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Jeff Bacon, CEC, CCA, AAC

Southeast Region Vice President



A Message from Your Region Vice President

Dear Kevin:

Thank you, members of the Southeast Region. I am honored to have been re-elected as your Southeast Region vice president. I want to thank Michael Deihl, CEC, CCA, AAC, my worthy opponent in the election. He has been a steadfast supporter of me during my first term, and has served as the state coordinator for Georgia the past two years. I cannot express enough what class and professionalism he has displayed, indeed, since I have known him, but especially during our election run. I would hope that his conduct and that of our region serve as models for how an election should be conducted.



Please stay tuned for big improvements in ACF as we implement the [Strategic Plan](#). I feel that the next two years have big things in store for ACF and for the Southeast Region. I can't wait to see what the future holds, and I look forward to experiencing it with you. God bless you, and once again, thank you for your support.

Please make every effort to attend [ACF National Convention in Dallas, July 22-26](#). Not only will you have the chance to enjoy the usual array of excellent educational opportunities, competitions, networking and food, but you will have a chance to learn about the future leadership of ACF. [Register today](#).



I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,
Jeff Bacon, CEC, CCA, CDM, AAC
Your ACF Southeast Region Vice President

Student Culinarian Invitational Features ACF First Coast Chapter Students

Alabama
[Paul Seery, CEC](#)

Florida, North
[Bryan Frick, CEC, AAC](#)

Florida, South
[Donald Sedivy, CEC](#)

Georgia

[Michael Deihl, CEC, CCA, AAC](#)

[Cheryl Glass](#)

Kentucky
[Sam Sears, CEC, CCA](#)

Mississippi
[Allen Racey](#)

North Carolina
[Jay Christmas, CEC, CCA](#)

South Carolina
[Edmund Chinnis, CEC, CCA](#)

Tennessee
[Michael Osborne, CEC](#)

Virginia
[Winslow Goodier, CEC, AAC](#)



[National Convention](#)
July 22-26
Dallas

Orange/mango Florida-style barbecue ribs with curried Southern potato salad and candied collard greens, cinnamon peach fritters and pecan white pepper ice cream with raspberry glaze is what the Southeast Region two-person student team from ACF First Coast Chapter will be cooking at the Student Culinarian Invitational fundraising reception, Saturday, July 23, at ACF national convention, July 22-26, Dallas.



Show your support for Ian Fleischmann and Matthew Kepp, CC, students at The Art Institute of Jacksonville, Jacksonville, Fla., and their mentor Noel Ridsdale, CEC, CCA, AAC, culinary instructor at the school, by attending. They will be joined by five other teams, one from each ACF region, one at-large team and a team from Canada. Tickets

are \$40 and can be purchased by completing the [2011 ACF National Convention registration form](#) and mailing (American Culinary Federation, 180 Center Place Way, St. Augustine, FL 32095), faxing (904) 825-4758, or emailing events@acfchefs.net.

Support Our Southeast Regional Student Team

The student team from Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College (A-B Tech) is hard at work preparing to represent the Southeast in the Student Team National Championship at this year's national convention in Dallas.

Please see what you can do in your area to support these great student chefs as they put in countless hours preparing to represent us.

If you wish to support them through a fundraiser or by a direct financial contribution, please contact Michael Fahey, CEC, CCE, AAC, president, ACF Western North Carolina Culinary Association, at mrfchef@yahoo.com, or Charles deVries, CEPC, culinary instructor, A-B Tech, at Cdevries@abtech.edu.



Alton Brown, Sam Kass and Much More in Store for You at ACF National Convention

Online Registration Closes July 8

Experience the Power of Connection at the [2011 ACF National Convention](#) through the many professional development and networking opportunities, July 22-26, in Dallas. We have an impressive lineup, from General Session's keynote speaker [Sam Kass](#), White House Assistant Chef and Senior Policy Advisor for Healthy Food Initiatives, to the Food Network's [Alton Brown](#).



There is something for everyone, from hands-on demonstrations, educational seminars and competitions to networking functions, fabulous meal events and more. Don't forget the trade show is July 24-25. Learn [more](#) and [register](#).



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ACF Culinary Team USA Fundraising Competition

As you know from my previous e-newsletters, we are holding a fundraising competition from Aug. 1, 2010 to May 31, 2012 in the Southeast Region for [ACF Culinary Team USA](#). After spending time with the team, I am convinced this is the right thing to do. Our team represents us at the highest level of the international culinary community and is manned by chefs just like us. Their hard work and sacrifice is immense, and we need to send them off prepared. Many chefs have asked me how they can help, so this competition is a way that each chapter and member can individually tailor assistance and win great prizes.



The ACF Southeast chapter that raises the most money for ACF Culinary Team USA based on the average dollar amount per chapter member will receive a visit from an ACF Culinary Team USA member. In addition, each chapter member will receive an ACF Culinary Team USA pin or patch designed for IKA. The chapter that raises more than \$15,000 will receive an expense-paid trip for one to Erfurt, Germany, to experience the 2012 IKA with ACF Culinary Team USA. The trip for one includes airfare, hotel, show passes and breakfast daily. The ACF Southeast Region member who raises the most money in excess of \$3,000 will also receive a trip for one to IKA, as well as a special memorabilia package. [More](#)

We have raised \$4,612 as of the end of April. Thank you to the [chapters](#) and [members](#) that donated. Make a [donation](#) and help ACF Culinary Team USA bring home the gold.

Access Your ACF Chapter Logo Online

Your ACF chapter logo is available behind the [login](#) on your member profile of the ACF website. You can add your chapter logo on your business cards, letterhead, website and etc. Please read the ACF Branded Chapter Logo Usage and ACF Logo Policies and Procedures documents to ensure you are using the logo correctly. Our goal in every instance of the logo's use is to enhance ACF's awareness in the culinary industry and with the public.



Chapter Compliance

Did you know that to be considered in good standing, your chapter must have all of its legal documents on file at the ACF national office? If you are not sure if your chapter is in compliance, please contact Linda Leo, membership manager, in the ACF membership department at lleo@acfchefs.net.

Update Your Chapter's Information Online

Please update the information on your local and national ACF websites. It is the main way people, potential members and sponsors, find out where you are meeting and what you are doing. Remember, your ACF branded chapter logo should be on your local website. Thank you.

Southeast Region Chapter News

Find out what your ACF Southeast Region chapters have been doing or are planning by visiting their websites or contacting them.

ALABAMA

ACF Birmingham Alabama Chapter: <http://acfbirmingham.com/>

ACF Greater Montgomery Chapter: No information available.

ACF Heart of the Gulf Coast Chefs & Cooks Assn.: Contact Ron Koetter, CEC, CCE, AAC, at (251) 968-3108 or rkoetter@faulknerstate.edu for information.

ACF Metro Mobile Chefs & Cooks Association: Contact Thomas Spence Jr., at (251) 476-6400, ext.7353, for information.

ACF Poarch Creek: Contact Stafford DeCambra, CEC, CCE, CCA, AAC, at (251) 446-4373 or sdecambra@acfchefs.net for information.

FLORIDA

ACF Bay Culinarians: <http://www.gulfcoast.edu/culinary>

ACF Caxambas Chapter of Naples & Marco Island:

<http://brigadedecuisine.blogspot.com/>

ACF Central Florida Chapter: www.acfcfc.org

■No July meeting.

ACF Daytona Beach Chefs Association: Contact Costa Magoulas, CEC, CCE, CCA, AAC, at chefmagoulas@yahoo.com for information.

ACF First Coast Chapter: www.jaxchefs.com

ACF Greater Miami Chapter Epicurean Club: www.acfgreater-miami.org

ACF Gulf to Lakes Chefs & Cooks Assn., Inc.: www.acf-fl201.org

■No July meeting.

ACF Northeast Florida Chapter: Contact Dale Robert Ford at (904) 753-1113 or chefford@comcast.net for information.

ACF Palm Beach County Chefs Association: Contact Michael Jasa, CEC, at (954) 444-7176 or ChefMJ1@aol.com for information.

ACF Sarasota Bay Chefs Assn.: www.acfsarasotabaychefs.com

ACF Space Coast Chapter: Contact Darrin Durham at (321) 409-4800 for information.

ACF St. Augustine Chapter: Contact Kirk Kief, CC, CPC, at (386) 972-3600 or kirk@kiefphoto.com.

ACF Tallahassee Area Chefs Assn.: www.mysecretchef.info/acf

ACF Tampa Bay Culinary Assn. Inc: www.tampabaychefs.bravehost.com

ACF Treasure Coast Chapter: Contact Diane Conway, acting chapter president at (863) 634-7840 or DGCateters101@yahoo.com for information.

The Southwest Florida Chapter of the ACF: Contact Christopher Cassel at (239) 931-3149 or chefperfection@aol.com for information.

■The Second Annual Chefs Chili Cook-off is July 10 at Pink Shell Beach Resort. Sign up now to participate.

■The August 15 meeting is at the Edison Restaurant Fort Lauderdale ACF, Inc: www.acfbrowardchefs.com

■The next meeting is July 11 at Le Cordon Bleu, 3221 Enterprise Way, Miramar. A demo will take place and a tour of the facilities.

GEORGIA

ACF Augusta Chapter: Contact Kathleen Alsheimer Fervan at (706) 771-4084 or fervan@bellsouth.net for information.

ACF Greater Atlanta Chapter, Inc: www.acfatlantachefs.org

■No July meeting.

ACF Greater Chattahoochee Valley Culinary Assn.: Contact Marcus DuVal at (334) 298-5550 or mduval4@ctvea.net or marcus@marcusduval.com for information.

ACF Golden Isles of Georgia Chapter: Contact Matt Moore at (912) 638-3611 or mattmoore@seaisland.com for information.

ACF Middle Georgia Chefs Association: www.acfmiddlega.org

ACF Triangle Chefs: www.trianglechefs.com

ACF Western North Carolina Culinary Association: Contact Michael Fahey, CEC, CCE, AAC, at (828) 230-6078 or mrfchef@yahoo.com for information.
Classic City Chefs & Cooks Assn.: Contact Christopher McCook, CEC, at (706) 354-7100 or mccookcuisine@yahoo.com for information.

KENTUCKY

ACF Kentucky Chapter: <http://www.acfkentucky.org>
Bluegrass Culinary Association ACF: Contact Sam Sears, CEC, CCA, at (859) 233-3736, or ssears09@insightbb.com for information.
Western Kentucky Chefs & Cooks Assn. - ACF: Contact David Jones at (270) 538-0250 or westkychefs@gmail.com for information.

MISSISSIPPI

ACF Choctaw Chapter: Contact Louis Chatham, CEC, AAC, at (251) 253-5017 or lchatham@pcigaming.com for information.
ACF Hattiesburg Chapter: Contact Jim Rowell Jr. at (601) 271-2020 or jrowell@cooks2chefs.com for information.
Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter ACF: www.gulfcoastacf.com

NORTH CAROLINA

ACF Cape Fear Chefs Assn.: www.capefearchefs.com
ACF Inc. Charlotte Chapter: www.acf-charlotte.org
■No July meeting.
ACF Crosscreek & Sandhill Chefs Association: Contact Scott Margolis at (910) 692-0378 or imzchef@hotmail.com for information.
ACF Eastern Carolina Chapter: Contact Anthony Garnett at (252) 241-5853 or chefgarnett@yahoo.com for information.
ACF Triad Chapter NC: www.acftriad.org
■The next meeting is July 11 at Triad Community Kitchen at 6:30 p.m.
ACF Triangle Chapter - www.trianglechefs.com
ACF Western North Carolina Culinary Assn.: Contact Michael Fahey, CEC, CCE, AAC, at (828) 230-6078 or mrfchef@yahoo.com for information.

SOUTH CAROLINA

ACF Chefs of the Low Country: www.acfchefssofthelowcountry.com
■The next meeting is July 11 at Savannah Technical College, Savannah Campus 5717 White Bluff Road Savannah, with award winning ice carver Travis Dale, who will demonstrate the techniques needed to carve great ice sculptures.
ACF Greater Charleston South Carolina Chapter:
<http://charlestonacf.squarespace.com>
■The next meeting is July 12 at CIC Palmer Campus to discuss ACF National Convention from 6-8 p.m. The Board meeting is 4:30-5:30 p.m.
ACF Midlands Chapter: <http://acfmidlands.com/>
ACF Myrtle Beach Chapter: www.myrtlebeachacf.com
■No July meeting.
ACF Pee Dee Chapter: Contact Damian Wanek at (843) 260-4791 or dwanek@florenceciviccenter.com for information.
ACF Upstate South Carolina Chapter: Contact Patrick W Wagner, CCE, at (864) 250-3673 or patrick.wagner@gvltec.edu for information.

TENNESSEE

ACF Chattanooga Chefs & Cooks Association: Contact Richmond Flowers at (423) 991-3687 or rflowers@bradleyschools.org for information.
ACF Greater Memphis Chapter: www.acfmemphis.com
ACF Greater Smokey Mountain Chapter: Contact David Colburn, CEC, at (865) 679-1003 or dhcjr57@gmail.com for information.
ACF Middle Tennessee Chapter: www.nashvillechefs.org
■No July meeting.

VIRGINIA

ACF Blue Ridge Chefs Association: Contact Steve Biery, CCC, at (434) 982-5115 or biery-steve@aramark.com for information.

ACF Southwestern Virginia Chapter: www.swvachefs.org

■The next meeting is Aug. 1 at 3 p.m. at Roanoke Higher Education Center.
3:00 PM Roanoke, Virginia

ACF Tidewater Chefs Chapter: www.tidewateracf.org

ACF Virginia Chefs Association: www.vachefs.org

■The next meeting is July 11 at 3 p.m. at the Gardens of the Country Club of Virginia.

■The 8th Annual Commercial Vegetable & Berry Field Day is July 14 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Old Dominion ACF Chapter: Contact Mark W. Warren CEC, AAC, at (804) 961-5150 or mark.w.warren@us.army.mil for information.

New River Valley Chapter: Contact George Kruse, CCC, at (540) 998-1035 or george@blacksburgcc.com for information.

ACF-Sanctioned Culinary Competitions

August 19: ACF Capitol of Texas Chefs

Site: The International Culinary Institute, Austin, TX

Chair: Steve Mannion CEC, CEPC; chefmannion@gmail.com; (512) 633-4561

Categories: A-D, SA-SD, K1-9, SK1-9, E1-4

August 20: ACF Palm Beach County Chef Association

Site: Lincoln Culinary Institute, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Chair: Patrick Fagen, CEC, AAC; chefpinetree@aol.com; (561) 732-6404

Categories: A, B, C, K1-9, P1-2, ST1-Local student team, W Customized Category-

Two-man team, 3 courses (starter, entrée, desert), 4 portions, 2.5 hr. cook time; required protein is beef tri-tip

September 8-10: ACF Central Florida Chapter

Site: Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, Fla.

Chair: Steven Jayson, CEC, AAC; steve.jayson@universalorlando.com; (407) 363-8496

Website: www.acfcfc.org

Categories: ST2 - Florida State Student Team Championship, W - Wildcard and SW - Wildcard

Individual Signature Recipes: entree, 4 portions, 90 minutes - competitors choose from the following

proteins/competitions: pork, alligator, beef; USA Culinary Cup Challenge: 4-man team, 4-course meal, 55 portions, 5 hours - competition requires specific ingredients; Individual, Professional Showpiece; Individual, Student Decorated Cake

September 22-25: ACF So. Inland Empire Chefs & Cooks Association

Site: The Mission Inn Hotel & Spa, Riverside, Calif.

Chair: James McCullough, jmccullough@missioninn.com, (951) 341-6717

Website: www.culinarysalonriverside.com

Categories: A, D, SA, SD, E1-4, F1, 6, G, SG, ST1, ST2 - Student Team State Competition, K1, 3, 8, 9, SK1, 2, 9, P1, 2, SP1, 2, H1, 3, SH1, 3, W - Wildcard Category - Breakdown Incomplete, SW - Student Wildcard Category - Breakdown Incomplete

October 22-23, 2011 ACF Chefs Association of Arizona

Site: East Valley Institute of Technology, Mesa, Ariz.

Chair: Carlton Brooks CCE, CEPC, ACE; brooks.acfaz@gmail.com; (602) 739-5715

Website: www.acfaz.org

Categories: A-D, E1-4, K1-9, SK1-9, P1-2, SP1-2

October 26, 2011 ACF Idaho Chefs de Cuisine

Site: Renaissance Professional Technical Center, Meridian, Idaho

Chair: David Knickrehm, lbleuchef@yahoo.com, (208) 353-0994

Website: www.facebook.com/home.php#1/pages/acf/idaho-chefs-de-cuisine/220028471349597

Categories: A, K2, 4 & 9

November 19-20: Delmarva Chefs and Cooks Association



Site: Parkside Career and Technology Center, Salisbury, Md.
Chair: Raymond Hilligoss, CCE; thilligo@wcboe.org; (410) 677-5144
Categories: A-D, K1 - 9, F1, SW

