

North Central Area News

Issue 1

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Welcome!

Welcome to a new school year with IFTSA! This year I will serve you as the North Central Area representative. Just to let you know a little bit about me, I am a graduate student at the University of Minnesota. I enjoy watching Vikings football and "Survivor" and am a big Harry Potter fan.

I am really looking forward to the year, and I encourage you to contact me (bakk0125@umn.edu) with any questions you may have about IFTSA or anything else. To learn more about IFTSA and to take advantage of its many benefits and opportunities visit the website at: <http://www.ift.org/iftsa/>.

- Alyssa Bakke, North Central Area Rep

Area Meeting and College Bowl Information

One of the most exciting events to take place in our area this year will be our annual area meeting and college bowl competition.

This year the meeting will be held on **March 4, 2006** in Columbia, Missouri. A big thanks to the **University of Missouri** who will be hosting the meeting is in order! Plans are well under way, and it is shaping up to be a great time.

All schools are encouraged to send delegations, including a college bowl team, to the meeting. Information about the college bowl competition can be found at http://www.ift.org/iftsa/competitions/forms/cb_rules.pdf.

A block of rooms at the **Wingate Inn** have been reserved for traveling schools. The rooms will be held until **Feb. 3, 2006**. To make reservations, call the inn at 573-817-0500 and tell them you would like a room in the block reserved for the FSA.

Other IFTSA Competitions

In addition to college bowl, IFTSA hosts several other competitions which your chapter is encouraged to participate in.

Product Development

In the product development competition, teams of students work together to develop a new food product and the marketing concept behind it. Preliminary proposals are due by **Feb. 15, 2006**. For more information go to: <http://www.ift.org/iftsa/competitions/pdc.html>.

Chapter of the Year

The Chapter of the Year Award is earned by the chapter that has the most participation at the local and national level. All chapters are eligible to compete, but you *must* enter to win.

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An award for the Most Improved Chapter is also awarded.

You must send an email indicating your intent to enter to Christina Stam (cnstam@ncsu.edu) by **December 1, 2005**.

Entry forms and rules can be found at http://www.ift.org/iftsa/competitions/forms/coy_rules.pdf. The deadline to enter is **May 1, 2006**.

Graduate Research Paper Competition

Students can enter an original research paper in any subject related to food science and technology. This competition is open to students who are IFTSA members as of December 31, 2005 and have not graduated prior to July 1, 2005. Abstracts must be submitted by **December 1, 2005**. For more information go to:

<http://www.ift.org/iftsa/competitions/forms/grpc.pdf>.

Undergraduate Research Paper Competition

Undergraduates who have participated in an independent research project and did not graduate prior to July 1, 2005 are encouraged to enter this competition.

Students must submit your intent to enter by **March 1, 2005**. Abstracts are due by **March 15, 2005**. For more information go to:

<http://www.ift.org/iftsa/competitions/forms/urpc.pdf>.

Environmental Design Competition

Your university or college team (or teams) is invited to participate in the annual Environmental Design Contest in competition for cash awards. The deadline to enter is **December 9, 2005**. More information can be found at

<http://www.werc.net/contest/University/>.

Elaine Skinner Memorial Sensory Design Competition

Sensory Spectrum is sponsoring a product a sensory design competition for graduate and undergraduate students. The goal of the competition is to develop a product solution to feed the hungry in *your* town. The winning team will win \$5,000. More information is available at:

<http://www.sensorspectrum.com/>. You must submit your intent to enter before **January 1, 2006**. Congratulations to the team from **KSU** for their winning concept in the 2004-2005 competition!

Tate & Lyle Summer Internship

Tate & Lyle are seeking Food Science or Food Chemistry majors who have completed a minimum of junior level coursework, who have outstanding academic performance, and who have strong interpersonal and team skills for a summer internship.

Working alongside technical service and applications group members, interns will be involved in assisting the group with their normal daily activities. These activities may include product development, using modified starches, sweeteners, and specialty products (e.g. polydextrose, sucralose, and maltodextrins); product evaluation, using analytical and/or physical testing equipment; assisting in training sessions; participating in or conducting sensory evaluation; and conducting process development studies. Depending on education and skill level, this may also include assignment to a specific project for the duration of the internship.

Tate & Lyle is a part of Tate & Lyle, PLC, a \$5 billion, publicly-owned, British-based company, and a producer of starches, sweeteners, citric acid, and other value-added ingredients for food and industrial markets. They offer competitive

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DEADLINE REMINDERS

December 1, 2005

- Intent to enter for Chapter of the Year.
- Abstracts for Graduate Paper Competition due.

December 15, 2005

- Nominations for elections due.

December 9, 2005

- Entries for Environmental Design Competition due.

January 1, 2006

- Intent Letter due for Elaine Skinner Memorial Sensory Design Competition

February 15, 2006

- Product Development preliminary proposals due.

March 1, 2006

- Intent to enter Undergraduate Paper Competition due.

March 4, 2006

- North Central Area Meeting

March 15, 2005

- Abstracts for Undergraduate Paper Competition due.

May 1, 2006

- Chapter of the Year applications due.

compensation and assistance with summer housing arrangements as appropriate.

Please submit your resume to:

Lori Donley

Human Resources

Lori.Donley@tateandlyle.com

Tate & Lyle Human Resources

2200 East Eldorado St.

Decatur, IL 62521

Other Internship Opportunities

IFTSA also maintains a list of internships that have been forwarded to them from IFT divisions. Check it out at:

http://www.ift.org/iftsa/intern_pgm/opp_list.html.

IFTSA Elections

It is never too early to start thinking about running for a position on the executive board of IFTSA. Elected positions include:

president (3 year term), secretary, and area representative. Serving in a position is a great way to meet people and gain leadership experience. For those interested in running, nominations are due to Clint Stevenson (cdstevenson@purdue.edu) by

December 15, 2005.

Nominations must consist of a petition signed by 3 association members and a faculty member from your school. They should also include a 50 to 150 word statement of objectives and willingness to serve if elected. For more information about the positions go to:

<http://www.ift.org/iftsa/iftiftsa/positions.html>.