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AFPA's Funded Safety Association
Tom at x28 in the Calgary office to ensure your VOTE counts

The AFPA Staff wish you & yours a very Happy & Healthy 2007!

AFPA's Meat Conference & Trade Show

February 16-18, 2007
Mayfield Inn Edm
PLAN TO ATTEND!

January 24-25
CCGD Western Regional Mixer & Conference
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INDUSTRY BUILDERS AWARD
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

This annual award has been established to formally recognize & honor the efforts of those individuals who have made significant & lasting contributions to the growth of the food processing industry in Alberta.

Mark your calendar & plan to attend both the AGM on June 12 & this special evening honoring an industry legend. Nominations are now OPEN, February 15, 2007 is the deadline for nominations. Download the official nomination form at:

<http://www.afpa.com/cgi/anote.cgi?fname=00369&sec=abo> or contact Melody for more information

MEMBERSHIP DUES 2007

All members will receive shortly their invoices for 2007 memberships. If you have questions call Melody in Calgary or email melody@afpa.com. We would greatly appreciate payment of these dues as soon as possible.

We are thrilled to report that you will see NO membership FEE INCREASE for 2007, AFPA membership dues are remaining at the 2004 level!

AFPA CALGARY IS ON THE MOVE!!

Stay tuned for a new address in January & an official open house notice to follow!



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FOODSAFETY & QUALITY COURSES!
<http://www.afpa.com/sng/train.shtml> or admin@afpa.com

The Spring 2007 course schedule is now available on the AFPA website.

AFPA offers customized in-house training for your organization so contact us today to find out what we can do for you! The AFPA website is also a great resource centre for individuals seeking training materials. If you can't find what you're looking for, give us a call & we'll do our best to assist you.


- Nutritional labelling Jan 12 Calgary
- Managing Allergen Issues Feb 8-9 Calgary
- HACCP I Feb. 15-16 Edmonton
- HACCP II Feb 28-Mar 2 Edm

Workplace Health & Safety
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<http://www.afpa.com/env/>




The Workplace Health & Safety courses for the first half of 2007 are set, starting in Feb. & ending in June. For more info, call Tom Shindruk 403-201-3657 x28 or tom@afpa.com Or go to: www.preparedwithpride.com click on Industry Information, then click on Workplace Health & Safety, & training course outline.

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For more info www.afpa.com/mem/directory.cgi

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP TO FILL JOB VACANCIES

With the holiday season upon us, we all experience very busy times & it is hard to get your product out & still find time to recruit, interview, hire & orient new employees. AHRE continues to work towards building & educating tomorrow's workforce through a variety of services as well as formal partnerships.

We would like to wish all AFPA members a happy holiday season & we look forward to working with you in the New Year. We are pleased to announce that Ruth Hanus will be joining the partnership team as of January 2007 & will be based out of the Edmonton office. Ruth will be covering off for Karen Hamilton who will be taking a maternity leave. Please join us in welcoming Ruth to the AFPA / AHRE team.

Feel free to contact us at AFPA Edmonton ext 222 or (780)-918-2503 cell. You can reach Ruth at 780-444-2272 ext 224 or her cell at 914-4442.



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OFFICE SPACE REQUIRED

The Food Safety Information Society is a non profit organization operating a consumer focused food safety information resource, which provides Canadian consumers with access to a bilingual toll-free telephone answering and website service. We are in desperate need of office space as of **January 5, 2007**.

Required: 2 offices approximately 10' by 12' with access to a meeting room, if possible. Contact Patti Rathwell at 403.288.6532 if you have space to rent.

NEGATIVE BUSINESS OUTCOMES ARE DIRECTLY LINKED TO SHIFT WORKER FATIGUE

Working shift work is a fact of life for many food processing industry workers. Fatigue due to shift work often brings with it an increase in on-the-job injuries, more absenteeism and turnover, higher health care costs and reduced productivity. These are costly to the organization.

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To find out more about this excellent program, fundable under the Skills Development Initiative, contact Pat Fryers at (403) 282-0068 or email her at patfryers@shaw.ca

AFPA’s MEAT Committee presents

Meat Industry Convention & Trade Show

Feb 17-18, 2007 - Mayfield Inn Edm.

Exhibitors’ Information Package available at <http://www.afpa.com/opp/meatTS05ex.shtml>
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