

The Student Gator Chapter of the Florida Association for Food Protection

University of Florida
Gainesville, FL

Who are we?

Officers

- President – Yael Spektor
- VP – Laura Strawn
- Secretary – Sara Aldaous
- Treasurer – Diana Seminario
- FAFP Representative – Gabe Shook

Club Advisors

- Senior advisor – Dr. Keith Schneider
- Junior advisor – Dr. Michelle Danyluk

Our Mission

- To promote and raise awareness in food safety related issues
- To foster and expand members' knowledge by inviting food industry professionals to discuss current issues in food safety
- To provide opportunities for personal and professional development to our members

Overview

- ~ 20 members and growing!
- Monthly meetings
- Guest Speakers
- Professional opportunities
- Social events & Activities
- Two scholarships awarded every fall and spring

Guest Speakers

- Dr. Keith Schneider
 - Professor at the University of Florida
- Dr. George Baker
 - University of Florida alum
- Raina Allen
 - Director of Food Safety and Quality Assurance at Rosemont Farms
- Dr. Linda Harris
 - Associate Director for Research at the UC Davis Western Institute for Food Safety and Security (WIFSS)
- Lee Deaderick
 - Co-Owner of Northwest Seafood, Gainesville, FL

Social Activities

- Spring semester social at Gators Dockside

- Bowling social



- Holiday social at Big Lou's Pizzeria

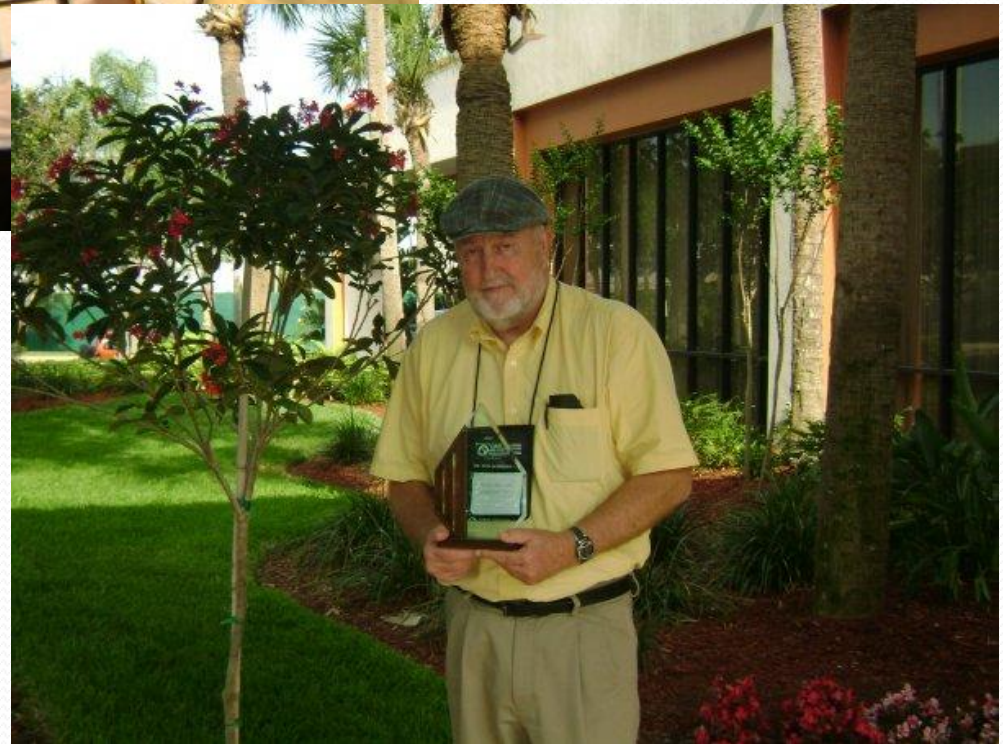
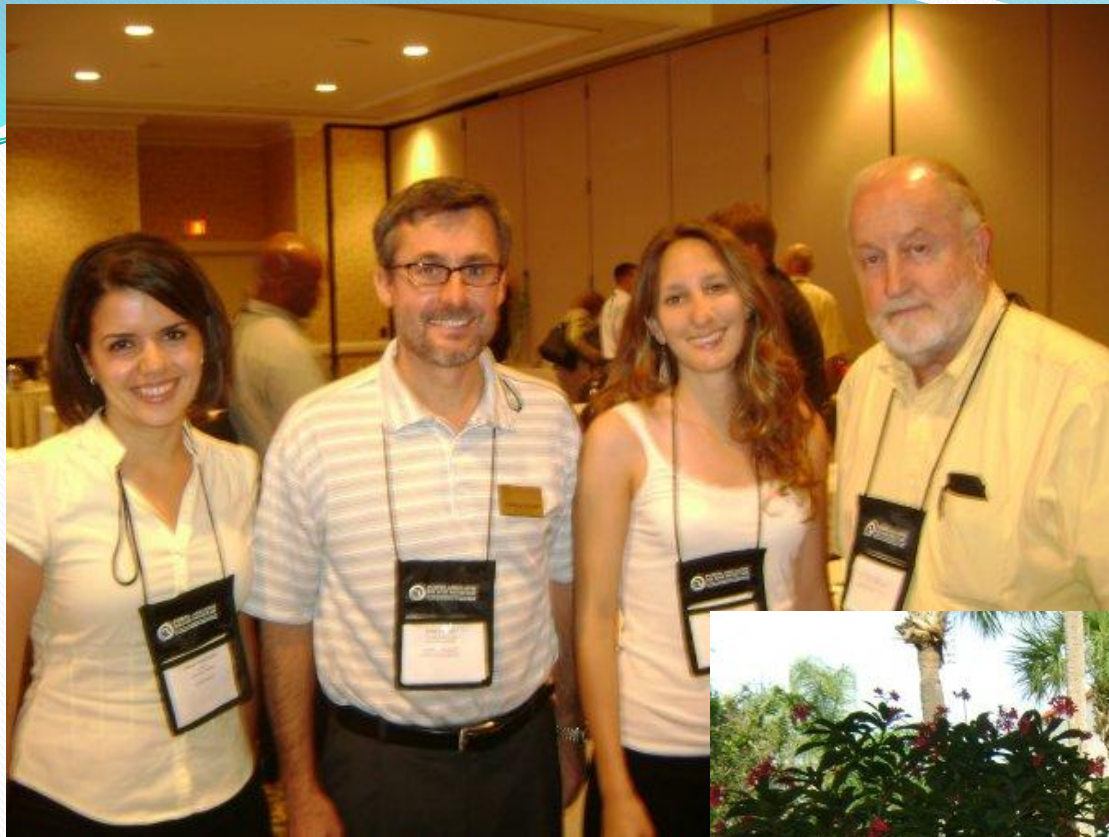
Promotional Events

- Participated in the Student Organization Fair
- Took part in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALs) Kickoff



Professional Opportunities

- FAFP Annual Education Conference – St. Petersburg, FL – May 13th -15th, 2008
- FAFP Educational Luncheon - Tampa FL - October 1st, 2008
- FAFP Annual Education Conference – Orlando, FL – May 5th -7th, 2009



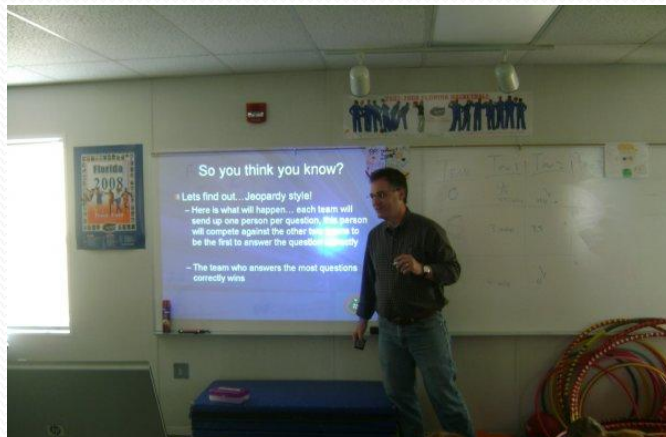
IAFP Student Professional Development Group (SPDG)

- We encourage our members to be active within the SPDG.
 - Examples:
 - Wendy Franco ran for Secretary and Rachel McEgan ran for Treasurer for the 2008-2009 elections
 - Laura Strawn is running for Vice-Chair for the 2009-2010 elections
 - Rachel McEgan is running for Treasurer for the 2009-2010 elections

School Program

- Developed a food safety program with several elementary schools in Gainesville, FL
- Objective:
 - To teach children of various age groups about food safety, food protection, and hygiene practices to expand their knowledge in these critical aspects of daily life.
- Schools visited:
 - J. J. Finley Elementary
 - Idylwild Elementary

School Program Cont.



Future Plans & Closing Remarks

- Elect a new board of officers
- Continue expanding our membership
- Continue our efforts of bringing food safety professionals to educate our members
- Improve and expand the School Program so that more children get the chance to experience food safety education
- **Silent Auction**
 - Please help our organization continue its growth!

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Questions???