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Message from the Chair

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Dear CSIFT Members and Friends,

This past week the Tanner Committee of the Chicago Section IFT identified Dr. Gary Reineccius of the University of Minnesota as the 53rd Tanner Lecture Award winner. Personally, I am excited to have Dr. Reineccius be our 53rd recipient of the Tanner Lecture Award as I have known Dr. Reineccius for several years as an educator, researcher and a mentor. The Tanner Lecture Dinner meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 18 at Cafe La Cave in Des Plaines, IL.

Dr. Reineccius is Professor of Food Science at the University of Minnesota. He has published over 230 articles in 38 years, where the focus of his research has covered nearly every aspect of importance to the needs of the flavor industry. His current areas of research include flavor encapsulation, flavor emulsions and flavoromics (chemometrics as applied to flavor chemistry).

In addition to his extensive research activities, Dr. Reineccius has taught several undergraduate and graduate courses over the course of his career including Food Chemistry, Food Analysis, Food Processing, Current Issues, Flavor Technology and Flavor Chemistry.

Dr. Reineccius' outreach activities have focused on organizing and/or contributing to flavor-related short courses. He currently is the primary instructor of 4 short courses on food flavor (offered on a two year rotation) -these flavor short courses have been regularly taught for over 20 years and are well attended. He recently taught short courses in Colombia (Medellin and Bogota) and New Zealand.

In terms of upcoming events of the Chicago Section IFT, the New Professionals are volunteering at the Greater Chicago Food Depository on February 25; please visit our website if you are interested in joining them.

The next dinner meeting of the Chicago Section IFT will be on March 9 at the Carlisle in Downers Grove, IL where the dinner meeting topic is *"SWEETENER 360: An Unprecedented Look at How Consumers Feel About Sweeteners and Why."* The March Dinner Meeting is also our



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annual Student Night Event – please come and show support for our students that are preparing for a career in the food industry.

As a friendly reminder the IFT Election process is in gear and voting will soon begin– don't forget to vote!

Best regards,

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