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An Update on the 2018 WAFFP Conference

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All of you should have the dates for the 67th Annual WAFFP Conference marked on your calendars. As a reminder, there is an opportunity for a round of Golf at Bear Mountain on September 19th followed by the Conference on the 20th and 21st of September. A perfect time of year to gather on the shores of Lake Chelan to learn from and network with experts from Academia, Regulatory Agencies and Industry.

The Planning Committee is putting the finishing touches on the agenda as we shore up our last few speakers and work to bring you information on current and emerging food safety issues, with the latest science and innovative solutions to new and recurring problems.

As usual you can expect updates from our Federal and State Regulators as FSMA implementation has become engrained in our daily lives and it wouldn't be a WAFFP Conference without getting the latest from fan favorite, Janet Anderberg from the Washington State Department of Health.

We are excited to have Dr. Kathy Glass, expert on food safety including refrigerated and shelf-stable foods from UW-Madison, representing the International Association for Food Protection. Dr. Glass will be giving us an update on Listeria Hysteria – a topic that touches many of us.

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Special guest, Nina Parkinson from NGP Consulting and the director of the UC Davis Laboratory for Research in Food Development will share her experiences of training through language and cultural barriers.

You will get the chance to learn about Aquaponics and if you are affected by the new Produce Rule you will not want to miss Friday.

We have the option to attend only on Friday this year where you will get a chance to hear from the Washington Department of Agriculture on the new Produce Rule and participate in a Round Table discussion on the topic.

We are going to try something new this year. An hour and half will be dedicated to three different Round Table discussions for 30 minutes at a time with five topics to choose from.

Go to our web site www.waffp.com check out the agenda, register and make sure your room is booked. We are also now accepting registrations via Brown Paper Ticket at the following link:

<https://wafoodprotection.brownpapertickets.com>

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WSU Food Science Scholarships



Dr. Lloyd O. Luedecke was an active member of WAFFP for over 40 years. He joined the Washington Milk Sanitarians in 1962, the same year he became a faculty member at Washington State University.

Dr. Luedecke was honored many times during his career with excellence awards in teaching and advising. His students and advisees genuinely loved him and trusted that he wanted only what was best for them. During the years that he was a member of the Milk Sanitarians (which became the Washington Milk, Food & Environmental Association, which finally became WAFFP), Dr. Luedecke held many positions of leadership. In 1999, Dr. Luedecke was recognized by WAFFP for his life-long achievements in food safety by inducting him into the "WAFFP Hall of Fame". He was also recognized by the IAFP in 2000 and 2003 and held an Honorary Life Membership award. He was instrumental in the establishment of the endowed scholarship that has benefited dozens of students in the field of food science.



Join us on Wednesday, September 19th at Bear Mountain for a round of Golf at our annual WAFFP tournament

Through his encouragement, many of his students have become leaders within the food industry. Upon his death on June 4, 2014, the scholarship was renamed to honor his memory as trusted friend, educator, mentor, and beloved colleague.

Prior to 2002, the WAFFP endowment funded both scholarships and student activities. Student activities included partial funding of the Dairy Products Judging team, travel for undergrads to professional meetings such as ADSA, IFT or IAFP either regional or national. WAFFP was and is always looking to expand scholarship funding so were presented with a proposal to leverage un-endowed monies from Dr. Luedecke's retirement, his son Doug's memorials and memorials for Ed Olson, former WSU Creamery Mgr.

A donation of approx. \$3,000 from WAFFP in 2002 was all it took to establish a second endowment of \$25,000 when combined with the other monies. This allowed the WAFFP endowment to produce money solely for scholarship and resulted in an immediate near doubling of scholarship money awarded because the activities now had their own source. Both funds are delivering the intended benefits and both are open to further contributions.

If you wish to contribute, you can do so **on-line at www.foundation.wsu.edu** or via mail make your checks payable to **WSU**. Then send them to: Office of Alumni and Friends, College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences, Washington State University, PO Box 646228, Pullman WA 99164-6228. Please note the gift is for the WAFFP/Luedecke Endowed Scholarship (account 7222-8255). The WSU Foundation provides your tax-deductible receipt.

This year's recipients are Zachary Newland and Tien-Hsun Yang, both WSU seniors and are employed at WSU Creamery. Please consider contributing to our food industries future by going to **www.foundation.wsu.edu**