Greetings from the Chair-Elect

As we approach the end of the 2009-2010 year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our officers and committee members who have worked throughout the year to help make each meeting a success. I would like to also thank all members who attended our meetings and events.

At our annual crawfish boil on April 14, 2010, Dr. Mary Ann Godshall, the GC-IFT scholarship committee chair, and Tom Quinn presented the award certificates to our 2010 GC-IFT student scholarships winners. The winner of the 2010 Louisiana Gulf Coast Section Scholarship was Adriana Soto Rodriguez Gil. The winner of the 2010 Tom Quinn & Associates Scholarship was Huaixia Yin, and the winner of the 2010 Central Analytical Laboratory Scholarship was Kevin Mis Solval.

The award celebration was followed by excellent presentations from all three scholarship winners. Congratulations to them once more on their achievement! Our newly elected officers for the 2010-2011 year are: Dr. Lucina Lampila – Chair-Elect Dr. Joongmin Shin – Treasurer Dr. Alfredo Prudente – Secretary

We look forward to seeing you all again next year at the 2010-2011 meetings!

Sincerely,

Ashley Gutierrez
Chair-Elect

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Dr. Kenneth McMillin has been awarded an IFT achievement award in 2010. He has been elected as one of the new IFT Fellows for this year. He will be recognized at the 2010 IFT Awards celebration scheduled to be held at the McCormic Place Convention Center in Chicago on Saturday, July 17th, 2010, from 5:30 to 6:45 PM during 2010. We would like to thank to him for the outstanding work!

The following students from the LSU Department of Food Science will be presenting at the Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL.

Adriana Soto
Ahalya Kosal Ram
Carla Sandlin
Chenfei Gao
Damir Torrico
Huaixia Yin
Jianing Pu
Jose Estrada
Kevin Mis
Karen Garcia
Luis Alfaro
Wisdom Wardy
Reshani Senevirathne

Marcela Ruiz
Namrata Karki
Pamarin Waimaleon-gara-Ek
Luis-A Espinoza
Rodezno
Phatipha Charoenthai-kij
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