Suppliers' Night!  
November 7, 2007  
Wednesday, November 7, 2007  
Noon-6:00 p.m.  
Donald E. Stephens Convention Center  
Rosemont, IL

Suppliers' Night 2007

Observe and sample the latest products and services from the food industry from exhibitors in nearly 500 booths while optimizing your networking capabilities!

The Chicago Section IFT hosts the largest Suppliers' Night in North America. This is an ideal venue for discovering new products and services from the food industry, renewing contacts with past and current suppliers, and discussing individual needs with hundreds of companies. Suppliers' Night 2007 offers more ingredients, technologies, services, and equipment than ever before with over 400 booths expected and with more than 3000 industry professionals in attendance.

Admission to Suppliers' Night is free. A registration form is included in this newsletter, or you can obtain a fillable form online at the Chicago Section IFT website (www.chicagoift.org). Return your registration form to:

Chicago Section IFT  
PO Box 926  
Lombard, IL 60148  
Fax: (630) 889-0845

Or email to: 
suppliersnight@chicagoift.org.

Admission badges will await all pre-registered attendees at the door.

Location:  
Donald E Stephens Convention Center  
5555 North River Road  
Rosemont, IL

The Convention Center is located off of River Road just minutes from O'Hare Airport. Parking is still across the street, where you will walk back across the street from the Garage to the Expo Center via the Overhead Skybridge Walkway.

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Please be aware of a major change in the parking payment system! The Convention Center now uses the Zeag-Orion Parking Technology System.

As a vehicle enters the garage, the driver must take a ticket (no attendant) and drive ahead as directed to select a parking space you choose. Once the car is parked, the car owner should take his ticket to a pay station located on the Ground Floor Level (or the 1st Floor Skybridge Level of the garage), pay the “flat fee” and get your ticket validated. When you leave the garage later, you must insert the validated ticket into the Exit Station to allow you to leave the garage. Remember, paying when you park will eliminate waiting in a long line to validate your parking ticket later when the show is over and everyone is leaving the garage.

The next meeting of the Chicago Section IFT Executive Committee will be held on WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2007 (same day as Suppliers’ Night). It will convene at 11:00 AM-12:00 Noon in the 2nd FLOOR BALLROOM (ROOM 45) at the DONALD E. STEPHENS CONVENTION CENTER in Rosemont, IL. Take the escalator up and walk down the hall to Room 45.

Once again the Chicago Section IFT Section will be conducting a Silent Auction during the Chicago Section IFT Supplier’s Night on November 7th. If you or your company would like to contribute a tax-deductible donation to this very worthwhile event, you can support our section in one of the following ways:

1. Donate $100.00 (Items for the auction will be purchased on your behalf)

Make checks payable to:
Chicago Section IFT
P.O. Box 926
Lombard, IL 60148

2. Donate items to be auctioned: gift baskets, spa certificates, gift certificates to restaurants or retailers, theatre tickets, electronics, etc.

To donate items call or email: dianawatson@comcast.net (708-609-8113) or jpadilla@aerotek.com (847-303-2365) Please notify when check is sent in and to make arrangements for item drop off.

While attending Supplier’s Night, make plans to stop by the Chicago Section IFT Booth and browse the silent auction items. This is your chance to combine a little bit of fun shopping and support our profession. All proceeds from the auction will fund Chicago IFT scholarship programs. Bring a friend. And bring your cash or checkbook! Sorry, we will not be able to process credit cards.

Contribution Form for Silent Auction:

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Dear IFT Member,

We welcome you to attend the **2007 Midwest IFT Event** (Formerly the Midwest Food Processing Conference/MFPC) on Tuesday, November 6 at The Embassy Suites-Chicago O'Hare, Rosemont, Illinois. The Event includes:

- **A conference on Healthful Ingredients for Product Development Challenges**
- **Culinology® Challenge** co-sponsored by RCA-Chicagoland

Ingredient Sponsor Exhibits

Join us at this exciting event, which will feature a variety of informative sessions focused on **Healthful Ingredients for Product Development Challenges**. If you’re interested in learning more about the use of ingredients that promote good health, and their application in product development, this is a must-attend event!

**Conference topics include:**

- Obesity as a lens through which all nutritional issues are viewed today, Ms. Sylvia Rowe, IFT Distinguished Lecturer
- Gluten-free labeling claims: Testing protocols for gluten-free product development, Mr. Dan Thompson, Eurofins Genescan
- Glycemic index: formulation challenges, Dr. Joanne Slavin, University of Minnesota
- Sodium reduction: Approaches in Product Development

And much more...

This event also includes the **Sixth Annual Culinology® Challenge** sponsored by RCA-Chicagoland. Four teams of students and food industry professionals will demonstrate their skills in transforming standard food formulations into healthier versions. Compare the “before” and “after” versions of these new healthful foods!

**Planning to attend the IFT Chicago Section Suppliers’ Night on November 7?**

Midwest IFT Event precedes the Chicago Section Supplier’s Night. If you’re planning to attend the Supplier’s night, either as an attendee or an exhibitor, come in one day early and take advantage of this entertaining, educational event! You can take advantage of the special discounted hotel rates for this event, available through our website.

**Complete details are available at [www.MidwestIFT.org](http://www.MidwestIFT.org).** Online registration is now open!

**Midwest IFT Event**
Tuesday, November 6, 2007
8:00 AM - 5 PM
Embassy Suites Chicago-O’Hare,
5500 North River Road
Rosemont, IL 60018

This event is hosted by the IFT Wisconsin Section.

**2007 Midwest IFT Event Co-Chairs**
Anand Rao (Chicago IFT), Edlong Dairy Flavors, 847-631-6772
Caryl Beal (Wisconsin IFT), Dempsey Corporation, 920-485-0232
Hello Everyone:

I heard that the food and speaker were great, but that our October meeting attendance was a bit down. Unfortunately, due to a trade show conflict (the AACC International Annual Meeting - for whom I edit the flagship publication, Cereal Foods World), I, too, was one of those not in attendance. However, I did get full reports of several developments of note, as follows:

Yes, there will be a Chicago Section Golf Outing next June (hooray)! I am an absolutely awful golfer but playing “best ball” provides great cover for the worst of duffers. Please consider helping me look good by playing, as proceeds will go to scholarship funds. Special Events chair, Mike Hosler (michael.hosler@missionflavors.com) needs volunteers to help with the event.

We need volunteers with sharp minds that can contribute just a little bit of their intellectual talents and valuable time (1/2-hour?) to work with Mona Reinhard and Dean Duxbury to update our by-laws. We aim to keep it simple for everyone involved.

I heard that the food and speaker were both great…so, kudos again to Susan Abraham and Liz Suter for all their work in putting together another great event.

As I indicated, October’s attendance was a bit down because, in part, there were so many trade shows competing for so much of our time. Concomitant with the AACC International Annual Meeting (San Antonio) that week was the International Baking Industry Expo (IBIE) in Orlando.

I happen to like Expos – they are great places to meet, connect and get great ideas and information. In San Antonio, I could rub shoulders, trade jokes (and information) and imbibe beer with my colleagues from the world over. I often get more accomplished with a single, off-the-record casual conversation in a show aisle or outside a meeting room than would take days to accomplish on the phone or via email. Plus, I almost always meet some truly great people at these events that never fail to leave me a little bit wiser and a little bit smarter for the encounter.

So, what did I learn? Among other things, dietary fiber definitions continue to elude capture, sodium reduction initiatives percolate, the Australians are way ahead of us in researching and reducing glycemic index to practice, and “gluten-free” has captured the attention of our largest companies.

What is it that I absolutely hate about trade shows? Answer: it’s getting there! I have come to expect lost luggage, hours spent contorted in a sardine huddle aboard a flying aluminum can, w-a-a-ay too many calorie-rich foods and, for those of us that are self-employed, the sheer expense of the experience.

Aha, say I, but there is very good news blowing in on the wind.

You see, on Wednesday, November 7th, the EXPO opportunity is coming to us. You can get there in the comfort of your own vehicle (radio or CD-audio blaring, if you must), it’s cheap…er, low cost…and you can sleep at home in your own bed when it’s over! I refer, of course, to our very own Chicago Section IFT’s world-class Annual Suppliers Night event. Our good friend and world-class impresario Joe Stout assures me that registrations are on target. And, attendance is free. What a deal!

It gets even better:

The day before our Suppliers Night (Nov. 6th) will feature the all-day Annual Midwest IFT Event. I really urge you to attend this event as, yes, there will be much talk about healthful Ingredients, including presentations on obesity, gluten-free ingredients, glycemic index, and sodium reduction. Maybe I didn’t have to go all the way to San Antonio after all (just kidding). As in previous years, this event will feature a must-see, must taste and must-participate culinary challenge. The Embassy Suites is located across from the Rosemont Expo Center.

For more information, visit www.midwestift.org or contact Anand Rao, at tel. (847) 439-9230 /Email: arao@edlong.com.

See you there!
Daniel Best
While many of you may fondly remember my Chair’s Comments from last year, I have transitioned that responsibility over to our new Chair Dan Best, and I have assumed the role of immediate Past Chair. So everyone can look forward to my less-frequent—but equally important comments in the newsletter.

While it may seem a long way off, I’d like to get people thinking about running for officers of the Chicago Section. Our elections will be early next year in conjunction with the online voting system used by National IFT, so I’m starting to look for interested candidates. There are multiple positions, including Chair-Elect, Secretary, Members-At-Large, and Councilors. While you may have heard rumors that we no longer need Councilors, nothing is further from the truth! Although the position has been eliminated at the National level, we still need representation locally, and we still want your ideas and enthusiasm for keeping the Chicago Section the best section, and making it even better.

If you are interested in being a part of a great technical organization with the purpose of helping you succeed in your career, then feel free to nominate yourself. If you have friends that also want to be a part of the action, then nominate them, too! The only qualification is that you be a member of the Section. If you want to review the details, then go to the Chicago Section website at www.chicagoift.org/bylaws.php. Article V—Officers and Other Elected Representatives.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Matt Hutchinson
Immediate Past Chair
Chicago Section IFT
(847) 687-6405
Members Present
   Caryl Beal, Bill Becht, Glenn Connick, Dean Duxbury, Jim Esposito, Laura Flores, Mike Hosler, Matt
   Hutchinson, Luci Landberg, Uwe Nienaber, Ann Rayer, Mona Reinhard, Joe Staackmann, Joe
   Stout, Diana Watson

Call to Order
   Past Chair Matt Hutchinson called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes
   A motion was made to accept the September minutes into record. The motion was seconded and
   carried.

Treasurer’s Report – Uwe Nienaber
   Taxes will need to be done by November. We do not have to do an audit this year. A Financial Re-
   port will need to be filed with National.

Chair Report – Matt Hutchinson
   An agenda was passed out to all members present. We received a thank you note from the University
   of Illinois Foundation for our contribution to the Jonathon Baldwin Turner (JBT) scholarship.

Committee Reports

By-laws – Mona Reinhard
   With the change in governance, the by-laws need to be rewritten. We do have a template from Na-
   tional. Committee chairs have been asked to provide any updates needed in the by-laws for each
   committee. Since the role of councilors in National representation has been eliminated, the role of
   councilors in the Section needs to be determined. An Ad hoc committee headed by Dean Duxbury
   will be determining the role of councilors, including whether Professional Membership needs to be a
   requirement. Anyone willing to volunteer should contact Dean. A Handbook for Organizations, dis-
   covered by IAMI, is available for use as a template.

House – Matt Hutchinson for Liz Suter
   There are 38 people registered for tonight’s dinner. The committee is looking at doing a wine tasting
   event.

Midwest IFT Event- Caryl Beal
   The tentative program was handed out. This year’s focus is on Healthful Ingredients for Product De-
   velopment Challenges. It will be held on November 6 at the Embassy Suites in Rosemont. Topics
   will include obesity, gluten-free ingredients, glycemic index, and sodium reduction. There will also be
   a Culinary Challenge. The committee is looking for sponsors to provide lunch or breaks.

Supplier’s Night – Joe Stout
   We are on target with the number of exhibitors. Updates will be sent out to exhibitors. Some
   changes have been made in the exhibitor registration process. There is a change in the parking ga-
   rage procedure. Payment is automated. It is recommended to pay the set fee before leaving to avoid

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long lines when exiting the parking garage. There will be tables available for use by the Chicago Sec-
tion to promote various committees and activities.

**Golf Outing** - Mike Hosler  
Updated information was handed out to members present. The proposed date is Tuesday, June 10, 
2008. A motion was made to approve the date for the Golf Outing and to use the profit from the event 
for Chicago Section Scholarships. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Newsletter** – Dean Duxbury  
Dean is now the news-letter co-chair. News items need to be received 3 days after the Executive 
Committee meeting to meet the deadline.

**Program** – Matt Hutchinson for Susan Abraham  
Our speaker for tonight is James Peters, speaking about How Innovation is Shaping Food Packaging. 
Next month is Supplier’s Night.

**Hospitality** - Diana Watson  
There will be a drawing tonight. There will be a Silent Auction during Supplier’s Night, with proceeds 
going to Chicago Section Scholarships. The committee is also looking for donations from exhibitors.

**Awards** – Matt Hutchinson  
We will need members to run for officers for next year. We will also be looking for nominations for the 
Ellery H. Harvey Service Award and the Chairman’s Achievement Award.

**Directory** – Bill Becht  
The committee is working on a digital version. The database needs to be verified and updated.

**New Business**  
Tricia Giron is requesting funds to scan past documents pertaining to the Chair position into a search-
able database. A motion was made to approve $300 for this task, with the funds coming from the Ex-
ecutive account. The motion was seconded and approved.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.  
Submitted by Mona Reinhard

**Chicago Section IFT Supports**  
**Career Guidance Teacher Education**

On Monday, July 30th, members of IFT’s K-12 Career Guidance Committee demonstrated three experiments 
for over 40 Chicago-area science teachers and IFT Food Science Ambassadors during a 3-hour work-
shop entitled “Teaching Science with Food”. Two of the experiments were developed as part of the IFT/ 
Discovery Education collaborative project (doscischool.com/foodscience): Heat of Solution is Cool 
(chemistry) and Splat Test for Viscosity (physics), and the third was an integrated experiment that uses sen-
sory testing to demonstrate biology, chemistry, and math. The goal of the workshop is to allow teachers and 
ambassadors to learn how to teach select food science experiments in the classroom, and thus encourage 
implementation of food science in grades 9-12. Teachers were awarded 3 continuing professional develop-
ment credits for their participation, and had the opportunity to tour the IFT Expo floor after the work-
shop. Support from Chicago Section IFT, Kraft Foods, the University of Illinois' Food Science Program, and 
Corn Products Specialty Ingredients made this workshop possible.
On Sunday evening during the IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo in Chicago, IFT Foundation held their inaugural reception to honor those donors that have stood out and made a significant contribution to the IFT Foundation. The Chicago Section received the award for Most Generous Section Donor during 2006. Other awards included corporate donors and individual donors, both recent and long-standing. The Chicago Section has supported the IFT Foundation through sponsorship of the Student Association IFT Fun Run during the AM&FE, providing support for the Discovery initiative, and recently donated money from the Silent Auction during Supplier’s Night.

Mona Reinhard receives the Chicago Section IFT’s Ellery Harvey Service Award at the May Tanner Lecture from Tricia Giron (on the right), Past Chair. Also present (from the left) are Matt Hutchinson, Chair, and Elwood Caldwell, the 1975 recipient of the award.
The Employment Committee publishes this portion of the newsletter as a free service to Chicago Section members. Because we cannot control the information supplied to us, no guarantee can be made of its accuracy. Additional information on a particular listing can be obtained by contacting one of the people listed above. Please submit ads for the December newsletter by Nov 7, 2007.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

SALES/MARKETING: Int’l chem mfr seeks to fill full time Sales/Marketing position. Located in Lombard, IL, company manufactures Sodium Carboxymethyl Cellulose in 3 facilities in Mexico, Colombia & Argentina. Position available is to enforce the marketing & development of new accts working hand in hand w/ US Nat’l Sales Mgr. Duties include market research, initial client contacts & sales. Requires estimated 20% travel. Ideal candidate will be bilingual English/Spanish; Chem Engineering or Food Science degree; must be upbeat, outgoing personality & willing to give 110%. Past exp w/ hydrocolloids a plus.

TECHNICAL SALES REP: Rapidly growing specialty chem mfr in Chicago area is seeking an exp Tech Sales Rep to drive growth in food processing chem business. Our product line includes antifoams, release agents, surfactants & other specialty formulations. We offer salary, commission & complete benefits package. In return, we seek a well organized, motivated salesperson to deliver new business in an entrepreneurial, team-oriented environment.

R&D PROJECT LEADER: Dynamic food mfr seeking energetic self-starter to function in a stimulating, fast-paced environment, focusing on new prod dev of value-added products for confectionery, dairy, bakery & beverage industry. Position has two direct reports. B.S. Food Science or Chemistry req’d, M.S. preferred. Position requires excellent communication & presentation skills; 5-10 yrs exp in both food product & process development. Located in Massachusetts.

CORPORATE QUALITY SYSTEMS MGR: Responsible for establishing & implementing an efficient & effective Customer Complaint process, w/ emphasis on quick & complete response to the clients; follow-up w/ Plant Quality Systems, Customer Service & Sales is essential. Position also responsible for establishing & communicating a deep understanding of key acct requirements & expectations. Audits of current practices related to customer requirements & verification of company capabilities to meet requirements is expected. Recommendations for improvements to systems & processes based on audits & findings a vital part of position. Located in south suburban Chicago.
REGULATORY COMPLIANCE MGR: Creates & interprets FDA & USDA labeling, regularly communicates w/ R&D, Sales, Clients, the FDA & the USDA. Responsible for advising Company personnel & clients on the status of gov’t regulation as related to the food industry as well as maintaining good relations & communication w/ gov’t regulatory food agencies & trade associations; manage people & priorities of regulatory dept; coordinate & manage special short & long term projects & assist in special training of personnel. Located in so suburban Chicago.

PRINCIPLE RESEARCH SCIENTIST: Leads identification, assessment & dev of new/novel technologies & process improvements. This can be achieved via new raw materials, unique use of materials, technology transfer, etc. Supports commercial delivery of new/novel applications; includes tech support of production trials of new products internally & at customer site; take a leadership role in organizing & implementing departmental projects; manages multiple priorities & timelines; uses strong technical & prob solving skills to approach complex projects. Communicates technical info w/in the co, to customers & industry groups; trains & mentors junior scientists. Located in so suburban Chicago.

PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT: privately owned food & beverage mfgr in Lake Zurich searching for someone to work on hot & cold bev innovations. Seek a creative & motivated food/bev scientist to join us & delight our customers. Successful candidate will help us develop new products & tweak existing products as part of a talented & dedicated group of lab personnel. Participation on creative, new prod dev, ideation, brainstorming & other innovation based teams is expected. B.S req’d, MS preferred. 2-5 yrs exp in dev of customized beverage or food prod expected.

JOB SEEKERS


2. FOOD TECH**PART-TIME: Product dev exp includes flavors, flavor applications & baked goods. Also exp in technical writing for food industry trade journals. Seeking to work 3-4 days/week in or near Chicago’s north suburbs.

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

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Deadlines for newsletter submissions for the 2007-2008 program year are 2 days following the monthly meeting. Please send your articles in completed, ready-to-publish format to Ann Radde, Dean Duxbury, and Nancy Hobart. Thank you.

The Newsletter Committee would like once again to thank Bobbi Buford for her assistance in proofing the newsletter.
Again this month, the University of Illinois Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition is sharing a brief summary of a research project that is receiving funding from the Illinois Council on Food and Agricultural Research (C-FAR). C-FAR is a statewide partnership organized to support relevant, high-quality research and related outreach programs for Illinois' food, agricultural, and related systems. C-FAR research funding is provided by the State of Illinois; C-FAR gratefully acknowledges this investment for all Illinois citizens. Since 1995, the Chicago Section of IFT has been a member of C-FAR.

**Endolysins as an Alternative to Antibiotics in Fuel Ethanol Fermentations**

Expensive and controversial antibiotics are used to prevent and/or treat microbial contamination of fuel ethanol fermentations. The hypothesis is that bacteriophage endolysins will prevent contamination of fuel ethanol fermentations.

Microbial contamination is a significant concern in the fuel ethanol industry, especially with the development of new technologies that do not utilize high temperature liquefaction. Expensive and controversial antibiotics are said to prevent and/or treat microbial contamination of fuel ethanol fermentations. To test the hypothesis that bacteriophage endolysins will prevent contamination of fuel ethanol fermentations, the investigators will:

1. Identify contaminants from representative fuel ethanol fermentations.
2. Determine the concentration of antibiotics in dry distillers grains.
3. Identify endolysins active against contaminants from objective.
4. Demonstrate effectiveness of endolysins in lab-scale fuel ethanol fermentations.

The principal investigators for this study are Drs. Michael Miller and Vijay Singh.

The Institute of Food Technologists’ Foundation has disbursed more than $9.6 million to IFT programs that provide funding for science-based communications, graduate and undergraduate scholarships and career guidance resources.

The IFT Student Association and IFT Foundation raised over $45,000 at the Fun Run in Chicago with the highest number of participants and division and corporate sponsors in seven years.

Bruce Ferree, Section/Division Councilor of the Northern California Section IFT, was the top fundraiser for the 2007 Fun Run.

Please contact Elizabeth Plummer at ejplummer@ift.org if your IFT Section is interested in establishing a scholarship for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Please contact Anna Proctor at akproctor@ift.org for volunteer opportunities with the IFT Foundation.

Honor a special person or acknowledge an achievement with a tribute gift to the IFT Foundation at https://members.ift.org/IFT/Foundation/Secure/OnlineDonation.htm.

IFT members may also explore whether their company will match contributions through Matching Gift Programs.
**Suppliers’ Night**

**Attendee Registration Form**

**Attendee Registration Form for Chicago Section IFT Suppliers’ Night**

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(minutes from O’Hare Airport)

**Noon – 6:00 p.m.**

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*Your admission badge will be waiting for you at the door!*  

Those who intend to register at the Convention Center should bring a business card.