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Meeting Dates and Locations for 2003-2004

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September 16, 2004—see details inside- Kemin Americas- Des Moines, IA

November 8, 2004—Midwest Food Processors Conference- Chicago, IL

Web site for more information-- www.mfpc.info

November 18, 2004—Microsoy Corporation-Cottage on Broad-Story City, IA

February 17, 2005-- TBD

April 21, 2005 -- TBD

July 16-20, 2005--IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo—New Orleans, Louisiana

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## **Notes from Section Secretary**

I must first apologize for the tardiness of the newsletter. September just came upon me way to fast. But there is so much good information included that you will have to check it all out. As you can see from the lists above there is lots of news and lots of exciting meetings scheduled for the year. Mark your calendars now so you won't miss out—program chair Kristen Robbins has done an exceptional job planning the meetings for the upcoming year.

Again, we are using email to notify you of meetings and get you the newsletter. If you do not have email we will still send you a copy of the newsletter via regular US mail. We are going to be sending out post cards for only the fall meetings. Next spring will we be only using email and regular US mail with the newsletter for our members that do not have emails. Check our web site out too.

Hope to see you at the upcoming meeting and if you have something you want to include in the newsletter—just email to me at [janisift@hotmail.com](mailto:janisift@hotmail.com).

***Janis M. Hochstetler, Iowa IFT Section Secretary***

## Iowa State University Food Science Club Kicks-Off Fall Semester

Natalia A. Weinsedel, Graduate Student Representative to the Iowa Section Exec Council reports that the Iowa State University Food Science Club is organizing some activities for September's Food Safety Month. These activities include a two-week display at the Memorial Union and students will pass out flyers to passer-byers. Look for more activities to come this fall.

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### Bookmark – IOWA SECTION WEB PAGE

The Iowa Section IFT web page is [www.ift.org/sections/iowa/](http://www.ift.org/sections/iowa/).

Take a look and check out the information located there. If there is something you want to post that is related to our section please contact Janis Hochstetler at [janisift@hotmail.com](mailto:janisift@hotmail.com).

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### Congratulations Winners!!!

At the April 22, 2004 Iowa Section Meeting, scholarship awards were presented to students and one of our own was recognized for her outstanding service to our section.

Each year the Iowa Section along with Food Industries from Iowa make awards to outstanding students in Food Science. The following awards were presented

- Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship Award recipient was **Lai Mei Chow**
- Outstanding Graduate Scholarship Award recipient was **Natalia Weinsedel**.
- The Iowa Industry Scholarship Award recipient was and **Diana White**.

All are Iowa State University students studying Food Science.

In addition, the section recognized Cheryll Reitmeier as the sections IFT Outstanding Member. Cheryll has served our section in many capacities, just recently as secretary and currently is chairperson for the scholarship and awards committee. Cheryll still offers to help out in many of our activities. Cheryll is a Professor of Food Science at Iowa State University. Thanks for all your hard work!!!

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### Central Iowa Science Fair Winners

Each year the Iowa Section judges food related science fair projects at the Central Iowa Science Fair in Ames. Awards are given in the Junior High and Senior High Divisions. Winners are invited to attend the April Section Meeting and display and talk about their project. This year's winners were:

#### Junior High Division Winner

**JoHanna Degen**, 6th grader from O.B. Laing Middle School, Algona, Iowa. Her Project was entitled "Is Bacteria on Your Soda Lid?" Her parents are Kendra and Joe Degen and her teacher is Walter Reemtsma

#### Senior High Division Winner

**Amber Wilson**, Junior from West Central Valley High School, Redfield, Iowa. Her project was "Range Chickens vs. Commercial Feed Chickens." Her parent is Dennis Wilson and teacher is Larry Schwinger.

A big thank you to our **volunteer judges** for the Science Fair: Pat Murphy, Marry Darrow, Ean-Chee Ng, Damian Montoya, and Terri Boylston.

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to the judges.



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September 16, 2004 –Iowa Section IFT Meeting Kemin Americas—Des Moines, Iowa

I hope that you have enjoyed your summer and are ready to enjoy the fall colors and season and another year of meetings with the Iowa Section IFT. Our program Chair Kristen Robbins has set up some great meetings and tours for us and I hope that you all will attend.

I must first apologize for the delay in getting you the meeting information this for this month's meeting and **ask that you all promptly respond to Kristen via email followed with your payment via snail mail for this upcoming meeting. Kristen needs your reply no later than NOON, MONDAY SEPTEMBER 13th** so that she can call the caterer with the number of attendees. You will be getting a post card from me soon about the meeting—but please see the information below with the details.

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### **Iowa Section IFT Meeting -- Thursday, September 16, 2004 *Kemin Industries Des Moines, Iowa***

#### **Executive Council Meeting 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 pm--**

Meet at the Kemin administration building (dark brown building just behind flagpole, faces Maury St), where Kristen will sign us in and distribute visitor passes and lead us to a conference room.

#### **Tours of Kemin Industries 4:00pm – 5:15 p.m. and Social Time 5:15 pm**

Tours will begin at 4pm, concluding at 5:15pm in the Atrium area of the Innovation Center, where we will have a cash soda bar. Tours will include: rosemary extraction, lutein extraction, and our Innovation Center which houses research labs for the various Kemin companies. Please note that Kemin Americas policy is that alcohol can not be served when there are minors present.

#### **Dinner 6:00 pm - Followed by Speakers from Kemin and Door Prizes**

The dinner buffet will begin at 6pm, with the speakers to follow. Door prizes will follow the presentations.

Speaker will include:

Vincent Sewalt, Ph.D., Director of Research and Development, Kemin  
Agrifoods North America

Linda Fullmer, Section Manager, Research and Development, Kemin Foods

Kristen Robbins, Associate Scientist, Kemin Food Ingredients

Buffet dinner of roast pork loin with dinner rolls, BBQ shredded beef with buns, mixed fruit Salad, mashed potatoes with beef gravy, cheesecake, beverages: regular/decaf coffee and lemonade.

Registration **DEADLINE**  
**To Kristen Robbins by NOON - September 13, 2004!!**  
**Online:** [krobbins@keminamericas.com](mailto:krobbins@keminamericas.com)  
*Mail Payments to: Kemin Americas, Attn: Kristen Robbins,*  
*1583 Food Sciences Building, Iowa State University, Ames IA 50011-1061*  
*Tele: 515-294-2451*

**AGAIN—PLEASE be prompt with your reservations:**

### **COST OF THE MEALS**

**Early bird reservations:**      **Members/Guests—\$15.00**  
                                                 **Students—\$10.00**

**At the Door:**                      **Members/Guests—\$20.00**  
                                                 **Students—\$15.00**

**Checks should be made out to Iowa Section IFT.**  
**EARLY RESERVATION Deadline is MONDAY, September 13, 2004 BY NOON**

*Directions to Kemin Industries, 2100 Maury St., Des Moines:*  
**From I-235:**

- Exit onto East 14th/East 15th St.
- At the end of the exit ramp, turn left (south) to follow the detour to E. 14th St.
- Travel approximately 1-2 miles south on E. 14th St., and enter the left-hand turning lane once you have driven over the overpass.
- Turn left onto Maury St., heading west for approx. 1 mile.
- Kemin Industries will be on the left side of the road, just past Pine Ridge Farms (on right).
- Enter the main employee parking lot (second entrance on left) just before RR tracks.
- To locate the Innovation Center, follow the paved walkway between the brown administration building which faces Maury St. and building #2, heading toward the pond.
- The entrance to the Innovation Center is on the right side of the building, the pond is on your right.

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MEETING RESERVATION AND CANCELLATION REFUND POLICY

Iowa-Section of Institute of Food Technologists

6-12-01 revision

Reservations for dinner meetings of the Iowa Section IFT are to be mailed or faxed to the person indicated on the reservation form by the date indicated on the reservation form. For prepaid reservations, please be sure to mail the check early enough so that it is received before the day of the meeting. All checks should be made payable to the Iowa Section IFT. Persons with dinner reservations that are not prepaid before the day of the meeting will be charged \$5 more at the door.

Students who are members of the Iowa Section IFT can make prepaid reservations at a cost of \$10 per meal. Students who have not preregistered and prepaid will pay \$15 at the door. The Iowa Section IFT subsidizes student dinners at each meeting to encourage involvement of students in IFT activities. Students can join Iowa Section IFT for \$2. Students who are not Iowa Section IFT members and who do not have prepaid reservation must pay the same as the member rate at the door.

Reservations cancellations should be made as early as possible. Prepaid reservations that were cancelled by the late date indicated for meeting registration will be cheerfully refunded. If a cancellation is not made another person from the same company or someone who is otherwise designated *and who does not have a reservation*, may use the reservation. WE cannot refund for reservation that are cancelled after that date because we have already given a firm plate count to the restaurant and we will be charged for that number of meals whether or not they are eaten.

If you have special dietary concerns regarding the meal to be served at one of our meetings, please indicate this when you make your prepaid reservation. Please indicate your dietary restriction (vegetarian, etc.) with your name and telephone number so that you can be contacted about possible alternatives. All reservation for meals that indicated special concerns must be prepaid because we must make special arrangements for alternatives with the restaurant.

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**Iowa Section of the Institute of Food Technologists
Minutes of the April 22, 2004 Meeting
Adventureland Inn, Altoona, Iowa**

Executive Committee Meeting

Attendees: Dave Raife, Terri Boylston, Kate, Gilbert, Natalia Weinsetel, Janis Hochstetler, Tony Pometto, Anne Nelson, Elaine Wolff

1. Meeting Called to order at 3:45 pm by Raife.
2. Secretary's minutes were reviewed. Motion by Pometto and seconded by Wolff to accept the minutes as read. Motion passed.
3. Raife handed out the current month's Treasurer's Report. The current balance is \$9506.31.
4. Raife made the following reports:
 - a. Scholarship Fund: Only one check has been received for the Iowa food Industry Scholarship Fund. Raife suggested that fund-raising and the future of this scholarship be discussed in-depth at the May executive committee planning meeting.
 - b. Raife noted that Iowa Section member, John Olson, Burke Corporation, and his wife had been in a bad car accident in Ames and are now recuperating. Anne Nelson volunteered to get him a get well card on behalf of the section.
 - c. Raife announced that the executive committee planning meeting would be held at the NASA Food Technology Commercial Space Center in Ames. Raife suggested a date be chosen during the weeks of May 10th or 17th. Members will need to email Raife their date preferences, and Raife will correspond via email as to the final arrangements.
Raife asked member to bring ideas to the planning meeting for speakers, meeting sites and door prizes for next years meeting.
 - d. Three Scholarships Awards will be presented at the general meeting and two of the science fair winners will be attending the suppliers show, displaying their projects and will attend the general meeting/meal.

Committee Reports

1. **Student Activities:** Weinsetel reported that the college bowl team competed at the regional even at the University of Nebraska, April 3, 2004. Unfortunately, they did not win (Minnesota was the winner, with Kansas State also participating). The students have asked the section for financial support of \$1003.00 for their travel expenses. Weinsetel moved for the section to pay for the student expenses with Gilbert seconding. Motioned passed.
The students also participated in VEISHEA with a department open house. Dr. Beattie made a presentation at their last club meeting. The product development team for the NASA competition is waiting to hear the results of the competition.
It has been suggested that the students help out with hospitality at the meetings. The student representatives will take this back to the club and coordinate students to help out.
2. **Suppliers Night:** Raife reported that with the move to Des Moines and tying in with the Food Security Workshop, all thought that attendance would be boosted for both. However, the number of attendees for the workshops was very low, but the suppliers numbers were good. There was much discussion and it was determined that we need to support activities like the Food Security Workshop in the future; this will be a topic of the May planning meeting.

Audit and Finance: Wolff will audit the treasurer's books in September 2004.

3. **Nominations:** The following nomination will be made at the general meeting to fill offices for the 2004-2005 year: Program Chair (Industry): Kristen Robbins (Kemin Americas); Treasurer: Lin Wang (Grain Processing). There is still a need to fill two positions on the MFPC Board, as well as a Hospitality Chair and Finance Chair. Pometto will ask for volunteers at the general meeting.
4. **Councilor:** Boylston reported that at the National IFT Meeting this year the presidential awards will not be given at the opening session as in the past, instead there will be a special banquet for the awardees. There are many members that are not happy with this change—making it seem that these awardees are elitist to all other member. Also there is a proposal to take away the control of dues from the councilors, which is not sitting well either. The National Meeting session for the councilors would like it could be very interesting.

New Business

1. There will be door prizes at the general meeting. Big thanks to Raife, Hochstetler and Pometto for supplying the prizes.
2. Nineteen students are in attendance for tonight's student sponsorship nights with eleven companies and individuals supporting the students.

Wolff motioned for adjournment, Gilbert seconded. Motion passed. Adjourned at 4:30 pm. Members attended supplier's night before dinner and the general meeting.

General Business Meeting

Nineteen students and sixty suppliers and members enjoyed a buffet dinner at the Adventureland Inn, Altoona, Iowa. All in attendance introduced themselves and their affiliation after the dinner. Door prizes were drawn for though out ht meeting.

The business meeting was conducted by Dave Raife. Raife gave the treasurer's report and noted that more industry support is needed for the Iowa Food Industry Scholarship.

Tony Pometto reported that Kristen Robbins (Kemin Americas) has agreed to be Program Chair, and Lin Wang (Grain Processing) has agreed to be Treasurer. Sam Beattie (ISU) has agreed to fill one of two positions on the MFPC Board. The nominations were accepted unanimously and motioned passed. The students will be assisting with hospitality at the upcoming meetings.

Cheryl Reitmeier presented scholarships:

Le Mai Chow—Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship (\$500)

Natalia Weinsedel—Outstanding Graduate Scholarship (\$500)

Diana White—Iowa Food Industry Scholarship (\$1000)

Reitmeier reported that there were no nominations for outstanding section member. Raife surprised Reitmeier as she was awarded a plaque as the 2004 Outstanding Iowa Section IFT Member.

Additionally, Dr. Joe Sebranek was recognized as being selected as a 2004 National IFT Fellow. He will receive his award at the 2004 National IFT Meeting.

Terri Boylston introduced the Science Fair Winners: Junior High Division Winner: JoHanna Degen, 6th grader from O.B. Laing Middle School, Algona, Iowa. Her Project was entitled "Is Bacteria on Your Soda Lid?" Her parents are Kendra and Joe Degen and her teacher is Walter Reemtsma. Senior High Division Winner: Amber Wilson, Junior from West Central Valley High School, Redfield, Iowa. Her project was "Range Chickens vs. Commercial Feed Chickens." Her parent is Dennis Wilson and teacher is Larry Schwinger. A big thank you to our volunteer judges for the Science Fair: Pat Murphy, Marry Darrow, Ean-Chee Ng, Damian Montoya, and Terri Boylston.

Lester Wilson reported on the upcoming MFPC, November 9, 2004 in Chicago, Illinois. Iowa will be hosting the 2005 event and we will need to decide when and where to have the conference so that it can be presented to the MFPC Board this coming fall. Ideas for this should be forwarded to Wilson. If you are interested in assisting with MFPC contact Wilson.

Natalia Weinsedel reported on the student activities. Students have been involved with College Bowl, NASA Product Development Competition and VEISHEA.

Terri Boylston gave the councilors report.

Meeting adjourned by Raife at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janis M. Hochstetler, Iowa Section IFT Secretary
5/20/04

**Iowa Section of the Institute of Food Technologists
Minutes of the May 20, 2004
Executive Council Planning Meeting
NASA Food Technology Commercial Space Center, Ames, Iowa**

Executive Committee Meeting

Attendees: Dave Raife, Mark Love, Kristen Robbins, Terri Boylston, Kate Gilbert, Natalia Weinsedel, Janis Hochstetler, Elaine Wolff, Sam Beattie

5. Meeting Called to order at 1:00 pm by Raife.
6. Secretary's minutes were reviewed. Motion by Wolff and seconded by Love to accept the minutes as amended. Motion passed.
7. Raife handed out the current month's Treasurer's Report. The current balance is \$8215.52.
Raife also handed out the proposed budget for the 2004-2005. After review, a motion by Wolff and seconded by Gilbert was made to accept the budget. Motion passed.
8. Sam Beattie led discussion about the Food Safety Workshop held in conjunction with Suppliers Night. The biggest goal is to increase participation. Ideas to help attain this goal was to get more support from the Iowa food industry, specifically finding alumni of ISU and identifying employees at food companies that specifically deal with food safety. Hochstetler also offered that the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship may have lists of contacts that would be helpful.
9. Kristen Robbins Reported on the upcoming years meeting plans. She proposed the following.
 - a. September 16, 2004—Kemin Americas-Des Moines, Tour, Dinner, Meeting and Speakers at Kemin.
 - b. November 18, 2004—Possibly Microsoy Corp with Dinner in the North Central Iowa Area
 - c. February 17, 2005—Amana Colonies with a distinguished IFT Lecturer
 - d. April 21, 2005—Tones, Ankeny with Speaker to be determined.

Committee Reports

1. **Audit/Finance:** no report
2. **Scholarship:** Raife reported that we need to figure a way to raise money for the Iowa Food Industry Scholarship Fund: Suggestions included a Las Vegas Night with donations and sponsorships. Mark Love suggested an ad hoc committee including students to come up with ideas. Also, Terri Boylston suggested contacting companies that employ food science students with internships to see if they would be willing to help out with the scholarship.
3. **Nominations:** Teri Etzel from Tones has agreed to be an MFPC Board member.
4. **Student Activities:** Weinsetel and Gilbert reported that the students very much appreciated the monies in support of their travels to Regional College Bowl Competition. The first activity for next fall will be promoting Food Safety Month in September. Also, members will be attending the Food Science and Human Nutrition 110 class to recruit members.
5. **Hospitality:** Hospitality (helping with registration and greeting members) at section meetings will be handled by the student members. Weinsetel and Gilbert will coordinate.
6. **Membership/Newsletter/Publicity:** Hochstetler brought up the need to follow-up and review how Sherri Angstrom is being paid through Iowa State and how many hours she has worked. Love will follow up on this as it is being handled through the Food Science and Human Nutrition Department. It was noted that the hours that she turns in are overtime hours and she is paid time and a half.

Discussion was held about encouraging National IFT members that live in Iowa but are not Iowa Section members to become section members and join us at our meetings. The membership lists that are sent by the National office notes who is and who is not and Iowa Section member. Those that are not section members will be sent a post card about the meetings. The students will also follow up with student IFT members that are not section members to encourage them to come.

Also suggested is that the post cards that are sent out be in a bright color. Hochstetler will follow up with Angstrom. Post cards will be sent out for only the fall meetings with the November post card and email noting this is the last post card and to check email for meeting info. Those that do not have email will still get a paper copy of the newsletter sent via US mail.
7. **MFPC-**Teri Etzel, Lester Wilson and Sam Beattie are the Iowa Section representatives for the MFPC Board.
8. **Science Fair Judging.** Boylston reported that each winner received \$50. Judges included: Pat Murphy, Marry Darrow, Ean-Chee Ng, Damian Montoya, and Terri Boylston. Both winners attended the April 22 meeting with their parents and teachers. Each winner presented their project display during supplier's night.

New Business

Sam Bettie ask if the Iowa Section would be willing to sponsor (with name only) the upcoming FFA Food Science and Technology career Development Competition on June 3, 2004. This sponsorship would not be financial support but more for name recognition. Hochstetler motioned and Love seconded sponsoring the FFA activity. Motioned passed. Beattie also asked for volunteers to help judge the competition. Those interested should email him.

Meeting adjourned by Raife at 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janis M. Hochstetler, Iowa Section IFT Secretary
9/1/04

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2004-2005

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DON'T FORGET

September 16, 2004—Iowa Section Meeting and Tour

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Iowa-Section IFT Newsletter

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