NEWS AND EVENTS

Awards and Honors... 

Ronald R. Eitenmiller, Professor of Food Science at the University of Georgia (UGA), was recently awarded the D. W. Brooks Faculty Award for Excellence in Research. The D. W. Brooks Awards are presented annually to recognize outstanding faculty in the UGA College of Agriculture for excellence in teaching, research, extension, and international agriculture. D. W. Brooks is founder and Chairman of the Board Emeritus of Goldkist, Inc., the world’s largest farmer cooperative.

Eitenmiller’s research has provided information on the nutrient content of many foods in the US diet. His comprehensive study of human milk has demonstrated the unique nutritional and immunological benefits of breast feeding. He is an established authority in micronutrient analysis techniques.

Eitenmiller’s work on the formation of biologically active amines in fish and fermented dairy foods has increased the industry’s ability to control the presence of these substances in foods. Amines such as histamine are common food poisoning agents that can form during food processing and storage.

Eitenmiller has been honored many times for his contributions to research. These honors include the Creative Research Medal from the University of Georgia, the Gamma Sigma Delta Junior Faculty Award, and the Agricultural Alumni Award. His graduate students have won the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists Outstanding Research Paper Award seven times.

Eitenmiller is a 1962 graduate of Pekin Community High School, Pekin, IL. He earned his B.S. degree from the University of Illinois in 1966 and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Nebraska.

Appointments... 

Lawrence R. Jones has recently joined the staff at IIT Research Institute, Rome, NY as a research computer scientist specializing in applications of artificial intelligence for dairy science. He received his B.S. degree (1983) in dairy science from The Ohio State University. Jones obtained both his M.S. (1985) and Ph.D. (1988) degrees in dairy science from the University of Illinois–Urbana. His graduate research involved developing a natural language interface for retrieval of information from an on-farm dairy database.

The National Association of Animal Breeders (NAAB) has announced the employment of Charles “Chuck” Sattler as Genetic Programs Administrator, Columbia, MO. Sattler will oversee all genetic programs of NAAB. Such activities include the NAAB Dairy Cross Reference Listing and the Active Dairy AI Sire Summary. Sattler will work closely with the NAAB committees involved in genetic evaluation to provide direction to NAAB in this area.

Sattler currently serves as a Dairy Youth Specialist for the University of Wisconsin-Madison Extension Service. He assists with educational programs for 4-H, junior breed associations, and other youth groups. Such activities include judging contests, dairy bowl contests, junior shows, and workshops. Specializing in dairy breeding and genetics, Sattler received an M.S. degree from the University of Wisconsin. His studies included the longevity and culling patterns in Wisconsin dairy herds. Sattler began his research studies following his graduation from the University of Wisconsin with a B.S. degree in dairy science.

Sattler grew up on a Guernsey dairy farm near Fond du Lac, WI. He was active in the Wisconsin Junior Guernsey Breeders Association and served as president. His leadership in many collegiate organizations resulted in numerous awards and scholarships.

Phil A. Rakes joined Kelco Division of Merck & Co., Inc., San Diego, CA as a staff chemist, Xanthan Gum, Research & Develop-
Rakes earned the B.S. and M.S. degrees in food science from North Carolina State University, Raleigh. In his graduate program, he studied food process engineering, design, and evaluation. Prior to joining Kelco, Rakes worked as an assistant test lab manager and an applications engineer for Cherry-Burrell Corp.

Kelco Division of Merck & Co., Inc. is a leading producer of biogums and alginates, which are used as thickening, suspending, and stabilizing agents in food, pharmaceutical, and industrial applications.

Call for Papers...The National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) is pleased to announce that its 53rd Annual Educational Conference will take place from June 24–29, 1989 in Seattle, WA. The conference theme will be “The Nineties: A Decade for Change.” The technologies and methods used to safeguard the public health from environmental threats continue to change rapidly. It is critical that professionals be current on these developments. This conference will cover many of these latest advancements.

The NEHA comprises environmental health and environmental protection professionals from the private and public sectors including academicians. The professionals work in areas of environmental health/protection ranging from: hazardous waste, food protection, air, land, and water protection, university and institutional environmental health/protection, supervision and management in environmental health and protection, injury control and occupational health, vector control, noise abatement, housing, toxicology, epidemiology, and other areas related to environmental health/protection.

Abstracts for papers to be presented at this conference are being accepted. Please submit a typed one page abstract that fully outlines your presentation. Mail your abstract to NEHA's office by November 30, 1988.

Questions concerning this conference may be directed to: Mel Monkelis, Conference Manager, NEHA, 720 S. Colorado Boulevard, Room 970, South Tower, Denver, CO 80222 (303/756-9090).

Manuscripts Invited for Student Essay Contest...

The winner of the 1989 American Cultured Dairy Products Institute (ACDPI) Student Essay Contest will be recognized at the Institute's Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX. In addition to an all-expenses paid trip to San Antonio, the winner will be provided with a $1000 cash award.

Guidelines for the contest are as follows:

1. The manuscript competition is open to college or university undergraduate students majoring in dairy and/or food science or a closely related field.

2. The essay should cover a subject within two broad topics related to cultured dairy products: a) Research needed to solve a current or anticipated problem. This may relate to any phase of cultured dairy products research such as product formulation, nutritional considerations, processing technologies, etc. Additionally, one may opt to highlight results of previous research pertinent to the topic or conduct a personal project and report the results. b) Sales/marketing strategies for present or proposed cultured dairy foods. These could include suggestions for innovative promotion programs to increase product consumption or means of enhancing the image of the dairy industry and/or its cultured commodities.

3. Manuscript length should be approximately 10 double-spaced typewritten pages.

Papers must be submitted by December 1 to Dr. Charles White, Dairy Science Department, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, MI 39762 with accompanying letter (signed by a faculty member) certifying that the essay was written by the student.

Contact Dr. C. Bronson Lane, ACDPI, PO Box 547813, Orlando, FL 32854 (407/628-1266) if more information on the contest is desired.
Nominations Sought for Research Award...

Deadline for submitting nominations for the 1989 American Cultured Dairy Products Institute (ACDPI) Research Award is February 1. The award (sponsored by Nordica International), consisting of $1000 and a permanent plaque, is given annually to a college professor for outstanding research contributions in the cultured products field.

The guidelines for eligibility are as follows:
1. The work (on cottage cheese, buttermilk, sour cream, yogurt, or other fluid and semifluid products made by the action of cultures) for which the award is made must have been completed within the past 10 years at a college or university.
2. The recipient must have been a full-time faculty member at the college or university during the time the work was done.
3. The person must not be a previous recipient of the ACDPI Research Award.

The individual selected for the 1989 award will be recognized at the ACDPI Annual Meeting/Clinic/International Cultured Product Evaluation Sessions to be held in San Antonio, TX on March 12 to 15, 1989.

Nomination letters should be sent directly to Dr. C. Bronson Lane, ACDPI, PO Box 547813, Orlando, FL 32854-7813.

Call for Candidates for University Chair in Food Science...

The General Foods Fund Inc., has announced a call for candidates for its half-million dollar academic chair in food science, according to Howard W. Mattson, Executive Director of the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT), which will administer the candidate selection process.

Mattson stated that, "The candidate chosen must have shown distinction in his or her field and will be expected to pursue research in food science that will be of significance to the food industry, although neither IFT nor General Foods will evaluate or restrict research projects undertaken during the life of the grant."

Nominees will be evaluated by the IFT selection committee on the basis of the significance of their past research, as evidenced by publications, patents, awards, and grants, as well as the research proposed during the award period. Nominations of tenure-track faculty members can be made from any appropriate department of an American college or university.

Nominations will close on December 30, 1988 and the successful candidate will be announced June 25, 1989 at IFT's 50th anniversary meeting in Chicago, IL.

Nominations should be sent to General Foods Chair in Food Science Committee, Institute of Food Technologists, 221 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 300, Chicago, IL 60601.

Abstract Forms Available...

Abstract forms for presentations at the International Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians Inc. (IAMFES) Annual Meeting are available in the October issues of both the Journal of Food Protection and Dairy and Food Sanitation. Deadline for abstracts is January 1, 1989. The 76th IAMFES Annual Meeting will be held August 13 to 17, 1989 at the Hyatt Regency Crown Center, Kansas City, MO. To request a copy of the abstract form contact Scott Wells (515/232-6699 or 800/525-5223).

Name Change...

Effective with the January 1989 issue of Dairy and Food Sanitation, the official International Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians (IAMFES) publication will change its name to Dairy, Food and Environmental Sanitation. Although the contents speak to the three areas of dairy, food, and environmental concerns, the area of environment was not previously covered in the title.

Format changes as well as a new front cover with four-color scenery photos will further enhance the look of the new Dairy, Food and Environmental Sanitation. For your free sample...
Positions Available...

| Position announcement rates, one column wide, will be $50 for the first two inches and $25 each additional inch or fraction thereof. |

- The Food Research Institute (Department of Food Microbiology and Toxicology), University of Wisconsin-Madison, invites applications from qualified individuals for a tenure-track faculty position at the Assistant Professor level. The primary duty of the incumbent will be to establish a high quality microbiological research program that is directly applicable to the problems of food safety. The incumbent will also be expected to deliver several lectures each semester in area of specialty to undergraduate and graduate students, perform university-related public service, and participate in activities contributing to the support of the department and the Food Research Institute. Applicants should have a Ph.D. in microbiology, bacteriology, or equivalent; productive postdoctoral experience in academia, government, or industry; and a clear interest in the microbiological aspects of food safety or preservation. Some background in toxicology as it relates to food is desirable (especially as it relates to food allergies and sensitivities), and prior experience as a microbiologist in the food industry or with a government agency involved in food regulation or research is also a plus. This is an exceptional annual (12-month) appointment offering excellent facilities, a competitive salary, and a challenging intellectual environment. Applicants should have a Ph.D. in microbiology, bacteriology, or equivalent; productive postdoctoral experience in academia, government, or industry; and a clear interest in the microbiological aspects of food safety or preservation. Some background in toxicology as it relates to food is desirable (especially as it relates to food allergies and sensitivities), and prior experience as a microbiologist in the food industry or with a government agency involved in food regulation or research is also a plus. This is an exceptional annual (12-month) appointment offering excellent facilities, a competitive salary, and a challenging intellectual environment. Applicants should have a Ph.D. in microbiology, bacteriology, or equivalent; productive postdoctoral experience in academia, government, or industry; and a clear interest in the microbiological aspects of food safety or preservation. Some background in toxicology as it relates to food is desirable (especially as it relates to food allergies and sensitivities), and prior experience as a microbiologist in the food industry or with a government agency involved in food regulation or research is also a plus. This is an exceptional annual (12-month) appointment offering excellent facilities, a competitive salary, and a challenging intellectual environment. Applicants should submit a cover letter, vitae, and names and addresses of three references. Further information may be obtained by contacting S. F. Barefoot, Clemson University, Department of Food Science, Clemson, SC 29634-0371 (803/656-3397). Applications are invited until January 15, 1989 or until a suitable candidate is identified. Clemson University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

- Head, Department of Food Science, Clemson University. Responsibilities include establishing liaison with industry and government agencies; expanding extramural funding; and providing leadership for departmental programs. Departmental faculty engage in discipline-oriented research, extension, and instruction in food science, nutrition, and packaging science. Qualifications include an earned doctorate in food science or an allied field and interpersonal management and communications skills. Applicants should submit a cover letter, vitae, and names and addresses of three references. Further information may be obtained by contacting S. F. Barefoot, Clemson University, Department of Food Science, Clemson, SC 29634-0371 (803/656-3397). Applications are invited until January 15, 1989 or until a suitable candidate is identified. Clemson University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

- Land O'Lakes/CENEX Feeds, Inc., Seattle, Washington is searching for a dairy cattle nutritionist. Duties will primarily include
applying dairy cattle nutrition and management programs, field calls with sales staff, determining ingredient and feed specifications, and other technical staff assistance. Extensive postgraduate experience is not necessary, but a Ph.D. in some form of ruminant nutrition and a strong dairy background are required. Applicants with dairy cattle work in proteins, carbohydrates, fats, or rumen metabolism are preferred. Land O'Lakes/CENEX Feeds is located in Washington and Oregon. Little overnight travel will be required. The position is based in Seattle and has a competitive salary and excellent benefit package. Those interested in this position should have a strong desire to apply feeding practices and to work with people, high producing cows, and computers. Interested persons should send a resume, salary requirements, and the names of at least three references to: Dr. R. C. Dobson, c/o Land O'Lakes/CENEX Feeds, Inc., 200 West Mercer, Suite 305, Seattle, WA 98119.

Meetings...

December 7–8, 1988 — Livestock Conservation Institute International Identification Symposium, St. Louis, MO. For information: Jane Pavia, Director of Information at Livestock Conservation Institute, 6414 Copps Ave., Suite 204, Madison, WI 53716 (608/221-4848).


January 9–18, 1989 — 39th Annual University of Maryland Dairy Ice Cream Short Course. For information: James T. Marshall, Department of Animal Sciences, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742 (301/454-7843).

January 15–17, 1989 — Fourth Annual Midyear Conference of the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA), Red Lion La Posada Resort Hotel, Scottsdale, AZ. For information: Don Gillogly, NEHA, 970 S. Colorado Blvd., South Tower Suite 970, Denver, CO 80222 (303/756-9090).


February 14–15, 1989 — Oregon Dairy Industries Annual Conference, Hilton Hotel, Eugene, OR. For information: June Daley (503/754-3271) or Floyd Bodyfelt (503/754-3463), Department of Food Science and Technology, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331.


April 11–12, 1989 — Third Annual J.R. Brunner Protein Symposium, Kellogg Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing. For information: M. P. Thompson, USDA, ARS, 600 E. Mermaid Lane, Philadelphia, PA 19118 (215/233-6424).

April 12, 1989 — 38th Annual University of Maryland Ice Cream Conference. For information: Dr. James T. Marshall, Department of Animal Sciences, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742 (301/454-7843).

May 17–19, 1989 — North American Membrane Society, Inc. (NAMS) Third Annual Meeting, Hyatt Regency Hotel on Town Lake, Austin, TX. Two days prior to this meeting, short courses will be held on Membranes in Food Processing; Gas and Separation Processes; and Pervaporation. For information: Dr. Doug Lloyd, NAMS ‘89 Chairman, Department of Chemical Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX 78712-1062.

June 24–29, 1989 — National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) and Rural Community Assistance Corporation are holding a special joint educational session at the NEHA 1989 Educational Conference, Seattle, WA. For information: Mel Monkelis, Conference Manager, NEHA, 720 S. Colorado Blvd., Suite 970, Denver, CO 80222 (303/756-9090).

June 25–28, 1989 — Second Symposium on Genetic Engineering of Animals, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Registration deadline is April 30, 1989. For information: Dr. William Hansel, Department of Physiology, 816 Veterinary Research Tower, New York State College of Veterinary Medicine, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853-6401 (607/253-3455).

March 1–5, 1990 — Livestock/Poultry and Meat Improvement Conference of the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA), Red Lion La Posada Resort Hotel, Scottsdale, AZ. For information: Don Gillogly, NEHA, 970 S. Colorado Blvd., South Tower Suite 970, Denver, CO 80222 (303/756-9090).


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