

## **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: Annual Meeting Time is Here!

#### With Summer Comes Freedom!

Summer in the Northern Hemisphere is here, which means IAFP 2021 is just around the corner! Every year, summer is connected to heat, sun, and freedom. It is a very pleasant season for many and often associated with vacations. This year, the feeling of freedom and summer vacations is even more emphasized with the new health measures leading toward more relaxed guidelines in many countries due to the growing number of vaccinated people and reductions in the case numbers.

While we experience more freedom, we must remain cautious about growing concerns about emerging

variants. Their surveillance is tightened, and we hope they will soon be contained and not affect our slow gain of freedom. Concerns about these variants and the varying degrees of vaccinations may explain the limitation of movement between the borders. However, some of us will still have the chance to meet in person at **IAFP 2021** in Phoenix, Arizona.

For those who cannot travel, virtual attendance is also possible to follow health and travel restrictions in place in your respective country, by your employer, or according to your personal situation.

This year's meeting will no doubt

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#### 57 Affiliates Across the Globe

African Continental Argentina Australia Brazil Canada | Alberta British Columbia Ontario Quebec Bangladesh Association for Food Protection in North America 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 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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be extraordinary and innovative, combining various ways of participating and sharing our knowledge with Members, colleagues, and friends. Most importantly, the two options to attend will allow all of us to stay close – even if apart – and show our solidarity during this still challenging time. If you want to take part in this meeting, be sure to register **by June 17** to save!

Also, for those with concerns about health and safety measures onsite in Phoenix, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines are evolving and adapting to our current situation. IAFP is updating its FAQs on the website as new information is released. With two options of attending this year's Annual Meeting, sharing our results and creating lasting bonds between our colleagues will never have been so diverse and open especially if you choose to attend from your personal space.

Unfortunately, the always popular Silent Auction at IAFP 2021 has been postponed this year due to health guidelines. This auction provides important revenue for the IAFP Foundation to help fund educational programs for our Members, such as Travel Awards, Student Travel Scholarships, speaker travel, and the many IAFP webinars offered for FREE! If you are attending

"The Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 22, at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Time)."

IAFP 2021 in person, we encourage you to stop by the Foundation booth to make your donation. If attending virtually, please consider making a donation on the IAFP website at www.foodprotection.org under the "About" tab.

By now you know that IAFP's PDG Meetings, Committee Meetings, and the Affiliate Council Meeting will all be held virtually during June to continue to keep attendees safe. We remind you that the Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 22, at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Time). We invite you to join us for updates and discussions among the Delegates and guests.

During our meeting, the 2021 Affiliate Awards will be presented to five Affiliates for their hard work and dedication to their Members throughout a year that included a global pandemic. In 2020, Affiliate meetings in person were postponed or cancelled, and virtual meetings became a norm, usually with a learning curve involved. These five Affiliates managed to keep communi-

cation lines open through their collaborations with others; newsletters; having an extensive presence on social media; holding more webinars with high attendance; and continuing to gain new members. Recipients of the following awards are:

Membership Achievement:

New York State Association for Food Protection

Affiliate Communication Materials:
British Columbia Food
Protection Association

Affiliate Member Education:

New Jersey Association for Food Protection

Best Overall Affiliate Meeting: New York State Association for Food Protection

C.B. Shogren Memorial Award: New York State Association for Food Protection

Congratulations to these Affiliates for their outstanding efforts during a difficult year!

Enjoy this time of year and be grateful for the advances underway to control COVID-19 around the world. Be sure to continue protecting yourself and stay healthy! I wish you the best!

Julie Jean

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### Three Affiliates Combine Efforts for Webinar Series

Reported by Nathan Mirdamadi, Chair of Training and Professional Development, MEHA



The Arkansas Association for Food Protection (AAFP), Missouri Environmental Health Association (MEHA), and Oklahoma Association for Food Protection (OAFP)



recently began collaborations to host the "Tri-State Food Safety Webinar Series," a three-part series to serve and keep member-

ship engaged. "In Missouri, we wanted to do something to stay relevant and serve our membership, so in lieu of hosting a virtual conference, we opted for this webinar series," stated **Nathan Mirdamadi**, Chair of Training and Professional Development for MEHA.

The opening session, led by William Melnyczenko with Mérieux NutriSciences, was held in February 2021 and aimed at the food processing or industry constituents, discussing the advantages, important considera-

### Affiliates in the Spotlight

Featuring your communications with IAFP

tions, and future state of software as it pertains to food safety.

The second session was held in April and focused on our public health members. **Roger Cook**, New Zealand Food Safety and IAFP President, gave the participants a unique view with "Global Food Safety in COVID-19 Era: Impressions from a Distant Island."

A final session is planned to focus on the academia- and research-focused members. The sessions have been well-received with attendance averaging nearly 100 in each one. The Affiliates extend their appreciation to those who have supported all the efforts in producing these.

Ontario Food Protection Association: 2021 Spring Virtual Technical Meeting and Poster Competition



The Ontario Food
Protection Association
(OFPA) held its 2021

Spring Virtual Technical Meeting and Clive Kingsbury Poster Competition on April 15. One hundred twentythree registered attendees and 10 sponsors took part in the virtual event.

**Gwynne Sitsker**, OFPA Treasurer, welcomed participants before **Joe Myatt**, OFPA President, provided an Affiliate update.

The Keynote Speakers were **Debbie Bruce**, Director of the Canadian

Anaphylaxis Initiative, and Michael Abbott, Food Allergen Manager with Health Canada, who spoke on "Let's Talk Food Allergies – You Will Never Have a More Loyal Customer."

Angela O'Donovan, BRCGS Head of Standards, spoke next on "Two In-Demand Labels You Should be Leveraging to Grow Your Market."

The Clive Kingsbury Virtual Video Competition followed. Student winners include:

1st Place (\$500) – **Alyssa Francavilla**, University of Guelph

2nd Place (\$200) – **Shalu Gaba**, Centennial College

*3rd Place* (\$100) – **Grace Li,** University of Guelph

After lunch, **Jorge Arroyo**, 3M Canada, hosted the Panel Discussion, "COVID-19: Food Safety Impact – A Year in Review," which featured **Julia Mitobe**, Director, Lead QA with Tim Horton's NA, Restaurant Brands; **Moses Akingbade**, **Sr.**, Director, QM & Industrial Engineering, Versacold; and **Doug Alexander**, Vice President of Technical Services, Belmont Food Group.

Jay Holmes, National Manager for Food Labelling, Canadian Inspection Agency, presented "Last Chance to Complete the Food Safety Scavenger Hunt!" Following was Frank Massong, Regulatory & Government Affairs Specialist, Purity-IQ Inc., and Thomas Spengler, Director of Market Management, Food Feed Beverage

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(FFB) Market, who spoke on "Cannabis, Food and Natural Product Quality Assurance Underpinned by Innovative Science."

Nadia Narine, OFPA President, closed the meeting with "A Sneak Peak to 2021 OFPA Events."

#### Ohio Association for Food Protection: Business Meeting Held Virtually in January; Educational Meeting Held Virtually in April

Reported by Christina Richey Wilson, Delegate



The Ohio Association for Food Protection (OAFP) held its Annual Business Meeting virtually on January 27, 2021. During

the meeting, the following officers were elected/re-elected:

President: Sarah Jensen
Vice President: Rob Acquista
2nd Vice President: Jonathan Schmidt
Past President: Connie Freese
Treasurer: Ebony Merritt-Lucas
Delegate: Christina Richey Wilson

Following the Business Meeting, the Board discussed the strong attendance despite the virtual format, together with plans for the remainder of 2021. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, OAFP decided to hold several virtual educational meetings throughout the year instead of the traditional July inperson meeting. After discussion, the Board voted to offer the educational meeting at no charge to our members by sending the log-in credentials to all current paid members. Additional participants who logged in or watched with a co-worker would be considered marketing prospects and hopefully, pay the \$5 membership fee to become

future members. Members will be able to submit for CEUs at the conclusion of the meeting.

On April 14, 2021, OAFP held its first virtual educational meeting. Many thanks to the IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program for making it possible to have **Dr. Jeff Farber**, University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada, as our guest speaker. Dr. Farber provided a brief overview of IAFP before proceeding with the main topic, "Emerging Foodborne Pathogens and Emerging Food Safety Issues in General." OAFP's membership greatly appreciates the international perspective Dr. Farber provided. The Affiliate was able to offer 1.25 hours of CEUs for attending members.

## Indiana Environmental Health Association: Spring Conference Held Virtually

Reported by Tami Barrett, Contact



The Indiana Environmental Health Association (IEHA) held its Spring Conference virtually on April 22, 2021.

Two speakers and a session on Chapter and Committee past events were included in the event.

Speakers included **Don Simpson**, Funeral Director, Alexander Funeral Homes, who spoke on a new mass burial procedure in Illinois for unborn children; and **Clint Studabaker**, retired professional Civil/Environmental Engineer currently working on a large wastewater project in Brown County, Indiana.

Of the eight IEHA chapters, several presented on past educational tours and speakers (as did the standing Committees): Wastewater; General En-

vironmental, Terrorism and All Hazards Prevention; and Food Protection.

The conference was free for IEHA members and invitations were extended to counties with no current IEHA members to help promote the Affiliate and encourage membership. Award recipients will be recognized at the 2021 Fall IEHA Conference.

## Pennsylvania Association for Food Protection: Name Change Agreed Upon

Reported by Peggy Good, Secretary, Delegate, & Contact



The Pennsylvania Association of Milk, Food, and Environmental Sanitarians

(PAMFES) held its 2021

Conference virtually on May 12–13. The meeting was postponed in 2020 due to COVID-19 and ended up 'turning lemons into lemonade,' with help from the Penn State Conference team.

The Business Meeting began by remembering **Don Breiner**, an Affiliate Member who passed away unexpectedly in 2020 on his way home from doing what he loved – helping dairy farms maintain the highest standards. Don was an ever-present PAMFES Member for decades and served as our historical touchstone. He left big shoes to be filled and will be truly missed.

Next, **Wyleisha Branch**, PAMFES President, gave the President's report. The big news this year concerned COVID-19 interruptions as well as a

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new potential name change for the Affiliate. After much deliberation and consideration, the subject of a name change was broached to better align with our parent organization, IAFP, and add clarity for potential new members who would benefit from our Affiliate. After explaining the proposal to those in attendance, a survey conducted resulted in voting overwhelmingly to change the name. Thus, our current name, the Pennsylvania Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians, will now be known as the Pennsylvania Association for Food Protection (PAFP). Given this new direction, the Executive Board will begin the process of officially transitioning to the new name, with much work to do to finalize it.

The 2021 Patrick Campbell Scholarships were awarded to two students. **Joseph Vidzicki** and **Madison Stichter** each received \$1,000 for their scholastic efforts.

**Keith Hay**, Treasurer, shared the Affiliate Treasurer's report, followed by **Peggy Good**, Secretary, Delegate, and Contact, presenting the benefits on membership in IAFP.

Our sponsor, **Kerry Kayleigian**, Pennsylvania State University Extension, rounded out the Business Meeting with an update on the Extension Program and PSU updates.

Our keynote speaker was **Tom Walls**, a dairy coach. He shared his thoughts on "Employee Management – The Hardest Job, The Fewest Tools." His great presentation focused on how to add clarity to expectations for your associates to drive success. Many ideas were shared for all of us to drive engagement and focus on

the important expectations. While focused on farm management, these simple techniques have universal application for anyone managing and directing others.

We were fortunate to have sponsors and vendor exhibitors available throughout the virtual meeting, making their materials available and meeting with members in chat rooms. A big thank you goes out to our sponsors, Eurofins and Charm, as well as our exhibitors, Foss, Dairy Practices Council, and Nelson-Jameson.

2021 PAMFES awards and recipients include:

Distinguished Service Award:

#### **Brett Brumbaugh**

Sanitarian's Award: Dean Horst

Laboratory Award: Wyleisha Branch

Also honored during the meeting were the following retiring members:

**Pete DeBaugh** – DFA Field Representative

**Brett Brumbaugh** – DFA Field Representative, who retired in 2020 with 39 years of service

**J. Eric Bryoles** – DFA Field Representative, who retired in 2020 with 36 years of service

**Dave Stearns** – PA Department of Agriculture

**Carl Espenshade** – PA Department of Agriculture with 15 years of service

Two breakout sessions were held in the afternoon. In the Field Breakout Session, Cecil Mitchell, FDA Milk Specialist, shared an FDA update on Farm Inspections. Zach Travis and Karie Williams,

PDA Rating Officers, presented "Is This a Debit? The Nickel-Dime Callout," sharing scenarios with the farm inspectors to help them see and discuss the little debits that can knock off points during inspections, eventually helping farms establish high expectations to be audit-ready each day.

The Lab/Plant Breakout Session started with an informative PDA LEO Update presented by **Mike Hydock** with a review of last year. **Cecil Mitchell** spoke next about the plant- and lab-specific NCIMS updates.

On Day Two, **Russel Redding** shared a video chat with updates to PDA and PA Agriculture. Next, **Zach Travis**, PDA Rating Officer, spoke on PMO updates, followed by **Cindy Weimer** talking about the good work the American Dairy Association North East has been doing.

Chris Thompson, USDA, closed the day with "Dairy Market Updates and Insights to Exports."

Despite the virtual aspect of the meeting, more than 136 attendees participated in an engaging conference. Kudos to **Kristin Smeltzer** for all her help to make the digital magic possible by the PSU Conference Team, providing a seamless event that was easy to click our way through.

#### **IAFP** Headlines

#### **FREE Webinars in June**

In our continuing efforts to provide food safety professionals with educational opportunities, the IAFP Foundation is pleased to offer FREE webinars to our Members and others. June is a busy month for webinars, with two completed during the first two weeks. Two additional webinars are scheduled later in June, with several in the planning stages for July.

First, "Process Validation to Meet FSMA Regulations Part 2: In-plant Validation" will take place on Thursday, June 24, 2021, 11:00 a.m. (*Eastern Time*). This webinar is the second session that will focus on the presentation of actual validation studies and how to conduct a validation study. The learning objectives are:

- Set up your validation strategy
- Benchmark several validation methods for validating a kill step
- Understand critical parameters to consider when performing validation studies

Next, "Connecting Processing Systems to Optimize Productivity and Reduce Waste While Achieving Higher Compliance" will be held on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. (*Eastern Time*). The learning objectives are:

- Importance of digitalization and its role in food safety and quality
- How can one combine microbiology and apply it to a digital system
- Benefits of digitalization
- Hearing from industry and regulatory agencies about the journey of digitalization in their organizations and its impact

To learn more and to register (required in advance), visit the IAFP website at **www.foodprotection.org**.



#### Represent IAFP Affiliates by Running for Affiliate Council Secretary!

Do you know of a worthy candidate who can represent the interests and goals of your organization's affiliation with IAFP? Nominations are now being accepted for Affiliate Council Secretary for the 2021–2022 term, which begins at the close of the Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting on June 22. This vital position will serve a one-year term as Affiliate Council Secretary, followed by a one-year term as Affiliate Council Chair on the IAFP 2022–2023 Executive Board. Duties include:

- 1) keeping an accurate record of the proceedings and activities of the Council;
- 2) assuming the duties of the Affiliate Council Chair in the absence of the Chair;
- 3) keeping an updated record of authorized representatives to the Council; and
- 4) serving as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the IAFP Executive Board, which meets four times annually: twice in Des Moines, Iowa and twice at the location of the Annual Meeting.

For more questions about this role, contact **Julie Jean**, Affiliate Council Chair, or **Susan Smith**, Affiliate Liaison.

### IAFP 2021 Happenings



## Annual Award Recipients to be Recognized

Please join us in congratulating your fellow Affiliates and colleagues selected to receive awards during **IAFP 2021** in Phoenix, Arizona. This year's recipients include:

#### **IAFP & Special Awards**

Black Pearl: Mondolēz International Chicago, Illinois Fellow: Jianghong Meng

President's Lifetime Achievement:

#### **Carl Custer**

Honorary Life Membership:

Kenneth Anderson, Judy Greig, Bienvenido Cortes, Iowa Mickey Parish, F. Tracy Schonrock, Devin Daeschel, New York Edward Wellmeyer Adwoa Dankwa, Maine

Harry Haverland Citation:

#### Dale A. Grinstead

Food Safety Innovation: **Hygiena** *International Leadership:* 

#### Terence L. T. Lau

Food Safety: The Center for Produce Safety

Frozen Food Foundation Freezing

Research: Shyam Sablani

Institut Mérieux Young Investigator Award in Microbial Research: Laura Carroll Maurice Weber Laboratorian:

#### Panagiotis N. Skandamis

Larry Beuchat Young Researcher:

#### Laura K. Strawn

James M. Jay Diversity in Food Safety:

#### **Armitra Jackson-Davis**

Ewen C.D. Todd Control of Foodborne

Illness: Craig W. Hedberg

Sanitarian: Richard Brouillette

Elmer Marth Educator:

Elizabeth A. Bihn

Harold Barnum Industry:

#### Melanie J. Neumann

Samuel J. Crumbine: Washoe County

#### **Health District**

Travel Award for Health or Agricultural Department Employees in North America:

#### Jennifer Eberly

Travel Award for a Food Safety Professional in a Country with a Developing Economy:

Kubir Nath Bhattarai, Titlayo Falade, Amin Olaimat

#### IAFP Student Travel Scholarships

**Iessica Brown**, Florida Shiyu Cai, New York Bienvenido Cortes, Iowa Adwoa Dankwa, Maine Minh Duong, Virginia Marina Girbal, New Jersey Sarah Jones, Arkansas Karuna Kharel, Louisiana Minji Kim, Massachusetts Brenda Kimang'a, Kenya Xingchen Liu, Maryland Ajay Mittal, Thailand Joshua Ombaka, Kenya Solomon Rajkumar Racharla, India Keshnee Reega, Mauritius Anna Townsend, Georgia Joseph Wambui, Switzerland Christina Wormald, Massachusetts Jiyoon Yi, California

#### **IAFP Affiliate Awards**

C.B. Shogren Memorial:

New York State Association for Food Protection

The following Affiliate Awards will be presented at the Affiliate Council Virtual Meeting on June 22, 2021: Best Affiliate Overall Meeting:

## New York State Association for Food Protection

Affiliate Member Education:

## New Jersey Association for Food Protection

Affiliate Communication Materials:

## British Columbia Food Protection Association

Affiliate Membership Achievement: **New York State Association for** 

Food Protection

#### Workshops | July 16-17

- Advanced Sanitation and Hygiene Workshop (July 16 and July 17, all day)
- Developing Environmental Monitoring Programs for Small and Midsize Processors (July 16 and July 17, all day)
- Next Generation Sequencing: A
   Tutorial and Hands-on Workshop to Help Understand This
   Emerging Technology (July 16, 1:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. and July 17, 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.)
- Mold Contamination in Foods and Food Production Facilities – Monitoring, Sampling, Testing, and Identification Techniques (July 17, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- Genomics 101 for Food Safety (July 17, 8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.)

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#### Networking | July 17–23

(Some events are subject to cancellation based on current health guidelines at the Phoenix Convention Center.)

- Welcome Reception
- Student Luncheon
- Opening Session & Ivan Parkin Lecture
- Cheese & Wine Reception
- Exhibit Hall Luncheons & Receptions
- Special Presentations
- Business Meeting
- John H. Silliker Lecture
- Awards Reception & Banquet

#### Program | July 18-21

The IAFP 2021 Program begins Sunday, July 18 with the Ivan Parkin Lecture, delivered by Dr. Robert Gravani, and concludes Wednesday, July 21, following the John H. Silliker Lecture, delivered by Dr. Barbara Masters, and the Awards Banquet.

## Annual Silent Auction for 2021 Canceled

IAFP's Annual Meeting normally includes its popular Silent Auction during the four-day event, helping to add thousands of dollars to the IAFP Foundation while providing a lively time for bidders vying for a souvenir to take home. Unfortunately, this year's Silent Auction will not be held due to health and safety concerns, but we encourage those who usually

'shop' at the Auction to contribute directly to the Foundation, either in person at the Foundation Booth in Phoenix or through a direct donation on the IAFP website. Your contributions, big or small, make an impact on the educational programs supported by the Foundation, including Student Travel Scholarships, travel support for conference speakers, Travel Awards, lectures, and free webinars throughout the year. If attending IAFP 2021 in Phoenix, be sure to stop by the IAFP Foundation Booth to make your donation. If attending virtually, consider making an online donation on our website. Donors of \$50 or more will receive the eighth in a series of keepsake commemorative coins for their contributions.



#### **Exhibit Hall**

Exhibitors will be exchanging ideas and information on existing food safety technologies and applications, new concepts, and innovative designs and equipment during IAFP 2021. This year, exhibitors have three options to take part in the Annual Meeting: in person, virtually, or both, providing the opportunity to increase visibility to all conference attendees. Attendees will be able to browse exhibitor information anytime using their smartphones.

# IAFP 2021 Lectures and Special Presentation

Ivan Parkin Lecture
July 18, 6:00 p.m.

"It's All About People, Isn't It?"

Robert Gravani, Ph.D.

Professor Emeritus of Food Science
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

## "U.S. Regulatory Update on Food Safety"

July 19, 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

#### Sandra Eskin

Deputy Under Secretary for Food Safety U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C.

#### Frank Yiannas, M.P.H.

Deputy Commissioner for
Food Policy and Response
U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Silver Spring, Maryland

#### John H. Silliker Lecture

July 21, 4:00 p.m.

## "We All are Working on the Same Puzzle"

Barbara J. Masters, DVM

Vice President, Regulatory Policy,
Food and Agriculture
Tyson Foods
Washington, D.C.

More than 900 technical papers, posters, and symposia will be presented at IAFP 2021, with more than 100 companies showcasing the latest innovations and technologies in food science and safety onsite, virtually, or both. Preview the program and register today at www.foodprotection.org.

#### **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 2021

The following scheduled meetings were held virtually:

#### **April**

- Arkansas Association for Food Protection/Missouri Environmental Health Association/Oklahoma Association for Food Protection
- Ohio Association for Food Protection
- Ontario Food Protection
   Association
- Indiana Environmental Health Association

#### May

 Pennsylvania Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians

#### June

- Mexico Association for Food Protection
- Wisconsin Association for Food Protection

To be featured in the next issue of Affiliate View, send your news and photos by September 1 to Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.

#### **July 2021**

- **14:** Australia Association for Food Protection, 14th Annual Business Meeting (virtual). For more information, contact David Myatt at david.myatt@biomerieux.com.
- **19:** Bangladesh Association for Food Protection in North America, Affiliate Meeting during IAFP 2021. For more information, contact Salina Parveen at sparveen@umes.edu.
- **19:** California Association for Food Protection, Affiliate Meeting during IAFP 2021. Visit www.calfp.org.
- **28:** Ohio Association for Food Protection, July Educational Meeting (*virtual*). Visit www.ohiofoodprotection.org.

#### August 2021

- **10-13:** *Missouri Environmental Health Association,* Annual Education Conference, Springfield, Missouri. Visit www.mehamo.org.
- **11-12:** Associated Illinois Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians, Annual Conference, Bloomington, Illinois. Visit www.aimfes.org.

#### September 2021

- **13-15:** Arkansas Association for Food Protection, 2021 Annual Conference, Fayetteville, Arkansas. Visit www.arkafp.org/.
- **14-15:** Kansas Environmental Protection Association, Fall Conference, Manhattan, Kansas. Visit www.keha.us/.
- **15-17:** Washington Association for Food Protection, 2021 Annual Meeting, Chelan, Washington. Visit www.waffp.com/wp1/.
- **20-22:** *Indiana Environmental Health Association*, Annual Fall Educational Conference, Lawrenceburg, Indiana. Visit www.iehaind.org/.
- **21:** New Jersey Association for Food Protection, Fall Webinar (virtual). Visit www.//njfoodprotection.org/.

## 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 2020-2021 Presentation. A PowerPoint slide show with a suggested 15minute 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

**21-23:** New York State Association for Food Protection, 98th Annual Conference, Syracuse, New York. Visit nysafp.com/.

### IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program

for Affiliates



**Roger Cook**, Ph.D., New Zealand Food Safety *President* 

- ♦ Foodborne STECs An International Perspective
- Regulatory Food Control Plans A Practical International Perspective
- The Future: Culture Independent Confirmation & Qualitative Chemical Hazard Characterization



**Ruth Petran**, Ph.D., Ruth Petran Consulting, LLC *President-Elect* 

- Sanitation Preventive Controls
- Norovirus Management



**Michelle Danyluk**, Ph.D., University of Florida *Vice President* 

- ♦ What You Need to Know About the Produce Safety Rule
- Managing Risk in a Field of Uncertainty: Pathogens in the Produce Production Environment
- ♦ How Did That Get There? Case Studies in Produce Production and Packing



Jose Emilio Esteban, Ph.D., USDA Secretary

- Applied Laboratory Methods
- ♦ Whole Genome Sequencing
- International Food Safety Standards



**Kali E. Kniel**, Ph.D., University of Delaware *Past President* 

- ♦ One Health
- ♦ Foodborne Viruses and Parasites
- ♦ Pre-Harvest Food Safety Risks



**Julie Jean, Ph.D., Université Laval** *Affiliate Council Chair* 

- ♦ Foodborne Viruses
- ♦ Biofilms in the Food Sector
- ♦ Ultraviolet Technologies for Microbial Inactivation



#### **Wendy White**, Georgia Institute of Technology *Affiliate Council Secretary*

- ♦ Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)
- ♦ Sanitation & Environmental Monitoring Programs (EMP)
- Leveraging Blockchain Technologies for Food Safety

#### **How It Works**

- IAFP Board Members are available to speak at Affiliate meetings on numerous topics involving food safety.
- Each Affiliate may request one Executive Board speaker for one Affiliate meeting within a 12-month calendar year.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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
- 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?



#### Jim Dickson, Ph.D. lowa 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

Jeff Farber, Ph.D. University of Guelph

- Overview of Raw Milk Cheese Issues in Canada
- Risk Assessment and Risk Management of Foodborne Listeriosis in Canada
- A Dummy's Guide to Free Online Predictive Modelling Tools
- ◆ Emerging Foodborne Pathogens



- 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



**Linda Harris,** Ph.D. University of California – Davis

 Tree Nuts: Food Safety Risks and Intervention Strategies



- Low-moisture Foodborne Outbreak Case Studies: Lessons Learned
- Microbial Food Safety and Culinary Herbs

**Tim Jackson, Ph.D.** Driscoll's of the Americas

- Food Safety Management
- Food Microbiology
- Regulatory Food Safety



Alejandro Mazzotta, Ph.D. Chobani, Inc.

- Dairy Food Safety and Spoilage
- FSMA and Regulatory Compliance
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