

ACFSTA

EXTRA LETTERS TO MEMBERS

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The Association of Chinese Food Scientists & Technologists in America

旅美中國食品科技學會

July 10, 1981

Dear Members:

Our 1981 Annual Meeting was successfully held on the evening of June 8, at the Peng's Restaurant in Atlanta. As part of our tradition (not a very good one unfortunately), only 35 attendents pre-registered but more than 100 people showed up for dinner.

Under these circumstances, it is really very difficult for people in charge to arrange a Chinese style banquet. Even with a gusty commitment from our immediate past president, Santa Lin, by guaranteeing 8 tables and instantaneously adding 1 more, we were still short about 12 seats for the banquet. Most members, who were not seated at the banquet table, were kind enough to order their own meal and stayed on through the meeting. We would like to apologize to those people and express our appreciation for their understanding, cooperation and enthusiasm. Although there was a temporary confusion near the registration desk, we were very happy to see such a great turnout, particularly, to have 24 new members join our association; 22 guests from Taiwan joined our dinner.

During last year, under the direction of Santa Lin, our association made considerable progress. The ones most worth mentioning are as follows:

1. A membership data file system is established.
2. Helped Taiwan's Ministry of Economic Affairs collect the data from our members, which enabled the Ministry to establish 104 computerized data of our member's expertise.
3. The quarterly newsletter is upgraded to contain some articles which are useful to some of our members.
4. A Chinese version of our association's by-law was published.
5. Collected suggestions from our members regarding Taiwan's Food R&D and food industry, regulation and safety. The reply from Taiwan was published in the last newsletter.

As a professional organization, we owe a lot to Santa Lin and his colleagues in Ralston-Purina, such as Angel Yang, Honz-Ming Soo, David Chou and others who helped him. A great deal of personal time and effort was required to accomplish this.



As your president for 81/82, I would like to report to you the state of our association and the objectives and action plans for the activities for 81/82 and 82/83:

1. Our new officers (1981/82) are:

President:	Sherman S. Lin Anderson Clayton Foods
President-elect:	Anthony H. Chen Anderson Clayton Foods
Secretary & Treasurer:	Peter J. Wan Anderson Clayton Foods

Executive Committees are:

Sherman S. Lin (Pres.)	Anthony H. Chen (Pres.elect)
Santa H. Lin (Pres. 80-81)	Ralston-Purina
Lun-Shin Wei (Pres. 78-79)	U. of Illinois
Joseph J. Jen (Pres. 77-78)	Campbell Soup
William T.H. Chang (1980-1982)	Miles Labs
Anu Choy Yiu (1980-1982)	Uncle Ben's Foods
T. C. Chen (1981-1983)	Miss. State U.
Catherina Y.W. Aug (1981-1983)	USDA-SEA

2. Financial report will be published in the next newsletter.

3. Action plans for 81/82 and 82/83.

Since our association was organized in 1974, our activities have been limited mostly to social functions. It has given all of us an excellent opportunity to get to know each other during the IFT Convention. I am sure a lot of you have established some good new friendships during the past seven years. Although our association has grown substantially in both membership and activity, a lot of our members feel that we, a group of highly trained specialists, can and should try to do more.

Because of the nature of our association, it is very easy for most of us to become uninvolved except once a year "go to the party." In order for our organization to grow, to become a more meaningful affiliation for all of us, every member should become involved in some kind of activity. Everyone should feel "I am part of it" instead of "that's their problem." Based upon this philosophy, Tony Chen and I have drawn up an action plan as I presented in the last meeting in Atlanta. A copy of the plan is attached to this letter.

In order to carry out our plans, 6 different committees have been organized. Chairmen for each committee have been selected and appointed. Each chairman will have the total responsibility and authority to organize and recruit committee members and to carry out the assigned tasks. The president will only coordinate and make collective reports on the progress of various committee's work.

I hope every member will volunteer their services. Select the committee you like; call or write to the chairman; or, at least when the chairman calls, say "YES", not "no." If you have any suggestions, please feel free to write or call any of the committee chairmen. If you would like to discuss publicly anything concerning the welfare of our association, we will be more than happy to publish your letter in the newsletter.

All the committee chairmen are committed to do their jobs, let's all give them a helping hand. Let me end this letter by saying "with unity" we shall have strength.

Sincerely,



Sherman S. Lin

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Attachments

ACFSTA PLANS FOR 81/82 AND 82/83

1. OBJECTIVES

a. Function

Broaden social function to social and technical function.
Create meaningful activities for all members to get involved.

b. Consulting

Utilize the experience and expertise of all members to provide consultation and/or technical assistance to food industry in mother country.

2. ACTION PLAN AND TARGET

Organize different committees, elect or appoint committee chairman who will select the committee members and coordinate committee activities.

Committee chairmanship shall be multi-year term so that continuity of activity can be ensured.

a. Fund Raising Committee - Chairman, Sherman S. Lin

Possible sources:

- (1) raise membership dues
- (2) corporate membership
- (3) advertisements in ACFSTA publication
- (4) consulting

Objective:

- (1) upgrade ACFSTA publication
- (2) financial assistance to student member
free room in IFT convention
scholarship

b. Publication Committee - Chairman, Peter J. Wan

Objectives:

- (1) start technical topics in ACFSTA publication
- (2) change Newsletter to a quarterly journal.
- (3) collect and publish information of all the food science departments within USA and Canada, particularly the faculty names and their specialized field. This publication will be sent to universities in mother land.
- (4) Directory
publish every five years, new members and address changes will be published in the journal.

c. Consultory Committee - Chairman, Anthony H. Chen

Objective:

Offer consultation to food industry and food research organization in mother country to solve production, R&D technical problems. Fee may be charged for the consultation. Consulting fee may be paid to the consultant who in turn may donate portion of it to the association.

d. Education Committee - Chairman, William T. H. Chang

Objectives:

To plan and organize short course and/or workshop to be held in mother land. The subjects shall be the ones which are urgently needed over there.

e. Annual Meeting Committee - Chairman, Santa H. Lin

Objectives:

- (1) To plan and arrange annual meeting.
- (2) Ultimate objective of holding some technical session in the future.

f. Employment Committee - Chairman, Robert T. I. Ma

Objectives:

- (1) Assist the graduating students in job hunting.
- (2) Assist food industry and R&D institution in mother land on recruiting new employees from U.S. or Canada.

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July 2, 1981

Dear Fellow Member:

As you may not know, six committees were formed to better serve our society since the last IFT convention in Atlanta. Of particular interest are the consulting and educational committees which are responsible for providing technical assistance to our Motherland.

As Chairman of the Consulting Committee, I would like to acquaint you with the role of this committee within the society. The purpose of the Consulting Committee is to utilize our members' various expertise in solving technical problems for the food industry in the Mother Country. The major function of the Consulting Committee is to create opportunity for every available member for making significant contributions to the Chinese food industry and to be recognized by their expertise and reputation so that entrepreneurship would be possible. Of course, the consultation will only operate with the condition that there should be no conflict of interest between the consulting members and their current employers. Consulting fees will be paid by the clients according to the magnitude of their problems. In order to generate sufficient funding to further improve the effectiveness of our society, this consulting fee will be share by the consulting members and the society. The exact format of how the fee will be divided has not been established yet.

I am honored to serve on the Consulting Committee and I am also fortunate to have the following well-qualified members who have agreed to serve on the committee:

Dr. Catharina Ang of USDA
Dr. T. H. William Chang of Miles Laboratories
Dr. Tung Shan Chen of California State U., Northridge
Mr. George C. Chu of Americanmaize Co.
Dr. Yun Chi Jao of Miles Laboratories
Dr. Robert T.I. Ma of Quaker Oats Co.

In order to better organize the various expertise within our society, I need to have a recent resume. Since your resume will be used by both Consulting and Education (responsible for organizing technical workshop and seminar) Committees, please give detailed information regarding the following areas:



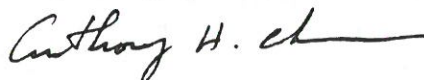
1. Academic training.
2. Professional and/or teaching experience.
3. Area of specialty.
4. Foreign language other than Chinese and English.
5. Spoken dialects in Chinese.

Please send your resume to me no later than the 15th of Aug. My address is:

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Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,



A. H. Chen,
Chairman of
Consulting
Committee

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Dear Members:

July 16, 1981

As I reported in " the letter from president ", six different committees have been organized to carry out the various activities planned for the coming years. Since fund raising committee is considered to be the least popular job, I have volunteered myself for this position.

Among the 4 possible sources of revenues i.e. (1) raising membership dues, (2) soliciting corporate membership, (3) soliciting advertisement for ACFSTA publication and (4) provide consultation and charge for the service, item #1 is of immediate concern to all of us.

According to the by laws, the membership dues were temporarily set at \$2.00 for students and \$4.00 for professionals. These dues tend to be too low for a professional organization. In the past years, we were fortunate to have many members making generous contribution every year to prevent our organization from going red. Because of inflation and expanded activities and also because we believe the organization belongs to every one of us, the burden of carrying the organization should be shared by all of us, it was proposed at the last Executive Committee meeting in Atlanta that the membership dues be raised.

Since raising membership due would constitute an amendment to the by-laws, it will require a simple majority approval of the membership. A ballot regarding membership due adjustment is attached. please cast your vote and return it to me before August 15, 1981 so that new dues can be officially set and collection of dues can be started.

To help you making the decision, a budget for FY 81/82 is prepared and presented as follows;

Quarterly Publication Cost	
Printing	\$1400.00
Mailing/handling	\$ 320.00
Correspondence	
Printing	\$ 80.00
Mailing	\$ 290.00
Directory	\$ 60.00
Secretary/typing service	\$ 150.00
Stationery	\$ 150.00

Total \$2450.00



According to our current record, we have 56 student members and 131 professional members. In the past, student membership due is half of the professional's. By using the same base, the professional membership due is calculated as follows:

$$2450.00/[131 + (56/2)] = 15.41$$

To meet our basic financial needs, the minimum due for professional shall be \$15.00 & \$7.50 for student. Of course the more active we are the more money will be spent. So please use the best of your judgement when you vote on this important subject.

Your cooperation will be most encouraging to the officers and will be greatly appreciated.



Sherman S. Lin

President/Fund Raising Committee
Chairman

P.S. For your convenience, the **BALLOT** is attached as the back cover of this **EXTRA**. Please detach, fold, and mail it before August 15.

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BALLOT FOR ACFSTA MEMBERSHIP DUE ADJUSTMENT

I, _____, vote for membership dues adjustment
 (print your name)

as follows;

Professional:	\$ 4.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	Other _____
Student:	\$2.00	\$ 5.00	\$10.00	Other _____
Supporting:	\$25.00	\$30.00		Other _____
Honorary:	\$40.00	\$50.00		Other _____
Corporate	\$200.00			Other _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Opinion:

