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NEW! NJAFP SEPTEMBER VIRTUAL SEMINAR*

September 15, 2020 11:00 AM —12:30 PM

Dr. Ruth Petran IAFP Vice-President Ecolab Sanitation Preventive Controls



Register for this seminar at: https:// attendee.gotowebinar.com/ register/4733845466511696140

Dr. Petran is an experienced Vice President with a demonstrated history of working in the food and chemicals industries. She is skilled in Research and Development (R&D), Food & Beverage, Food Processing, Food Science, and Business Process Improvement. She is a strong operations professional with a PhD focused in Public Health/Environmental Health from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

*This seminar is the first in a series of 5 virtual seminars that will be offered at no cost to NJEHA members and others who may wish to participate. Watch for upcoming topics and dates in our future newsletters. CEUs will not be offered for these events.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the COVID-era NJAFP newsletter for our fall events. Much like you, we're adjusting to the 'new world' and adapting better each day.

Sadly (but necessarily) our spring seminar was canceled. After much collaboration, the NJAFP Board concluded that the show must go on! As you know, people are still eating and need their food safety professionals behind the scenes to make our life source safe, wholesome, and steady.

As adult learners, we understand that sitting in a webinar for several hours at once isn't the most productive form of accomplishing a learning experience. Don't worry, we've got your back. Which is precisely why for the first time in our history, we're facilitating a series of monthly virtual fall seminars spread out over the course of five months.

Our upcoming virtual seminar sessions includes topics from New Jersey's food safety professionals in regulatory, academia, and industry covering supplier approval, third party delivery services, retail food safety, and the ever-evolving marijuana sector. This was the same line-up for the spring and we're grateful for the support of our speakers during the fall sessions.

During the 2019 fall seminar (live and in person—what a dream!), the talented and dedicated NJAFP Board discussed ways for our great Association to strive towards being the ultimate resource to our members and even to pursue an IAFP Award! Some of the approaches we're exploring include increased membership base and understanding what we can do for YOU.

Additionally, we reviewed ways to improve the overall experience associated with the Association. Specifically:

- how to improve the value of our newsletter, website, and seminars
- how to enhance the seminar experiences to maximize impact for our members

As a member of this Association, your voice matters. We will be sending out electronic surveys (by now everyone is familiar with this). Please know that your seminar survey responses will be integrated into CEU applications, Association improvements, and upcoming seminar topics that matter to you.

Thank you for everything you have done over the last several months within our new world and for being a part of an amazing Association. Thank you to the NJAFP Board for making our newsletters, website, seminars and goals come to life.

Be safe out there and thank you for everything you do, every day.

Jessica (Albrecht) Coronato
NJAFP President

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Congratulations to Our NJAFP 2020 Sustaining Members

HEALTH AND SANITATION SYSTEMS Ted Diskind Highland Park, NJ	RK ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES Jessica Coronato Westwood, NJ
MARSH & MCLENNON AGENCY George Garcia Saddle Brook, NJ	TRUE WORLD FOODS NY, LLC Helder Cabrita Elizabeth, NJ
PASTER TRAINING Tara Paster Gilbertsville, PA	WIM WAM SOFTWARE Neal Nover Mt. Laurel, NJ
READINGTON FARMS, INC. Patrick Boyle Whitehouse, NJ	THANK YOU!

We truly appreciate your support and dedication to NJAFP!



Need Money? Check Out NJAFP Scholarships for Student Members



NJAFP awards two \$1,000 scholarships to full or part-time graduate or undergraduate NJAFP members each year. Recipients must be enrolled in a college or university where he/she physically attends classes, and has declared a major in one of the following fields (other majors will also be considered):

Food Safety	Environmental Health	Nutritional Sciences
Public Health	Food Sciences	Agricultural Sciences
Environmental Sciences	Food Defense	Biology/Microbiology

To learn more about NJAFP scholarships and obtain a membership application, please visit the NJAFP website at www.njfoodprotection.org and click on the scholarship tab.

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WANTED!

If you are employed at a food processor and are involved with QA or QC and food safety is important to you...we want you to join our organization!

NJAFP is the foremost food safety organization in NJ. We are the NJ affiliate of the International Association for Food Protection (IAFP), the world's largest association of food safety professionals from industry, government, and academia.

If food safety is a critical component to the success of your company, then you need to be a part of NJAFP! We invite you to join us! It's inexpensive (\$25/year) and worth your time. We have two seminars per year in May and October. Please join us on May 13, 2020 for our seminar at Rutgers University, Cook College in New Brunswick, NJ. Directions to the seminar are on page 8, and at: http://www.cpe.rutgers.edu/directions/Cook-Campus-Center.pdf. We will have several speakers that are sure to be of interest to you.

Please contact our NJAFP Board members for additional information.

The NJAFP Executive Board is also looking for a few new members. The Board meets or holds conference calls approximately six times per year. Members of the Executive Board are expected to attend all meetings and seminars. If interested, please contact us at info@njfoodprotection.org.

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