

# AAC dinner supports fundraiser

Students from Land O'Lakes High School Academy of Culinary Arts, Land O'Lakes, Fla., teamed up with 14 ACF Tampa Bay Culinary Association members to prepare a five-course dinner Dec. 20 to benefit the school's culinary program, the chapter's Chef & Child program and the AAC. Michael Rigberg, CEC, CCA, chapter president, and Tod Hess, CEC, executed and directed the team for an elegant evening that began with a reception serving cold and hot hors d'oeuvres. The five-course meal incorporated ingredients from the school's hydroponic garden. The evening was highlighted by the attendance of several AAC Fellows and special guest Fritz Sonnenschmidt, CMC, AAC, HOF, who spoke about AAC's history and the future of culinary arts.

### **2013 ELECTION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS**

ACF members will vote electronically for the 2013-2015 board of directors in May 2013. The email subject line for ballots will be "ACF Official Election Ballot." To be eligible to vote, membership dues must be paid by March 31. To ensure eligibility and to receive correspondence, update your contact information, especially email address, at www.acfchefs.org, or call (800) 624-9458. If you have questions about the elections, contact Mark Kent, CEC, AAC, chair, ACF Nominations & Elections Committee, at (330) 972-2349.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Joseph Balzano, CEC, AAC ACF Professional Chefs/Cooks Association of Rochester

Vincent J. Diciero, CEC ACF Greater Cincinnati Chapter

Brian C. McMann ACF New England Culinary Institute

John Bell, CEC

**Tina Norris** ACF Mountain Empire Culinary Association

Henry Perez, CEC ACF Rio Grande Valley Chapter

Teresa Krebs, CEC

#### **NEW CERTIFICATIONS**

November 2012

Kevin Blaylock, CEC, CSCE, CCA Derek Brewington, CEC, CCA Roberto Brito, CEC, CCA Sarah Christ, CEPC Carla Christensen-Derakshan, CWPC Carlos Coronado, CEPC Jason Flynn, CSC Daniel Hahn, CEC, CCA David Hardy, CCC Jeffry Howard, CEC, CCA Wook Kang, CEC Jay Kill, CEC Cece Krelitz, CWPC Niel Markussen, CEC Kevin McCarthy, CEC, CCE David McKeown, CSC Nicholas Mercogliano, CCC Tara Murdock, CWPC Reynolds Parziale, CEC, CCA Derrick Pelekai Jr., CEC

Robert Phillips, CEC, CCA Carlos Portela, CEC Antonio Rico Bragado, CEC Eric Samuelson, CCE, CEC, CCA John Schopp, CEC, CEPC, CCA Suzette Simpson, CWPC Jennifer Sohonie, CEC Aurelio Sotomayor, CEC Ryan Summers, CEC Deborah Sutton, CEC Wesley Turnage, CEC, CCE, CCA Gonzalo Vasquez, CEC, CCA Melodie Walker, CCC Michael Walker, CEC Gregory West, CEC Jacob Williams, CEC Nicholas Zaricor, CSC

## RENEWAL CERTIFICATIONS

November 2012

Joe Aiello, CEC, AAC Paul Ashman, CEPC

Robbert Bouman, CEC James Boyd, CEC Jacob Brach, CCC Danny Bruns, CCA Michael Campe, CEC, AAC John Castro, CEC Sharon Christensen, CEC Alyson Cook, CEC, CEPC Marcia Corbin, CSC Travis Dale, CEC, CCA Roger Disbrow, CEC Richard Duclos, CEC Carl Dunkel, CEC, CCE Lisa Falcone, CEC, RD, CP-FS Ralph Feraco, CEC, AAC Peter Guzzo, CEC Timothy Haze, CEC Cecilia Henson, CEC Patricio Herrera, CEC Cheryl Hitzemann, CEPC Bryan Holloway, CEC John King, CEC\*

Steven Lautieri, CEC Robert McDaniel, CEC Andrew Mikuszewski, CEC\* James Mullaney, CEPC Virginia Olson, CWPC Reynolds Parziale, CEC, CCA Greg Paulson, CEC, CCE Daniel Pellegrino, CEC Randall Petersen, CEC Stephanie Ricci, CSC Garrett Sanborn, CEC, CCE, AAC, ED.D Kurt Sanburn, CEC\* Daniel Scannell, CMC David Schneider, CEC, CCE Samuel Sears III, CEC, AAC, CCA Christopher Simeone, CEC Robert Stanford, CEC Michael Williams, CEC Travis Williams, CCC Robert Young, CEC

\* Lifetime Certification