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Meeting Dates 2012 -2013

September 20th, 2012
“Bring a Colleague
Night”

November 8th, 2012

February 21st, 2013

April 18th, 2013

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Greetings from the Secretary

Our September meeting will feature wine and chocolate tasting at Jasper Winery. Non alcoholic beverages will be available at the winery and those guests not wanting to partake in wine sampling will be able to sample the chocolate. After the pairing, we will have a catered dinner at Gray’s Lake Pavilion and a presentation from a guest speaker. **More information to come!**

September is “Bring a Colleague Night”. Start recruiting an industry friend or cross functional team member to attend with you! Meal discounts will be offered for those that bring a new member with them, and the new attendee will earn a discount off of a future Iowa section event.

See you soon!
Kelly Belknap
Iowa IFT Section Secretary

**Bookmark the Iowa Section IFT web page @
www.ift.org/sections/iowa/.**

Job Postings—Check out job postings or post job openings for your company. Jobs are still being posted!

Webpage Content—If there is something you want to post that is related to our section or you see something that needs to be updated, please contact Kelly Belknap at:

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Iowa Section Member Spotlights



Welcome New Member: Joan Moeller

CERT ID, Fairfield, IA

Marketing Campaign Manager

What is something interesting about your job/schooling?

I went from the pre-engineered steel industry to the food safety industry with my position at CERT ID so that has made my life very interesting. I have had to relearn an entire industry and I am finding out that each day is a new experience and learning curve. My colleagues in this industry have been very helpful and informative and I believe that this aspect is allowing me to grow and develop our marketing strategies.

What is your favorite food?

Pizza on the grill with fresh vegetables and I can't forget the double chocolate malt.

What is the strangest food you have ever eaten (this could also include an odd pairing of foods)?

We were at Frenchy's in Clearwater Beach in Florida I had my first taste of fried alligator bites. Not my favorite item. We also tried the Octopus dishes that they offered. They offer many unique items on their menu.

What are your hobbies?

I am an avid flower gardener and this summer has been stressful not only for the garden but for me worrying about the damage the heat and drought has put on my gardens. I also enjoy golfing, reading and the theater.

What is your favorite part about being an Iowa Section IFT member?

I have only been member for a few months so I have not had the opportunity to fully experience my membership. I am looking forward to meeting and interacting with fellow colleagues within the food industry that are located in our state. I previously worked in the steel industry. I am hoping that as a member I can gain knowledge to assist me with my new career in the food industry.

Member Spotlight: Angela M. Shaw

Iowa State University, Ames, IA

Assistant Professor and Extension and Outreach Food Safety Specialist

What is something interesting about your job/schooling?

I love working with fruit and vegetable growers and food manufacturers on food safety concerns. It is wonderful to connect food safety research with real-world application to problem solve emerging issues. I also love answering consumer food safety questions and educating the public on how to manage food safety within their kitchen and gardens.

What is your favorite food?

A traditional Louisiana New Orleans Crawfish Boil is my favorite meal. The combination of sausage, potatoes, corn on the cob, and crawfish in a spicy sauce is amazing.

What is the strangest food you have ever eaten (this could also include an odd pairing of foods)?

The strangest food I have eaten, but have loved was live snails in various sauces when I traveled to Morocco a few years back. The Moroccan spices enhanced the flavor of the snails and made them fabulous.

What are your hobbies?

I love to puzzles and listen to jazz music. Puzzling provides a space to talk with my family without distractions and is my "Think Space". Most of my research ideas and problem resolving and relaxation occur when I am puzzling at night.

What is your favorite part about being an Iowa Section IFT member?

The interaction with the food industry is my favorite part of the Iowa Section of IFT. There are so many opportunities for academia to interact with the individuals in industry with similar positions. IFT truly provides an environment for collaboration and sharing of ideas.



September Meeting Details: Wine and Chocolate!

Members:

**Would your
company
like to host
a meeting
or tour?
Contact
Senya
Finney
today!**

**Be sure to
checkout
photos of
the Culinary
Challenge
on our
website!**

Date: Thursday, September 20th, 2012
Wine: Jasper's Winery
 2400 George Flagg Parkway, Des Moines, IA 50321
Dinner: Gray's Lake Reception Pavilion
 Dinner Catered by
 Gusto's Pizza <http://gustopizzaco.com/pizza>

Agenda:
 1:15 – 2:15 Exec Committee Meeting (at Eurofins Scientific)
 2:30 – 4:30 Wine and Chocolate pairing event (non alcoholic beverages will be available)
 5:00 – 6:30 Dinner at Gray's Lake with a Presentation from an industry speaker (To be announced)
 6:30 – 7:00 Business Meeting

Directions:
 To Jasper's Winery from I-35:
 Exit 137B toward Des Moines, take Exit 7 and turn Left on MLK Jr Pkwy/19th St. Stay straight and Martin Luther King Jr Pkwy becomes Fleur Drive. Turn Right onto George Flagg Pkwy and Jasper's Winery will be on the Left.

From Jasper's Winery to Gray's Lake Pavilion:
 Head East on George Flagg Parkway and go straight at the light at the intersection of George Flagg and Fleur Drive. The pavilion will be on the Left hand side of the parking area. Our event will be held on the east side of the pavilion.

Want to get involved with the Iowa Section?

There is currently an opening on our Executive Board for a Member-at-Large.

This is a great way to start out getting more involved in the Iowa Section IFT. Some of the responsibilities include serving on various committees and helping plan some of our meetings throughout the year. If you or someone you know would be interested, please send Joan Randall an email (joan.randall@kemin.com).

We will elect a new member at large at our meeting on Sept 20th, so please let Joan know if you are interested by Sept 17th.

Iowa State University FSHN Homecoming 2012

Iowa State University FSHN department is planning some very special departmental events for the 100 "Cytennial" Homecoming celebration to reconnect with and honor alumni. The Iowa Section of IFT will be participating in ISU FSHN Homecoming's family friendly tailgate event on October 27th before the football game (game time is TBD). If you will be attending the game, please stop by the FSHN tailgating tent and meet some ISU FSHN department members, alumni and Iowa IFT section members. Let's reconnect while we help the department celebrate. Look for more details to follow at [our September meeting](#). [Below is the department's press release for more information.](#)

FSHN is pleased to announce the winners of the 2012 FSHN Alumni Impact Award. Award winners are department alumni who have excelled and made an impact in their professions or in their community. Awards will be given to Linda Fullmer (00, BS Food Science) and Lori Roth-Yousey (83, BS Dietetics) during Homecoming 2012.

Linda Fullmer has over 20 years of commercial and related-technical experience. She was offered a position at Kemin Health shortly after graduating from ISU and by 2006 was a Senior Vice President. Fullmer holds two patents, has published in both peer-reviewed and trade journals, remains active in IFT, and is a member of Phi Kappa Phi.

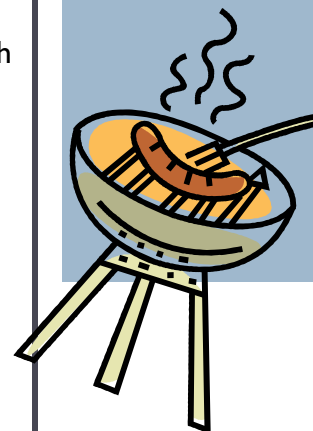
Lori Roth-Yousey dedicated to advancing the nutrition and dietetics professions through research and technology. She was instrumental as a member of a pioneer group beginning Evidence Based Analysis to define best dietetics practice on a national level. Roth-Yousey earned her M.S. and Ph.D. in Nutrition, both from the University of Minnesota and currently works as a research, ethics, and nutrition private consultant.

All alumni and friends of the department are cordially invited to celebrate the achievements of these outstanding alumni and ISU Homecoming 2012, October 26-27, with a series of activities. Activities include seeing the latest research at the Center for Crops Utilization Research and Nutrition and Wellness Research Center; a sensory of wine mini-course presented by the Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute; banquet honoring alumni award winners; tailgate and homecoming game. All event details, registration, and any updates will be available at <http://www.fshn.hs.iastate.edu/2012/07/09/homecoming-2012/>

GO CYCLONES!

Be sure to stop by the 2012 FSHN Alumni Tailgate at Homecoming!

The Iowa Section IFT is proud to be a sponsor for this event!



Iowa Section IFT Minutes of the May Executive Committee Transition Meeting

Iowa Section IFT Transition Executive Committee Meeting
May 9, 2012 at Grinnell Steakhouse in Grinnell, Iowa 4 p.m.

Members present: Belknap, Busch, Canon, Christner, Clark, Finney, Gilbert, Leas, Loucks, Randall, Shaw, Swaim and Wilson

1. **Introductions** were made. New contact information was gathered.
2. The **secretary's report** was presented. Motioned by Lester and seconded by Canon, the minutes were approved. Thank you cards were filled out for Judges and the MC of the Culinary Challenge.
 - 3a. Swaim presented the **treasurer's report**. Balance 04-30-12 = \$20,031.27
Loucks suggested that the line on the report for Suppliers Night be itemized without the scholarships. New Treasurers report was emailed to the committee on 5-15-12.
Increase on funds was due to Supplier's Night income.
 - 3b. Swaim presented the 2010-2012 finished **budget** as a reference for the 2012-2013 budget. The travel grant amount was set at \$500 previously, but will be increased to \$1000. Clark motioned to approve the proposed budget and was seconded by Gilbert.
 - 3c. Loucks will look into getting a Square card reader so the section can accept credit cards at meetings.
4. **Scholarships** were discussed. Clark and Leas agreed to coordinate scholarships. The section is getting good sponsorship from Iowa companies, but had poor student participation. Next year the scholarship forms will be sent to the entire FSHNET via Breanna Wetzler. Clark will handle. Clark also suggested that few questions be changed on the resume portion on the scholarship and that career plans should be a separate essay.
5. **New Member Update:** Busch reported that she attended a conference call on recruiting new members. Geography seems to have a significant impact on meeting attendance. Finney suggested that the section utilize social networks to boost participation and will look into Linked In and Facebook. Christner volunteered to send new members a welcome email and to manage the email lists. Other ideas suggested were drafting a letter to employers, designating one meeting "bring a friend night".

Meeting Minutes (continued)

6. **Meeting ideas** for the 2012-2013 year were discussed.

A.) Meeting dates were set for Sept 20th, Nov 8th, Feb 21st, and April 18th.

B.) Finney suggested we do company presentations again in April.

C.) Tour ideas for this year include: Tassel Ridge Winery, Frisian Farms, PUR-foods, Burke, Proliant, Embria, Apiary, and Sparboe.

D.) Speaker ideas included Doug Powell (KSU, food safety & functional foods), Starbucks coffee and chocolate pairing and a marketing company rep to talk about trends.

E.) A summer social was also discussed. There was no interest in participating in the Iowa State Fair judging. There was interest in attending a day game for the IA Cubs.

7. **Suppliers Night** was discussed in some length. Busch reported that 35 suppliers attended, 1 cancelled day of. There were 107 net attendees. This is up 3-5 booths from 2010. There seemed to be a lot of last minute sign ups. Some companies could not attend due to other Midwestern sections hosting their supplier's night the same week. Attendance was 17 and 20 people per session for the FONA talks. It was recommended that the booth fee increase for the next event.

8. Shaw volunteered to head up community service drives for meetings. The group would like to participate in a coat drive in November.

9. **Strategic Leadership Forum:** Loucks will attend the forum at this year's National IFT in Las Vegas.

10. For other items, Leas will move to a two year term. Busch has set a goal that the section create a mission statement. **August 31:** Annual Reports are due, **October 31:** Financial Reports are due

11. No further business was presented. It was motioned by Gilbert and seconded by Wilson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

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