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Chinese American Food Society

Quarterly Newsletter

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Letter From the President

Dear CAFS members:

Again, we find ourselves at the beginning stage of a new fiscal/operational year. To move forward, let's share this new beginning with our best wishes in the areas of celebration, communication, and membership.

1. Celebration: CAFS' 30th anniversary is approaching! Over the past 30 years CAFS's pioneers have established and given to us a solid organization and a wealth of experience that has paved the way for us and future members to flourish. Thus, CAFS' Annual Banquet and Meeting Committee (chaired by Dr. James Moy) is planning to expend our regular annual meeting program (in July 2005, New Orleans, Louisiana) for celebrating the 30-years anniversary. More progress news will come soon and we will need all members' support and participation on this historical event.

2. Communication: Maintaining a good communication with its members is another important assignment for CAFS's officers. Fortunately we have find exceedingly capable members voluntarily helping us to accomplish this goal. First and foremost, we will continually publishing our Quarterly Newsletter. As you read this newsletter, you shall see that our new Secretary Hong Zhuang has done an excellent job in editing this newsletter. Furthermore, I would like to draw your attention to CAFS's new official web-site at the original address (www.cafsnets.org), where our new Web Communication Chair YiFang Chu has established a well organized new web-site at a much lowered cost to CAFS. We anticipate to see more development and utilization of these communication services in the future.

3. Membership: We are committed to increasing our members. However, we can not do this without first having an accurate count on our existing members. A recent report from our Treasurer, Dr. Martin Lo, indicates that so far this year we have 46 professional and 7 student individuals paid CAFS membership fees. Adding our life-time members, we are still seeing many listed members have not renew their membership. So, if you are one of them, please be encouraged and reminded to send your check to Martin. The membership application and renewal form is attached with this newsletter and is also available on our web-site. Our Membership Committee (Chaired by Dr. Amos Wu) is planning to issue a CAFS membership card to all professional and student members in a few months.

CAFS's successes have always been depended on individual members like you. Later in this newsletter you will find a list our current officers and committee chairs. It is my great pleasure and honor to work with this group of volunteers. I trust that we will continually provide the best possible services to the Society in 2004-2005.

Warmest Regards,

Steven Pao
President

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Letter From Past President

Dear CAFS Member:

Time flies! As Dr. Steven Pao and his new officers took office at our last Annual Banquet, my responsibility as the President of CAFS was also concluded. My most sincere thanks go to all officers who served with me in the past year, Ms. Judy Chan, Mr. Yifang Chu, Dr. I-Ping Ho, Dr. Martin Lo, Dr. James Moy, Dr. Zulin Shi, and Dr. Cindy Wu. In addition, I want to thank all Committee Chairs and Members for volunteering the positions. Most importantly, thank all members' support to CAFS as you are the reason for our continuing growth and successful.

Throughout the past year, we have shared with you the activities CAFS has been engaging in the timely manner using both the Newsletters and our Website. However, I would like to use this opportunity to mention a few things that carry bigger impact to the Society.

Firstly, the established of new permanent website address now is widely known as WWW.CAFSNET.ORG. From Newsletter (current and past issues) to the history of CAFS or Annual Banquet Information, the website is no doubt a very powerful form of communication and we should strike for even higher utilization. Also, our effort in continuously working with IFT and its International Division at the professional level, such as sponsoring the Technical Session, is remained a very important part of the Society's activities. Thank Dr. Yao-Wen Huang, Dr. Cathy Ang, Dr. James Moy, and Dr. Peggy Hsieh for their efforts to make this possible. Finally, our endorsement to the 2nd Food Summit in Beijing sponsored by IFT/CIFST certainly further cement our relationship with our follow professional organizations. We have done so by being part of the Food Summit Organization Committee in US. Thank goes to Dr. Zulin Shi for his time and energy to make this happen.

Thinking so many things have happened in the last 12 months, it is not possible to report everything CAFS' Members had done for the Society. However, I sincerely encourage you to continuously support CAFS as you are today and even step up your participation level by running for one the officer position. Remember! This is your Society...Your Chinese American Food Society.

Sincerely,

Kenny Chuang
Past President, (2003-2004)

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Financial Report: 2003 - 2004

Item	Amount	Notes
Beginning Balance	\$11,646.91	As of 5/31/2003 Including 2003 Banquet Pre-Reg \$90
2003 Annual Banquet:		
Mountain View Restaurant Deposit	\$(450.00)	To Kenny Chuang 9/23/2003
Mountain View Restaurant Cash Payment	\$(1,679.00)	Paid at the end of banquet 7/14/2003
Mountain View Restaurant Check Payment	\$(1,345.00)	Paid at the end of banquet 7/14/2003
Pre-Registration Mailed-in	\$1,101.00	Deposited 7/11/2003
Membership Mailed-in with Pre-Registration	\$170.00	Deposited 7/11/2003
On-Site Registration (cash)	\$1,589.00	
On-Site Registration (check)	\$637.00	Deposited 7/24/2003
Membership Dues Received in Cash	\$90.00	4 professionals + 1 student
Membership Dues Received in Check	\$40.00	2 professionals, Deposited 7/24/2003
Expenses (Gifts and stationary)	\$(808.63)	To Kenny Chuang 9/23/2003
2003 Scholarship	\$(100.00)	To Jing Chen 7/18/2003
2003 Scholarship	\$(100.00)	To Chi-Kong Yeung 7/18/2003
Subtotal	\$(855.63)	
Bank Account and Mailbox Rental:		
P.O. Box Rental	\$(28.50)	6/11/2003
P.O. Box Rental	\$(58.00)	12/11/2003
Subtotal	\$(86.50)	
Incomes:		
California Almond Board Donation	\$1,000.00	
Lifetime Memberships Received	\$600.00	Kenny Chuang + Albert Chan
Membership Dues Received	\$710.00	
2004 Banquet Pre-Registration	\$240.00	Need to refund \$30 to Dr. Moy
Subtotal	\$2,550.00	
Expenses:		
Newsletter	\$(276.58)	To Judy Chan 6/23/2003

Congratulate the Winners of 2004 CAFS Awards

Awards were presented to the awardees at 2004 Annual Meeting by Dr. Yong D. Hang, Chair of Award Committee

CAFS Professional Achievement Award

Dr. Peggy Hsieh
Professor of Food Science
Florida State University



Above: Dr. and Professor Peggy Hsieh received her award in 2004 CAFS Banquet at Hilton, Las Vegas

Graduate Student Scholarship Award

Chien-Sheng Chen
Cornell University

Jie Sun
Cornell University

Chang-Shu Liu
Cornell University

High School Student Scholarship Award

Winnie Wu

Kevin Huang

Please Renew Your Membership

IFT International Award becomes Bor S. Luh International Award in 2005

~Reported by James H. Moy

On May 21, 2004, Mr. Larry Y. Lee, former student of Dr. Bor S. Luh at UC-Davis, and president of Liway International, Inc. proposed to the IFT Awards Committee that the IFT International Award be changed to the Bor S. Luh International Award, with a pledged endowment of \$72,600 by Mrs. Bai-Tsian L. Luh. The proposal cited Dr. Luh's life-long passion and involvement with UN programs to help develop and implement food processing advances worldwide, and his mentoring of more than 100 graduate students (many were international) as the justification for the name change.

The 2004 IFT Award Committee held a meeting through a conference call of 9 members (including this writer) and one IFT staff, Ms. P. Pagliuco on June 11, 2004. Committee members found that the proposal did not change the purpose of the award or the criteria for eligibility as recorded in the International Award description. A motion was made and seconded to recommend to the IFT Management Committee to rename the International Award. The motion was approved by all in attendance. Later, Pamela Tom reported that the IFT Management Committee on Member Experiences met on July 15, 2004 and approved the name change effective with the 2005 award.

Incidentally, Dr. Luh was elected an IFT fellow in 1986. Pamela Tom, who joined CAFS two years ago, is the Seafood Extension Program Manager at UC-Davis, and the 2004-2005 chair of the IFT Award Committee.

CAFS Annual Banquet: Photo Gallery



Above: President of CAFS, Steven Pao was at 2004 CAFS Annual Banquet at Hilton, Las Vegas



Above: Dr. Lucy Sun Hwang, CAFS member elected IFT fellow 2004, gave a speech to CAFS members at 2004 CAFS Annual Banquet

A Very Pleasant 2004 Annual Banquet Meeting in Las Vegas

~Reported by James H. Moy

Our traditional annual banquet meeting was held at the Las Vegas Hilton on July 14, 2004 during the IFT meeting. A few months before the meeting, President-elect Steven Pao spent considerable amount of time looking for a suitable place and date for the banquet. We were lucky to be able to hold it at the Hilton because it was convenient for most members to get there.

During social hours, IFT President (2004-2005) Herbert Stone, Mrs. Stone, President-elect Margaret A Lawson (President 2005-2006), President and CEO Richard Waycott, Dr. Karen Lapsley and Ms Linnea Trojillo of the California Almond Board came to visit with our members before they went to other functions. CAFS President Kenny Chuang opened the banquet meeting by announcing the buffet line was ready. Near the end of the dinner, President Chuang introduced other guests and asked our treasurer Dr. Martin Lo to make a financial report (a balance of \$9,979.02 as of July 10, 2004). President Chuang also reported the successful completion of a CAFS-organized Round Table Discussion on Professional Development – Create your own Job Security (chaired by Kenny Chuang), and two CAFS-cosponsored IFT symposia (see June 2004 Newsletter).

Guests to the banquet meeting included: Prof. Dr. Heinz-Dieter Isengard, Head of the Food Analysis Dept. at the University of Hohenheim in Stuttgart, Germany and current Chair of the IFT International Division; Ing. Huub L.M. Lelieveld of Unilever (recently retired) in Bilthoven, The Netherlands, and Chair-elect of the IFT International Division; Mrs. Ing. M.A. Mostert, a researcher at Unilever, Vlaardingen, The Netherlands; Professor Tony J. Fang (National Chung-Hsing U.); Prof. Chin-Yin Tseng (National Chia-Yi U.); Prof. Chi-Yue Chang (Dayeh U.); Prof. Chwen-Jen Shieh (Dayeh U.) and Dr. James Chen, Lytone Enterprise, Inc. Taiwan.

All CAFS members were pleased to hear the good news that two CAFS members were elected IFT Fellows this year: Professor Lucy S Hwang at the Graduate Institute of Food Science and Technology, National Taiwan U. and Dr. Yen-Con Hung at the University of Georgia-Griffin. Their career developments, achievements, and service to their professions and students were described in the June, 2004 issue of the CAFS Newsletter (pp. 4-5). President Chuang asked these honorees to give a short presentation. Dr. Hwang briefly described the current situation of Taiwan's food industry and food science education. The value of food produced in Taiwan in 2003 was US\$13.5 billion, 5% of total manufacturing, and the 6th largest industry. Taiwan exported \$1.7 billion worth of foods, but imported twice as much. The emphases of the food industry in Taiwan today are 'ready-to-eat' and 'functional' foods. Research emphases are in biotechnology and nanotechnology. Today, 21 universities and technical universities in Taiwan have departments of food science and technology, and 11 have departments of nutrition. Those newly established departments are mostly hotel and restaurant management departments, reflecting the trend of shifting from manufacture-intensive to service-oriented.

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CAFS Annual Banquet: Photo Gallery



Above: Dr. Yong Hang, CAFS Awards Chair, announced the winners of 2004 CAFS Awards

Bellow: Dr. Yong Hang, CAFS Awards Chair, awarded the winner of 2004 CAFS Awards, Dr. Yao-Wen Huang



Above: CAFS members at 2004 Annual Banquet at Hilton, Las Vegas

2004 Annual Banquet Report by Dr. Moy (cont'd)

Dr. Hung gave members his golden rule of success: There are things in life that one has to try. If you don't try, you would never know if you would succeed. He gave the example of being nominated as a fellow of the IFT, and he succeeded.

Dr. Moy briefly reported the name change of the IFT International award starting in 2005 (see another writing in this newsletter) and the recent passing of Dr. Paul C. Ma. Dr. Ma was born in Shanghai in 1907, received his Ph.D. from Cornell University at 26. His career included the deanship of the Agriculture College of the National Taiwan U., FAO agricultural advisorship in Liberia, Africa, and the directorship of FIRDI in Hsinchu. He was elected an IFT fellow in 1991. He spent the past 8 years in Guangxi, China, teaching technical English and international agriculture. (Dr. Ma's father was a governor of the Guangxi province in the 1930s). While on a tour of Kunming with his daughter early this year, he caught a cold and died of pneumonia at the age of 97 (someone said his birth record was 3 years younger than his actual age). Dr. Ma had an admirable career as an educator and a leader in the food industry in Taiwan.

Dr. Fu-hung Hsieh reported the results of the 2004 CAFS election, which were printed in the June, 2004 issue of our newsletter (p.3).

CAFS' annual awards were reported and presented by Dr. Yong Hang, chair of the Award Committee. This year's high school scholarship winners were Ms Winnie Wu from Palatine, IL and Mr. Kevin Huang from Watkinsville, GA. Graduate scholarships went to Mr. Chien-Sheng, Mr. Jie Sun, and Mr. Chang-Shu Liu, all from Cornell University. And the professional achievement award was presented to Dr. Yun-Hwa Peggy Hsieh, Professor and Tyner Lecturer, Florida State U. at Tallahassee, FL. An innovative researcher, Dr. Hsieh has developed rapid and reliable methods for characterizing several heat-stable muscle proteins as species-marker antigens for producing monoclonal antibodies as a probe for detecting meat origin in heat-processed products. These have led to the detection of meat adulteration and banned tissues in animal feeds, with the unusual ability to prevent the spread of mad cow disease. She has also developed rapid methods for real-time detection of spoilage microorganisms and pathogens in food products. She has received 7 patents, and has been an invited speaker at more than 50 national and international conferences. Prior to joining FSU in 2003, she taught and conducted research at Auburn U. for 10 years. She was CAFS president in 2000-2001, the year CAFS celebrated its 25th anniversary in Dallas.

President Chuang brought a new gavel and presented it to president-elect Steven Pao, who then assumed the presidency for 2004-2005. A drawing of door prizes causing some anticipation and excitement concluded the evening's program.

Congratulate Birth of Chinese Canadian Association of Food



Letter from CAFS President Steven Pao

August 23, 2004

Dr. John Shi
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Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure and honor, as President of the Chinese American Food Society (CAFS), to congratulate you on the birth of Canadian Chinese Association of Food Industry and Professionals (CCAFIP) and to extend greetings to those who will be gathered for the 2004 general meeting in Toronto.

I commend your founding members of the new Association for their dedication and determination to promote food technology development and collaboration in the food industry.

Located in North America, the Chinese American Food Society (CAFS) has been active in coordinating and



servicing food professionals and the industry for nearly 30 years. I anticipate that we will work closely in the future in building collaboration and friendship.

Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable and successful meeting.

Sincerely,

Steven Pao, Ph.D.
President (2004-2005)
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USDA-MOST (China) Workshop on Agricultural (Food) Products Processing - Beginning of a New Milestone

~By Hongda Chen

A workshop on agricultural (food) products processing organized by the United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST), China, was successfully conducted in Monterey Park, CA, followed by field trips to local food industries in the greater Los Angeles area, from July 19-23, 2004. This was the first ever bi-lateral, high level collaboration between food scientists led by the two governments. Several CAFS members played significant roles in this endeavor. The following is a brief account of the event.

US Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman and China's MOST Minister Guanhua Xu signed a Protocol on Cooperation in Agriculture Science and Technology on December 10, 2002. It is well recognized that USA and China are two of the greatest economies in the world. Food and agriculture are of vital importance to the national economy and the humanity. The purpose of the Protocol is to benefit agriculture in both countries through cooperation in science and research, and to reinforce the central role of science in the regulatory systems. Dr. Joseph J. Jen, Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics at the USDA, and also CAFS President 1977-78, was instrumental in the initiation and development of this Cooperation Protocol. Dr. Jen has been leading US efforts for its full implementation since its initiation.

Agricultural products processing, one of the six cooperation areas as specified in the Protocol, was chosen as a high priority for 2004 by Dr. Jen and Mr. Xueyong Li, Vice Minister of MOST. To start, Dr. Jen envisioned holding a workshop for exchanging information on the current research interests and capabilities, and defining the framework for future cooperation in a broad area of food science and technology between the USDA and the MOST. I was given the privilege of organizing the workshop and coordinating the related activities. Under Dr. Jen's direct guidance, the workshop and field trips were nicely planned and smoothly carried out. The Southern California IFT section (SCIFTS), responding to my request, provided outstanding logistic support under the leadership of Ms. Margaret Lawson, the IFT President 2005-2006 and Dr. Samuel Wang, CAFS Present 1998-99.

The workshop was held in Monterey Park, CA, from July 19 to 21. Dr. Jen hosted a welcome reception banquet for all of the workshop participants and the local supporters on the evening of July 19. The Chinese delegation, led by VM Li, consisted of 26 food scientists, academic leaders, and high level government officials. The US delegation had about forty selected food scientists, including Drs. Peter Wan (CAFS President 1986-87), Yaowen Huang (CAFS President 1990-91) and Yen-Con Hung (CAFS President 1997-98). Among the local hosts, CAFS member present at the dinner included Drs. Samuel Wang, Mike Chen, Angel Yang, Tzong-Shin Lin and Luo-Ching Yang.

Dr. Jen kicked off the workshop by giving a keynote speech on the morning of July 20. He reviewed the history of developing the Protocol and related efforts, pointed out the significance of the collaboration in food and agricultural science between the two great countries, and then gave his expectation and tasks to the workshop members. After Dr. Jen's presentation, VM Li also delivered his remarks from the Chinese perspective. The workshop then proceeded to plenary and breakout sessions.

Through the two-day workshop the scientists from both countries gained a much better understanding of each other. Twenty two plenary presentations were given by US and Chinese food scientists in four broad technical areas, namely processing engineering, new products technologies, foods and health, and food quality measurement, characterization and enhancement. The US scientists also gave more than 20 short technical presentations (5 minutes each) in breakout sessions. In addition, four special luncheon speeches covered marketing, food entrepreneurship in small business, food quality and safety training and certification, and an academic exchange model with China. Four breakout sessions provided the participants with opportunities to discuss possible collaborations in detail. Multiple interest groups were formed on site. Additional leads will be pursued by the Chinese participants when they return home.

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USDA-MOST Report by Hongda Chen (cont'd)

A major outcome of the workshop was a compilation of more than 60 collaborative research ideas proposed by

the participants. These proposals reflected the high level of enthusiasm of the participants from both countries, and will serve as the basis for developing meaningful long-term collaborations in the future.

The workshop content, including the program and all the presentations, will be posted on the USDA/CSREES website shortly. A report on the workshop will be prepared and printed in the near future. If you are interested in more information, please contact me at hchen@csrees.usda.gov.

Following the workshop, a two-day field trip to local food industries was provided for the Chinese delegation. The company tour program was organized by Dan Rosson of Hasegawa Flavor. The companies visited included EB Manning (slaughter house/processing), Lee Kum Kee (Asian sauce processor), Juanita Foods (Mexican foods, retort processing, canning, hot pack), Best Formulation Co. (formulating and packaging of health supplements), Ventura Foods (processing, oil, and salad dressing), and T. Hasegawa USA Inc (flavors and fragrances manufacturer). To help the Chinese guests better understand the US food industry during the field trips, Drs. Samuel Wang, Mike Chen, Yaowen Huang, Peter Wan and 3 graduate students provided interpretation and answered technical questions. Dr. Mike Chen, a long-time CAFS member, who lives in Monterey Park, provided additional local support for the event.

I would like to particularly thank Dr. Samuel Wang for his enthusiasm and assistance with this event. He volunteered numerous hours of his time working on every detail of many logistic issues and did a terrific job! For those who aspire to learn how to successfully handle the logistics of similar events, I highly recommend Dr. Wang. Hey, if you are lucky, you may get him help you with your whole event.



Above: Group picture of Chinese delegates and local hosts at Lee Kum Kee Food Co.



Above: CAFS member honorable Dr. Joe Jen and Mr. Li held an Q&A at the USDA-MOST Workshop



Above: Hongda Chen and Samuel Wang after the USDA-MOST Workshop



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Editor's Note

Dear CAFS Members:

I have been attending CAFS activities in IFT for years and have learned a great deal about this organization and its people. CAFS is a very professional organization consisting of many dedicated and professional members. I feel honored to have this opportunity to serve the organization like CAFS as Secretary and Newsletter Editor.

As Judy Chen, the former CAFS Newsletter Editor said in one of her Editor's Note, editing a newsletter is not as easy task as you may think. The completion of this issue would not be possible without the invaluable suggestions, advices and help provided by members on the executive committee. I would like to thank Judy Chan, YiFang Chu, Kenny Chuang, Peggy Hsieh, April Hsu, Martin Lo, James Moy and Steven Pao. I also would like to say that I appreciate the contributors who shared their news in this issue.

Finally, I hope this Quarterly Newsletter works as an interaction window among the members and between the executive officers and the regular members. I also hope you can enjoy reading this Quarterly Newsletter in your leisure time to know who is who and how they are doing.

Please let me know your suggestion and ideas on how to make the Newsletter better.

Member News in Pictures



Above: CAFS member Dr. Joe Jen, the Undersecretary of Agriculture for Research, Education and Economics, on the cover page of the Quarterly Mei-Guo-Tong Magazine distributed on the West Coast.



Above: CAFS member Dr. Sean X. Liu from Rutgers University spent his summer months (10 weeks) in NASA Johnson Space Center as a NASA Faculty Fellow

Please Renew Your Membership

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