

Affiliate View

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

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View from the Chair: Changes Continue During COVID-19

There's still much turmoil going on in the world these

days, from the ongoing coronavirus pandemic to the worldwide protests against police brutality toward Blacks and racial injustice. It can be quite overwhelming and frustrating to so many! However, one thing becomes clear with each passing day – we are all in this together. And we HAVE to be together to move forward for a better world!

The fight against COVID-19 is far from over, especially now

with many U.S. states entering phased re-openings. Since mid-June, we've seen dramatic increases of confirmed cases in 25 states, with six states reporting more than a 50% jump (as of press time). Many state health officials have attributed these surges to too many individuals not sticking to the safety precautions, including social distancing, wearing face masks in public places, and avoiding large gatherings. Seldom has it been more evident that each individual's well-

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56 Affiliates Across the Globe

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

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being literally rests in the hands (and noses and mouths) of others, so let's trust that we all continue to wear masks, wash hands, and keep a safe distance.

The U.S. protests against police brutality toward Blacks and racial injustice have brought some positive changes, no doubt overdue. President Donald Trump recently announced an executive order creating a federal database of police officers with any histories of using excessive force, hence encouraging police to adhere to higher professional standards. On the other hand, Congress is in the process of proposing a more compressive police reform. All are right steps toward building a better America. However, to address the systemic racism that exists in our country, everyone has to be involved.

Self-reflection on racism may be a first step to take. Personally, I don't consider myself a racist, but I may have unconscious bias. I grew up in mainland China and was raised to believe in honesty, respect, hard work, self-reliance, and selfdiscipline. Perhaps that created some bias in me toward people who break laws, along with people with apparent abilities to work on their own but solely rely on "the system" for support. I need to learn to walk in others' shoes, to learn to listen and how to understand others from their perspectives. We ARE all in this together ... to fight against systemic racism and to build a better and stronger world.

By now, you know this year's Annual Meeting has been rescheduled for October 25–28. It's truly sad to think we likely won't see as many attendees at the Affiliate Council Meeting during **IAFP 2020** as we normally do. This difficult but

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necessary change, combined with ongoing restrictions and concerns with travel during this pandemic, will no doubt reduce the overall number of Members who could otherwise attend. However, if **IAFP 2020** and the Affiliate Council Meeting do take place, we plan to honor our Affiliates who will receive awards this year. They are:

Florida Association for Food Protection – C.B. Shogren Memorial Georgia Association for Food Protection – Membership Achievement Wisconsin Association for Food Protection – Affiliate Education New York State Association for Food Protection – Affiliate Communication Materials Quebec Food Protection Association – Best Overall Affiliate Meeting

Congratulations to these five Affiliates for their hard work and efforts during 2019!

We currently have two Affiliate Delegates who have volunteered to stand for this year's Affiliate Secretary position. They are Fabiana Guglielmone with the Argentine Food Safety Commission, and Wendy White with the Georgia

Association for Food Protection.

This position provides a great firsthand experience in learning the working operations of IAFP and being part of the Executive Board, so I strongly encourage others who may be interested to also consider running for this position. Please let **Susan Smith**, Affiliate Liaison, or me know if you wish to "throw your hat in the ring" this year!

Whether or not we can hold an Annual Meeting in 2020, I strongly encourage you to donate to the IAFP Foundation. Your monetary help provides valuable support for many educational programs, including Student Travel Scholarships, Travel Awards, and Speaker Travel support, not to mention the wealth of free webinars the Association offers. Visit the IAFP website to learn more about the Foundation and how to make a donation.

We are facing historical challenges right now. But our industry continues its hard work to keep our food supply safe and encourage healthy habits (washing hands frequently and thoroughly, wearing masks, disinfecting regularly, etc.) to help us move forward.

Thank you for all you do...and please stay safe!

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Affiliate Calendar

Let IAFP help advertise your meetings on our website and in our publications. Submit your event details directly to our online calendar, or email to ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Affiliates in Action Second Quarter 2020

The following scheduled meetings were canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions:

April

- Ontario Food Protection Association
- Missouri Environmental Health Association
- Indiana Environmental Health Association
- Georgia Association for Food Protection

May

- Associated Illinois Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians
- Pennsylvania Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians
- New Jersey Association for Food Protection
- Florida Association for Food Protection

June

- Texas Association for Food Protection
- Wisconsin Association for Food Protection
- Australian Association for Food Protection (held by video conference)

To be featured in the next issue of *Affiliate View*, send your news and photos by *September 10* to Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.

July 2020

17: Ohio Association for Food Protection, 2020 Summer Meeting (canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions).

September 2020

14–16: Arkansas Association for Food Protection, 2020 Annual Meeting, Fayetteville, Arkansas (canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions).

16–17: *Quebec Food Protection Association,* 2020 Annual Symposium, Quebec City, Quebec. Visit https://aqia-qc.org/.

17–18: Washington Association for Food Protection, 2020 Annual Conference, Lake Chelan, Washington (canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions).

21–23: Indiana Environmental Health Association, 70th Annual Fall Education Conference, Lawrenceburg, Indiana (canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions).

22–24: *New York State Association for Food Protection,* 2020 Annual Conference, Syracuse, New York. Visit https://nysafp.com/.

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 2019–2020
 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 *JFP*, 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.



- Food Safety Management
- Food Microbiology
- Regulatory Food Safety



Maria Ma, Ph.D., Oklahoma State University Affiliate Council Chair

- New Technologies for Food Decontamination
- Foodborne Pathogen Detection: Past and Future
- Food Biosecurity



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- Julie Jean, Ph.D., Université Laval Affiliate Council Secretary
- Foodborne Viruses
- Biofilms in the Food Sector
- Ultraviolet Technologies for Microbial Inactivation

- 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.
- To invite a Board Member to speak at your Affiliate meeting, contact Susan Smith, IAFP Affiliate Services, 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)

Gary Acuff, Ph.D. Acuff Consulting, LLC

 Addressing Risk Using Performance Objectives

Jeff Farber, Ph.D.

Overview of Raw Milk

Cheese Issues in

University of Guelph

Canada



- Proper Use of Pathogen Surrogates in Process Intervention Validation
- What is Really Achievable in Pathogen Reduction for Beef?

Michael Brodsky, Ph.D.

Brodsky Consultants

- Managing Food Safety and Security in the 21st Century
- Emerging Issues in Food Safety
- The Fallacious Fecal Coliform or What is a Fecal Coliform Anyway?

Kathy Glass, Ph.D.

University of Wisconsin -Madison

- Opportunities and Limitations of Clean Label Antimicrobials
- Strategies to Maintain Microbial Food Safety in Reduced-sodium Foods
- Intervention Strategies to Control Listeria monocytogenes in Ready-to-Eat Foods

Mickey Parish, Ph.D. U.S. Food & Drug Administration

- Science and Policy in Government
- Listeria in Foods



Linda Harris, Ph.D. University of California -Davis

Jim Dickson, Ph.D.

Foodborne Pathogens

in Meat: Progress and

Interventions to Control

Foodborne Pathogens in Meat

Food Safety Issues with Pet Food

Process Validation for Food Safety

Iowa State University

Challenges

- Tree Nuts: Food Safety **Risks and Intervention** Strategies
- Low-moisture Foods: Food Safety Challenges and Opportunities
- Low-moisture Foodborne Outbreak Case Studies: Lessons Learned
- Microbial Food Safety and Culinary Herbs

Gale Prince Retired/Consultant

- ♦ So You Chose Food Safety as a Career Choice
- Food Safety Culture **Drives Excellence**
- Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)
- Don Zink, Ph.D. IEH Laboratories & **Consulting Group**
- FSMA Implementation Foreign Supplier Verification and **Preventive Controls**



- Environmental Pathogen Monitoring
- Controlling Listeria and Salmonella





- Risk Assessment and Risk Management of Foodborne Listeriosis in Canada
- A Dummy's Guide to Free Online Predictive Modelling Tools
- Emerging Foodborne Pathogens

Alejandro Mazzotta, Ph.D.

Chobani. Inc.

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

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



Katie Swanson, Ph.D. **KMJ Swanson Food** Safety, Inc.

- Useful Microbiological Testing for Food Safety Management
- Preventive Controls for Human Foods Training Curriculum Development











PROCEEDS FROM THE SILENT AUCTION BENEFIT THE IAFP FOUNDATION

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

- ♦ Handmade Quilt
- ♦ "Bessie" Cow Clock
- Jug-handle Microscope
- ♦ Mini iPad
- Crocheted Giant Microbes

- Woodford Reserve Bourbon
- New York Yankees Baseball Tickets
- ♦ Wisconsin Gift Pack
- ♦ African Wildlife Bowl
- Czech Glass and Pearl Bracelet

















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Future Annual Meetings | Save the Dates!

IAFP 2021, July 18–21, Phoenix, AZ IAFP 2022, July 31–August 3, Pittsburgh, PA