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Northeast Newsletter

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Dear Northeast ACF Member,

I hope you are thriving in your culinary endeavors.

As the leaves begin to turn and the fall season approaches, I am thrilled to share with you the exciting lineup of events the American Culinary Federation has planned over the next few months in the Northeast. These upcoming gatherings are designed specifically for culinary professionals like you, providing a wonderful opportunity to connect, learn, and share your passion for the culinary arts. These events and excursions are not only accessible but also more ambitious than ever before.

For more details and to register, please visit the websites or contact the chapter leadership directly. I look forward to seeing you at these exciting events!

ACF Convention Photos

We are excited to share a glimpse of our amazing time at the 2024 ACF National Convention held in sunny Phoenix! From inspiring keynote speeches to unforgettable networking moments, this event was one for the books.

Check out the album to relive the highlights and see if you can spot yourself or friends from the convention. Thank you to everyone who made it a memorable experience! The photos

are now available on the [ACF Flickr](#) account for viewing and downloading. We appreciate your patience as we combed through thousands of pics! Tag [@acfchefs](#) in your photos on social media! [#acfchefs](#)

NRA 2025 Call for Presenters

Please find below the information should you be interested in presenting in the upcoming show on May 17-20, 2025 in Chicago.

Call for Proposals for the 2025 National Restaurant Association Show is now open! Calling all Industry professionals who may be interested in speaking at the 2025 Restaurant Show to submit a proposal for consideration!

The application is open through September 20, and submitters will be notified of their proposal status by November 1st. [LEARN MORE & SUBMIT](#)

I hope we can share ACF's incredible expertise and showcase the culinary excellence ACF is known for. This is a great opportunity for our members.

ACF Chefs Forum Webinar: 5-Star Elegance for Everyone

Join us Wednesday, September 18 at 2PM EST with ACF Chef Tim Recher, CEC, AAC, as he explores the art of elevating everyday dishes with five-star elegance. In this engaging session, Chef Recher will share creative techniques to incorporate luxurious, high-end ingredients—typically reserved for fine dining—into approachable, fun, and exciting everyday snacks and meals.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

ACF Team USA

2028 ACF Culinary Team USA try-outs will take place on September 27-28, 2024, at Johnson & Wales University, Providence, RI. Fifteen outstanding Chefs will be competing for a spot on the upcoming team Administration.

ACF has a new Director of Communications, JJ Vitale.

JJ joins the ACF with 14 years of nonprofit and association experience. JJ brings a wealth of experience and a fresh perspective to our organization. With a proven track record in strategic communication and a passion for storytelling, we are confident that JJ will help elevate the ACF communication strategies and drive our mission forward. Contact her with questions or concerns at jvitale@acfchefs.org

National Board Nominations

Nominations for 2025-2027 ACF National Officer positions opened at the Board of Governors meeting on Sunday, July 14, 2024, at the Phoenix Convention Center. The deadline to submit all required paperwork is December 1, 2024.

ACF National Officer positions are:

- ACF National President
- ACF National Secretary
- ACF National Treasurer

- ACF Central Region Vice President
- ACF Northeast Region Vice President
- ACF Southeast Region Vice President
- ACF Western Region Vice President

A designated webpage is available to locate all the required paperwork and timelines at Elections. [LEARN MORE HERE](#)

AAC Application & Nominations

The application deadline for induction into the [American Academy of Chefs](#) is December 1, 2024. All application materials must be received by the national office by that date. Please contact the Academy office if you have any questions at (904) 484-0202 or academy@acfchefs.org

Nominations for 2025-2027 American Academy of Chefs Chair and Vice Chair positions opened during the American Academy of Chefs Fellows meeting held on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at the Phoenix Convention Center. The deadline to submit all required paperwork is December 1, 2024. [LEARN MORE HERE](#)

ACF National Awards

Applications for the 2025 ACF National Awards have been posted. The deadline to submit applications is January 31, 2025. [LEARN MORE & NOMINATE](#)

International Chefs Day is October 20, 2024!

Over the years, Worldchefs has partnered with Nestlé Professional to inspire children worldwide to embrace healthy eating through engaging, fun-filled workshops. This year, we continue our commitment with the International Chefs Day campaign, themed Growing Great Chefs. [DOWNLOAD RESOURCES](#)

Northeast Chapter Events

Nation's Capital Chef's Association Annual Golf Tournament

- 9/30 - 11:00am- 5:00pm to benefit Warrior Events- Crofton Country Club Crofton, MD 2114

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ACF Epicurean Club of Boston

- 9/22 - working with ACF N.H cultural food Festival to raise money for scholarships
- 9/23 - Epicurean Club of Boston monthly meeting – Fire-king European style bakery.
- 9/30 - 4th annual Cops for Kids with cancer, 100% donated to Cops for kids.

<https://www.acfecb.com/>

ACF Grater Baltimore Chapter Student & Chef Competition

- 10/7 - Western School of Technology - 100 Kenwood Avenue Baltimore, MD 21228

<https://www.greaterbaltimoreacf.com/>

ACF Rhode Island Chapter Events

- 10/7 - Monthly meeting at Chariho High School Fish Fabrication Demo
- 11/4 - Meeting at Warwick High School Sponsored by Maple Leaf Farms
- 11/25 - Assembling Needy Children Backpacks and Military Boxes
- 12/9 - Holiday Party at Red Stripe Restaurant

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ACF Long Island Chapter October Meeting

- 10/7 - at 6:00pm - Affinity Group/BSE Marketing- 5 Wellwood Avenue Farmingdale, NY 11735

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ACF Pittsburgh Chapter Events

- 10/13 - Jazz Brunch (Bi-Annual fundraising event)
- 10/23 - Student Hot Food Competition – hosted at Laurel Technical Institute (ACF Sanctioned)
- 10/28 - Breadmaking workshop with Mediterra hosted by CCAC
- 11/18 - Holiday Social – Awards nomination announcements
- 11/28 - Grateful Gatherings – ACF Pittsburgh Chapter & Pittsburgh Culinary Initiative will be feeding 7500 people who are suffering from food insecurity. We could use donations and help with prep leading up to the event if anyone is available.
- 01/05 - Ice Carving competition – Hosted by Heinze Hall

<https://acfpittsburgh.org/>

ACF Professional Chefs Association of South Jersey Events

- 10/8 - Meeting at Cardinal Bistro Restaurant - 6:00pm meet and greet. We will have educational guests.
- 11/10 - Annual Veterans Brunch in honor of Veterans Day - guest volunteers and chef's welcome. We feed about four hundred veterans and seventy-five volunteers at the Vineland Memorial Nursing home - a state and Federal Home for vets. This event we put on a great brunch featuring prime rib carving station and omelet stations and buffet featuring all kinds of food. The vets all get a menu and pick what they want. We serve every vet in the Auditorium. It is their biggest and most enjoyed event of the year. This is 13th year.
- 11/12 - Meeting held at Atlantic Cape Community College Academy of Culinary Arts school. 6pm start meeting and We will have educational guest. Nominations for December election.

- 12/10 - Meeting to be held at the Tuckahoe Inn - this is our Christmas meeting, and we collect toys for tots. No educational guest. We do have a party. We will also hold chapter election.
- 2/23/25 - Sunday - 51st annual Presidents Charity Scholarship Ball. This is chapters biggest event of the year. we are having it at the Hard Rock Hotel casino. It is a magnificent event. All chefs are invited. Cocktail reception is at 5pm.

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ACF Philadelphia Delaware Valley Chefs Association Octoberfest

- 10/18 - 7:00pm to 11:00pm - 9130 Academy Road, Philadelphia, PA 19114

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Canadian Culinary Federation Conference

Our friends from up north extend a warm invitation to ACF members for the Canadian Culinary Federation's 2025 Conference, taking place in the beautiful city of Moncton, Canada! May 25-29, 2025. This unforgettable event is filled with innovative culinary workshops, inspiring keynote speakers, and exciting networking opportunities with fellow chefs and industry professionals from around the globe.

Do not miss out on this chance to advance your skills, share your passion, and enjoy the vibrant culinary culture of Moncton. ACF members qualify for 21 CEH Credits! Registration will open in late January. [LEARN MORE](#)

I encourage you to take full advantage of these events to further your professional development and strengthen our culinary community. Your participation not only enhances your own skills but also contributes to the growth and success of our federation. I look forward to your participation and to celebrating the art of culinary excellence together!

Warm regards,



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