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Brazil

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- Quebec

Korea

Mexico

New Zealand

Portugal

United Kingdom

United States

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- Carolinas
- Connecticut
- Florida
- Georgia
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
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- Kentucky
- Metropolitan
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Nebraska
- New York
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Pennsylvania
- South Dakota
- Southern California
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Washington
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming

View From The Chair

It is hard to believe that another year has gone by already. Where does that precious time go? It seems like only yesterday that we were in Baltimore and now it is time to set plans for our Calgary meeting. The Board, Staff and Planning Committee are working hard to produce the best meeting ever. We in Canada are particularly looking forward to this one as we will be the hosts this year. Mark your 2006 calendars now for August 13 to 16 for the best food safety conference on this planet - IAFP 2006.



As we move into the new year, we are also busy planning for the Affiliate Educational Reception. Affiliate delegates should try their best to join us Saturday evening, August 12 for an event not to be missed. It provides an excellent opportunity to network with your Affiliate colleagues from around the world while enjoying hors d'oeuvres' and drinks. In addition, we will have an educational presentation of relevance to your Affiliate.

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The topic and presenter have not been finalized but will be announced on the IAFP Web site as soon as we confirm the speaker. In order to make this event a success, we need your assistance in finding sponsorship from among our Affiliates and Corporate Membership. If you can provide any support to this event, please let me or Nancy Herselius know.

Other matters to deal with now as we move into 2006 are the preparations for our Affiliate annual reports and submitting nominations for the IAFP annual awards. When preparing your annual reports, I would recommend that you review the criteria for the Affiliate Awards outlined on page 8 of this newsletter. It is the information presented in these reports that we use to determine this year's winners of the Affiliate Awards. Look at the categories and try to make your reports address the criteria. It helps your Affiliate as well as the Awards Committee. The IAFP annual awards nominations are due March 13, 2006. If you know of a deserving member or organization, please take the time to prepare a nomination.

I would like to share some of my thoughts regarding Affiliates. Affiliates are the arms of our international association that spread throughout the world carrying forth the message of protecting the food supply, hence carrying out the mission of IAFP. Not only are Affiliates a terrific link between IAFP and the local areas, but the coming together of the Affiliates at the Annual Meeting brings all geographic areas together on a common ground. This is a wonderful way to get involved with IAFP and the truly international experience. Local Affiliates are the grass roots of our Association. Here you come in contact with local industry, government and academia, and feel the pulse of your local area. There can never be too many Affiliates. I personally would like to see more international involvement in IAFP with the formation of more Affiliates from outside of the United States and Canada. We were really pleased to have New Zealand join us last year. We can now say that we have Affiliates representing all continents (Antarctica excluded). However, our international Affiliate representation is still very sparse, and I encourage you to consider creating an Affiliate in your country if one does not exist. IAFP will offer any help and information it can. Contact Nancy Herselius or me if you require further information.

For those of you planning meetings this year, and you all should be, I would like to remind you of the IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program. Refer to the Officer Speaker List on page 10 of this newsletter and book one of our Board Members for your next meeting. This is the best deal going. World-class expertise comes to you for minimal cost. As a testimonial to this program, my Affiliate in British Columbia has taken advantage of this program and realized the best attendance ever!

In closing, I would like to acknowledge the terrific work of our staff and contributions from those Affiliates in 2005 who helped make that year such a great success for our Association. I would like to wish all of you and your families all the best for a safe, healthy and happy new year.

Until next time. *Terry*

Affiliate Educational Reception - We Need Your Input!

Building Web sites, cancellation insurance, a humorous motivational speaker - these are the topics that have been suggested for the Affiliate Educational Reception in Calgary.

Would one of the above topics fit the needs of your Affiliate? Do you have other suggestions? Please contact Terry Peters or Nancy Herselius as soon as possible.

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.

IAFP 2006 - Hotel Reservations

Three hotels are contracted for IAFP 2006 in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and a system new to IAFP is in place to make hotel reservations. "Passkey" is the agency through which participants will make their choice of hotel and place a reservation.

Exhibitors - Please note the change of exhibit hours. The exhibit hall will close at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, August 15, so it may be necessary to extend your stay for that night.

A reception has been added to the Annual Meeting schedule from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Tear down will take place immediately following this reception.

To find the link for hotel reservations -

- ⇒ Go to the IAFP Web site (www.foodprotection.org), click on the 2006 logo on the home page.
- ⇒ Click on "Hotel Reservations" on the right side of the next page.
- ⇒ All information and links to both online and printable forms are found on this page.

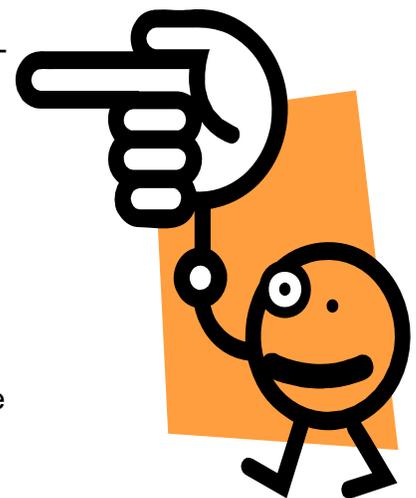
Questions? Please contact the IAFP office (800.369.6337 or 515.276.3344).

IAFP Silent Auction

As a reminder, IAFP will be holding its ninth Annual IAFP Foundation Silent Auction at IAFP 2006 - the Association's 93rd Annual Meeting in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, August 13-16, 2006. Again this year, we're asking for items to be donated for the auction. With many Affiliates holding their annual educational meetings and business meetings this spring, it is an appropriate time to discuss with your Affiliate what you would like to be done.

We had great participation from Affiliates this past year and would like to see even more support next summer. With your help, last year's Silent Auction raised over \$5,000 for the IAFP Foundation. The purpose of the IAFP Foundation is to support worthy causes that enrich the Association.

To receive recognition in the Program Book, complete the form on page 9 and submit it to the Association office by May 19, 2006.



Affiliate Annual Reports

In November, all Affiliates should have received the Affiliate Annual Report and Affiliate Awards descriptions. Each year, as stipulated by the IAFP Constitution and Bylaws, Affiliates are required to submit an annual report to David Tharp, Executive Director of IAFP. It is the responsibility of the secretary or authorized representative from each Affiliate Association to complete and return the report. This report includes Member information, meeting dates, scholarships and awards, and other significant activities of your Affiliate.

One purpose of the report is to ensure proper and accurate information for publications and contact lists. It also helps the office stay in touch with each Affiliate and pass along timely information. It's important that we have your Affiliate's Executive Board CURRENT contact information so we can send newsletters, updates, and other information.

Another reason each Affiliate is asked to complete the report is for the Affiliate Awards given at the IAFP Annual Meeting. Awards are given for Best Communication Materials, Best Educational Conference, Best Annual Meeting, Affiliate Membership Achievement Award, and the C.B. Shogren Memorial Award for the Affiliate demonstrating exceptional overall achievement in promoting the mission of IAFP. Award selection is decided largely on the information presented in your report.

To assist in providing information for each award, we've included the descriptions on page 8. With updated information, we can promote your events, honors, and scholarships.

Annual reports must be received in the IAFP office no later than Monday, March 13, 2006. Reports may be E-mailed to affiliate@foodprotection.org, faxed to 515.276.8655, or mailed to the Association office. A copy of all completed reports will be forwarded to the Awards Committee for consideration. Those selected for awards will be notified in April. Awards will be presented at the IAFP Awards Banquet in Calgary, Alberta, Canada on Wednesday, August 16.

If you have questions or comments regarding the Affiliate Annual Report and Affiliate Awards, please contact Terry Peters, Affiliate Council Chair, or Nancy Herselius, IAFP Association Services.



For the First Time Ever in Ohio.....

...The presidents of both statewide sanitarian organizations in Ohio are a mother-daughter duo. Gloria Swick-Brown, MSA, RS is a Sanitarian Program Specialist in the Food Safety Program at the Ohio Department of Health. Gloria graduated from The Ohio State University and Central Michigan University. She is the president of the Ohio Association of Food and Environmental Health Association and the Ohio Affiliate Delegate to the International Association for Food Protection (IAFP). Gloria is an active member of the IAFP Program Committee and participates on several Professional Development Groups. Gloria was the 1999 IAFP Sanitarian Award recipient. She is also a member of OEHA and National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) holding the credentials of a Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian as well as being a Registered Sanitarian in the State of Ohio.

Gloria's daughter, Christina Ritchey Wilson, JD, RS, graduated from The Ohio State University and the University of Toledo College of Law. She is an active member of the Ohio Bar and a Registered Sanitarian. Christina is the Supervisor of Water Pollution Prevention, Manufactured Home Park, and Healthy Schools Programs in the Environmental Health Division of the City of Columbus Health Department. She is the president of the Ohio Environmental Health Association (OEHA) and the OEHA Delegate to the Ohio Public Health partnership. Christina also is a member of the OSU Center for Excellence in Public Health Executive Committee and an alternate member on the Concentrated Animal Feedlot Facility Advisory Committee. Christina was awarded the OEHA Southeast Membership Award 2005.

Affiliate Members to Receive IAFP Winter 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 should contact Nancy Herselius at nherselius@foodprotection.org. If Affiliate Members do not have E-mail but want to be added to the newsletter mailing list, they should contact Nancy at the Association office.

2006 Calendar of Events

The following is a listing of Affiliate meetings that will take place in the next six months. If there is a meeting that is not listed here, please get the information to Nancy Herselius (nherselius@foodprotection.org) so it can be added to the next Affiliate newsletter.

- February 9** **Georgia Association for Food Protection**, University of Georgia Experiment Station, Griffin, GA; Contact: Louis Hughes at 912.267.3623 or lhughes@kpseafood.com.
- February 21-23** **Kentucky Association for Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians**, Executive West Hotel, Louisville, KY; Contact: Tony White at 859.734.2229 or tonyd.white@ky.gov.
- March 14-17** **Michigan Environmental Health Association**, Treetops Resort, Gaylord, MI; Contact: Kristen Schweighoefer at 734.222.3968 or schweigk@ewashtenaw.org.
- March 15** **Arizona Environmental Health Association**, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ; Contact: Chris Reimus at 480.820.7655 or creimus@mail.maricopa.gov.
- March 15-17** **Idaho Environmental Health Association**, Boise State University, Boise, ID; Contact: Dale King at 208.476.7850 or dking@phd2.idaho.gov.
- April 5** **Upper Midwest Dairy Industry Association**, Bombo's Family Dining, Albert Lea, MN; Contact: Gene Watnaas at 218.769.4334 or saantaw@prtcl.com.
- April 13** **Ontario Food Protection Association**, Mississauga Convention Center, Mississauga, ON; Contact: Gail Seed at 519.463.5674 or seed@golden.net.
- May 16-18** **Florida Association for Food Protection**, World Golf Village, St. Augustine, FL; Contact: Rick Barney, 813.620.1139 or rabarney@kashnkarry.com.
- June 5-6** **Brazil Association for Food Protection**, Anfiteatro do Conselho Regional de Qiumica; Contact: Maria Teresa Destro at 55.113.091.2199 or mtdestro@usp.br.
- June 13** **Ontario Food Protection Association**, Springfield Golf Course, Guelph, ON; Contact: Gail Seed at 519.463.5674 or seed@golden.net.
- June 26-28** **New Zealand Association for Food Protection**, SkyCity Convention Centre, Auckland, NZ; Contact: Roger Cook, 64.4.463.2523 or roger.cook@nzfsa.govt.nz.

British Columbia Food Protection Association



The British Columbia Affiliate held its annual fall meeting on November 8, 2005 at the Sheraton Guildford Hotel in Surrey, BC. Featured presenters were William Marler, Marler Clark, L.L.P., P.S.; Dr. Merve Wetzstein, BC Ministry of Agriculture and Land; and Nicole Sillett, Dairy Farmers of Canada's Canadian Quality Milk.

Share their experience through the pictures below.



Brian Radke, Kathleen Laberge, Ana Paccagnella, and Eleni Galanis - BC Centre for Disease Control

Rick Thompson, Owerwaitea Food Group, Terry Peters, President of BCFPA, and Yemi Ogunrinola, Vantage Foods Inc., visit before the morning session.



Bruce Clark from Marler Clark presents, "Minimizing Your Liability Risks and Foodborne Illness Lawsuits."



Three presenters: Shendra Brisdon, Fraser Health Authority; Lorraine McIntyre and Anna Paccagnella, BC Centre for Disease Control

Be sure to make plans to attend IAFP 2006 in Calgary! Hotel reservations can now be made from the link on the IAFP Web site.

Call for Award Nominations

The International Association for Food Protection welcomes nominations for Association Awards. Nominate colleagues for one of the Awards listed below. You do not have to be an IAFP Member to nominate a deserving professional. Nominations criteria is available at www.foodprotection.org or contact the Association office.

You may make multiple nominations. All nominations must be received at the IAFP office by March 13, 2006.

- Persons nominated for awards must be current IAFP Members. Black Pearl Award nominees must be companies employing current IAFP Members. NFP 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 2006 - the Association's 93rd Annual Meeting in Calgary, Alberta, Canada on Wednesday, August 16, 2006.

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.

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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 Awards - Plaque and Lifetime Membership in IAFP; presented to Member(s) for their dedication 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 many years of dedication and devotion to the Association ideals and its objectives.

Sponsored by ZEP Manufacturing Company

Harold Barnum Industry Award - Plaque and \$1,000 Honorarium; presented to an individual for dedication and exception service to IAFP, the public, and the food industry.

Sponsored by Nasco International, Inc.

Educator Award - Plaque and \$1,000 Honorarium; presented to an individual for dedicated and exceptional contributions to the profession of the Educator.

Sponsored by Nelson-Jameson, Inc.

Sanitarian Award - Plaque and \$1,000 Honorarium; presented to an individual for dedicated and exceptional service to the profession of Sanitarian, serving the public and the food industry.

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 and \$1,000 Honorarium, and reimbursement to attend IAFP 2006; 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 Cargill, Inc.

Food Safety Innovation Award - Plaque and \$2,500 Honorarium; presented to a 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

FPA Food Safety Award - Plaque and \$3,000 Honorarium; this award alternates between individuals and groups or organizations. In 2006, the award will be presented to a group or organization in recognition of a long history of outstanding contributions to food safety research and education.

Sponsored by Food Products Association





Affiliate Awards and Recognitions

C.B. Shogren Memorial Award - The C.B. Shogren Memorial Award is given annually to the Affiliate demonstrating exceptional overall achievement in promoting the mission of the International Association for Food Protection. The award consists of a plaque and a \$100 honorarium. It is sponsored by the International Association for Food Protection. Affiliates who submit an Annual Report will be

judged on their activities and meetings, communications, number of members, Web site, scholarships and awards supported, and membership promotions.

The C.B. Shogren Memorial Award is given in honor of a long-time Member of IAFP, C.B. Shogren. Mr. Shogren was awarded an honorary life membership in 1964 and has been honored in namesake by the C.B. Shogren Memorial Award since 1972. He served as a top executive at Klenzade Products, Inc. until his retirement and was often called upon to solve problems confronting sanitarians. He was a consistent Annual Meeting attendee.

Best Affiliate Educational Conference Award - The International Association for Food Protection's Best Educational Conference Award is given annually to the Affiliate contributing to the education of its members with a technical meeting(s) on topics pertinent to the interests of its membership. The award consists of a mounted certificate. The committee will judge information and material deemed to reflect educational meetings, and submitted as part of the Affiliate's Annual Report.

Best Affiliate Annual Meeting Award - The International Association for Food Protection's Best Affiliate Annual Meeting is given annually to the Affiliate hosting a comprehensive annual meeting covering a wide variety of issues and topics of interest to its membership. The award consists of a mounted certificate. The committee will judge the quality of the Affiliate's annual meeting based on information and material submitted as part of the Affiliate's Annual Report.

Best Affiliate Communication Materials Award - The International Association for Food Protection's Best Affiliate Communication Materials Award is given annually to the Affiliate distributing communication materials on a regular basis with good technical content and attractive layout. The award consists of a mounted certificate. The committee will judge the Affiliate's communications based on information and samples of their written communications submitted as part of the Affiliate's Annual Report. If they have one, the Affiliate's Web site will also be viewed and evaluated as a communications tool.

Affiliate Membership Achievement Award - The Affiliate Membership Achievement Award will be given annually to an Affiliate demonstrating aggressive and innovative plans and ideas to recruit new members to join its Affiliate organization with the goal of growing from within. It is not necessary for new Affiliate members to join the International Association for Food Protection, although that is desirable.

Award recipients will be selected by a selection committee consisting of the chair, past chair, and secretary of the Affiliate Council.

IAFP Membership Rates

Questions concerning rates should be directed to Julie Cattnach, Membership Services, at jcattnach@foodprotection.org.

Any changes to personal demographics (address, phone number, E-mail, etc.) should also be sent to Julie's attention.





Contribute to the Ninth Annual Foundation Fund Silent Auction Today!

The Foundation of the International Association for Food Protection will hold its Annual Silent Auction during IAFP 2006, the Association's 93rd Annual Meeting in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, August 13-16, 2006. The Foundation Fund supports:

- ◆ Student Travel Scholarships
- ◆ Ivan Parkin Lecture
- ◆ John H. Silliker Lecture (Funded through a contribution from Silliker, Inc.)
- ◆ Travel support for exceptional speakers at the Annual Meeting
- ◆ Audiovisual Library
- ◆ Developing Scientist Competition
- ◆ Shipment of *JFP* and *FPT* journals to developing countries through FAO

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

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| ◆ 3-Month Membership
"Cheese of the Month Club" | ◆ <i>Food Microbiology Fundamentals
and Frontiers</i> |
| ◆ Mickey Mouse Statue | ◆ Godiva Chocolate Gift Basket |
| ◆ PepsiCo Gift Bag | ◆ Pearl Necklace |
| ◆ Assorted Wines | ◆ McCormick Spice Rack |
| ◆ Cow Parade Figurines | ◆ Train Set |

Complete the form and send it in today.



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IAFP Officer Speaker Program

Officers

Jeff Farber, Ph.D.
President

- 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.
President-Elect

- 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.
Vice President

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

Kathy Glass, Ph.D.
Past President

- 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

Stan Bailey, Ph.D.
Secretary

- 1) *Salmonella*, Methods
- 2) *Salmonella*, Control in Chickens
- 3) Rapid and Automated Methods in Food Microbiology

Terry Peters
Affiliate Council Chair

- 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

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 Nancy Herselius, Affiliate Council Staff Liaison, for additional details (800.369.6337 or 515.276.3344 or E-mail nherselius@foodprotection.org).

The **Mexico Association for Food Protection** held their annual meeting on November 11 and 12, 2005 in Guadalajara. The meeting was organized in collaboration with the University of Guadalajara's International Food Safety Conference.



Left to right: Indaue Mello-Hall, Alex Castillo, Hector Morales, and Aurelio Lopez-Malo, panel members on the topic of "Procedures for Controlling Food Safety and Quality in the Food Industry."



Emilio Esteban, Ofelia Rodriguez and Paul Hall enjoying real Mexican food.



Miroslava Sanchez (Hidalgo State's Health Department), Luzvy Garay (University of Guadalajara), Martha Perez (Monterrey), Veronica Navarro (University of Guadalajara) and Emilio Esteban (USDA) having a great time at a post-meeting party held at Veronica Navarro's home.



Left to right: Julia Perez (University of Guadalajara), Dan Selivonchick (Oregon State University), Refugio Torres (University of Guadalajara), Alex Castillo (Texas A&M University), Mark Tamplin (USDA), Michelle Smith (FDA), Emilio Esteban (UISDA), Nanci Martinez (University of Guadalajara), and Ofelia Rodriguez (University of Guadalajara)

We would like to publish pictures and information from YOUR Affiliate meeting. Contact Nancy Herselius at nherselius@foodprotection.org for details!

United Kingdom Association for Food Protection Holds Its First Meeting

The IAFP Affiliate from the United Kingdom formally joined the Association in 2004. A first Affiliate meeting was held on July 14, 2005 at the University of Wales Institute in Cardiff, which has become one of the leading centres of research and excellence in food safety in the UK.

The organization of the conference was in the capable hands of Gordon Hayburn and Louise Fielding, respectively Chair and Vice-Chair of the Affiliate. The topic of the meeting was Food Safety and Control. Gordon and Louise managed to get a very nice selection of seven speakers to the meeting that gave the audience a fine treatise of the topic from a variety of views: food recontamination issues, assessment of viruses, use of preservatives in foods, and food safety training, as well as assessment and certification of food safety standards. In addition, there was a small poster session and exhibition which allowed attendees to appreciate additional information at their leisure. The meeting drew an audience of about 20 delegates, many of which had not yet joined the United Kingdom Affiliate. With the experience of this first meeting, several delegates joined the Affiliate and it is hoped that more will consider joining.

Gordon and Louise are busy planning the next Affiliate meeting, to be held on July 18, 2006 at the headquarters of Sainsbury's in London. For information on this meeting, contact Louise Fielding at lfielding@uwic.ac.uk.



**Congratulations to the
United Kingdom Affiliate
on its first and very
successful meeting!**

Call for Applications - IAFP Student Travel Scholarship

If you are aware of a deserving student who meets the following criteria, please forward the following information on the Student Travel Scholarship.

The International Association for Food Protection and the IAFP Foundation are dedicated to supporting the development of future food safety professionals from around the world. To demonstrate this commitment, we are continuing our Student Travel Scholarship Program. In this second year of the program, we are excited to provide funding for four qualified students to attend the IAFP 2006 Annual Meeting in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, August 13-16, 2006.

We are pleased to announce that for 2006, IAFP will support travel of a student from a developing country in addition to one from outside of North America and two from North America. Through increased contributions, Members and supporters of the IAFP Foundation make this additional support possible.

This program is open to Student Members who are enrolled full-time in a food safety related degree program as either a graduate or undergraduate student. During the selection process, priority will be given to those applicants who have not previously attended an IAFP Annual Meeting. The application form and full details can be found on the IAFP Web site at:

<http://www.foodprotection.org/meetingsEducation/StudentTravel/Scholarship.asp>

Applications must be received prior to the deadline of March 13, 2006. Applicants will be notified of the selection committee's decision by April 28, 2006. Award recipients will be recognized at IAFP 2006 - the Association's 93rd Annual Meeting.

Qualified students are encouraged to apply for this unique opportunity. Questions? Please contact David Tharp, IAFP Executive Director, at 515.276.3344; 800.369.6337; or dtharp@foodprotection.org.

Scientific Brief - Perspectives on Avian Influenza Risk Management for Food Safety Professionals

The International Association for Food Protection (IAFP) developed a scientific brief to provide food manufacturers, inspectors, and food safety researchers with a general background on the Asian H5N1 avian influenza virus, methods to control its spread, and suitable procedures to inactivate the virus should poultry or eggs be contaminated. This brief is intended to provide a general background for interested food manufacturers. Poultry producers directly involved in developing bio-security procedures and processing poultry carcasses should be receiving detailed information through governmental agencies.

To access the complete brief as well as a slide presentation from the symposium on Avian Influenza held at IAFP 2005 in Baltimore, MD, use the following links.

Avian Influenza Scientific Brief

<http://www.foodprotection.org/aboutIAFP/AvianFluSB.asp>

Avian Influenza Slide Presentations - IAFP 2005 (Members Only)

<http://www.foodprotection.org/login.asp?>

Target=AvianFlu.asp

Highlights of the Executive Board Meeting November 18, 2005 Teleconference

Following is an unofficial summary of actions from the Executive Board Meeting held by teleconference on November 18, 2005:

Approved the following:

- Minutes of August 12-18, 2005 Executive Board Meeting
- Minutes of October 28, 2005 Executive Board Meeting
- Implementing an online review system for *JFP* manuscripts
- Fiscal Year End August 31, 2005 Audit Report
- Joining the Partnership for Food Safety Education

Discussed the following:

- E-mail votes taken since the last meeting
- Elimination of the Monday Night Social for 2006
- Revised schedule of activities for IAFP 2006
- Member dues restructure plan - target date of January 1, 2007
- E-Newsletter to supplement new Member dues structure
- Reappointment of representatives to the 3-A Sanitary Standards, Inc., Board of Directors
- Financial results of the European Symposium on Food Safety
- Future International meetings - target October or November 2006 for a second European Symposium on Food Safety
- Exhibit trade with Food Safety Summit
- Exhibit trade with Food Safety World
- Support concepts, decline active participation with Global Harmonization Initiative at this time
- Work with Kraft Foods for continued supporting efforts
- IAFP 2005 and workshop financial results
- Texas locations for IAFP 2009

Reports received:

- *Food Protection Trends*
- *Journal of Food Protection*
- IAFP Web site
- Board Members attending Affiliate meetings
- Affiliate Newsletter
- Future Annual Meeting schedule
- Exhibiting (IAFP on the Road)
- Future Board meeting dates

Next Executive Board meeting: February 19-20, 2006.



Ron Judge and Frank Yiannas prepare to answer questions from attendees.

The Ontario Food Protection Association Annual Fall Meeting was held November 16, 2005 in Mississauga, Ontario. There were approximately 180 professionals in attendance - a great turn out! It will be difficult, but you might be able to figure out which Executive Board Member attended this meeting from the pictures on this page.

Joanne Allen and Frank Yiannas network in the lobby of the Convention Center in Mississauga, Ontario.

Standing in front of the IAFP display are Jessica Logozza and Frank Yiannas.



Audiovisual Library - New Videos Added

Two new videos have recently been added to the Audiovisual Library. They are:

- E3260 - Swabbing Techniques for Sampling the Environment and Equipment (DVD only)
- F2095 - Now You're Cooking...Using a Food Thermometer (Video and DVD)

The Audiovisual Library is a benefit for IAFP Members. Be sure to tell your colleagues about this great Member benefit. A listing of all videos available can be found on the IAFP Web site at www.foodprotection.org, clicking on "Member Interest," then "Audiovisual Library."

If you know of someone who would like to take advantage of this Member benefit, please send their name and contact information to info@foodprotection.org. Suggestions for new videos may also be sent to this E-mail address.

Future IAFP Annual Meeting Sites...

August 13 - 16, 2006

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

July 8 - 11, 2007

Lake Buena Vista, Florida

August 3 - 6, 2008

Columbus, Ohio



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