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Message from the President

Dear CAFS Members,

It is a great privilege and honor for me to serve CAFS as the new president. I personally take this opportunity seriously with responsibility.

Over the past forty-one years, CAFS has been an excellent platform and bridge and has provided many opportunities of information exchange and networking among CAFS members and related professionals. Now, as our world as a whole is facing critical challenges, such as climate change, food supply and safety, and human health, we as food scientists and engineers are more than ever empowered with responsibilities to bring about knowledge and technology innovations and develop effective solutions and policies to address the

societal needs. I suggest the following areas that could be focused as CAFS moves forward in another exciting year.

1. Expand the membership by recruiting more members.

Particularly, now China sends a large number of graduate students and scholars aboard. They will be a great asset for CAFS.

2. Provide more services to CAFS members.



3. Enhance the working relationship of CAFS with IFT and related societies and organizations.
4. Promote CAFS members in professional communities and societies and recognize their achievements.

To address the tasks in the focused areas of our society, several new committees have been formed or renamed, such as New Initiatives and Long Range Planning, and Student Affairs and Advisory Committee. The committee chairs will provide their vision and goals in the Committee Chair Column in this issue of Newsletter.

I believe that with concerted effort of our members, we will be able to continue our well-developed programs, initiate some new activities and make improvements with the goal of better serving our members and society. Your suggestions and participation are the most important for achieving our common goals.

I am looking forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Zhongli Pan, Ph.D.
CAFS President for 2016-2017

A Brief Bio about Dr. Zhongli Pan

Dr. Zhongli Pan serves as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, University of California – Davis and Research Engineer at the Western Regional Research Center, USDA-ARS. He has led many international cooperation activities and research projects through his academic and research career at UC Davis and the USDA Agricultural Research Service. He also served as the Director of World Food Center - China at UC Davis from 2015-2016 with a major effort in developing the World Food Center's cooperation with China for improved global food safety and security.

Dr. Pan received his Ph.D. degree in Food Engineering from the Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, University of California, Davis, in 1998. He had outstanding work experience in academia, research institutions and industry. He authored more than 270 scientific publications, patents, books and book chapters. Dr. Pan received several prestigious awards, including 2007 Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers, 2007 Herbert L. Rothbart Outstanding Early Career Research Scientist Award of the USDA-ARS, 2008 Bring Charm to the World Award in China, 2012 Distinguished Career Award - Association of Overseas Chinese Agricultural, Biological, and Food Engineers. He was an invited speaker at various international conferences. He has been serving in various leadership positions at several organizations, including President and former Executive Committee Director of Chinese American Food Society; Member of Academic Committee of Beijing Advanced Innovation Center for Food Nutrition and Human Health; Member of International Research Advisory Panel, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi of Thailand; Member of Global Experts (Thousand Talent Plan) of China; President of Association of Overseas Chinese Agricultural, Biological and Food Engineers; Member of Trustee of American Society of Biological and Agricultural Engineers (ASABE) Foundation Board; Vice President of Asian Association for Agricultural Engineering; Vice Chairman of Editorial Board of International Journal of Agricultural and Biological Engineering; and Member of Editorial Board, Polish Journal of Food and Nutrition Sciences.

Message from the Past President



Dear CAFS members:

I appreciate the opportunity to serve as the 2015-2016 President of CAFS. It is a very rewarding experience for me to work with a group of enthusiastic people. I sincerely appreciate your support during my service and thank the 2015-2016 CAFS Executive Committee; Drs. Lihan Huang and Andy Hwang, Membership Director and Membership Directory Editor, for their hard work; Drs. Qinchun Rao and Fanbin Kong, Secretary and Newsletter Editor, for doing a wonderful job; Dr. Zachary Zheng, Treasurer, for keeping our financial status healthy; Drs. Yuguang Lo, Guangwei Huang, and Fanbin Kong for their leadership in the Award Committee and Nomination Committee; Dr. Haiqiang Chen, Web Committee Chair, for maintaining our website; Ms. Yue Cui for leading the Student Committee in assisting CAFS activities; Dr. Hongda Chen for guiding CAFS by-laws; Drs. Sean Liu, Jason Wan, and Wenjie Liu, Executive Directors, and Dr. Zhongli Pan, 2015-2015 President-Elect, for assisting CAFS business; Dr. Olive Yao Li, Executive Director, for leading the mentorship

programs; and Dr. Martin Lo for maintaining the non-profit organization (tax-exempt) status of CAFS. I also want to thank many volunteers for their hard work and contributions to our society.

We had a very successful 2016 annual business meeting and banquet in Chicago with a record number of more than 160 members and friends attending the event. It was so great to see you there. Thank you for your participation and the great efforts of the Banquet Committee; Drs. Zhongli Pan (2016-2017 President) and Dr. Jason Wan (2016-2017 President-Elect). I would also like to thank the Almond Board of California and U.S. Dairy Export Council for their monetary sponsorships for the banquet. Special thanks go to Mr. Guangwei Huang for his efforts to engage financial support for CAFS.

Throughout the 2015-2016, we actively recruited new members, outreached to current members, enhanced membership benefits, and promoted CAFS at national and international stages. A new membership recruitment brochure was published and have attracted many new lifetime and student members. The 2015-2016 membership directory was redesigned and updated for more effective networking. We promoted CAFS through sponsoring three international conferences and initiated the planning of establishing a CAFS-IFT Session – China Focus in the IFT Annual Meeting. The latter task is continuing in 2016-2017 and is led by Dr. Zhongli Pan.

I believe that CAFS is in a great shape and has a successful beginning of 2016-2017 under the leadership of President, Dr. Zhongli Pan, and President-Elect, Dr. Jason Wan. I earnestly ask your continuing support and

participation in the society. We are looking for enthusiastic members to join the executive team. If you are interested in or would like to nominate a colleague for new officer positions in the next CAFS election, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Vivian C.H. Wu
CAFS President, 2015-2016

2016 Annual Banquet Report and Highlights

The 2016 Chinese American Food Society Annual Meeting and Banquet were held at the MingHin Cuisine Restaurant in Chicago, Illinois on July 18, 2016. More than 160 members and guests attended the meeting and banquet to network and share the latest news of the organization. This year's banquet marked the 41st Anniversary of the Chinese American Food Society (CAFS) since its founding in 1975! We were honored that many VIPs and invited guests joined us for this special occasion, including Dr. Pingfan Rao, CIFST Vice President and IUFOST Past President, Prof. Evert Ting, Secretary of Chinese American Microbiology Society (CAMS), and Kristie Saitama, VP-Export Ingredients Market, U.S. Dairy Export Council.

The banquet started with welcoming remarks from the CAFS President, Dr. Vivian Wu, followed by the CAFS Annual Business Meeting program including President's Report, Executive Committee and Committee Chairs' reports, and 2016 CAFS Awards. Dr. Wu reported that CAFS membership continued to grow in the 2015/2016 year, reaching a record 90 lifetime members by July 2016. The CAFS Executive Committee continues to substantiate and deliver values to CAFS members, and have developed a membership recruitment flyer. The membership recruitment flyer features prominent CAFS members sharing their top-five reasons for being a CAFS member, and highlights



the benefits of CAFS membership which include professional networking, career development, friendship, Chinese culture, scholarship opportunities, service to community, and leadership opportunities. It is anticipated that the CAFS membership will continue to grow in the 2016/2017 year.

While enjoying the 10-course scrumptious dishes, attendees were delighted with the Door Prize Drawing. We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Almond Board of California and U.S. Dairy Export Council for their generous sponsorship to the banquet, and Institute for Food Safety and Health (IFSH) for providing some of the door prizes for lucky attendees. In addition, the donation of \$300 from the Chinese American Microbiology Society to CAFS is greatly appreciated.

The Annual Meeting and banquet was concluded with the announcement of the new executive board members for the upcoming 2016/2017 year. The CAFS leadership role was passed on to the newly elected officers with Dr. Zhongli Pan as the new CAFS President. We appreciate the participation of

members and friends and contributions of many volunteers to the event.

We hope to see you again at the 2017 CAFS Annual Meeting and Banquet on Monday June 26, 2017 in Las Vegas, NV.

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CAFS Committees 2016-2017 Goals and Updates

Committee of New Initiatives and Long Range planning

By Fanbin Kong

Committee of New Initiatives and Long Range Planning is a new committee initially proposed by current CAFS president Zhongli Pan. The committee is established to promote future activities of CAFS through the development and planning of new initiatives and engaging other committees. The aims of this committee are to identify and evaluate long term strategic goals and implementation strategies for those goals. The specific tasks of the committee include proposing new initiatives, reviewing proposed initiatives, and monitor the implementation process of the initiatives.

Student Committee

By Yue Cui

During the year of 2016-2017, we would like to work on recruiting more student members and try to get them highly involved in CAFS and better serve the CAFS. Currently, the student committee consists of 12 members, who will help organize CAFS event, give updates on wechat in the coming year.

During the year of 2016 and 2017, the student committee will continue help with the mentorship program, and also help with newsletter editing, trying to enhance the communication among CAFS members.

New goal: The student committee would like to use CAFS wechat public account as a platform and try to give an update at least twice a month, including food science related hot topic and news, CAFS activities, job

opportunities, updates on CAFS members, CAFS member highlight, career development tips or other information or stories shared by the CAFS members.

From Directory Editor

By Andy Hwang

The goal is to continue updating the CAFS member information on CAFS membership directory. As of November 21, 2016, CAFS has 90 lifetime, 7 active, and 19 student members, a total of 116 members.

Membership committee

By Lihan Huang

We had a wonderful recruiting activity in the IFT meeting in Chicago in 2016, thanks to many members volunteering to help increasing the CAFS' visibility. Many students and professionals joined the CAFS as a result. The membership committee will continue to work with volunteers to promote CAFS and grow the society in 2017.

Newsletter and Communication Committee

By Dongming Tang

The goal of the NCC (Newsletter and Communication Committee) in 2017 is to communicate the news and update about CAFS members, executives, committees, and activities to all of our members. In addition to the traditional approach, the NCC will promote CAFS and its activities through WeChat, Facebook and other social medias.

2016 CAFS Award Recipients

2016 CAFS Outstanding Student Award:



Yue Cui, the second year Ph. D. student, Department of Food Science & Technology, University of Georgia

- ✚ published 7 research papers
- ✚ recipient of several awards, including 2016 Phi Tau Sigma Student Achievement Scholarship
- ✚ Member/chair of several student organizations

Ph. D. thesis: *Salmonella Enterica and Enterohemorrhagic Escherichia Coli on Vegetable Seeds – Mechanisms of Attachment, Migration and Control*

CAFS Members Updates

Total Member	116
Lifetime member	90
Active member	7
Student member	19



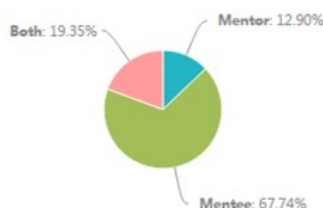
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CAFS 2016-2017 Mentorship Program Updates

CAFS Mentorship program was launched in 2015 based on CAFS members' demand. The CAFS 2014-2015 mentorship program was successful with three pairs of mentor-mentee who were able to establish initial contacts. CAFS student committee has been working closely with CAFS student affairs and advisory committee to resume the mentorship program in 2016-2017.

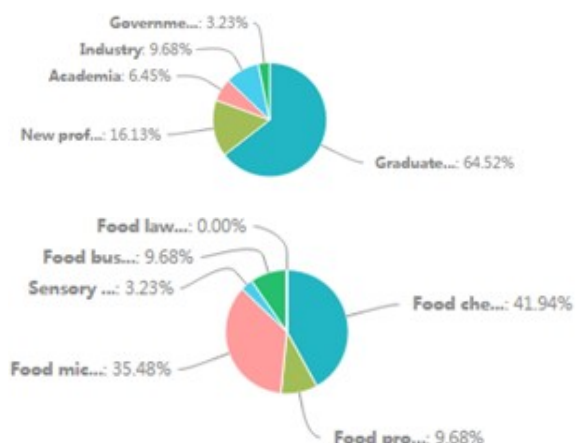
On Oct. 12, 2016, the CAFS mentorship program sent out the first survey, to solicit the needs and comments from CAFS members. In addition, the survey was also distributed via CAFS wechat group and wechat public account.

- In total, 31 responses were collected, including 4 mentors, 21 mentees, and 6 participants interested in both mentor and mentee roles. Roughly



- 65% of participants were graduate students, 16% were new professionals working in the food industry/academia including post-doc fellows, the rest 19% with interest serving as mentors included 6.5% from the academia, 9.7% from the food industry, and 3.2% working in government.
- As for the current or prospective expertise areas, the participants are from or targeting on various areas within food science, including food chemistry and related areas (41.9%), food microbiology and safety (35.5%), food processing and engineering (9.7%), food business and management (9.7%), as well as sensory and consumer sciences (3.2%).

- Roughly 84% participants would prefer one on one communication mode including face to face meetings or via emails/phone calls, while others preferred group or round table discussion.
- 57% of the mentees are interested in careers in the food industry, 36% interested in professional development in the academia, and 7% interested in positions with governmental agencies.
- All mentees would like to explore more than one career pathways and options, as well as networking opportunities from the mentorship program.



Based on the results of the first survey, the mentorship program will facilitate the pairing between mentors and mentees. If you have already replied to the first survey, please stay tuned with follow-up emails that will be sent out soon concerning the pairing information. In addition, the mentorship program is looking for more mentors to participate. If you would like to be a mentor, please fill out the following survey link.

<https://www.wenjuan.com/s/i6v6Nz/>

2016 CAFS Financial Report

--- Prepared by Zuoxing (Zachary) Zheng

Balance forward from FY 2015	\$23228.14
Expenses	
Order additional president's plaques	\$124.59
Shipping president's plaques	\$131.30
Memorial donation to Jun Wong	\$300.00
Subtotal Expense	\$555.89
Income	
Mailed in Membership	\$420.00
Royalty income	0
Subtotal Income	\$420.00
2016 Annual Banquet	
CAFS flyers printing	\$173.20
Raffle tickets, gifts, gift cards, etc.	\$428.17
Banquet registration through IFT	\$674.00
On-Site Registration and membership checks	\$4,815.00
Sponsor of CAFS banquet	\$1,500
Minghiu Restaurant (Deposit)	\$4500.00
2015 Student Award	\$46.96
Donation from Chinese American Microbiology Society	\$330.00
Donation from US Dairy Export Council	\$1,000.00
Subtotal Banquet income	\$3,170.67
Balance	\$26,262.92

As of 11/15/2016

Career Pathways Workshop at 2017 IFT

June 27 (Tuesday), 2017 at 11:30 am – 1 pm
(meeting room: onsite with IFT meeting, TBD)

Jointly organized by CAFS' student affairs and advisory committee and student committee, CAFS will be hosting a career pathway workshop at the 2017 IFT Annual Meeting, as a part of its mentoring program.

This workshop is ideal for graduate students and recent graduates or new professionals who are in a transition position or considering a career change, with the specific learning objectives as follows:

1. To be familiar with three (3) main career pathways available to Food Science Professionals: academia, industry, and government and why each one may or may not be the right choice;

2. To be aware of general qualifications for each of the career pathways, including knowledge or technical background preparation and skillsets required for applying for and sustaining in the chosen professional position;
3. To notice the recent trends in job market and hiring processes in each of the pathways;
4. To gain knowledge of general benefits associated with each of the career pathways.

This workshop also allows time for the participants to inventory their own values, interests, background, strengths and weaknesses so that the participants can select one career pathway that they would like to explore in detail.

Given some constraints, the proposed workshop will have a maximum number of 50 for interested participants. Please stay tuned for a further notice with a sign-up link, as it is first come, first served.



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Membership Application / Renewal / Update

You are using this form for: (please check one) ☐ New Application ☐ Renewal ☐ Update

Name: _____

(individual member or representative of corporate member, as you wish this appear in the membership directory)

Professional Affiliation: _____

Business Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ ; Fax Number: _____

Residence Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ ; Fax Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Preferred Correspondence Address: (please check one) ☐ Business ☐ Residence

Present Position and Area of Interest/Specialization:

Education (All Degrees, Year Received, Institutes Graduated From):

Membership Dues for Calendar Year: _____

___ Student Member \$10

___ Life Member \$300 (Payable only once)

___ Active Member \$20

___ Associate Member \$20

___ Corporate Member \$250 (including dues for one active member or associate member)

Total Amount Due \$ _____ (please make check payable to Chinese American Food Society)

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Application Verification:

Name of University: _____

Faculty Name & Title: _____ Phone #: _____

Faculty Signature: _____ Date: _____

Membership I.D. Code No.: _____ (to be completed by the CAFS Treasurer)

Please return this form with payment to:

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Employment & Conferences

Employment

University of Georgia

Assistant/Associate Professor - Food Microbiology
(Athens)

Assistant/Associate Professor - Food Virology (Griffin)

Assistant Professor of Food Safety

Epidemiology/Bioinformatics (Griffin)

Position description:

<http://www.caes.uga.edu/departments/fst/Positionannouncements.html>

University of Massachusetts Amherst

Assistant Professor - Food Safety

Position description:

<https://www.umass.edu/foodsci/news/position-announcement>

Purdue University

Assistant/Associate Professor - Food Safety Extension
Specialist and Researcher

Position description:

https://www.purdue.edu/ethics/Search_Screen/Faculty_Openings/Agriculture/3576-2016.html

University of Kentucky

Assistant Professor in Food Science

Position description:

<https://ukjobs.uky.edu/postings/122396>



Middle Tennessee State University

Assistant/Associate Professor - Agribusiness and
Agriscience (Fermentation Science)

Position description:

<https://mtsujobs.mtsu.edu/postings/3977>

Cal Poly Pomona

Assistant Professors, Department of Human Nutrition
and Food Science,

Dietetics and/or Nutritional Science, RD is preferred

Position description:

<http://www.cpp.edu/~faculty-affairs/open-positions/college-unit/ag/hnfs.shtml>

Community Nutrition <http://www.cpp.edu/~faculty-affairs/open-positions/college-unit/ag/dietetics.shtml>

HAVE MORE TO CHECK OUT?

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