

# 2023 WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION FOR FOOD PROTECTION CONFERENCE – AGENDA

## Wednesday, September 13, 2023

**9:30am – 4:00 pm** Golf Tournament at Bear Mountain, Chelan, WA:  
Four-person best ball scramble

**3:00 – 3:30 pm**

**Emerging Research in Food Safety at the School of Food Science at WSU**  
Soo-Yeun Lee, School of Food Science

**3:30 – 3:40 pm**

**Introduction of Student Scholarship Winners**  
Soo-Yeun Lee, School of Food Science

## Thursday, September 14, 2023

Morning Sessions Moderator:  
Virginia Ng, Washington State Department of Agriculture

**7:15 – 8:00 am** Check-in / Breakfast

**3:40 – 3:50 pm**

**WSU Student Presentation**  
Phoebe Unger

**8:00 – 8:15 am** **Welcome**  
Virginia Ng, WAFFP President

**3:50 – 4:00 pm**

**WSU Student Presentation**  
Barakatullah Mohammadi

**8:15 – 9:00 am** **Whole Genome Sequencing in Advancing *Listeria monocytogenes* Risk Assessments**  
Dr. Jovana Kovacevic, Oregon State University

**4:00 – 5:00 pm**

Business Meeting

**6:00 – 6:45 pm**

Student Poster Presentations - Science and Cocktails Happy Hour with the Students

**9:00 – 10:00 am** **Food Safety Initiatives at the Food and Drug Administration**  
Dr. Mark Moorman, FDA

**7:00 – 8:00 pm**

Dinner & Awards Banquet

**10:00 – 10:10 am** *Supplier presentation*

## Friday, September 15, 2023

Morning Sessions Moderator:  
Diep Wisniewski, Charm Sciences Inc

**10:10 – 10:25 am** Milk Break

**7:00 – 7:45 am**

Breakfast

**10:25 – 11:00 am** **WSDA Food Safety Program Update**  
David Erho, WSDA Food Safety

**7:45 – 7:50 am**

**Welcome**  
Virginia Ng, WAFFP President

**11:00 – 11:30 am** **2022 Foodborne Outbreaks & Lessons Learned**  
Susan Shelton, WA State Department of Health Food Safety

**7:50 – 8:20 am**

**2023 NCIMS Update**  
Michael Campbell, Darigold

**11:30 – 12:00 pm** **WSDA Produce Safety Program Update**  
Dr. Connie Fisk, WSDA

**8:20 – 9:05 am**

**Food Safety in Retail and Direct to Consumer**  
Nada Hasbini, Whole Foods

**Noon – 1:00 pm** Lunch

**9:05 – 9:50 am**

**Sustainability and Reducing Food Waste**  
Emily Hovis, UW

Afternoon Sessions Moderator:  
Kent Dowding, AFCO | Zep

**1:00 – 1:10 pm** *Supplier Presentation*

**9:50 – 10:00 am**

*Supplier Presentation*

**1:10 – 1:45 pm** **Hand Hygiene: A Cornerstone in Food Safety**  
Virginia Ng, WSDA Food Safety

**10:00 – 10:20 am**

Milk Break & Check Out

**1:45 – 2:10 pm** **The Crucial Link Between Employee Retention and Food Safety**  
PJ Andress, Intertek Alchemy

**10:20 – 11:10 am**

**Water Quality and Water Reuse – Impacts on Sanitation**  
Todd Cornwell, AFCO

**2:10 – 2:35 pm** **Bridging the Connection Between Industry and Students: A Panel Discussion**  
Ruth L. Petran, Ruth Petran Consulting LLC and The Acheson Group; Soo-Yeun Lee, WSU; Phoebe Unger, WSU

**11:10 – 11:50 am**

**Sanitation Preventive Controls**  
Ruth L. Petran, Petran Consulting LLC and The Acheson Group

**2:35 – 2:45 pm** *Supplier Presentation*

**Noon – 1:00 pm**

**Lunch and “Passing of the Gavel” to the incoming WAFFP President**

**2:45 – 3:00 pm** Milk Break

**1:00 pm**

**Adjourn** – Safe travels home and see you next year!