

AFFILIATE VIEW

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

VIEW FROM THE CHAIR:

Spring Brings Collaborations!



It is with great joy that we finally welcome the arrival of spring in the Northern Hemisphere. It's the season when life flourishes in nature, awakening with color, eager

to grow and prosper after months of cold weather.

This time of year also brings new opportunities for collaborations between Affiliates and other organizations.

In our Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting held on March 26, I talked about a collaboration between the [Brazilian Association for Food Protection \(BRAFP\)](#) and the [African Continental Association for Food Protection \(ACAFFP\)](#). The two Affiliates are planning to hold webinars in June during the week of World Food Safety Day (June 7). In addition, both Affiliates will

collaborate to organize the third ACAFFP Food Safety Conference, scheduled for November 25–27, 2025.

Speaking of collaboration, I am pleased to share the efforts between BRAFP, IAFFP, and ICFMH (International Committee on Food Microbiology and Hygiene) at the global and regional levels. At the global level, IAFFP and ICFMH have partnered for

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mutual benefit at IAFFP's [European Symposium on Food Safety and Food Micro](#) Global events, ensuring alignment between programs and promotions, and avoiding overlapping events. At the regional level, BRAFP and ICFMH are collaborating to organize the first Food Micro

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59 AFFILIATES ACROSS THE GLOBE

African Continental	Southeast Asia
Argentina	Spain
Australia	Taiwan
Brazil	Turkey
Canada	United Arab Emirates
Alberta British Columbia	United Kingdom
Ontario Quebec	United States
Bangladesh in	Alabama Arizona
North America	Arkansas California
Chile	Capital Area Carolinas
China	Colorado Connecticut
Chinese in North America	Florida Georgia
Colombia	Idaho Illinois Indiana
Hong Kong	Iowa Kansas Kentucky
Hungary	Michigan Minnesota
Indian in North America	Upper Midwest
Japan	Missouri Nebraska
Korea	New Jersey New York
Lebanon	Ohio Oklahoma
Mexico	Pennsylvania
Nepal	South Dakota
New Zealand	Washington Wisconsin
Portugal	

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Latino, which takes place in Aracaju, Brazil, October 25–28. These are just two examples I share to encourage Affiliates to explore partnership opportunities. I hope we can discuss this in more detail at the Affiliate Council Meeting on July 27 during IAFP 2025.

With this good news also comes current challenges. As most of you know, new restrictions have been placed on U.S. agencies such as the FDA. The [Capital Area Food Protection Association](#) was forced to cancel its Spring Meeting due to travel restrictions. We know other events may be impacted as well. As a contingency measure, take advantage of IAFP’s Executive Board Speaker Program, which includes several IAFP Past Presidents. All speakers provide a variety of diverse food safety topics at a low cost to the Affiliate. If travel restrictions prevent a speaker from attending in person, a virtual presentation is possible in most cases – at no cost!

Finally, I remind our Delegates about the Affiliate Council Secretary election during the Affiliate Council Meeting in Cleveland, Ohio. I encourage you to apply for this position, which is a unique opportunity for professional and personal development. It provides an excellent chance to learn more about IAFP, allowing you to contribute and provide input regarding the Association. Let Susan Smith, Affiliate Liaison, or me know if you are interested in standing for election.

Enjoy spring!

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AFFILIATES IN THE SPOTLIGHT

FEATURING YOUR COMMUNICATIONS WITH IAFP

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Ohio Association for Food Protection: Winter Meeting Held Despite Low Temps

Reported by Connie Freese, Delegate



The Ohio Association for Food Protection (OAFP) held its Winter Food Safety Meeting on one of the coldest days of winter! Attendees braved -15° windchills and piles of snow on the ground to attend the meeting held on January 22, 2025 at Franklin County Public Health in Columbus.



The Affiliate utilized Dr. Kathy Glass, Distinguished Scientist and Associate Director at the Food Research Institute, University of Wisconsin – Madison, from the IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program. Along with a presentation about IAFP Membership, Dr. Glass presented “Intervention Strategies to Control *Listeria* in RTE Foods,” and “Control of Sporeforming Bacteria During Extended Cooling and Refrigerated Storage.” Both presentations were extremely informative and of great interest to the attendees. We appreciate the effort she took to tailor the presentations to food safety issues that Ohio has been facing during the last couple of years.

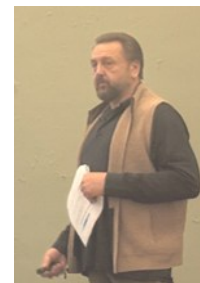


Karin Kasper, MPH, REHS, and Mike Hills, MS, REHS, both from Franklin County Public Health, presented on “Food Safety Manuals.” They shared how there was a need to provide food safety manuals in non-English languages within Franklin County, Ohio. The county health district secured a grant and determined which languages were most used within the community, developed manuals, and distributed them to its licensed operations. The manuals reflect the requirements of Ohio’s Food Safety Code and can be found on the district’s website.



Dr. Sanja Ilic, Associate Professor and Food Safety State Specialist, The Ohio State University, provided information on her research utilizing data from Scotland in her presentation, “Who is at Risk and How We Communicate to the Vulnerable Consumers.” Of primary interest

were which statements should be used to communicate to consumers regarding those risks associated with eating certain foods, and would consumers ignore the statement because they did not think it pertained to them.



Tom Jalamov, Compliance Agent, Investigative Services, Ohio Department of Commerce Liquor Control, presented on the liquor laws and rules as they pertain to food operations in Ohio. The focus was on the interaction and cooperation needed between the local health departments, state health

and agriculture departments, and liquor control regarding food safety in operations.



The day’s final speaker was Jason Ahrens, REHS, Ohio Department of Agriculture, who spoke on “Survey of Transportation Accidents Involving Food and Drugs.” Attendees learned that each accident involving cargo trains or semi-trucks with

food are inspected to verify the food is still safe for consumption. If not, it is embargoed, and the product is destroyed.



OAFP Board Members (from left): Amber Wenzler, Connie Freese, Yuqi Luo, Karin Kasper, Tania Nur, and Zhe Li.

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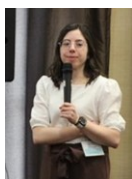
Georgia Association for Food Protection: 64 Attend 43rd Spring Meeting

Reported by Faith Critzer, Vice President



The Georgia Association for Food Protection (GAFF) held its 43rd Spring Meeting at the Double-Tree – Northlake in Atlanta, on

March 3–4, 2025, bringing together 64 professionals and student members who work in food safety across regulatory, manufacturing, retail, academia, and allied industries.



The event opened with a welcome from Faith Critzer, GAFF Vice President, followed by a networking session led by Rawane Raad (left), Social Media Chair, where groups competed against each other by answering food safety trivia.

Everyone had a great time, and it proved a good way to foster connections among attendees.



Summer Williams, Deputy Director of Food Safety, Georgia Department of Agriculture, provided an update on regulatory development affecting the food industry. Attendees learned what the department has been working on, from responding to bird flu to protecting the safety of foods sold at major sporting events. The department has been very productive, and we're all better for it.



A discussion followed on X-ray solutions for food safety, led by Joe Aleszczyk, Flexray, highlighting how advanced imaging technology can enhance quality control and physical contaminant detection.

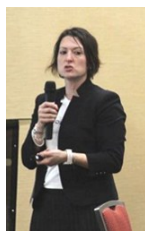
Following a networking lunch, Charles Otto III, GAFF Past President, led the Affiliate Business Meeting, where members of the Executive Committee addressed key updates and initiatives. Attendees were also introduced to the candidates for the 2025–2026 Chair Elect position and for the IAFP Affiliate Delegate position.



Afternoon sessions turned to sustainability, with Gaby Saavedra, Georgia Tech's Manufacturing

Extension Partnership (GaMEP), presenting on sustainable practices in food manufacturing and

the ways this sector can drive sustainability initiatives for long-term progress.



The final presentation from Dr. Valentina Trinetta, Professor, Kansas State University, explored decision-making tools for optimizing cleaning and sanitation practices, focusing on controlling *Listeria monocytogenes* biofilms in food processing environments.

GAFF's YouTube Channel includes video highlights of our successful 43rd Annual Spring Meeting, including presentations.

Planning has begun on the Fall 2025 GAFF Meeting on November 5 at the Georgia Tech Research Institute in downtown Atlanta. The committee is looking forward to engaging with food safety professionals and students in Georgia!

Australian Association for Food Protection: Joint Conference Draws 120+ Attendees

Reported by Mark Turner, Delegate

The Australian Food Microbiology Conference was held March 5–6, 2025 at Olympic Park, Sydney, Australia. The event was co-organized by the Australian Institute for Food Science and Technology (AIFST), the Australian Association for Food Protection (AAFP), and the Australian Society for Microbiology (ASM).



The theme for the 2025 Food Microbiology Conference was "Bugs in the Balance: A World of Diversity." The event was presented as an in-person meeting offering a two-day, content rich program including international keynote and local speakers from academia, government, and industry.



Keynote speakers and topics included:

Dr. Manan Sharma, USDA and IAFP Vice President, presenting virtually on "The Intersection of Produce Safety and Sustainability;" and

Dan Li, Assistant Professor, National University of Singapore, discussing "Indoor Safe: Microbial Safety of Indoor Hydroponic Farming Systems;" and "Measurement of Human Norovirus Infectivity: Why and How."

Several Australian-based presenters and topics included:

Dr. Julian Cox, Associate Professor, University of South Wales, "Water and Energy Recovery in Poultry Processing;"

Dr. Sukhvinder Pal (SP) Singh, NSW Department of Primary Industries, "Water Quality Challenges for the Production and Processing of Safe Leafy Vegetables;"

Deon Mahoney, Adjunct Professor, AIFST and the University of Queensland, " Sheep, Rainfall, and Lettuce: What Could Go Wrong?;"

Martyn Kirk, Professor, Australian National University, "A Systems Approach to Improving Investigation of Foodborne Disease Outbreaks;"

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Dr. Sameera Sirisena, University of Melbourne, “Mapping the Taste of Yeast – Role of Yeast Proteins, Peptides and Amino Acids;”

Anne McIntosh, NSW Food Authority, “*Listeria* – Overview of Recent Investigations;”

Mark Turner, Professor, University of Queensland, “Maturation of Vegan Cheeses;” and

Sajid Akbar Madari Valathodi, Novonesis, “Why Bioprotection Makes Sense.”

The program’s structure allowed significant opportunities for networking and collaborating. The goal was to deliver a professionally rewarding experience, which provided a platform to make professional contacts and takeaways that elevated knowledge of current issues of food microbiology. The meeting attracted more than 120 attendees from across the entire food industry, as well as food regulators, academics, researchers, and government officials. A dedicated “Emerging Researchers” session included three talks from Ph.D. students and early career researchers, selected from an open abstract call.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, thank you to IAFP for supporting Dr. Sharma’s presentation as part of the IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program.

British Columbia Food Protection Association: Annual General Meeting Held Virtually

Reported by Stephanie Chiu, President



The British Columbia Food Protection Association (BCFPA) held its Annual General Meeting virtually on March 11, 2025, through the Zoom platform.

Nineteen members registered to hear from the Affiliate Board Members who delivered the 2024 AGM Report and covered other business.



Manpreet Singh, Professor and Head, Department of Food Science and Technology, University of Georgia, Athens, and IAFP President-Elect, was invited under IAFP’s Executive Board Speaker Program to talk on managing risks in poultry processing. He emphasized on pre- and post-harvest food safety procedures, and discussed potential new changes in regulations. A Q&A period followed, with BCFPA members asking many engaging questions.

The evening continued with AGM business, including a summary of events hosted in 2024, and highlights of finances, membership, and the Student PDG. The meeting closed with the nominations for the 2025 Executive Board and an informal chat with many members who were willing to be “on camera.”

Florida Association for Food Protection: Winter Luncheon with Three Speakers

Reported by Taylor O’Bannon, President



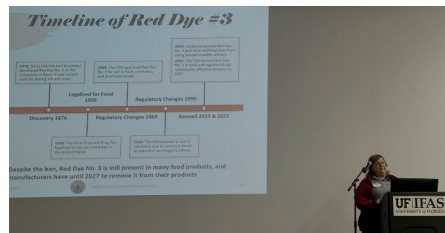
The Florida Association for Food Protection (FAFP) hosted a successful Winter Luncheon on March 13, 2025, at the Citrus Research and Education Center in Lake Alfred. Twenty-seven attendees representing academia and private industry gathered to share, network, and engage with industry. Participants were treated to a series of informative presentations by the following speakers:

Dr. Stephanie Brown, State Specialized Agent in Food Science, speaking on “*Listeria* in Ice Cream and Soft Cheeses,” highlighting critical food safety concerns and mitigation strategies;

Dr. Jason Scheffler, Professor, Animal Sciences, University of Florida, presenting “Avian Influenza and Its Impacts on Food Animal Industries,” offering valuable perspectives on the current challenges and biosecurity measures affecting animal agriculture; and Debby Newslow, D.L. Newslow and Associates, discussing the “Background and Upcoming Regulatory Changes Concerning Red Dye No. 3,” providing practical insights into evolving food safety standards.



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Following the presentations, attendees enjoyed an educational tour of the Citrus Research and Education Center’s Citrus Packinghouse and Processing area, where they had the unique opportunity to view the first evaporator used to produce concentrated orange juice – a pivotal innovation in Florida’s citrus industry.

Lunch was served by Lang’s Taste of Florida Café, a beloved local establishment run by a longtime citrus industry family, adding a touch of local flavor and tradition to the event.

The luncheon successfully fostered learning and collaboration among food protection professionals, and we look forward to future meetings that continue to support and advance food safety within the state.

Newly-elected officers as of January 1, 2025 include:

- President: Taylor O’Bannon
- Vice President: Kelly Smekens
- Past President: Rachel McEgan
- Treasurer: Jamie Irwin
- Secretary: Dayane Gossner
- Delegate: Morgan Madison

Idaho Environmental Health Association: Joint Conference Held

Reported by Bonnie Waldemarson, Secretary/Treasurer



The Idaho Environmental Health Association (IEHA), in conjunction with the Idaho Solid Waste Association, held its Annual Joint Conference

March 18–20, 2025. The two organizations have partnered for more than 10 years to help build the relationship between public health and the state landfill operators. Approximately 30 people were in attendance over the two-and-a-half-day meeting. Topics covered included food, on-site wastewater, underground storage tanks, and pest management.

David Dyjack, NEHA Executive Director, presented on the state of environmental health and workforce. Time was also dedicated to discuss raw milk. In 2022, Idaho updated its rules regarding testing and herd numbers.



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Next, a presentation from Wild Space Farms, which sells raw milk within the state, outlined its process. Finally, Idaho Central District Health discussed an outbreak related to raw milk. A panel discussion followed the three presentations to allow audience members to address all speakers.

AI is the future, and JD Wardell, Ph.D. candidate from Idaho State University, shared his “FoodBot,” which uses AI. This program is designed to assist food operators in understanding the food code, and was built around the Idaho Food Code and the 2013 FDA Model Food Code, which Idaho currently uses. Included in the program was the ability to write a script for training staff.

IEHA celebrates its 70th anniversary in 2025! The original charter was drawn up in 1952. To celebrate, the association held a contest with photos submitted from environmental health specialists (EHS) throughout Idaho. In the state, these specialists are generalists and work in many different areas. Photos ranged from “icky” kitchens to questionable onsite sewage situations to animal helpers at the worksite. A game of Ladder Ball was also added to the fun!

IEHA looks forward to growing and retaining its members, seeking a wide range of experts to present at its annual conference, and continuing its partnership with the Idaho Solid Waste Association. IEHA’s 2026 Annual Conference will be held March 17–19, in Boise, Idaho at the Riverside Hotel.

Indiana Environmental Health Association: 125 Attend Spring Conference

Reported by Tami Barrett, Contact



The Indiana Environmental Health Association (IEHA) convened its 2025 Spring Conference on April 10 in Indianapolis. IEHA Vice President Shane Hatchett hosted the meeting that drew 125 attendees.

Under the theme, “Amplifying the Public Health Message,” the conference included public health professionals, policymakers, and industry leaders coming together to discuss pressing challenges for state and local partners.



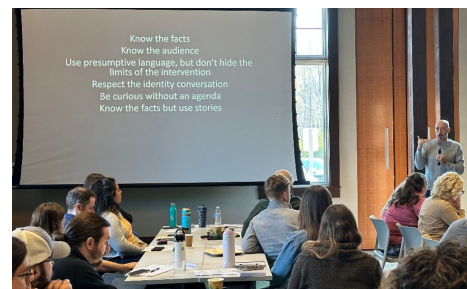
Dr. Lindsay Weaver, Indiana State Health Commissioner, opened the conference with her keynote lecture on the “State of Health in Indiana.” Dr. Weaver highlighted the state’s commitment to transforming its public health system through increased funding and strategic investments. She emphasized the emerging data on return-on-investment for public health interventions, further underscoring the economic and multi-sectorial value of preventive measures.

Participants also heard from speakers about emerging infectious disease trends such as highly pathogenic avian influenza, vaccine-preventable diseases, and ways to address misinformation about public health.

The meeting included the Association’s Semi-Annual Business Meeting led by President Andrew Pappas, followed by a networking luncheon for attendees.



Afternoon sessions focused on policy education and regulatory updates from key organizational partners. As in years past, the burgeoning home-based food vendor market for boutique products and mobile food establishments were popular topics. Indiana continues to experience a push-and-pull between deregulation and avoiding potential food hazards as legislators and cottage industry advocates propose legislation to allow greater scale without additional regulatory oversight.



IEHA’s 2025 Spring Conference offered a space for camaraderie in the midst of the current “tumultuous” American public health system. Multiple attendees expressed concerns about federal budget cuts and the potential reduction of already-strained programs.

The IEHA Fall Conference and Semi-Annual Business Meeting will be held September 29–October 1, 2025, in Lawrenceburg, hosted by President-Elect Zak McKinley.

AFFILIATE NEWS

NEXT AFFILIATE COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MAY 22, 2025

Plan now to take part in the next Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting on Thursday, May 22, 2025, 9:00 a.m. (Eastern Time). Invitations and the agenda will be sent in advance to those who are on *IAFP Connect*. All virtual meetings are recorded and available shortly after on *IAFP Connect*. This will be the final Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting prior to the Affiliate Council Meeting during **IAFP 2025**.

The recording from the March 26 Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting is available on *IAFP Connect*. If you were unable to attend, take time to listen to what our Affiliate Members have to offer. Not an *IAFP Connect* member? Contact the IAFP office with your request to join and stay connected to others.

SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR 2025–2026 AFFILIATE COUNCIL SECRETARY

Take advantage of this excellent opportunity to learn more about IAFP and its operations by standing for election for the 2025–2026 position of Affiliate Council Secretary. Delegates who are interested must serve as their respective Affiliate Delegate throughout the two-year term (the second year as Affiliate Council Chair). The election will take place at the Affiliate Council Meeting on Sunday, July 27, 2025, during **IAFP 2025** in Cleveland, Ohio. Contact Caio Carvalho, Affiliate Council Chair; Helen Taylor, Affiliate Council Secretary; or Susan Smith, Affiliate Liaison, for more information about the position.

IAFP HEADLINES

DONATE TO THE IAFP 2025 SILENT AUCTION!

IAFP's Silent Auction is always highly anticipated at every Annual Meeting. Items donated from around the world make great souvenirs while helping the IAFP Foundation, which benefits from funds raised by providing valuable educational programs to students and food safety professionals. If attending **IAFP 2025** (or know someone who is), please consider donating an item(s) from your locale for this worthy cause. For examples of items donated in 2024 and to complete a form for each donation, see pages 8–9.

REGISTER FOR IAFP 2025



Be a food safety rock star by registering for **IAFP 2025** in Cleveland, Ohio, July 27–30. Early registration rates end July 2. To register and book your hotel for the leading food safety conference, visit the IAFP website.

GET A FOOD SAFETY HEAD START!

Five Pre-Meeting Workshops will take place on Friday, July 25 and Saturday, July 26 in Cleveland, Ohio, to give you a head start on your food safety experiences! Three two-day and two one-day workshops will be conducted by food safety experts in their fields. Early registration rates end July 2. Select from the following:

Friday & Saturday:

- Demystifying Dry Cleaning: Understanding the When, How and Why of Dry Cleaning and Sanitizing (Disinfecting)

- Developing Environmental Monitoring Programs for Food Processors

- Unlocking Bacterial Genomics: A Workshop on WGS and Metagenomic Analyses

Saturday:

- Assess Food Safety Culture: Choosing Methods and Maximizing Results

- ICMSF Useful Microbiological Sampling and Testing in Food Safety Workshop

Workshop times and descriptions can be found on the IAFP website under the Annual Meeting tab.

PDG MEETINGS TO BE HELD AT IAFP 2025

Getting involved in IAFP's Professional Development Groups (PDGs) is a great way to have a direct impact on the future of your profession by meeting other Members to share knowledge and expertise while guiding the efforts of IAFP. Anyone can join and attend a PDG meeting. Want to know more about our 31 PDGs? Visit the Get Involved tab on the IAFP website to read about each one. PDG meetings will take place during **IAFP 2025** on Sunday, July 27. Times and room locations are listed on this tab.

AFFILIATE CALENDAR

PROMOTE YOUR MEETINGS THROUGH IAFP

Affiliates in Action First Quarter 2025

January

- ◆ Ohio Association for Food Protection

March

- ◆ Georgia Association for Food Protection
- ◆ British Columbia Association for Food Protection (virtual)
- ◆ Florida Association for Food Protection
- ◆ Australia Association for Food Protection
- ◆ Michigan Environmental Health Association
- ◆ Florida Association for Food Protection
- ◆ Idaho Environmental Health Association

To be featured in the next issue of *Affiliate View*, send your news and photos by June 6, 2025 to Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.

April 2025

(some meetings were held before press time)

9–11: Missouri Environmental Health Association, 2025 Annual Education Conference, Springfield, Missouri. Visit www.mehamo.org/.

10: Indiana Environmental Health Association, 2025 Spring Education Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana. Visit www.iehaind.org/.

30: Upper Midwest Dairy Industry Association, 2025 Spring Meeting, LeSueur, Minnesota. Visit www.mdia.org/events/.

May 2025

7: Minnesota Food Protection Association, 2025 Spring Meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Visit www.minnesotafpa.org/

7–8: Pennsylvania Association for Food Protection, 2025 Annual Conference, State College, Pennsylvania. Visit www.pafoodprotection.com/.

20–22: Florida Association for Food Protection, 2025 Annual Education Conference, Tampa, Florida. Visit www.fafp.net/.

June 2025

24–26: New Zealand Association for Food Protection, 2025 Annual Conference with NZ Institute of Food Science & Technology, Palmerston North, New Zealand. Contact Craig Billington at craig.billington@esr.cri.nz.

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:

- ◆ IAFP pop-up display. This updated and attractive pop-up display shows attendees that you are affiliated with IAFP.
- ◆ IAFP 2024–2025 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 *Affiliate View*, and IAFP Annual Meeting flyers. Additional complimentary resources are available upon your request.

To request these items for your next meeting, call or email Susan Smith at the IAFP Office.

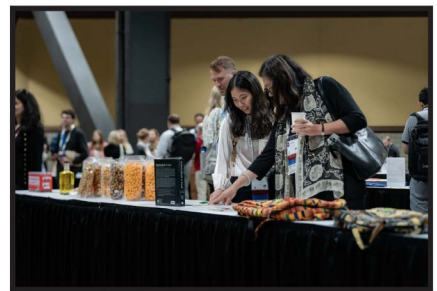
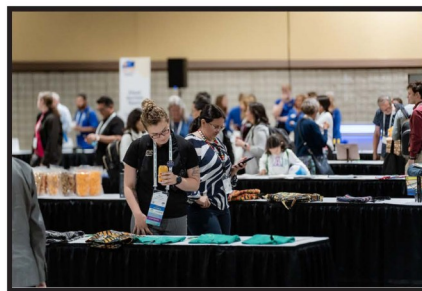


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Proceeds from the Silent Auction Benefit the IAFP Foundation

Support the Foundation by donating an item today.
A few examples of items donated in 2024 include:

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- * Copy of "The Jungle" by Upton Sinclair
- * Cheese of the Month Gift Certificate
- * Handmade Quilt
- * Icewine
- * Pearl Necklace
- * Stained Glass



(Photos from IAFP 2024)

To donate an item, complete the Silent Auction
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[Donation Form](#)

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As you consider your donation, please keep in mind that most attendees travel by air.

Items under \$10.00 in value may be grouped with other items by the IAFP Staff.

IAFP EXECUTIVE BOARD SPEAKER PROGRAM

FOR AFFILIATES



Mark Carter, MC Squared
President

- Method Development and Validation
- Statistical Sampling Plans and Development



Manpreet Singh, Ph.D., University of Georgia
President-Elect

- Managing Risks in Meat & Poultry Processing
- Food Safety Management Systems in Food Processing
- Antimicrobial Resistance of Foodborne Pathogens



Manan Sharma, Ph.D., U.S. Department of Agriculture/ARS
Vice President

- Produce Safety (Irrigation Water, Soil Amendment)
- Bacteriophages and Food Safety
- Detection Methods of Pathogens in Water/Water Filtration



Pam Wilger, Post Consumer Brands
Secretary

- Environmental Monitoring
- Dry Industry Microbiology and HACCP
- Sampling, Micro Testing Methods and Lab Management



Tim Jackson, Ph.D., U.S. Food & Drug Administration
Past President

- Food Safety Management
- Food Microbiology
- Regulatory Food Safety



Caio Carvalho, Cargill Brazil
Affiliate Council Chair

- Food Microbiology
- Career Plan for Young Professionals in Food Safety & Microbiology
- Thermal Process and Aseptic Validations



Helen Taylor, Cardiff Metropolitan University
Affiliate Council Secretary

- Food Safety & Quality Management Systems
- HACCP - Food Safety - Auditing
- Food Manufacturing - Small & Medium Enterprises - Auditing

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 Liaison, at +1 515.276.3344; or email ssmith@foodprotection.org. (Please do not contact Board Members directly until approved by IAFP.)

IAFP SPEAKER PROGRAM (EXPANDED)

Jim Dickson, Ph.D.
Iowa State University



- Foodborne Pathogens in Meat: Progress and Challenges
- Interventions to Control Foodborne Pathogens in Meat
- Food Safety Issues with Pet Food
- Process Validation for Food Safety

Kathy Glass, Ph.D.
University of Wisconsin – Madison



- Opportunities and Limitations of Clean Label Antimicrobials
- Validating Formulation Safe RTE Foods
- Intervention Strategies to Control *Listeria monocytogenes* in Ready-to-Eat Foods
- Control of Sporeforming Bacteria During Extended Cooling and Refrigerated Storage
- Efficacy of Nitrate Alternatives to Inhibit the Growth of Bacteria

Kali Kniel, Ph.D.
University of Delaware



- One Health
- Foodborne Viruses
- Foodborne Parasites
- Produce Food Safety Issues

Alejandro Mazzotta, Ph.D.
Chobani, LLC



- Dairy Food Safety and Spoilage
- FSMA and Regulatory Compliance
- Food Safety and Quality Systems

Ruth Petran Ph.D.
Ruth Petran Consulting, LLC



- Sanitation Preventive Controls
- Norovirus Management
- Hazard Analysis

Gale Prince
Consultant



- Human Factor Considerations for Achieving Food Safety Compliance
- Driving Forces for Hygienic Design of Food Equipment
- The Cost of a Product Recall – Should You Budget For It?
- Food Allergens
- A Fifty-Year Food Safety Career Based on a Bar Napkin

Don Schaffner, Ph.D.
Rutgers University



- Understanding and Managing Food Safety Risks
- Quantitative Microbial Risk Assessment of Foods
- Development and Application of Predictive Models for Food Microbiology
- Handwashing, Hand Sanitizers, and Cross-Contamination

Don Zink, Ph.D.
IEH Laboratories & Consulting Group



- Environmental Pathogen Monitoring
- FSMA Implementation – Foreign Supplier Verification and Preventive Controls
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