

# Epicureans

May 2012

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#### MAY 21, 2012 • 6PM SOCIAL MEETING

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Congratulations to Rebecca Formwalt

# Thank You Everyone for Making the NORTHEAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE One to Remember

The 2012 Northeast Regional Conference was an achievement that we are VERY proud of. I would personally like to Thank Scott Steiner and our Conference Planning Committee, our local members, presenters, competitors and high school/college Culinary & Pastry Arts students who assisted with making the conference one to remember. A Special Thanks to Executive Chef Jack Wenz and Executive Sous Chef Christy Zippier from the Conference Center of Niagara Falls for their culinary management of all the meals during the conference.

The week-end started with a prelude on April 26th with a Nutrition Day for the Niagara Falls High School Seniors, hosted by NCCC's Culinary Arts Nutrition Class at the Conference Center Niagara Falls. NCCC students designed a tasting brunch of ten tables, each table designed around a dietary need group. Students from NCCC and NF high School found the event educational and enjoyable.

The Conference Kick-off party on Old Falls Street Friday night was a tremendous effort from all of our members, students and Conference Center staff. The classic Western New York food stations wowed the conference attendees with such items as: wings, fish fries, Chiavettas grilled chicken and Sahlen's hotdogs! How's that for a Friday night bash?

Congratulations to James Roberts CEC, (Chef of the Year Competitor), Maria Iacovitti

CEPC, (Pastry Chef of the Year Competitor) and Mark Mistriner CEC, (Chef Educator of the Year Competitor) for representing the ACF of Greater Buffalo. The hard work and dedication that you put into your competition did not go unnoticed. Thank you so much for the time that you invested, we are all so proud of you! Congratulations to Mark Mistriner as he represents our region for the Chef Educator of the Year Award at the National ACF Convention in Orlando this July.

Our Chapter, during the conference also received the 2012 ACF Northeast Region Chapter Achievement Award! This is a great honor for all of the hard work that we have been doing over the past few years!

Thank you to The Buffalo Club and Executive Chef Dan King for hosting the American Academy of Chefs Dinner during the conference. It was a successful turnout, and a spectacular dinner enjoyed by all who attended.

Special Thanks to Mark Mistriner, CEC, Dorothy Johnston, CEC/CCE, and Chef Bill Metzgar, for overseeing the competitions at NCCC.

Our next monthly social meeting will be Monday May 21st at Dodman Meats (116 Michigan St. Buffalo).

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Regional Conference flew into reality...and fast

JULY 23, 2012 • 11:00 AM **GOLF OUTING** Lancaster Country Club

We the ACF of Greater Buffalo, shined (as I knew we would) and knocked the socks off of the attendees. We worked together as a team and we communicated well. There you have it...Team work and communication...the two key ingredients to success. This has been a very long time coming but it is my pleasure to assure the organization that we "The ACF of Greater Buffalo" are indeed in a strong financial situation. To everyone who worked their butts off over the past seven years to bring us to this level. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Below, please find a list of Chapter Level Sponsors, Committee Members and Presenters. To everyone who participated...no matter how big or how small... Thank you a million times over.

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**Thank You** to our following ACF of Greater Buffalo members for representing our Chapter during the 2012 Northeast Regional Conference in Niagara Falls: Maria lacovitti CEPC, for the Pastry Chef of the Year; James Roberts CEC, for the Chef of the Year, Mark Mistriner CEC, for Chef Educator of the Year.

**Congratulations** to Mark Mistriner CEC, for winning the Regional Chef Educator of the Year Award. Good Luck as you compete for the National Chef Educator of the Year in Orlando at the ACF National Convention in July.

**Congratulations** to Lou Venezia CEC, AAC; for receiving a Service Award Pin (Service to the AAC Mission) at the American Academy of Chefs Dinner at The Buffalo Club during the Northeast Regional Conference.

Thank You to the students from NCCC, ECC City, ECC North, & Harkness Career Center BOCES, for volunteering your time at the 2012 Northeast Regional Conference. We couldn't have done it without your help!

**Thank You** to Cutze Foodservice, Alex Ognibene, & Bob Schmidle for the Refrigeration Truck.

**Best Wishes** to Brett Brennan as he heads to New Orleans to compete at the National Level in the Chaine Des Rotisseurs Jeunes Commis competiton on May 19, 2012.

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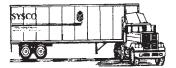


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March	Taste of Culinary 3/25/2012	Board Meeting 3/19/2012		
April	ACF Conference 4/27/2012	Board Meeting 4/16/2012 Board Meeting 5/14/2012 Board Meeting 6/11/2012 Board Meeting TBA Board Meeting TBA		
May	Social Meeting 5/21/2012			
June	Social Meeting None			
July	Golf outing 7/23/2012			
August	Social Meeting None			
September	Social Meeting TBA	Board Meeting TBA		
October	Social Meeting TBA	Board Meeting TBA		
November	Social Meeting TBA	Board Meeting TBA		
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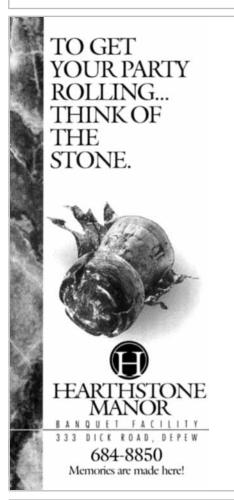
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