

# **November Newsletter**

**Iowa Section**Institute of Food Technologists

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# Join Us in Ames!

Our new fiscal year got off to a great start in Sioux City, with a tour of American Popcorn Company who make Jolly Time Popcorn. Our hosts gave us a tour of their facility, shared with us the history of the company, and hosted a networking session where members were able to learn more about the popcorn industry. We ended the evening at Bev's on the River with a social hour and dinner along with a short business meeting.

Our next meeting will be held in Ames on November 19th. The meeting will be held on campus and will be a perfect opportunity to see the beautiful campus in rich fall colors.

The November meeting will include a tour of the ISU dining storage facility where we will learn about the logistics of serving food to over 35,000 students each day at ISU. The meeting will also include our annual food and coat drive, our returning student culinary challenge, and dinner from a food truck you voted on to serve us a delicious meal.

See you in November,

Krista Gent

**IA-IFT Secretary** 



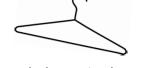
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- September 17<sup>th</sup>
- November 19<sup>th</sup>
- February 18<sup>th</sup>
- April 21<sup>st</sup>



# **Canned Food and Coat Drive**

The November meeting will include our annual <u>food and</u> <u>coat drive</u>, so please bring non-perishable food items, or



new and/or gently used warm winter coats, hats, mittens, and gloves to donate. A raffle will be held for all who participate and prizes will be given!



Through this philanthropic event we have donated hundreds of coats to lowans as well as a hefty load of canned foods to those who are in need. Thank you in advance for participating.

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# **November Meeting Details**





# Learn about the logistics of serving food to over 35,000 students each day at ISU

When: Thursday November 19th

<u>Tour:</u> Iowa State University Dining: Friley Store Room

Dinner: Alluvial Brewing Company: 3715 W 190<sup>th</sup> Street, Ames, IA 50014

Agenda:

12:00-3:30	Student Culinary	/ Challenge	(Kitchens in	Food Science Build	(parit
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2:00-2:45 Exec Committee Meeting: Clyde Sports Room

3:00-4:00 ISU Dining Tour #1 (Friley Hall Store Room)

4:00-5:00 ISU Dining Tour #2 (Friley Hall Store Room)

3:30-4:30 Judging of the Culinary Challenge

5:00-6:00 Social Hour — Featuring Alluvial Brewing Company beverage tasting and

Culinary Challenge appetizer tasting

6:00-8:00 Dinner (Food Truck) and Business Meeting

There is a 20 person maximum per tour students are recommended to take the 3-4pm tour time.

# **Registration Cost:**

\$15 for students, \$25 for members & \$35 for friends of the section

### Parking:

Please Park at the Memorial Union (\$3.25 for the 2 hours)

Walk along Lake LaVerne to Iowa State University Dining Center Loading Dock

Please contact Angela Shaw (angelaml@iastate.edu) if you need assistance

Please Register online at www.iftiowa.org by November 9th

# 3rd Biannual Culinary Challenge

The Culinary Challenge event will be returning, to the November 19th meeting on the lowa State campus.

Teams consisting of 3 student members plus one industry member will prepare a snack utilizing industrial ingredients. Students will also be allowed to bring 4 ingredients of their own. Advisers are allowed to help as needed.





The teams will have the day to develop a unique snack featuring the challenge sponsor ingredient Jolly Time Popcorn and will serve their finished product to meeting attendees.



# **Food Science Club News**

The Food Science Club has had a very busy semester so far, and we're only halfway done! We've had many wonderful companies come and present at club meetings, such as Wells Blue Bunny, Burke, Hormel, Cargill, and Tyson. We look forward to having GPC at our next meeting! We've been hard at work making fudge and selling it at various events such as CALS Week and CHS Week. The club recently enjoyed a lovely trip to Center Grove Orchard after all their hard work at the Career Fair. As the semester winds down, we have elections coming up and the Silent Auction and Potluck to look forward to at the beginning of December! It's been a great semester so far and we hope to finish it out strong.

# Please consider donating to our silent auction

This event provides a great environment for students to get to know faculty in a more relaxed and social setting. The proceeds from the event will help fund and support the clubs' yearly activities that promote community involvement and professional development in the food industry, including professional speakers, industry tours and sponsored events. We would like to ask for your support to provide any items that can be auctioned off. Donations in the form of company promotional items, merchandising items, or any other food industry related good would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Karen Valde (kvalde@iastate.edu)

# **Member Spotlight**



Name: Mackenzie Russo

Company: Kemin Industries

Location: Des Moines, IA

Job Title: Marketing Coordinator



What is something interesting about your job? I think what people would find interesting about my job is that it changes daily. One day I will be working with our R&D team to put a new study together and the next I will be working on creating sales tools for our team to use to sell our products.

What is your favorite food? My favorite food changes on a weekly basis. If I had to pick, I would say my top favorites right now are almonds, enchiladas, and burgers. In other words, a wide variety.

What is the strangest food you have ever eaten? I tried a lot of odd foods during my time studying abroad, but probably one of the strangest foods I ever ate was bone marrow. It was okay, but I don't think I will be ordering it again any time soon.

What are your hobbies? I love to play volleyball both indoors or in the sand. I typically play one to two nights a week. I also enjoy going to crossfit. I competed in a local competition once and may do another in the future. I also enjoy travelling. I'm always planning my next trip the moment I get back from one - even if it's a quick weekend trip to go see my family.

What is your favorite part about being an Iowa Section IFT member? My favorite part about being an Iowa Section IFT member is connecting with other people involved in the food industry. Through the various tours and networking opportunities, I always learn something new from other members, which helps me learn more about the food industry.



# Join us on social media!



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### Join our group on LinkedIn!

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# **September Executive Meeting Minutes**

September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at Jolly Time popcorn, Sioux City, Iowa 1:35 p.m.

Present: Bailey, Gilbert, Lily, Russo, Schaumburg

Via Audio: Belknap and Shaw, Weigle and Williams

The September meeting of the IA Section IFT executive council was called to order at 1:35 by Brittany Bailey at Jolly Time popcorn in Sioux City Iowa.

Gilbert moved to increase membership dues from \$16 to \$20. Russo seconded the motion. All were in favor, zero opposed.

Belknap gave the secretary's report. It was reported that she is training the chair elect to create the meeting details page over.

Bailey presented the treasurer's report. As of 8/31/2015, the checking balance was \$20,236.56. Gilbert has one outstanding receipt for reimbursement.

The budget was discussed in detail, line item by line item. The proposed budget will be sent to the treasurer and then out for approval.

Bailey and Gilbert reported on a new National Insurance program. National IFT has agreed to cover 50% of the cost. Bailey is requesting a quote and will gather more information. This policy addresses the liability of decisions of the section.

Officer roles were also discussed. The Biennial report will now become the treasure's responsibility. The secretary will continue to carry the website duties, with help from the members at large.

Russo has been working on setting up Facebook and linked-in accounts for the section.

Gilbert has initiated Google Documents. She and Belknap have uploaded files. The hope is to have all of our files in one central location.

Shaw reported that the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting will include a tour of the ISU dinning and culinary service. There will also be a culinary challenge. Food Trucks may cater the event. The February meeting will be a multi-site meeting with locations in Ames, Des Moines, possibly Sioux City and others to be named.

Lilly briefed the group on the IA State food science club. The first meeting had over 70 students in attendance. There was a strong turn out with the second meeting as well. Burke will present at the next meeting. The fall is booked with different food company presentations. They hope to volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Belknap, Interim IA IFT Secretary

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# Food Truck—Who will it be?!

For our November meeting YOU helped decide what Food Truck we selected to serve us a delicious dinner. The winner will be a surprise. You will find out who is going to serve your food when you get to the Alluvial Brewing Company. We hope you are excited for this fun trendy way to eat!

# Finley's Curbside Beastro

(pizza or burgers)

or

#### **B-Fabulous BBQ**

(BBQ, Burgers, Deli, etc.)



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