



**FEAST of FIELDS a
Slow Food**

Celebrate the Harvest!
Sept. 12 Calgary 1-4pm
Rouge Restaurant
256-6066 or 229-0900
www.slowfoodcalgary.ca/

**Exporting Seminar Access
to the EU Market for
Organic Food Products**

Sept. 13 Calgary
780-495-4142

HACCP I & HACCP II

Calgary
Sept 13/14 & 15-17
Contact AFPA

**1st Western Canadian
Food Ingredient
Symposium**

Do you have the right
ingredients?
Oct 21/22 Leduc
780-980-4867

**Western Canadian Meat
Industry Convention &
Trade Show**

March 4-6, 2005
Delta Lodge at
Kananaskis
melody@afpa.com to
participant!

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16th Annual FEASTival

The sixteenth annual FEASTival of Fine Chefs held August 25 at Edmonton's Shaw Conference Centre upheld its billing as Event of the Year. Apprentice chefs from 25 fine dining establishments showed their skills, and nearly 1500 diners in attendance showed their appreciation.

AFPA praised the creativity, innovation and imagination of the young chefs, above all AFPA would like to applaud the hard work, organization and donations of AFPA members.

Comments of high praise from attendees left little doubt the hard work had paid off.

As well as pleasing the public and motivating young talent, FEASTival raised in excess of \$9,000 for the Stan Ballard Scholarship Fund. These proceeds will assist apprentices of the participating FEASTival establishments attend the 42nd annual convention of the Canadian Culinary Federation in June 2005 in Edmonton.

Go to
<http://www.afpa.com/pro/feastpix2004/>
to view ALL of the FEASTival pictures.

**RECRUITMENT & RETENTION
WORKSHOP**

October 15 in Calgary
How to find the talent you need and keep it!
Apply for 50-50 cost sharing from AFPA's
Skills Development Initiative.
www.afpa.com/hr

Food Safety & Quality

The Safety and Quality website has undergone extensive changes; visit us at www.afpa.com/snq See what services AFPA brings to you from the Guelph Food Technology Centre; including, Third Party Auditing, HACCP Accreditation, & more!

**Upcoming courses to be hosted in
Calgary include:**

HACCP I -- September 13 & 14
HACCP II -- September 15 -- 17
Statistical Process Control, Part I &
Part II October 18, 19-20

**Upcoming courses to be hosted in
Edmonton include:**

HACCP I -- November 22 & 23

HACCP II -- November 24-26

Check for more courses on the website
***The Safety & Quality Sector of AFPA
may be able to help you with GAP
Assessments to understand where
your system is at, also customized in-
house training!*** Contact Jan Futz or
Spring Savage in the Calgary office.

**Developing an agri-processing business --
need financing?**

Agri-processors often require a unique financing approach to assist them in taking their product or business from idea to commercial production. Working with a lender that understands the demands of their industry, and one that offers financing programs geared to the sector can mean the difference between success and failure.

At AFSC, we work actively in Alberta's food processing and value-added agriculture sector. We continually strive to create financing programs that assist Alberta's agri-processors in achieving success.

Working with the Food Processing Development Centre in Leduc, AFSC developed the Agrivalue™ Processing Loan Program to assist clients of the centre and the Agrivalue Processing Incubator. This loan program enables clientele to scale up production within the center, or move to an external, commercial premises when market demand and viability have been demonstrated through their work at the center.

If you plan on investing in Alberta's value-added agriculture industry or rural business projects, AFSC offers capital for share purchases through our new Project Investor Loan Program.

For more details, to speak with a professional lender, locate an office near you, or to join our mailing list, contact:



1-800-661-3811
AFSC.Commercial@AFSC.ca
www.AFSC.ca

**PLANT FLOOR SUPERVISORY
TRAINING 70% sold out**

Begins Sept. 22 in Edm. Sign up for this 5 module program & don't forget to apply for 50-50 cost sharing from AFPA's Skills Development Initiative.
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The Consumer Food Trend Series

Opportunities for Alberta's Agri-Food Industry

The tastes of the Canadian consumer are changing. The Consumer Trend Series is a joint project of the Strategic Information Services Unit, Agri-Processing Branch and Ag-Entrepreneurship Division of AB Agriculture, along with the Agri-Food Branch of AB Economic Development.

These reports may be requested by contacting Magda at 780-422-7101 or magda.beranek@gov.ab.ca or downloaded from our website at

<http://www.agric.gov.ab.ca/app21/rtw/selsubj.jsp> (and click on Consumer Trends)



Welcome! NEW AFPA MEMBERS

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- ✚ Date Delights 780-475-2881
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poultry processor and co-packing.
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Here's how it works

- ✓ We will send to you, by email, all the resumes in our database
- ✓ We will post your position to our mailing list of 25 – 30 different contacts, including employment agencies and post-secondary institutions all over Alberta
- ✓ All for the low price of \$195 + GST for AFPA members, \$250 + GST for non-AFPA members!

A sample of some candidates we have on file

- MBA's with agriculture science backgrounds
- Chefs with backgrounds in sales and marketing
- More HACCP and Food Safety specialists than we can count (almost)
- Health and Safety professionals with many years' experience in food processing
- Sales and Marketing consultants with years of food sales experience

Contact AFPA to get started

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