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Greetings from the Chair-Elect

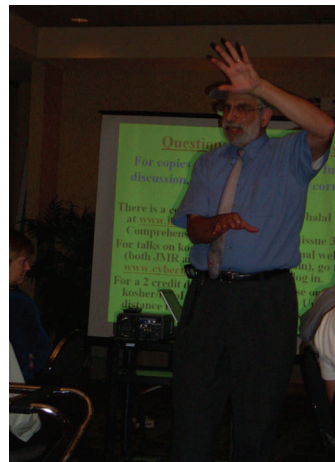
I want to thank all of those who attended our first meeting of the year. Dr. Joe Regenstein gave a very interesting presentation on what is going on at IFT. He also spoke about Kosher and Halal foods. We had an excellent attendance and a lively discussion.

The next meeting will be held on December 5 at the Pontchartrain Winery.

John Seago will present a lecture and tasting on wine-food interactions. This promises to be a very lively and entertaining evening with the opportunity to learn a bit more about wine and food.

I encourage every member to participate in these events and hope to see you all at the next meeting.

Sincerely,
John W. Finley
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seeks to retain and celebrate individual differences and therefore will not discriminate based on race, color, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, national origin, disability or veteran status.



Reminder: Submitting Session Proposals and Abstracts

IFT is now accepting session proposals and abstracts for the 2008 Annual Meeting. This allows you to take part in promoting the most up to date developments and contributing to the vital exchange of information and ideas in the field of food science. A wide variety of presentation formats are available for you to choose. They include panel discussions, roundtables, symposiums, workshops, and more.



ACTIVITY	DEADLINE
Submit a Session Proposal	December 17, 2007, 4:00 p.m. CT
Submit a Technical Research Paper Abstract	January 7, 2007, 4:00 p.m. CT
Submit a New Products & Technologies Abstract	February 4, 2008, 4:00 p.m. CT

The LSU Food Science Club Finishes the Year With Another Successful Semester

On November 8, 2007, the LSU Food Science Club hosted their Annual Food Science Thanksmas Dinner and Scholarship Night. This event not only featured a competitive pie making contest judged by Chefs Keith Keogh and Paul Prudhomme, but also honored students for their academic achievements. It was also an opportunity for continuing and graduating students to reflect on

a very busy and successful fall semester for the club. During the semester, the LSU Food Science Club raised public awareness of food science through LSU community events such as Tiger Day and Super Science Saturday. Club members also participated in the community service project, Trick-or-Treat for Cans, to benefit the Baton Rouge Food Bank. Along with community activities, the

Food Science Club also saw strong attendance at its monthly meetings with some of these meetings boasting guest speakers from academia and industry. With another successful and productive semester quickly coming to an end, the LSU Food Science Club looks to continue its involvement in the community and on LSU's campus in Spring 2008.



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In Memoriam

Joseph A. Liuzzo, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus of Food Science

Dr. Joe, as he was addressed by so many of us, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, Oct. 19, 2007 due to complications from surgery that was necessary to relieve pain associated with a heart attack that he suffered on October 4th. Dr. Joe received his B.S and M.S. degrees from the University of Florida and the Ph.D. from Michigan State University in Food Science. He came to LSU in 1958 and joined what was then the Department of Agricultural Chemistry and Biochemistry. Dr. Joe was quite proud of the fact that he was a charter member of the Department of Food Science and Technology that was formed in 1962, and sadly, he was the last remaining charter member. His professional interests were in food irradiation, food chemistry & analysis, and utilization of rice and agricultural byproducts. At the top of his vocational interests was almost anything to do with LSU athletics. He was the Faculty Representative to the Athletic Council for many years and was a proud member of baseball coach Bertman's Coaches Club. He was also heavily involved in the American Legion and was commissioner of Baseball for the Legion for many years. He was a long standing member of the Institute of Food Science & Technology and was made a Fellow of IFT in 1993. Among his many other awards include the Professional Scientist Award of the Food Science and Nutrition section of the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists, and the Alumni Award by the Food Science & Human Nutrition Department of Michigan State University. His jovial laugh, slap on the back and heartfelt greetings will be greatly missed! *(excerpted in part from the Eulogy written by Dr. Mary Grodner and presented at his funeral service).*

Samuel P. Meyers, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus of Food Science

Dr. Sam Meyers passed away at home on Friday, Nov 2, 2007, after many years of struggling valiantly with what turned out to be Parkinson's disease. Dr. Meyers was quite literally world-renowned for his work in both Food Science and Marine Science, and it is probably safe to say that his reputation was much greater in the rest of the world, especially in developing countries that thrived on aquaculture, than at home. Dr. Meyers was a Ph.D. graduate of Columbia University and before joining LSU in 1968, was associate professor at the University of Miami, Marine Institute. He served as editor of the Aquatic Microbiology newsletter for 40 years. He also served as a consultant to the Food and Aquaculture Division of the United Nations in the field of shrimp and fish aquaculture. Of all of his accomplishments, he was most proud of his graduate students and the fact that they came from so many different countries. His numerous awards have included the LSU Phi Kappa Phi Research Award, the Dedicated Service Award from the World Aquaculture Society, as well as its Exemplary Service Award. Other recognitions from LSU include the Distinguished Research Master award and the Lipsey Professional Educators Award for outstanding contributions in teaching and professional achievement. In 1985, Dr. Meyers received the first U.S. patent awarded to LSU for a method of using shellfish waste, leading to development of economically valuable seafood byproducts. But to those who knew him, what will be missed most is his wit and humor, which brightened the lives of all those who crossed his path. *(excerpted in part from the obituary published in the Advocate Newspaper, Baton Rouge, LA)*



Meeting Notice

December 5th, 2007

6:00—9:00 p.m.

Presentation by

John Seago

At

Pontchartrain Vineyards

81250 Old Military Rd.

Bush, LA 70431

Meeting Registration

(Please make checks payable to Louisiana Gulf Coast IFT)

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DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Directions to Pontchartrain Vineyards Winery:

From **New Orleans:**

cross the Causeway stay on Hwy. 190 West towards Covington

From **Baton Rouge, Hammond, Slidell...on I-12:**

take exit 63-B north towards Covington stay on Hwy. 190 West



Continue towards Covington on Hwy. 190 West until you come to Business 190, which splits off of Hwy 190 and goes to the right (right of the of Walgreen's). Stay in the right hand lane and follow Business Hwy 190 as it merges into Hwy. 21, after the merge onto Hwy 21 get immediately into the left hand lane and follow Hwy 21 North towards Bogalusa. Stay on Hwy. 21 for approximately 4 miles until you come to LA Hwy. 1082. Turn left on to Hwy. 1082 (Old Military Road) and continue for 6.5 miles. We are on the right!

