



Ozark Food Processors Association

OFPA 112TH ANNUAL CONVENTION & EXPOSITION AND FOOD SCIENCE DEPARTMENT 50TH ANNIVERSARY GALA OCTOBER 18, 2018 FOOD SECURITY AND SAFETY

CONVENTION LOCATION

University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture
Don Tyson Center for Agricultural Sciences
1371 West Altheimer Drive, Fayetteville, AR 72704

REGISTRATION

Register and pay for convention activities online.
Preregistration for the convention is \$125/person and includes the breakfast, lunch, reception, exhibits, and educational sessions. Onsite registration is \$175/person.

SILENT AUCTION

Attendees can bid on items at the silent auction during the reception to raise funds for Food Science Department scholarships.

OFPA INDUSTRY IMPACT

The Ozark Food Processors Association (OFPA), founded in 1906, represents the food industries of the Ozark region of the United States. OFPA, a nonprofit, regional organization with national representation, works to:

Provide a platform where regional food processors, suppliers and associated industries can discuss, plan and implement programs relevant to their needs;

Provide an effective voice to allow members to participate in legislative and governmental decision making;

Design technical and educational programs to serve the needs of members; and

Offer the opportunity for food industry personnel to network, solve problems, share valuable experiences and plan for the future.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

DON TYSON CENTER WALDRIP HALL

8:00 AM-6:00 PM

The convention will include the breakfast, lunch, exposition, educational sessions, and reception located at the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture, Don Tyson Center for Agricultural Sciences. Convention registrants can visit the exhibits during breaks, meals and the reception. Documentation for 3 hours of continuing education credits will be provided for attendance to the education sessions and keynote luncheon.

EXPOSITION

8:00 AM-6:00 PM

Explore 10 exhibits showcasing innovations in products, services and equipment for food processors.

BUSINESS BREAKFAST

8:00 AM

Join us for a light buffet-style breakfast. The annual business meeting includes brief reports from OFPA, and announcements of the OFPA scholarship recipients and poster competition winners.

EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

9:00 AM-12:00 PM

MODERATED BY ANDREA DUNIGAN, CONAGRA FOODS

Presentations by invited speakers are open to all registered attendees. Exhibitors will give one minute flash talks during the educational sessions to introduce their company products, services or equipment to convention registrants. During the break, registrants can visit the exhibits and Poster Competition participants.

WELCOME AND REMARKS

Jean-Francois Meullenet, Director of the Arkansas Experiment Station of the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture



FSMA AND THE FOOD INDUSTRY: LEGAL UPDATE

Harrison Pittman, Director, The National Agricultural Law Center



EXHIBITOR FLASH TALKS

BREAK TO VISIT EXHIBITS & POSTERS

INTEGRATING SECURITY TECHNOLOGY

Brooke Leverett, Safety and Asset Protection, Walmart Stores, Inc



KEYNOTE ALL INDUSTRY LUNCHEON

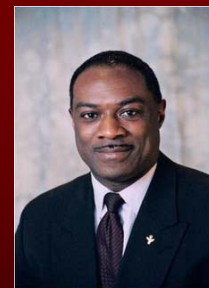
12:00-1:30 PM

Join us for a catered lunch with our keynote speaker.

REGULATION VS REALITY: MERGING FSMA FOOD DEFENSE REGULATION WITH REALITY!

Rod Wheeler, Founder and CEO, Global Food Defense Institute

Rod Wheeler is the Founder and CEO of The Global Food Defense Institute, the only global firm that focuses solely on Food Defense, Intentional Adulteration, education, tampering investigations and intelligence. Rod has also served as a Crime Analyst for the Fox News Channel, and a regular guest on several national and international news outlets providing analysis and commenting on cases of International Security, Terrorism and Crime. The Global Food Defense Institute has conducted dozens of focused and broad mitigation security assessments, written numerous facility security plans and have conducted several product tampering and workplace violence related investigations for various companies large and small.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

BREAK & POSTER COMPETITION VIEWING

1:30-2:00 PM

Meet graduate students from the Food Science Department, University of Arkansas participating in the Poster Competition. Poster judging for the competition will be done prior on October 17th by a panel of judges.

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOOD SCIENCE DEPARTMENT 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

2:00-6:00 PM

STREET FOOD TRENDS AND MEAL INSPIRATIONS

2:00-3:00 PM

Chefs will discuss global trends in street foods and prepare a tasting of Vietnamese Lemongrass Pork and Vermicelli (Bun Thit Nuong) for attendees.

Alexa McKay, Chef, Retail Innovation, Tyson Foods, Inc.; Thomas Wenrich, Associate Director, Food Service Culinary Innovation, Tyson Foods, Inc.; and Michael Kinkade, Research Chef, Firmenich, Inc.

PAST, PRESENT AND PERSEVERANCE

3:00-3:40 PM

History of the Food Science Department and Product Development competition winners and fundraising activities announced

ALUM SPOTLIGHT 3:40-4:30 PM

Food Science Department alum will give insights on how food science shaped their career in the food industry with a question and answer session.

RECEPTION AND SILENT AUCTION 4:30-6:00 PM

Join us for a Reception in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Food Science Department. Attendees can bid on items at the silent auction to raise funds for Food Science

Department scholarships. Appetizers will be served, and a limited open bar will be available.



Dr. Ahmed Kattan (Food Science Department Head), Dr. John White (University of Arkansas VP for Agriculture) and Mr. Jim Brooks (Ozark Cannery and Freezers President) at the dedication of the Ozark Cannery and Freezers Auditorium at the University of Arkansas in 1963.



The first home of the Food Science Department was the Physiology and Processing Laboratory constructed in 1958 at the University of Arkansas Experiment Station at Fayetteville for research on production, handling and processing of crops. OFPA donated funds to build this Laboratory.



Ozark Cannery and Freezers Association (now OFPA) conventions were held at the Food Science Department building in the early 1970s. A popular convention activity was the annual can cutting of vegetable products.

OFPA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Through individual as well as collective contributions of its members, the Ozark Food Processors Association (OFPA) is a strong supporter of research and education programs at the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture. The OFPA annually awards scholarships to students majoring in Food Science at the University of Arkansas. The OFPA has a special fund for these scholarships and encourages its member companies to designate contributions to this valuable investment in the future of the food industry.

**TO DATE, THE ASSOCIATION HAS AWARDED
520 SCHOLARSHIPS IN FOOD SCIENCE.**

SCHOLARSHIPS

JIM "J.B." BROOKS

JERRY DICKSON*

F&H FOOD EQUIPMENT COMPANY*

PAT & MARY-CLAIRE HEILMAN**

OFPA - AHMED A. & ANNA KATTAN

JUSTIN R. MORRIS*

JUSTIN MORRIS ENDOWED

ROY & CAROLYN SHARP

CAROLYN S.Q. SHARP*

JOE & GRETCHEN STEELE

CLAUDE & PATTY TODD*

*administered by OFPA

** donated by P. Mike Heilman

Other scholarships administered by the Department of
Food Science, University of Arkansas

2018-2019

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

FRESHMAN

Caitlin Curry, Conroe, TX (Heilman)

SOPHMORE

Andrew Bottini, Harrison, AR (Steele)

Ashlynn Robinson, Little Rock, AR (Kattan)

JUNIOR

Rebecca Bowie, Magnolia, TX (Kattan)

Joshua Farrell, Fayetteville, AR (Todd)

SENIOR

Tyler Butterfield, Lenexa, KS (Kattan)

Wade Carter, Eureka Springs, AR (Carolyn Sharp)

Aubrey Dunteman, Chesterfield, MO (Sharp)

Chugiao "Kylee" Mai, China (Dickson and Morris Endowed)

Herbert Evans, Green Briar, AR (Morris)

Mary Siebenmorgen, Seranton, AR (F&H)

OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Andrea Dunigan, ConAgra Foods

Vice President: To be decided

Director of Operations and Industry Relations and Interim Treasurer: Renee Threlfall, University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture

Ex-officio Member: Jean-Francois Meullenet, University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture

2018

Jared Brooks, Razorback Farms; Steve Crider, Nestle Infant Nutrition;
Markus Sparks, Alchemy Systems; Stewart Higgins, Del Monte Foods, Inc.

2019

Jason Hayward, Ball Corporation; Ed Cook, H.C. Schmieding, Inc.; Scott Stillwell, Tyson Foods

2020

Danny Bolstad, Del Monte Foods, Inc.; Beverly Fischer Kent, ConAgra Foods; Andy Jester, F&H Food Equipment Company

