



## Message from the Chair

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Chicago Section IFT 2014-2015 Chair  
FONA International Inc.

Dear CSIFT Members and Friends,

Our October 20 dinner meeting featured Dr. Devin Peterson, Professor and Director of the Flavor Research and Education Center as he spoke on *Understanding Alcohol Flavor: Opportunities to Modify Smoothness*. We had over 100 people register of which includes 10 first-time attendees to our dinner meeting and 15 non-members. Thank you to all that helped with this event!

The Chicago Section IFT is blessed with many outstanding volunteers, all volunteering their time and talents for the betterment of the Section. The Section is deeply appreciative of the volunteers, and also appreciative of the companies that graciously allow their employees time away from their work.

I would like to introduce the Committee Chairs of the Chicago Section IFT. Our Committee Chairs are:

- Auditing – Terry Schwartz (McGladrey),
- Awards/Nominating – John Chambers (DMH Ingredients),
- Finance – Uwe Nienaber (Kraft Foods),
- Golf Outing – Mike Hosler (Mission Flavors) and John Fenstermacher (ICL Foods),
- Historian – Sanford Wolgel (Consultant),
- Hospitality – Keith Schafer,
- Host Section Activities – Pat Sullivan,
- House – Manoj Shah (Consultant),
- Long-Range Plan – Dan Best (Best Vantage Inc),
- Marketing – Denise Michalik,
- Membership – Joy Dell'Aringa (EMSL Analytical, Inc.) & Sharim Lane,
- New Professionals – Molly Connor (Kraft Foods) & Niki Hernandez (Flavorchem),
- Professional Development – Susan Abraham-Rivera (AgriFIS, Inc.),
- Program – Glenn Bluemer (Barry Callebaut),



- Sergeant-at-Arm – Laura Colby (Kraft Foods)
- Scholarship – Nancy Moriarity (Pepsico),
- Suppliers' Night – Jim Anderson (Trancendim Solutions), and
- Tanner Lecture - Zuoxing Zheng (Valent BioSciences Corporation)

We have some exciting events coming up to mark your calendar!

The Professional Development Committee has scheduled a **Technical Breakfast Session on October 30 entitled, “Say No to PHO?”**, which is to give an update on the pending FDA ruling, its impact on Partially Hydrogenated Oils, and alternatives. Speakers for the event include Rick Cummisford of Columbus Vegetable Oils and Dr. Gerald McNeill, VP of Research and Development, for IOI Loders Croklaan.

Our **Suppliers’ Night will be on Wednesday, November 12 from 11-6:30 PM** at the Donald E. Stephens Center in Rosemont. Don’t miss Dr. A. Elizabeth Sloan, contributing editor of Food Technologies Magazine, who is speaking on *“What’s Next? New Food & Beverage Ops, Issues, & Cues for Growth”* beginning at 11 AM. The Expo opens at noon.

Our next dinner meeting is scheduled for **December 8** where we are excited to have **Anthony Anscrombe, Lawyer, Sedgwick Law Firm to speak on “What’s Cooking in Food and Beverage Litigation, and Tips For Staying Out of the Stew.”**

The Section will host a **New Professionals Paint Nite event** at the Fox & Hound Schaumburg on November 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 - 9:00pm.

The next **Career Guidance** event is entitled **“Innovation”** on **December 11th** at the Lake Forest Graduate School of Management. The speaker will be Corrine Miller, Lake Forest Graduate School of Management.

We are looking forward to seeing you at these events!

Best regards,

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