



## OUR NEWSLETTER HAS A NAME!

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A new member, Atul Nair (Aligna, Inc.), submitted our Newsletter's new name—"FOOD BYTES". Our panel of four judges selected that as the most unique indication of our Section members' current direction—food product development and new technology.

More than a dozen other alternative names were suggested, and we thank you all for your submissions.

Atul's prize was a gift certificate from TGI Fridays restaurants. Congratulations, Atul!

### Chicago IFT 2008 Golf Outing a Huge Success! Congratulations to all Golf Outing Prize Winners!!



We would like to thank all Chicago Section IFT 2008 Golf Outing participants—golfers, diners, committee members, and especially the sponsors. Following is a wrap-up of the event:

- Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at White Pines Golf Club in Bensenville, IL.
- Thanks to organizers, Mike Hosler, Eric Samuelson, and John Fenstermacher.
- 75 degrees & sunny with a nice breeze.
- 144 Golfers + an additional

16 that joined us for dinner, drinks and the raffle drawing.

- Specialty contest prizes awarded to 14 golfers.
- More than 10 volunteers from a variety of local organizations helped make sure the day ran smoothly.
- Record amount (\$6775) raised for the CSIFT scholarship fund.
- Thanks to all of our many sponsors!

This event was so successful and had such positive feedback, we're

doing it again next year. We hope you can join us.

Golf Outing Prizes and Winners: Winning Foursome :

Michelle Puch – Primrose Candy  
Eric Samuelson – Arro Corporation  
Nicole Puch – Primrose Candy  
Ed Jacobs – Blommer Chocolate.

(Note to golfers—check the announcement in this Newsletter of another golf outing in September sponsored by the Wisconsin Section IFT.)



DAN BEST, CHAIR

# MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



## What a year!

Being elected Chair of the Chicago Section – IFT is a unique honor. Our section is the first and the largest section of the largest professional food industry association in the world, after all.

When I first agreed to take on the job of Section Chair, my good friend Joe Stout (also widely known as the “Sage from Philly”) assured me that it was the easiest job in the world. “Look”, he said, “all you need to do is keep tabs on the Committees and get out of their way.” He was right.

A great piece of advice I received long ago when I first took the reins of an organization was to follow the “rule of three”. Namely, pick three key objectives that I would like to accomplish by the end of my term...and focus my energies on those three and only those three.

OK...so, here were my three objectives:

1. Reintroduce a golf outing.
  2. Re-write the By-Laws.
  3. “Whatever” - I guess that “whatever” got away from me, somewhat. So, how did we do against those objectives?
1. **Eight Fabulous Monthly Meetings** with great speakers, great food, great jokes, great conversation, great drinks, great networking, great camaraderie, great professional information....so, if you weren't there...why not? There's always next year! Special thanks are due Liz Suter, for always coming up with interesting locations and menus, and Susan Abraham and Anna Lovis, our program committee chairs.
  2. **The Chicago Section IFT Golf Event** was our first such event in, according to various estimates, 15-20 years. It was a smashing success. Our weather committee timed it perfectly between two June storm fronts and we enjoyed a perfectly sunny day with 144 registered golfers plus 10 additional members for dinner. Most importantly, we also raised significant monies for Student Scholarships, netting \$6775.00 for scholarship funding. All golf caps should be tipped to the Special Events committee, headed by Mike Hosler, John Fenstermacher and Eric Samuelson. And, a special thanks to the support given by IAMl's Jim Esposito. He was here, he was there, he was everywhere. Thanks, guys. Y'all did something really, really good!
  3. **Student Scholarships:** In addition to the Golf Event, our Chicago Section IFT contributed \$13,500 to students of food science and related fields, as follows:
    - A. IFT Fun Run (Silver Sponsor - \$3,000) – donated through the IFT Foundation.
    - B. IFTSA Midwest College Bowl (\$500)
    - C. Streitelmeier Scholarship
    - D. Individual Scholarships (announced at the April “Students Night” meeting).
 A special “thank you” is due Erika Voogd, who

managed our scholarship program despite a grueling international travel agenda. Erika will turn over the reins of the Scholarship Program to Mike Wanous in 2008. Take it away, Mike.

4. **New Membership Directory:** Our new, updated Membership Directory – in color – with advertising, is available in the “Members Only” section of the Chicago IFT website. Thanks to Bill Becht's positive, can-do creative approach to this project, the Membership Directory looks great with color advertising, generating about \$500 net income to be spent toward good works. Thanks, Bill...you did a beautiful job on this!
  5. **New Member Handbook.** In the past, the annual transfer of leadership for the Chicago Section IFT was never really smooth, as there were no set guidelines on section procedures, expectations and practices. Thanks to Dean Duxbury, we now have a Member Handbook that provides all the relevant history and guidelines in an easy-to-read format for incoming officers, member representatives and committee Chairs. So, thanks, Dean, It should now be a relatively simple task to volunteer to serve on a committee. Takers, anyone? Anyone?
  6. **IAMI Transition.** The end of 2006 was tough – at the end of the year, we had to find a new management organization to help us organize and administer our section. Well, our search committee found IAMl and this past year proved to be a very smooth transition indeed. Thank you, Lynnda, Jim and Nancy! Here are just some of the things that IAMl accomplished for us:
    - A. Conversion of all financial records to QuickBooks to enhance ease of reporting. They are sooooo...much more understandable, now!
    - B. Web-site registration and payment for events, including monthly meetings. Whoa!
    - C. A new very *affordable* and very *cost-effective* web-site advertising program was initiated. Suppliers...take note! You're reaching.
  7. **Web-Based Newsletter** – New, spiffy and improved with great color graphics! [Note: those of us born pre-1960 understand “spiffy”. For those born after the '60s, urbandictionary.com defines this important descriptor as “used in 21st-century America by strange, offbeat teens.” (Huh?) Just in case you wondered.] Anyway, a special “thank you” to Dean Duxbury, who brought his indomitable publishing credentials to bear on the task, and the team at IAMl.
  8. **New By-Laws.** The new governance relationship established between the National IFT and its sections required that we rewrite our By-Laws to reflect these changes. What we did was re-invent our bylaws by streamlining them into a much more practical and flexible document. Thank you Mona Reinhard and Dean Duxbury, volunteers extraordinaire who took on the grueling task!
  9. **Our Suppliers Night** committee, together with IAMl, revamped Suppliers Night – increased total revenues by \$17,150 and brought expenses under
- tight control, thereby boosting net income from \$42,600 to \$66,100. Although some of that increased income covered administrative expenses, a significant portion was contributed to our scholarship program. One really cool innovation – suppliers can now register for Suppliers Night booths via our spiffy-cool (there's that word again) new website capability. And, yes, we do still have booth space available for our November 2008 Suppliers Night event. Joe Stout and IAMl, you did a fantastic job on this!
10. Our **Hospitality Committee** raised \$2,300 for student scholarships at the Suppliers Night Raffle. They also kept our members on the edge of their seats at every Monthly Meeting by raffling great prizes. In my best Yoda imitation, “Loads of fun, it was....hmmmm!” Thank you Jennifer Padilla and Diana Watson...it really was...fun!
  11. Twice a year, The National IFT offers a **Leadership Forum** for up-and-coming IFT leaders and chairpersons (but I repeat myself). This is a premier event that I attended numerous times and found extremely useful – not just the networking, but also the professional development. This year, with the help of National IFT, we were able to send four Chicago Section leaders to the forum! Four members...I don't think that we've ever been able to do that, before. A special “thank-you” to Gail Wiseman, at National IFT, for helping us to do this.
  12. **Leadership Transitions.** Unfortunately, Susan Abraham, our Chair-Elect, had to resign mid-year due to a change in job responsibilities. Fortunately, our sectional Secretary, Anna Lovis stepped up to the plate as both Chair-Elect and Program Director to finish the year. Thank you, Anna. You helped us make a very smooth transition and we will be in great shape under your leadership, next year.
  13. **Student Night** – I believe that this was our most successful Speed Interviewing session ever, as we helped inaugurate Dominican University's new facility. In all, we had students from four universities – Dominican U., Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT), University of Illinois- Champaign-Urbana and Purdue University. The many contributors to the ad hoc students Night committee excelled, as did the speed interviewers!
  14. **Internal Audit.** We were required to conduct an internal audit of our Section, this year. Bob Raynor stepped up to the task. We submitted to the audit, a long-ball to be sure, but he took it and dunked us for a win (if you haven't figured it out, Bob's passion is basketball). Thank you, Bob!
  15. **New Membership Initiative** – When we started the year, our membership list logged ~1400 members. By the end of this year, our membership stood at 1504. A good part of that was a reconciliation of membership lists by our team at IAMl. Another good part of it was an active membership recruitment drive undertaken by Len Ciani and Dave Levally. Thanks guys...you did great!
  16. A new **Young Professionals Committee** was formed on the initiative of Chair-Elect Anna Lovis, with the

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- intent of better aligning our Section with the needs of younger incoming professionals. Great idea! Much needed.
17. A cutting edge research initiative in food and agriculture, the **Illinois Council of Food & Agricultural Research (C-FAR)** is one organization with which we enjoy a good relationship. Ergo, we re-upped our annual membership. Mike Wanous will monitor our relationship communications with this fine group into the next year. Thanks for volunteering, Mike.
18. Our 2008 **Technical Achievement Award** went to Dr. Vijay Arora, of Kraft Foods fame, together with an honorarium. The **Service Award** (with honorarium) presented to David Mehnert, who served as the Chicago IFT Section's Treasurer for many, many years until he retired. Thank you again, David. Our

hat goes off to Matt Hutchinson, Past-Chair and Awards Committee chair, for his diligence in identifying the Awardees. Next year is my turn, and I can only hope that I will do as well.

19. Wasn't our **Tanner Lecture** this year absolutely fantastic? The speaker/awardee was North Carolina State University professor, Dr. Todd Klaenhammer, who spoke on recent developments in the art and science of probiotics. The topic "Eat Germs, Get Cultured" was riveting and scatological jokes referencing the GI tract were (thankfully) kept to a low rumble during the presentation. Thank you, Xuoxing Zheng, for a job well done!

Next year, we have a totally new team taking charge and I am already impressed with their determination and energy. I will continue to tag along as Past-Chair and try my best not to be annoying, of course. But, until then, have a great summer...and I hope that we all get to reunite at the

September 2008 meeting! Make a special point to mark it in your calendars.

Thanks for a great year, everyone!



Daniel Best

## CHICAGO SECTION IFT 2008 SUPPLIERS' NIGHT

Wednesday, November 12, 2008  
Donald E. Stephens Convention Center  
Rosemont, Illinois

See and sample the latest products and services for the food industry  
from exhibitors in nearly 500 booths!

The Chicago Section IFT hosts the largest Suppliers' Night in North America. This is the best place for discovering new products and services for the food industry, renewing contacts with past and current suppliers, and discussing individual needs with hundreds of companies! Whatever you are looking for in the food industry, you can find it here, with more than 3,000 industry professionals in attendance. This is your chance to renew acquaintances and to make new contacts to help yourself advance personally and professionally.

The Donald E. Stephens Convention Center is centrally located 5555 North River Road, just minutes from O'Hare. Two indoor parking garages are available that connect with Rosemont's Skybridge Network.

Exhibiting Information: 630-916-4960  
or go to:  
[www.chicagoint.org](http://www.chicagoint.org)

## ATTENTION ALL SUPPLIERS' NIGHT EXHIBITORS!

The Suppliers' Night Committee is making improvements to make this year's show the best ever.

- **View the 2008 Exhibitor Map Online!** Go to [www.chicagoint.org/suppliersnight](http://www.chicagoint.org/suppliersnight) (check the address) to view the map. If you have already reserved your space, check out your location. If you still need to reserve your booth take a look at what booth space remains. Each booth is labeled with the name of the exhibiting company.
- **Market Your Company's Products and Services Now!** When you reserve your booth space, submit a description of your company's products and services in 100 words or less, provide your url address, your phone number, and the name of the contact person. Potential attendees can search the exhibiting companies before Suppliers' Night in November.
- **Reserve Your Booth Space Online!** We encourage all exhibitors to reserve their booth space online. Pay by credit card and receive an electronic receipt within seconds of making your payment.
- **Download Exhibitor Information!** All exhibitor information will be available on the website to download at your convenience.
- **Be a Suppliers Night Sponsor!** Watch for information coming soon about sponsorship opportunities – don't miss getting your name in front of attendees.

For all questions or if you have an idea to share, please contact Suppliers' Night Committee Chairperson Joe Stout (give his email) or call the IAMI business office at 1-630-916-4960 and ask for Jim Esposito.



# Chicago Section IFT

## Executive Committee Meeting

**Meeting- May 13, 2008** Venuti's, Addison, IL

### **ATTENDING:**

Bill Becht, Dan Best, Glenn Connick, Diane Dawson, Dean Duxbury, Laura Flores, Matt Hutchinson, Linda Kragt, Luci Landberg, Anna Lovis, Sue Monckton, Uwe Nienaber, Jennifer Padilla, Linda Perucca, Bob Raynor, Mona Reinhard, Joe Staackmann, Joseph Stout, Erika Voogd, Zuoxing Zheng.

**Call To Order-** Chair-Elect Anna Lovis called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM.

### **Approval of Minutes-** Anna Lovis

A motion was made to approve the April 2008 minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **Treasurer's Report-** Uwe Nienaber

There is no new report. Verification will be made that funds have successfully transferred from the capital accounts as was discussed at last month's meeting.

### **Chair-Elect Report/New Committees-** Anna Lovis

Proposal of 2 new committees for next year was presented. They are a "Young Professionals Committee", for members in the industry 10 years or less, and a "Communications Committee" to coordinate all forms of communication so a uniform message is presented. Lynnda Nelson of IAMI commented that from IAMI's point of view, they would like our Section to be the one giving them what message they should be placing on the website/newsletter. They do not want to be creating our Section's communication message.

### **In-Coming Chair Elect Report/ Programming Ideas-** Diane Dawson

A handout of proposed ideas for the upcoming year was distributed. A proposal is to alternate meetings from technical based to less technically based. A point that is being addressed for next year's meeting locations is that 67% of members believe that O'Hare is centrally located. Another proposal is to have some meetings in the city or different types of locations.

### **Monthly Report-** Lynnda Nelson

Latest expense summary was distributed for review.

### **2008 Suppliers' Night-** Joe Stout

A handout of proposed Supplier's Night Workgroups was distributed and discussed in order to set up and utilize workgroups as part of the Suppliers' Night Committee. Groups include, Marketing, Stephens Center (on location), Day of show, and Hospitality. Forming these groups will allow more volunteers to take part and rebuild the structure of committees. A proposal was made to have Executive Committee Members be Chairs or at the very least be members of the committees of these groups. There will also be an on-line registration for suppliers.

### **Special Events/Golf Outing-** Jim Esposito for Mike Hosler

A handout was given of current list of golfers. There are currently 60 registered with usually a lot more confirming the week of the event. We still need to keep advertising and getting the word out for this event as well as for Raffle prize donations. All looks good for the event so far.

### **Scholarships-** Erika Voogd

All scholarships/distributions are within budget and all up to date. There are 2 applicants for the Streitelmeier Scholarship. One is from an active member and another is from a former JBT scholarship recipient who has been out of the industry and would now like to return. Personal meetings are being set up with the applicants.

### **Awards-** Matt Hutchinson

The Achievement award is being presented to Dr. Vijay Arora of Kraft Foods, Inc. The Service Award is being presented to Mr. Dave Mehnert, formerly of Kraft Foods, recently retired Treasurer of the Chicago Section – IFT.

### **Chicago Section Handbooks-** Dean Duxbury

Copies of the new Chicago Section Handbook are being distributed to the Executive Committee Members and will be distributed to the new Committee Chairs. There will be an online copy for members to consult. A special thank you to Dean Duxbury for taking on this project and providing us with this new handbook.

### **Directory-** Bill Becht

Mock up copies of the directory were shown to members present. The cost for the directory has increased from the initial quote. Current cost is \$8,300 due to increase in pages and changing the format to an 8 ½ x 11 format. Current revenue is \$9,000 from advertising sold in the new Directory. Ads will be updated on a quarterly basis.

### **Historian-** Joe Staackmann

There will be a photo slide show during the Tanner Cocktail hour- photos of section activities from the year will be displayed.

### **Final Year Closings-** Dan Best

There has been a lot accomplished this year and we have taken this section to a new level. The Chicago Section has been submitted to National IFT for an award. An all around thank you goes out to all executive members and to IAMI for everything that has been accomplished this year.

**The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.**

### **By- Laws update-**

The new By-Laws were approved by unanimous voice-vote (none opposed) by membership during the dinner session.

### Handouts:

#### Agenda

2007-2008 Revenue/Expense Summary Report – 5/12/08  
Chair-Elect Programming Proposals  
Proposed Suppliers Night 2008 Workgroups  
Golf Outing 2008 current registration list  
Scholarship Budget sheet

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Submitted By: Anna Lovis



**Dr. Todd Klaenhammer**, Professor of Food Science, North Carolina State, presented the Chicago Section IFT's Tanner Lecture, May 13, 2008. He related the benefits of the non-pathogenic microorganisms safe for oral consumption and explored the unique opportunities to expand our horizons in processing and health. The plaque was presented to Dr. Klaenhammer (center) by Dr. Zuoxing Zheng, Chair of the Tanner Committee (right). Section Chair Dan Best is pictured on the left.



Past Chair Matt Hutchinson presenting the Chair's Achievement Award to Vijay Arora (left) and the Ellery H. Harvey Service Award to Dave Mehnert (right).

## New "Members Only" Section Has Been Added To The Chicago IFT Website!

We are happy to announce that a new "Members Only" section has been added to our website. This section currently contains the Chicago IFT Member Handbook and the Chicago IFT Membership Directory. These documents are in pdf format and can be viewed online, printed, or downloaded and saved to your personal computer. Periodically, new materials will be added to this section in order to provide Chicago IFT members with proprietary information.

In order to gain access to the Members Only Section, log in using your first name, underscore, last name (all in lowercase letters), e.g. sam\_smith. Your initial password will be csift. Once you have logged in, you will be prompted to select a new password of your own choosing. Should you have difficulty logging in, please contact the Business Office at (630) 916-4960 for assistance.

### LEAST COST ADVERTISEMENT IN CHICAGO FOOD INDUSTRY NOW AVAILABLE!

In the interest of food industry support of the Chicago Section IFT, we are now offering Members and Suppliers the opportunity to reach the entire membership of the IFT's largest Section in Chicago. The Newsletter is published nine months of every year. Contact Nancy at 630-916-4960.

#### Pricing Information

■ Business Card	(4" x 2")	\$30
■ ¼ Page	(4" x 4")	\$50
■ ¼ Page	(8" x 2")	\$60
■ ½ Page	(8" x 4")	\$90

### NEWSLETTER INFORMATION DEADLINES

Please send news of educational opportunities, industry news, and social events, etc. to the Newsletter Staff:

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All entries must be submitted in ready-to-print format and are subject to editorial review. Deadlines for newsletter submissions for the 2008-2009 program year are 3 days following the monthly meeting. **September 2008's articles will be due on August 14.** Thank you. The Newsletter Committee would like once again to express our appreciation to Bobbi Buford for her assistance in proofing the newsletter.

## WIFT's Third Annual Golf Outing

**September 15, 2008**

Wisconsin IFT is again holding their annual golf outing at Western Lakes Golf Club in Pewaukee, WI. After the last two years successes, we are hoping to continue the tradition and raise more money for our annual scholarships. In fact, over the last two years, we've been able to increase both the number of scholarships given as well as the amount of each scholarship given.



When: September 15, 2008

Where: Western Lakes Golf Club in Pewaukee, WI

Mark your calendars!



For information or registration, contact:  
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## Calling All Young Food Industry Professionals!

The Chicago Section IFT is excited to announce the formation of a new committee, the Chicago Section IFT Young Professionals Committee. What is a young professional? A young professional is anyone working in the food industry 10 years or less (or, if your 10+ years in the industry only **feels** like 10 years).

The Young Professionals Committee is planning a kick-off happy hour to be held at the end of July at a to-be-determined location in Chicago. This is sure to be a great way to reconnect with former classmates or co-workers, not to mention a fun way to network with like-minded peers. If you are interested, please send an email to the Young Professionals Committee Chair, Dayna Syperek ([dsyperek@achfood.com](mailto:dsyperek@achfood.com)) to be included in all of the evite invitations! Dayna can also be reached at 773-304-8807.

YP Committee Chair Dayna Syperek graduated from Purdue University in 2002 with a BS in Food Science and began her career as a Scientist with Kraft Foods. After 5 years of product development experience, she moved into ingredient sales, first as a Sales Representative with Dawson Sales and currently as an Account Manager with ACH Food Companies. Dayna is excited to bring together young professionals like her in the great city of Chicago!

## Help for Food Entrepreneurs Available in Chicago



LINCOLN, Neb. – Starting a business is a huge decision for any entrepreneur. The very regulated food manufacturing industry presents even more challenges for the entrepreneur with a great food idea or recipe to take to market. The University of Nebraska Food Processing Center offers unique assistance for entrepreneurs that want to take on this challenge.

The Center's nationally recognized Food Entrepreneur Assistance Program is for anyone interested in starting a food business. The program begins with a one-day seminar. The From Recipe to Reality seminar assists attendees in understanding how the food industry operates, the decisions they will need to make before they even get started and the challenges they will encounter as they develop and grow their business.

"This unique program has assisted entrepreneurs from throughout the country in the development of their food business. Following the seminar, attendees can receive expert assistance from the staff at The Food Processing Center in developing their own product ideas and company," explained Jill Gifford, Food Entrepreneur Assistance Program manager.

The seminar is offered many times throughout the year in various locations, including Chicago, on August 15, 2008. For more information regarding the program contact Jill Gifford at: The Food Processing Center, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 143 H.C. Filley Hall, Lincoln, NE 68583-0928, phone (402) 472-2819, e-mail: [jgifford1@unl.edu](mailto:jgifford1@unl.edu), web site: <http://www.fpc.unl.edu>.



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## **2008-2009 CHICAGO SECTION IFT MEETING DATES**

**Mark your calendars to save the tentative meetings dates. Except for the November Suppliers' Night, the rest will hopefully all be on the 2nd Monday of each month (September through May). Chair-Elect Diane Dawson is busy working on new, exciting speakers and social programs. Watch for details, starting in the September issue of "Food Bytes".**