

Directions to Yankee Trace

From Cincinnati: 75 North to Exit 43 (675 North), North on 675 to Exit 2 (725 Miamisburg/Centerville). At stop sign, turn right to first traffic light. Turn right on Yankee Street, follow 2 miles to Yankee Trace on left.

From Columbus: 70 West to Exit 44 (675 South), South on 675 to Exit 2 (725 Miamisburg/Centerville). At stop sign, turn left across overpass to first traffic light. Go straight through light on Yankee Street, follow 2 miles to Yankee Trace on left.

Future Happenings

2007-2008 Program Year Kickoff – Thursday, September 20, 2007

The ever popular grill-your-own-steak kickoff will be held at Valley Vineyards as in years past. Be watching your inbox for details!

LEAD EVENT ORGANIZER:

Catrina Leatherwood tastetheworld1@yahoo.com

Announcements

Newly elected Midwest Area Representative for IFT Student Association

Ruth Lucius, a graduate student in the Department of Food Science & Technology at The Ohio State University, was recently elected the Midwest Area Representative for IFTSA. One of Ruth's major responsibilities will be to plan the Midwest Area Meeting for the region's college bowl competition which is proposed to be held at Ohio State in March or April 2008.

Online Food Science Courses at OSU – Food Safety and Quality

Registration open June 4, 2007 for OSU's online course: Food Safety and Quality. Class begins June 18, 2007. In the program, participants earn 5 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) per course. The courses consist of weekly units, live chats, and podcasts. For more information, visit http://fst.osu.edu/Certificate_in_Food_Science.htm for details or contact **Dr. Jeff Culbertson** 614-688-4219 culbertson.34@osu.edu. Course fees are \$500 with discounts available for groups. Payment can be made by credit card or check. Purchase orders are welcome.

Better Process Control School – SPANISH VERSION

OSU's Food Industry Center is proud to present the first annual Better Process Control School in Spanish held June 25-28, 2007. Course fee is \$600 per person, which covers instruction, printed materials, and certificate in Spanish. Visit <http://www.fst.osu.edu/fic/bpcs.htm> or call 614-292-7004 or 800-752-2751 for details.

Strategic Leadership Forum Update

IFT held its inaugural Strategic Leadership Forum March 22-24, 2007 in Chicago. Attendees participated in a dialogue about the future of the organization. An overview of the event as well as a synthesis of the participants' input on IFT's strategic direction and membership needs is available at <http://www.ovift.org/Newsletter/SLF07Report.pdf>.

At future membership engagement activities such as this summer's inaugural Town Hall Meeting, the IFT Board of Directors will provide an update on how IFT has addressed these recommendations and on action steps, if applicable. The Task Force on Strategic Development will use this important insight as they finalize the next iteration of IFT's strategic plan, and, likewise, the IFT Board of Directors will use it to frame strategic priorities and committee goals in the coming year.

Ratification of Constitution

The draft IFT Constitution approved during the special Council Meeting in March was distributed to all IFT voting members last month for ratification. The Teller's Committee met recently and reported that the draft IFT Constitution was approved by a vote of 2042 to 108.

The IFT Constitution and Bylaws approved by the Council in March are now in effect. Governance recommendations will be implemented immediately and the IFT website and printed materials will be updated to reflect these changes.

IFT's First Town Hall Meeting

The first Town Hall meeting is scheduled for July 28th from 10 a.m. to noon during the 2007 IFT Annual Meeting & Food ExpoSM in Chicago. More information on this event will be distributed to all IFT members within the next few weeks.

University of Cincinnati Food Technology Club Meeting

The meeting will be held at the Midwest Culinary Institute on June 20, 2007. Everyone is welcome! Contact **Catrina Leatherwood** tastetheworld1@yahoo.com for agenda and directions.

Executive Board Meeting: Thursday, June 7, 2007 at 4:30PM

There will be a teleconference held by the Executive Board. Contact **Jennifer Kaiser** jennifer.l.kaiser@abbott.com for information about the Columbus location: Ross Products, 625 Cleveland Ave, Columbus, OH 43215. Contact **Becca Weinstein** bweinste@aerrotek.com for information about the Cincinnati location: Aerrotek Scientific, 5181 Natorp Blvd, Suite 201, Mason, OH 45040. **All OVIFT members are welcome to attend!**

Would your company like to advertise in the OVIFT Newsletter?

A committee is being formed to explore this possibility and make recommendations to the OVIFT Section Officers. If you are interested in this topic and have ideas please contact **Debby Poskanzer** 859-342-3670 dposkanzer@wildflavors.com

We will be happy to include your regional food or flavor industry related announcements, conferences, etc. Please send pertinent info to **Catrina Leatherwood** tastetheworld1@yahoo.com Deadline for announcements to be included in the next newsletter is *Friday, August 24, 2007*.

IFT Employment Information

IFT Career Center <http://careers.ift.org> is free to job seekers, allowing them to post resumes online and view job opportunities. If you have questions, contact **Nora Schabold** 312-782-8424 ext. 220 njschabold@ift.org

Local Job Postings

Employers: OVIFT will post local food and flavor industry job openings in this newsletter for FREE (200 word max.). Each issue, this newsletter reaches 1000 members, ranging in experience from student to thirty plus years in the industry! You may even avoid relocation expenses by finding someone locally. To post job openings in the next OVIFT newsletter, please send pertinent info to **Catrina Leatherwood tastetheworld1@yahoo.com Deadline for postings to be included in the next newsletter is *Friday, August 24, 2007*.**

Membership Information

For details on membership of the **Ohio Valley Section of the Institute of Food Technologists**, go to www.ovift.org and click on "How to join". Several types of membership are available.

If you move or change companies, all permanent changes must be processed through the national office of **IFT** www.ift.org. Details are available by visiting the Member Center. Temporary changes may be submitted to the Ohio Valley Section Secretary **Rachel Liggett** rachel.liggett@givaudan.com but these changes will only take effect locally.

Calendar of Events

June 15, 2007: **Golf Outing** Yankee Trace Golf Club, Centerville

September 20, 2007: **Annual Kickoff: Grill-Your-Own-Steak** Valley Vineyards