2012**, this year in Providence, Rhode Island. I believe this is going to be the best meeting ever!

As most of you know, each year at Annual Meeting the Affiliate Council meets early on Sunday morning. The Council is represented by all of the Affiliate Delegates from around the world who bring ideas and issues to discuss. Hopefully, each Delegate will return home and share our discussion with their respective Affiliate Members. It is important that this valuable group acts as mentors to our new Members and Affiliates. By sharing interesting programs and speakers, advice on how to sustain membership, and communication methods that work, we can help others to remain

active and productive. This meeting also allows us to air concerns and needs with the IAFP Board.

This year the Affiliate Council meets Sunday, July 22 at 7:00 a.m. sharp – please don't be late as we have a lot to cover (and hope to again adjourn earlier than scheduled)! The complimentary continental breakfast will be set up for your enjoyment by 6:30 a.m. – it's always good to spend a short time prior to the meeting to visit with friends we haven't seen in awhile.

Roll call will be taken, and we will go through the agenda quickly. Prior to our meeting, please take a few

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moments to read the 2011 Affiliate Council Meeting Minutes that were recently E-mailed by **Susan Smith** to all Delegates. As you'll recall from my last *Affiliate View* column, Delegates will be seated at roundtables this year (in a crescent shape facing the head table), with each table spending time to exchange information about their Affiliates, then report back to the group. Again this year, we will devote time to present the Affiliate Awards and announce the recipient of the C.B. Shogren Memorial Award (which will be formally presented at Wednesday evening's Awards Banquet). Also, please stick around during the break to be part of our group photo!

One item we're adding to the agenda (which will be sent to each of you before the Affiliate Council Meeting) is discussing the evaluation of the Affiliate Annual Reports. This year proved to be difficult for the Judging Committee to review and evaluate for award selections due to the disparity of information provided among the 40 reports submitted. Several Affiliates provided only minimal information to fulfill the requirements, completing the online form with a few words or sentences and pushing "Send." To the extreme were the reports that consisted of elaborate notebooks or 'scrapbooks' with color pho-

tos, newsletters and meeting summaries. Therefore, we're going to make a few changes to the Annual Report online form, which will hopefully initiate a more suitable process for judging going forward. (This year's meeting might be a good time for Delegates to hear some of the reviewing difficulties the Judging Committee faced!)

We will make every effort at the Affiliate Council Meeting to accomplish as much as possible

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expeditiously so that Delegates might still participate in some of the (overlapping) PDG meetings, if desired. If there are matters needing more time for discussion, we will not discount them by any means; however, please allow time for these discussions toward the end of the meeting.

Don't forget to donate to this year's Silent Auction at **IAFP 2012!** All funds go to the IAFP Foundation. We ask that each Affiliate donates one or more items (perhaps specific to your state or country!) to this worthy cause. Be creative and donate something with a special appeal! Please be generous with your

donations – and your purchases – at the Silent Auction as the money funds such wonderful causes like the Student Travel Scholarships, the Travel Award for State or Local Health or State Agricultural Department Employees, speaker travel, shipment of excess IAFP journals to FAO in Rome, and the Developing Scientist Program.

Finally, please become active in your local Affiliate or, if you or someone you know doesn't find one nearby, initiate the steps to start one this year! It's really quite simple and the IAFP office and I will be glad to provide more information about how to begin.

As my year as Affiliate Council Chair comes to an end, I want to thank Susan Smith for her invaluable assistance, **David Tharp** and the IAFP Staff, and the other Executive Board Members.

Best wishes for a bright future and I hope to see you soon!



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Affiliate BioBrief

Steve Murphy

Delegate, New York State Association for Food Protection



OCCUPATION | Senior Extension Associate, Department of Food Science, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, under the Milk Quality Improvement Program in Dairy Foods Extension.

QUALIFICATIONS | B.S. in Microbiology and M.P.S. in Food Science, both from Cornell University.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS | After earning a B.S. in 1979, the ‘real world’ job market for general microbiologists had little to offer, so Steve returned to Cornell and accepted a position as a technician in Dr. Robert Zall’s Food Science laboratory. At that time, Dr. Zall was engaged in a project funded by the NY State Dairy Farmers (checkoff funds) that investigated the use of on-farm sub-pasteurization and membrane concentration of milk. Thus, Steve’s career began in dairy foods research and extension. One important perspective that Steve learned from Dr. Zall is that “there are no small jobs – everything is important!” With the continued support of the NY State Dairy Farmers, Steve moved further up the ladder at Cornell, obtaining his master’s degree in Food Science and taking a position in the Dairy Foods Extension Program under Professor David Bandler, replacing another mentor, Gene Wolffe, who retired. Under Professor Bandler and the Milk Quality Improvement Program, Steve branched out further, providing NY State’s dairy industry with training and consultation in basic dairy science, dairy food quality and safety.

PORTFOLIO | Steve has been an IAFP Member since 1988 and currently serves as Delegate for his local Affiliate, the New York State Association for Food Protection (NYSAFP). He spent three years on the IAFP Program Committee (2000–2003) and served as Affiliate Council Chair and a Member of the IAFP Executive Board (2003), which he considers a valuable and enlightening experience (“The Board and IAFP staff do a LOT of work!”). He is also a member of the Dairy Quality & Safety PDG and a past member of the Constitution & By-Laws Committee. Steve continues to be active in NYSAFP, serving on the Laboratory Committee, maintaining the Affiliate Web site and providing support for their Annual Meeting. He is also involved with the National Conference on Interstate Milk Shipment (NCIMS Laboratory and HACCP Committees) and the Dairy Practices Council.

PERSONAL ENDEAVOURS | Steve spends his spare time hiking, golfing, hunting, cross-country skiing and walking the Cornell campus. He also enjoys traveling to many places, with a cross-country companionship providing the inspiration to do so. Steve considers himself a ‘technological dinosaur’ with only a cell phone – no internet or cable TV – at home.

This department is reserved exclusively for article contributions by IAFP Affiliates. We invite your perspective on topics of interest to organizations and professionals dedicated to the advancement of global food safety. Send to Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Affiliate *WorldView* contributor's column



Alabama Association for Food Protection

The Makings of a Strong Affiliate

By Tom McCaskey, Delegate

Alabama has an early history of promoting food safety. Sometime around 1922, the Alabama State Board of Health and the U.S. Public Health Service cooperatively began a state-wide milk program based on the need for regulated sanitary conditions and the need for milk pasteurization to control milkborne diseases. Like many other IAFP Affiliates, the **Alabama Association for Food Protection (AAFP)** had its beginnings with the dairy industry. Initially, a large portion of the members were directly involved with the dairy industry serving as plant managers, cooperative managers, plant supervisors and/or quality control managers. Members not working in the dairy industry typically were health department sanitarians or individuals associated with Auburn University's College of Agriculture and/or the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service. The

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dairy extension service representatives were mostly assigned to the Auburn University campus.

In the Beginning

The first Affiliate meetings, then known as the Alabama Dairy Conference, were held in the early 1970s. Russell Wright, Director of the Alabama Department of Public Health's Division of Sanitation, and William "Shep" Phillips, Milk Division Director, were resolute that the conference always maintain a program that was educational and the program topics were of a timely nature to ongoing issues that would benefit the Alabama Dairy

Industry. The early meetings were held on the Auburn University campus a day prior to Auburn's homecoming football game, thus allowing the conference members an opportunity to visit and remain on campus for agriculture activities prior to the start of the game. Travel around Alabama in the early '70s could be a time-consuming task due to the lack of four-lane roads. Auburn University is the largest of Alabama's land grant institutions and many conference speakers and attendees were Auburn University faculty and graduates, especially from the Dairy Science Department.

Changes Help

During the early 1980s, the demographics of the attendees started to change, with an influx coming from the non-dairy segment of the Alabama food industry. Robert Shelton, Division of Inspection Milk Specialist, planned the annual meetings and

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recognized that the makeup of the attendees was changing. Therefore, it made sense that the meetings be moved from Auburn to a more centrally-located area in Alabama, such as Birmingham. The move would allow those individuals associated with non-dairy food industries and traveling from outlying areas the ability to take advantage of the newly developed interstate highway system.

Once the location moved to Birmingham, attendance consistently rose from an average of 70 to over 100. The move was a major advancement for our organization and set the path for what was to become Alabama's affiliation with IAFP.

Combining Forces

In the fall of 1987, Robert Shelton and Dr. Tom McCaskey suggested that our group consider joining the International Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians (now IAFP). The Planning Committee agreed, and an organizational meeting was held the following January for the purpose of establishing a state Affiliate of IAMFES. A constitution was adopted and officers were elected for the upcoming year. In order for a state to have an Affiliate chapter, a minimum of five members – including the President and Delegate – were required to be Members of IAFP; fortunately, Alabama al-

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ready had a newly-formed membership of 24. Our application was forwarded to the IAFP Board, and the Alabama Affiliate was chartered on August 3, 1988. Annual dues for the Alabama Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians (AAMFES) were set at five dollars (and remain at that price today). A business meeting was held November 10, 1988, where it was agreed to have a spring and fall meeting each year. The fall meeting would be held in November jointly with the Alabama Dairy Conference. The spring meeting was held for two years, then discontinued due to marginal participation. The decision was made to put all the planning and organizational effort into one annual meeting.

To build interest in the newly-formed AAMFES Affiliate, a modest state-wide survey was conducted in the spring of 1989 to determine who might be invited to join our organization. A letter was sent from the Association to over 350 food company representatives explaining the organization and inviting them to join and participate in our annual meetings. This resulted in a significant increase in our Affiliate membership over the next ten

years, and ultimately AAMFES was awarded IAFP's award for "Affiliate Membership Achievement" in 1998.

Now known as the Alabama Association for Food Protection, our Affiliate strives to provide Members and related food service industry representatives with pertinent information on current food safety issues. Speakers who have served on our annual programs are those who have gained prominence in their field of endeavor. AAFP has also taken advantage of IAFP's Executive Board Speaker Program to enhance the quality of our educational programs. Past IAFP speakers have included **Dee Buskee, Robert Sanders, Jack Guzewich** and **Frank Yiannis**. Other prominent speakers have included the Alabama Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries; the Dean of the College of Agriculture, Auburn University; State Health Officers of the Alabama Department of Public Health; and several speakers over the years from the FDA. Program topics which addressed current public health issues contributed toward AAFP receiving the IAFP award for "Best Affiliate Overall Meeting" in 2011.

Meeting attendees include individuals from various segments of the food industry; regulatory officials from county, state and federal levels; representatives of

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companies which provide services to the dairy and food industry; and individuals from Alabama's universities. AAFP actively promotes food safety training for allied agencies and industries. We also affiliate with and support organizations to help locate meeting facilities for training personnel; help with registration; and manage monetary funds for state, regional and national meetings and conferences, including the National FDA Dairy and Food Training programs, the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries training, and the Alabama Department of Public Health training sessions.

AAFP also supports the Alabama Food Safety Task Force and the Alabama Food Program Supervisors Workshop by holding our annual fall meetings in conjunction with their annual meetings. These cooperative educational training efforts help AAFP to meet its Mission Statement: *"To provide food safety professionals with a forum to exchange information on protecting the food supply."*

Supporting Our Future

In 2008, AAFP established a Scholarship Program to promote students' interests in careers in the food sciences and food safety disciplines. The Scholarship application is open to all students pursuing a degree in a food or a food-related science program at

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an Alabama university. At AAFP's 2009 Annual Meeting, the student scholarship was officially named the "AAFP G.M. Gallaspy Food Safety Scholarship" in honor of G.M. Gallaspy for his many years of service to the Alabama Affiliate. The first four scholarship recipients earned their degrees in a food science field and have taken jobs within the food industry. Two of the scholarship recipients have plans to earn advanced college degrees.

AAFP has a sound foundation supported by the hard work of its founders and early members. As AAFP has built on this foundation, new ideas have emerged and annual meetings have improved and attracted new members. In addition, outreach and affiliation with other food-related organizations and agencies involved in food safety have broadened our participation in community, county, state and regional efforts, allowing us to inform and communicate about food safety to our members. Like the early Alabama food safety supporters of the 1920s who helped foster good sanitary prac-

tices and pasteurization of milk to control milkborne diseases, AAFP strives to build on that early foundation to further advance food safety by providing a forum for educating and training our members.

We look forward to the continued cooperative affiliation with IAFP and to a successful future of serving the professional needs of our members.



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Affiliate Calendar

Let IAFP help advertise your meetings on our Web site and in our publications. Submit your event details directly to our online calendar, or E-mail to ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Affiliates in Action

May

- ◆ Metropolitan Association for Food Protection
- ◆ Turkish Food Safety Association
- ◆ Florida Association for Food Protection
- ◆ Pennsylvania Association for Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians
- ◆ United Kingdom Association for Food Protection

June

- ◆ Texas Association for Food Protection
- ◆ New Zealand Association for Food Protection

Do you have an Affiliate Member who has performed over and above for your Association? Honor them with an IAFP Certificate of Appreciation. This is an excellent way to acknowledge an individual's years of service, long-term responsibilities within the Affiliate and/or any specific area of expertise that has helped your Affiliate to grow and prosper. Contact Susan Smith for more information.

IAFP Affiliates are making things happen – and we want to share it here in the *Affiliate View*! We invite your meeting articles, photos and any news that recognizes the achievements of your association or of its individual Members.

To be featured in the next issue, send your news and photos by **September 14** to Susan Smith at: ssmith@foodprotection.org.

July 2012

17: *Australian Association for Food Protection*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Adelaide, Australia. Contact Edward Jansson at edward.jansson@foodauthority.nws.gov.au.

23: *Africa Association for Food Protection*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Rhode Island Convention Center, Providence, RI. Contact Courage Saba at courageousgh@yahoo.com.

23: *Chinese Association for Food Protection in North America*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Rhode Island Convention Center, Providence, RI. Contact Zhinong Yan at zhinong.yan@intralox.com.

23: *Korea Association for Food Protection*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Rhode Island Convention Center, Providence, RI. Contact food411@hanmail.net.

September 2012

11: *Georgia Association for Food Protection*, 2012 Fall Meeting, Zep, Inc., Atlanta, GA. Visit www.gaafp.org.

11-12: *Upper Midwest Dairy Industry Association*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Holiday Inn and Suites, St. Cloud, MN. Visit www.umdia.org.

12-14: *Colombian Association of Food Science & Technology*, Annual Meeting, Bogota, Colombia. Contact Jairo Romero at jairoeromero@hotmail.com.

13: *Quebec Food Protection Association*, 2012 3rd Symposium, Quebec, Canada. Contact Julie Jean at julie.jean@fsaa.ulaval.ca.

18-20: *New York State Association for Food Protection*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Doubletree Hotel, Syracuse, NY. Visit <http://foodscience.comell.edu/cals/foodsci/extension/nys-afp/index.cfm>.

19-20: *Wisconsin Association for Food Protection*, 33rd Joint Educational Conference, Crowne Plaza, Madison, WI. Visit wafp-wi.org.

19-21: *Washington Association for Food Protection*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Campbells Resort, Chelan, WA. Visit <http://www.waffp.org/>.

24-26: *Indiana Environmental Health Association*, 2012 Fall Educational Conference, Bloomington Monroe County Convention Center, Bloomington, IN. Visit www.iehaind.org/.

October 2012

9-10: *Iowa Association for Food Protection*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Quality Inn & Suites, Ames, IA. Contact Lynne Melchert at lynnemelchert@swissvalley.com.

18: *Nebraska Association for Food Protection*, 2012 Annual Meeting, University of Nebraska-Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska. Contact Beth Burmester at eburmester@airliteplastics.com.

23-24: *Associated Illinois Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Stoney Creek Inn, East Peoria, IL. Visit <http://www.aimfes.org/calendarofevents.html>.

23-25: *North Dakota Environmental Health Association*, 2012 Annual Meeting, Bismarck, ND. Visit <http://www.ndeha.org/>.

IAFP Support for Affiliate Meetings

Whether to complement the mission and promotional materials of your Affiliate, or to show your relationship with the International Association for Food Protection, we offer the following supplies for use or distribution at your meetings:

- ◆ **Tri-fold display.** This attractive table-top exhibit display shows attendees that you are affiliated with IAFP.
 - ◆ **IAFP 2011–2012 Presentation.** A PowerPoint slide show with a suggested 15-minute script. This is the same presentation used by members of the IAFP Executive Board when invited to speak at Affiliate meetings.
 - ◆ **Promotional materials box.** Contents include a complimentary IAFP Membership certificate and brochures, current issues of *FPT* and *JFP*, and IAFP Annual Meeting flyers. Additional complimentary resources are available upon your request.
- To request these items for your next meeting, call or E-mail Susan Smith at the IAFP Office.

Affiliates in the Spotlight

Featuring your communications with IAFP



Take the spotlight!

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Contributors

Missouri Milk, Food and Environmental Health Association: Annual Conference Draws 200

Reported by Cathy Sullivan, President

The Annual Educational Conference for the **Missouri Milk, Food and Environmental Health Association**



(MMFEHA) was an enlightening and informative meeting for the approximately 200 environmental health specialists, dairy regulators and state

personnel who attended on April 11-13. Held at the Stoney Creek Inn in Columbia, the conference opened with welcome messages from various environmental affiliations from around the U.S. **Walt Coleman**, owner of Coleman Dairy and an NFL Official, delivered a motivational power point presentation. **Don Schaffner**, IAFP Executive Secretary, gave an overview of IAFP and spoke on "Understanding



MMFEHA meeting attendees listen as Walt Coleman delivers his presentation.

and Managing Food Safety Risks."

On Thursday, attendees were able to choose between breakout sessions that included topics on Morgellons disease; the Joplin tornado disaster response; Asian Food Task Force; Fly Control in Dairy; and Recent Emergence of Novel Influenza Viruses. Thursday evening's Awards Banquet included the presentation of the Ecolab Sanitarian Award, the Edmonson Award and the Harold Bengsch Scholarship.

Ontario Food Protection Association: Spring Meeting Another Success!

Reported by Diana Bennett, Newsletter Editor and Board Member

President **Marc Charlton** kicked off the 2012 Spring Meeting of the **Ontario Food Protection Association (OFPA)** at the



Mississauga Convention Centre on April 19. Attendance

proved excellent with 175 registrants and all trade show display tables filled.

The day's first speaker was **Gloria Swick-Brown**, Ohio Department of Health retiree and IAFP Affiliate Council Chair, whose talk, "How to Be a Sanitarian: The Things You Didn't Learn in College," was both informative and entertaining. Besides lobbing a rubber chicken and rubber frog into the audience, Gloria relayed

many personal experiences encountered over her years as a public health inspector. Her ultimate message: "Stay current, attend conferences and continue to learn because every day has new discoveries."

Larry Mendes, Sanitation Programs Manager for Maple Leaf Consumer Foods, continued the morning session with "Moving Your Sanitation Program from Good to Great." He explained that the components that make a sanitation program successful are the tools (i.e., hot water and quality sanitizing products), support and commitment from the top down in the organization, measurement and training.

Gino Niro, Mechanical Manager, Ausenco Engineering Canada, Inc., discussed "Sanitary and Sanitation Considerations in HVAC Design," providing background on the legislated and non-legislated requirements for HVAC in food manufacturing.



Gloria Swick-Brown makes a point with her "rubber chicken" at OFPA's Spring Meeting.

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Frank Massong, Director of Regulatory and Government Affairs, Paul Valder Consulting, provided an update on “Allergens, Gluten and Sulphites...Are You Ready?” He stated that there is no guidance document yet available for the amendments to the Food and Drugs Regulations published in 2011, but provided a brief overview.

The morning session closed with four brief presentations on innovations in applied sanitation from some of OFPA’s Sustaining Corporate Member community.

Roger Johnson, Public Health Agency of Canada, started the afternoon with his presentation, “Update on Non-O157 Shiga Toxin-producing *Escherichia coli*,” stating that an ideal test would be a single screening one that would be fast, reliable and broad enough to identify a sample of specific concern while specific enough to include priority STEC and exclude low-risk STEC.

Allen Saylor, Vice President for the Center for Food Safety & Regulatory Solutions, spoke on “FSMA – Impacts to Canadian Food Companies & Export to the U.S.” He explained the written performance standards including supervisor/employee training, mandatory environmental monitoring program, mandatory allergen control program and mandatory GMP program.

Tatiana Koutchma, Research Scientist, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, presented “Novel Technologies in Food Processing,” regarding the challenges of modern food production in controlling safety, preserving food and transforming raw products

into finished goods for a global market.

Julie Powell, Vice President of Technical Services & Operations, SYNAPS International Inc., concluded the meeting with “Customer Loyalty – Quality Assurance – Manufacturing: The Uneasy Alliance,” focusing her presentation on the concept that “great quality perception is based on teamwork and interaction of customer care management; packaging design; marketing and sales; and production quality,” emphasizing that none of these can stand alone.

Indiana Environmental Health Association Annual Spring Educational Conference: Varied Speakers Contribute to Success

Reported by Mike Mettler, Vice President

The Annual Spring Educational Conference of the **Indiana Environmental Health Association (IEHA)** was held at the Fort Harrison State Park Inn on April 25. One hundred twenty-one attendees heard an interesting lineup of speakers and presentations on various environmental public health subjects.



Charles Santere, Purdue University, spoke on the maternal and child health benefits and concerns of fish consumption. **Denise Wright** from the State Health Department’s Environmental Public Health Division discussed “What You Need to Know About Grease Trap and Septic Tank Additives: Graphic Content Included.” **Jason Ravenscroft**, MPH with the Marion County Public Health Department in Indianapolis, pre-



Charles Santere addresses the audience during his presentation at the IEHA Annual Spring Educational Conference in April.

sented findings of a healthy homes-related study conducted by his agency on the connection between housing conditions and asthma severity. **Jo Anna Shimek**, Indiana University, addressed current ethical issues in environmental health. And **Jennifer House**, DVM with the State’s Veterinary Epidemiologist, closed with information on preventing diseases associated with animals in public settings such as fairs, petting zoos and daycare facilities.

The Association’s Annual Fall Educational Conference will take place September 24–26 at the Monroe County Convention Center in Bloomington. More information can be found at www.iehaind.org.

Metropolitan Association for Food Protection: Six Presentations Fill the Day

Reported by Gary Cohen, Delegate

The **Metropolitan Association for Food Protection (MAFP)** held its 2012 Spring Seminar at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, on May 2. Over 120 attendees from government and industry gathered to hear six presentations addressing

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current topics and challenges facing food safety professionals today.

Stan Cherkasky, Comprehensive Food Safety, LLC, was the keynote speaker. His entertaining and informative presentation, "The People Side of Food Safety – Building Quality Relationships," was based on a study suggesting that all people are in some way grouped into one of four personality styles based on a scale of assertiveness and responsiveness.

Michele Malavet, MSA, REHS, Foodborne Disease Surveillance Coordinator of the NJ Department of Health & Senior Services, presented "The Pathogens Associated with Raw Milk Outbreaks," regarding the symptoms and long-term consequences associated with consuming raw milk.

Alan Talarsky, Dairy Project Coordinator, NJ Department of Health & Senior Services (and MAFP Board Member), followed with "Facts About Raw Milk," addressing current laws and regulations affecting the sale of raw milk in NJ and explaining the pros and cons related to its consumption.

Christine Knezevich, CIH, Chemetall Inc., spoke on the FDA's defined "Big 5 Foodborne Pathogens." She provided the audience with a review of these pathogens – *Salmonella*, *E. coli*, Norovirus, Hepatitis A and Shingellosis – describing their symptoms and potential health impacts.

Karl Mathews, Rutgers University's School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, presented "Produce Contamination – Unlike Vegas, What Happens on the Farm Doesn't Stay

on the Farm." He spoke on the importance of fresh fruits and vegetables in a healthy diet and the potential health hazards due to processing. His presentation included a fascinating case study of the Jensen Farms cantaloupe recall in 2011.

Michael Pierce, Technical Sales Director with Trece, Inc., closed with "IPM – Intelligent Pest Management," giving a comprehensive look into an ecologically responsible pest management program and the use of Pheromone Monitoring as a substitute for pesticides.

(NOTE: On June 7, 2012, the Board of Directors for the Metropolitan Association for Food Protection voted to change the Affiliate's name to the New Jersey Association for Food Protection (NJAFP) to better reflect their locale.)

Florida Association for Food Protection: 140+ Attend AEC

Reported by Jenny Lahmoudi, President

The **Florida Association for Food Protection (FAFP)** held its Annual Educational Conference (AEC) May 9–11 at Downtown Disney in Lake Buena Vista. With over 140 participants, this was one of the highest-attended FAFP functions to date. The AEC features the most current research, best practices and cutting-edge strategies for protecting the food supply.

The President's Reception held the night before the Conference is a time for participants to network and meet the exhibitors. This year FAFP had 21 exhibitors, including the recently updated FAFP booth promoting the benefits of Membership in the Affiliate and in IAFP. Our exhibitors are crucial to the success of the Conference, as funds generated help defray costs of the meetings and make it possible for

FAFP to continue its mission to provide food safety professionals worldwide with a forum to exchange food safety information. New this year was the "Exhibitor Passport" where attendees received a stamp upon visiting each exhibitor. At the end of the Conference, completed passports were entered into a drawing to win a Kindle Touch 3G.

The Preconference Workshop focused on Disney's Food Safety Program. This workshop was a resounding success with over 50 registrants who took the opportunity to tour a Disney food establishment.

Conference speakers included **Lee-Ann Jaykus**, IAFP Past President, who spoke on food virology. Dr. Jaykus is part of the IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program, which allows Affiliates to request one speaker annually – and FAFP regularly takes part in this outstanding Affiliate benefit!

Students have traditionally been involved with the AEC as part of the student poster session. This year, participating students were introduced, then given five minutes to answer questions such as 'What global question is your research trying to answer?' and 'What do you think are the most applicable results of your data so far?' Feedback indicated that this was a hit, increasing interest and participation in the poster exhibits.

The group outing to Planet Hollywood was a time to eat, drink and be merry. As an annual Thursday night tradition, this is a fantastic opportunity that allows participants time for fun and getting acquainted.

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FAFP also conducted a Silent Auction to help raise money for student scholarships.

In addition to the AEC, FAFP holds annual educational luncheons. Next year's AEC is currently in the planning stages. Visit www.fafp.net/ for additional information on our Affiliate.

Texas Association for Food Protection: Food Safety and Fun

Reported by Fred Reimers, Outgoing Delegate

The Omni Southpark in Austin played host to the 31st Annual Meeting of the **Texas Association for Food Protection (TAFP)** June 4-7. TAFP brings together food safety professionals from industry, academia and the regulatory community interested in advancing food safety knowledge to help protect the public's health while assuring food processors receive the latest scientific information to allow them to control risks within their operations and assure a safe food supply.

This year's conference began with a golf event at Grey Rock Country Club in



Drew Deberry, Deputy Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture, was a guest speaker at TAFP's 31st Annual Meeting.

South Austin. Forty-one golfers enjoyed beautiful weather to help sponsor TAFP's scholarship program, supporting students in food science programs at Texas Tech and Texas A&M universities. TAFP meetings allow both universities to receive up to \$5,000 annually to help students further their food safety education and understanding of the food industry, as well as defray travel costs to food-safety related events.

Over 125 attendees were treated to an outstanding technical and scientific program focusing on the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) and related food defense programs.

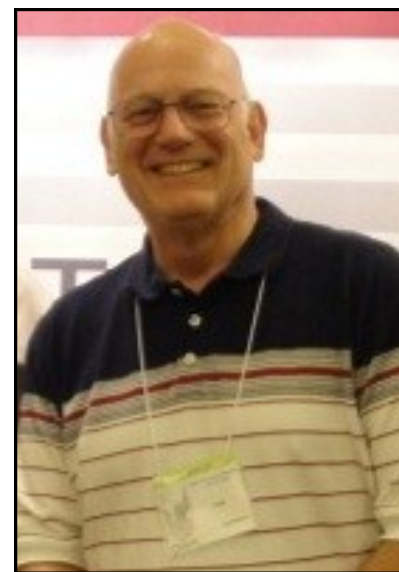
Clay Detlefsen, Vice President of Regulatory Affairs with IDFA, set the stage around the FSMA and nine additional speakers from retail, production and manufacturing added input to make the audience aware of programs and actions in which they can participate.

Gloria Swick-Brown, IAFP Affiliate Council Chair, treated attendees to a "Farm-to-Fork Safety" slide show.

Drew Deberry, Deputy Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture, concluded with a realistic understanding of what to expect in Texas agriculture in a political year environment.

A special continuing education seminar sponsored by H-E-B Grocery, "QA Fundamentals," was held after the Annual Meeting for those who chose to attend. Instructors included H-E-B quality professionals from H-E-B University, the organization's education training system. Registration fees for this seminar also help support TAFP's Scholarship Program.

An additional source toward scholarships is the Silent Auction, which this



Fred Reimers, now retired, attended his last TAFP meeting as its Delegate. Brian Miller was elected as Fred's replacement.

year was sandwiched in between a Texas barbeque dinner and lively country dancing at the Creedmoor Recreation Center near Austin. The meeting's program and presentations will be posted soon on our Web site: <http://texasfoodprotection.tamu.edu/>.

News Briefs

The **Southern California Association for Food Protection (SCAFP)** hosted the Grain and Food Bureau of Jiangsu Province, China, on April 17. The Chinese delegation of 20 government officials/executives traveled to California State University, Long Beach, for short-term training on grains and foods administration. SCAFP arranged a laboratory tour of Certified Labs that included a demonstration of rapid method ATP systems.



IAFP 2012 Happenings

Annual Award Recipients to be Recognized

Please join us in congratulating your fellow Affiliates and colleagues selected to receive awards during **IAFP 2012** in Providence, Rhode Island. This year's recipients include:

IAFP Affiliate Awards

C.B. Shogren Memorial:

Florida Association for Food Protection (FAFP)

Best Affiliate Overall Meeting:

Florida Association for Food Protection (FAFP)

Affiliate Member Education:

British Columbia Food Protection Association (BCFPA)

Affiliate Communication Materials:

British Columbia Food Protection Association (BCFPA)

Affiliate Membership Achievement:

Wisconsin Association for Food Protection (WAFP)

IAFP & Special Awards

Black Pearl: The Kroger Co.
Cincinnati, OH

Fellow: **Christine Bruhn,**
Ann Marie McNamara

President's Lifetime Achievement:
Robert Buchanan

Honorary Life Membership:
Charles "Bert" Bartleson,
Harold Bengsch, Thomas Schwarz,
P.C. Vasavada

Harry Haverland Citation:
Judy Greig

International Leadership:
Bernadette DGM Franco

Frozen Food Foundation Freezing Research:
David Reid

GMA Food Safety:

Kansas State University—Daniel Fung
& University of Wisconsin-River Falls
—P.C. Vasavada

Maurice Weber Laboratorian:

Joseph Frank

Larry Beuchat Young Researcher:

Siddhartha Thakur

Sanitarian: **Robert Hennes**

Elmer Marth Educator: **Mark Harrison**

Harold Barnum Industry: **Gordon Hayburn**

Samuel J. Crumbine: **Salt Lake Valley**

Health Department

Travel Award for State or Local Health or State

Agricultural Department Employees:

Jeanne Garbarino, Tim Jenkins,
Amie Minor, Chris Malota and
Brian Sauders

IAFP Student Travel Scholarships:

Frederick Adzitey, Malaysia

Sharon Bagaaya, Uganda

Eva Danira Borjas Orellana, Colorado

Wei Chen, Tennessee

Chawalit Kocharunchitt, Australia

Min Hwa Lee, Republic of Korea

Laura Strawn, New York

Fabricio Tulini, Brazil

Qiongqiong Yan, Ireland

Thank you to those who took the time and effort preparing nomination and application materials for consideration during the 2012 awards season. And a special thank you to our various Selection Committee Members who spent considerable time reviewing over 120 applications to narrow their decisions down to those being honored at **IAFP 2012**.

Silent Auction Donations Help the Foundation

IAFP's Silent Auction proves to be a lively and competitive annual adventure that gives attendees the opportunity to depart with a great souvenir from the Annual Meeting. This year's auction will

be no different and, according to items already donated, promises to offer even more interesting and unique pieces from around the world.

Thank you to those who donate faithfully each year and have already shipped items directly to us for this year's auction. Items may also be delivered in person; just remember to complete and include the completed Silent Auction form (available on our Web site) with your donation. All donations from the Auction go to the IAFP Foundation.

Don't Miss Out on IAFP PDGs

IAFP Members are among a variety of those in education, government and industry who provide networking opportunities for food safety professionals worldwide. By joining a Professional Development Group (PDG), you can filter that network to meet others who share your specialty area, while gaining a different perspective and learning new information and techniques.

Mission statements and names of Members in each PDG can be found on our Web site. PDG meetings begin Saturday afternoon, July 21, with International Food Protection Issues. The following PDGs will meet on Sunday, July 22:

- Food Defense
- Food Packaging
- Pre Harvest Food Safety
- Beverage
- Food Law
- Viral and Parasitic Foodborne Disease
- Dairy Quality and Safety
- Developing Food Safety Professionals

- Meat and Poultry Safety and Quality
- Retail Food Safety and Quality
- Student PDG
- Applied Laboratory Methods
- Food Hygiene and Sanitation
- Fruit and Vegetable Safety and Quality
- Seafood Safety and Quality
- Food Chemical Hazards and Food Allergy
- Food Safety Education
- Microbial Modelling and Risk Analysis
- Water Safety and Quality

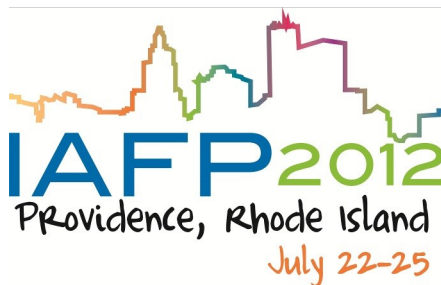
To find a PDG that meets your needs, call the IAFP office at +1 800.369.6337 or +1 515.276.3344.

Workshops | July 20–21

- Characterization and Identification of Spoilage-causing Fungi: A Hands-On Workshop
- Validation to Improve Meat and Poultry Safety
- Search and Destroy! Finding and Eliminating Environmental Pathogens

Networking | July 21–25

- Welcome Reception
- Committees & PDG Meetings
- Student Luncheon
- Editorial Board Reception *(by invitation)*
- Opening Session & Ivan Parkin Lecture



- Cheese & Wine Reception
- Exhibit Hall Luncheons & Receptions
- Special Session: *Anatomy of Product Tracing on Sushi: Search for the Smoking Gun*
- President’s Reception *(by invitation)*
- Business Meeting
- John H. Silliker Lecture
- Awards Reception & Banquet

Program | July 22–25

The IAFP 2012 Program begins July 22 with the Ivan Parkin Lecture and concludes following the John H. Silliker Lecture and Awards Banquet on July 25.

Each day features a variety of symposia and roundtable topics, and technical and poster sessions. A sampling of diverse topics includes:

- FSMA from Legislation to Implementation

Over 680 technical papers, posters and symposia will be presented at **IAFP 2012**, with over 120 companies showcasing the latest innovations and technologies in food science and safety. Preview the program and register today at www.foodprotection.org.

- The Pre-harvest Conundrum: Efficacy Versus Adoption of Food Safety Interventions
- Drug Residues in Milk and Milk Product Risk Assessment
- *Salmonella* in Low-moisture Foods: A Continued Challenge
- Food Defense: Where are We and Where Do We Have to Go?
- Foodborne Disease Outbreak Update
- Local Foods: Food Safety Risks and Benefits
- Zero Risk Policies in a Non-zero Risk Environment
- Human Pathogens on/in Plants: Multi-disciplinary Synergies for Enhancing Food Safety
- Sprout Safety: What We’ve Done, What We’ve Learned and How We Can Continue to Move Forward

Ivan Parkin Lecture
July 22, 6:00 p.m.
“Industry and Government Roles in Food Safety Controls – A Perspective from Two Sides”
Jenny Scott
Senior Advisor, Office of Food Safety
U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition

John H. Silliker Lecture
July 25, 4:00 p.m.
“Challenges in Food Security and Food Protection”
Dr. Catherine Woteki
Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics (REE) and the Department’s Chief Scientist
U.S. Department of Agriculture

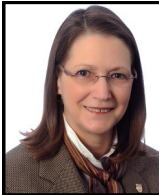
IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program

for Affiliates



Isabel Walls, Ph.D., *President*

- ◆ Food Safety Risk Assessment
- ◆ Food Defense
- ◆ Role of Food Safety in International Trade



Katherine M.J. Swanson, Ph.D., Ecolab, *President-Elect*

- ◆ Food Safety Management at Retail—Practical Implications
- ◆ Norovirus—Plan, Prepare, Prevent
- ◆ Useful Microbiological Testing for Food Safety Management



Donald Schaffner, Ph.D., Rutgers University, *Vice President*

- ◆ Understanding and Managing Food Safety Risks
- ◆ Quantitative Microbial Risk Assessment of Foods
- ◆ Development and Application of Predictive Models for Food Microbiology



Lee-Ann Jaykus, Ph.D., North Carolina State University, *Past President*

- ◆ Foodborne Viruses
- ◆ Molecular Detection of Foodborne Pathogens
- ◆ Microbial Food Safety Risk Assessment



Don Zink, Ph.D., U.S. Food & Drug Administration - CFSAN, *Secretary*

- ◆ Microbial Food Safety
- ◆ Preventive Controls in Food Poisoning
- ◆ Food Safety Research Strategy and Future Needs



Gloria Swick-Brown, Ohio Dept. of Health (*retired*), *Affiliate Council Chair*

- ◆ Food Safety from Farm to Fork
- ◆ How to be a Sanitarian: The Things You Didn't Learn in College
- ◆ Food Safety Education



Tori Stivers, University of Georgia, *Affiliate Council Secretary*

- ◆ *Vibrio* Infections and Molluscan Shellfish
- ◆ Seafood Safety Education
- ◆ Seafoodborne Illnesses

How It Works

1. IAFP 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. IAFP will pay the Board Member's expense to travel to the Affiliate meeting location.
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 IAFP office 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 required.
8. To invite a Board Member to speak at your Affiliate meeting, contact Susan Smith, IAFP Affiliate Services, at +1 800.369.6337 or +1 515.276.3344; or E-mail ssmith@foodprotection.org.



Contribute to the Silent Auction Today

Proceeds from the Silent Auction Benefit the Foundation



Support the Foundation by donating an item today. A sample of items donated last year included:

- Cake Boss of New Jersey—Apron, Chef Coat, DVD & 2 Mugs
- Chinese Freshwater Pearl Necklace and Bracelet
- Epicurean Wine and Cheese Gift Basket
- Land O'Lakes Treasury of Country Recipes Cookbook
- Louis Pasteur Doll
- Kindle Wi-Fi
- Men's and Women's North Face Jacket
- Quartz Rosa Necklace
- Wait Until the Cows Come Home Quilt
- Wii Package
- Women's Holstein Watch
- Wine & Food from France

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Future Annual Meetings | Save the Dates!

IAFP 2013, July 28–31, Charlotte, NC

IAFP 2014, August 3–6, Indianapolis, IN

IAFP 2015, July 26–29, Portland, OR

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