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College of DuPage Chef-Instructor Timothy Meyers, CCC, CCE, Receives 2010 ACF Central Region Chef Educator of the Year Award

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., March 29, 2010—Timothy Meyers, certified chef de cuisine (CCC), certified chef educator (CCE), of Plainfield, Ill., received the 2010 American Culinary Federation, Inc. (ACF) Central Region Chef Educator of the Year award at the 2010 ACF Central Regional Conference held at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown, Indianapolis, March 26-28. Meyers is a chef-instructor at the College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, Ill.



The 2010 ACF Central Region Chef Educator of the Year award pays tribute to an active culinary educator whose knowledge, skills and expertise have given culinary students leadership and guidance for the future. As this year's Central Region recipient, Meyers will vie for the national title against three other candidates at the 2010 ACF National Convention in Anaheim, Calif., Aug. 2-5. Candidates will each give a lecture/demonstration before a panel of judges who will decide the winner.

Before joining the College of DuPage, Meyers was program coordinator at the Technology Center of DuPage, Addison, Ill., and Lake County High School Technology Campus, Grayslake, Ill. He is a graduate of Kendall College, Chicago, and has a master's in business administration from Aurora University, Aurora, Ill. Meyers has worked in the hospitality industry for 19 years, including with Hyatt Hotels Corp., the University Club of Chicago and Marshall Fields. He is a member of the International Food Service Executives Association, and is a U.S. Department of Agriculture dairy grader/inspector. He is a member of ACF Windy City Professional Culinarians Inc.

The 2010 ACF Central Regional Conference, hosted by ACF Greater Indianapolis Chapter, brought hundreds of chefs, cooks and foodservice professionals to Indianapolis. The conference provided attendees with opportunities to advance their professional development and enhance their culinary skills through business seminars, cooking demonstrations featuring the latest trends and techniques, cooking competitions and awards.

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