

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR OUR FALL FOOD SAFETY WORKSHOPS!

Developing your HACCP System
Sept. 24-26 Calg.
Nov. 26-28 Edm.

Feast of Fields
Sept 29 Calg.
Prince's Island
Park 1-4pm
Tickets 265-6006
Volunteers needed
265-8192

HACCP For EXECS

Oct. 9 – Edm.
Dec. 11 Calg.

Frontline HACCP:

Personnel

Training

Sept 27 Calg.
Nov. 29 Edm.

Premises

Oct. 30 Calg.

Transportation &

Storage

Oct. 29 Calg.

EQUIPMENT

Oct. 10 Edm.
Dec. 3 Calgary

Sanitation & Pest

Control

Nov. 7 Calg.
Dec. 3 Edm.

Effective Records

For HACCP

Oct 9 – Edm.
Dec. 11 Calg.

FOOD MICRO

Oct. 8 Edm.
Dec. 10 Calg.

PAC the Fundamentals Program

Oct. 28-31 Contact
Arnold

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

AFPA became a founding member of International Culinary Exposition 2005 Ltd. This new association's purpose is: "to organize & operate exclusively for educational & charitable purposes dedicated to advancing the interests of the culinary arts & the agricultural industry in Alberta specifically related to the International Culinary Exposition 2005". This event will be an important part of the celebration of Alberta's first 100 yrs & AFPA members will benefit from the exposure. Watch future digests for more info.

ENVIRONMENTAL FUNDING

The Processing Based Component of the Alberta Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture program (AESAs) offers assistance on a cost-shared basis to a max of \$20,000 for projects that promote environmentally friendly processing practices. Contact Marshall Eliason at 780-427-8764

2002 AMI ANNUAL CONVENTION OCT. 24-26

Featuring the Innovation Showcase, New Orleans, Louisiana an opportunity to gain the latest insights & perspectives on the meat & poultry industry. You can visit with some of the most creative companies in the industry. www.meatami.com/. To be part of an AFPA cost-shared mission contact Arnold.

PACK EXPO INTERNATIONAL NOV. 3-7 Chicago

Showcases 1600 innovative packaging & processing exhibitors featuring cutting edge technology & the newest packaging concepts available. <http://pei2002.packexpo.com/pei2002/>. To participate in AFPA's cost shared mission contact Arnold.

NUTRITIONAL LABELLING UPDATE

Health Canada's proposed regulations on mandatory nutritional labelling have been delayed. The new date for publication in Canada Gazette part 2 is early Jan. 2003. As we do not know the full regulations, we are advising members to delay printing new labels until after that date. In order to qualify for special pricing for nutritional analyses, contact Spring or Jyoti in Calgary.

U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SECURITY

The issue of food safety is at the forefront of everyone's minds, there have been several ramifications due to 9/11. The U.S. is implementing strict control measures to protect the safety of their food supply. The Public Health Security & Bioterrorism Preparedness & Response Act, signed June 12 requires:

- *Registration of Food Facilities*; with the FDA no later than December 12, 2002.
- *Establishment & Maintenance of Records*
- *Prior notice of Imported Food Shipments*; with a description of the manufacturer & shipper, the grower, country of origin, country from which product was shipped & the anticipated port of entry.
- *Administrative Detention* authorizes the detainment of food if credible evidence indicates a threat.

If you have questions, call Jyoti or Spring in Calgary.

LOOKING FOR WORKERS!

AFPA maintains a database of resumes of people who have the skills our industry needs. On a fee for service bases, \$175/placement, AFPA will develop a job ad for your company, post it to over 30 agencies & e-mail you the resumes which match the skills you are seeking. Contact Janet in Calgary.

WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY WORKSHOPS

If you are interested in saving money on your WCB premiums, contact us for info on our PIR program.

We are planning fall courses in Hazard Assessment & Internal Auditor training. Call Jyoti (Calg) or Linda (Edm) for more info.

INNOVATION FAIR EDM. SEPT 11 – 1:30-4:30

Support agencies will showcase to the processing sector their programs to assist taking products or ideas from conception to export. Contact Arnold.

WELCOME NEW AFPA MEMBERS

- ❖ **Kerry Ingredients Canada** 519-537-3461
- ❖ **Confetti Ice Cream Factory** 403-277-5731
- ❖ **Deloitte & Touche** 403-267-1740
- ❖ **Small Scale Food Processors Association** 250-370-5167
- ❖ **Canadian Career Partners** 403-290-0466
- ❖ **Alberta Food Bank Network Association** 780-425-2133
- ❖ **Edmonton's Food Bank** 403-426-7657



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