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Letter from the President

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Chef Kevin Storm

WOW! What a great turn out at the Wine Country BBQ! Over 500 tickets were sold and a great time was had by all. Even the weather cleared up enough for no one to get wet by the time the event started. I want to thank all of you that prepared food, helped before the event and came out to lend a hand. A special thanks to Casey Schiller, Chris Desens, Tom Maertz from PFG and Chad Lombardo from Kuna. This event would not have been such a great success without your help!

The Latin Summit was well attended by our chapter. There were over 150 attendees in all. I thought it was well done. As with everything, it only gets better each time you do it! A special thanks to Daniel Pliska and The University Club for hosting. Our presenters at The Summit included Brian Hardy, Joe Mueller, Chris Desens, Jeremy Brown, and Alex Mitchell. Thank you for your time! I also presented at that The Summit.

I wanted to list a few highlights for all of those who haven't had the opportunity to attend all the meetings, since we didn't have a State of the Chapter meeting. We have had a great year thus far!

- ❖ We have over 300 members including all categories
- ❖ We had over 75 volunteers for the All-Star Game
- ❖ We now have a “cook off” for Chef of the Year (Oct 19th this year)
- ❖ We purchased four new Cleveland ovens for competitions with the help of our fundraising efforts

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Upcoming Events

**October Monthly Meeting
& Dinner
October 12, 2009
Westwood Country Club**

11801 Conway Rd
St Louis, MO 63131
(located between Spoeede and New Ballas,
just north of Hwy 40)

Hosted by Chef John Bogacki

Note: this meeting has been moved
to the 2nd Monday of the month.

- Junior Chefs meeting begins at 4:30 pm
- General meeting will be at 5:00 pm
- Cocktails starts at approximately 5:45 pm, with dinner to follow about 6:30 pm

Note: Jackets and Ties are required attire for men at Westwood CC, comparable clothing for women. NO bluejeans allowed.

Cost for the Dinner is
\$50 for Members and Guests
\$25 for Student/Junior Members

Reservations due by Friday, Oct 9
and will not be accepted afterward.
For Reservations, please call the Chef 's Hotline at
314.846.9932
or via the website at
<http://www.stlchefs.org>

**November Monthly Meeting
November 17, 2009
Location to be determined**

**Westport Plaza
Sheraton at the Lake**
(see details below)

**November 8
Chef of the Year Dinner Dance**
Ameristar Casino
St. Charles MO

Future Chapter meetings:
Dec – no meeting

Letter from the President (con't.)

- ❖ We have had all of the fundraising events this year and continue to have good success
- ❖ We helped put together the Latin Summit and hope to have an "All Missouri" chapter meeting every other year
- ❖ We will have 2 certification tests and 2 competitions this year.
- ❖ We had eight members pass practical certification in the spring
- ❖ We had ten members medal in the spring competition
- ❖ We have a Knowledge Bowl team that are the National Champions
- ❖ We had a member up for Regional Chef of the Year
- ❖ We had a member up for Educator of the Year
- ❖ We had a student hot food team compete at Regional's
- ❖ Our chapter won an award for Chapter of the Year runner-up
- ❖ Chef and Child won a little Oscar for Central Region
- ❖ Chef John Bogacki won the Good Taste award from the AAC
- ❖ We have 14 members in the AAC
- ❖ We will have four dinner meetings this year including one in October
- ❖ We had our vendor appreciation picnic at the Cardinals game (2nd year in a row)
- ❖ We will host our Chef of the Year Dinner Dance at the Ameristar (2nd year in a row)

I would like to extend my thanks to all of those I have worked with over the last two years. I could not have done it without you! This continues to be an ACF Chapter that puts food first and I am proud

Save These Dates:

**October 18 & 19, 2009
Fall Culinary Salon**

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to say I am a member. I hope you say the same. Our next meeting is at Westwood Country Club on October 12th. It is a dinner meeting. Please make your reservation early.

The reason the October dinner meeting is a week early is because we have our fall competition, sponsored by Kuna, Oct 18th and 19th. There is still space to sign up for category K and the two-chef team challenge. Contact Brian Hardy if you are interested. The Chef of the Year competition will be Oct 19th. Both events are being held at the MRA Innovations Show at the Sheraton Hotel in West Port Plaza.

Fall Culinary Salon October 18th and 19th

The Fall Culinary Salon, sponsored by Kuna Foodservice, will be at Westport Plaza, in the Sheraton at The Lake, on Sunday October 18 and Monday October 19.

This year a new addition will be added to the format, The Chef of the Year Competition, where the top two of the three nominations from the ballot will compete for the Chef of the Year. The Junior Chef of the Year will be determined by this "K category style" format as well. There will be a 2 Chef Competition offered as well as a single man "K category" and cold food.

Anyone interested in competing in this event, please contact Chef Brian Hardy, bhardy@thegatesworth.com, in the very near future, as space is limited and spots fill up fast.

Election of 2010 - 2011 Officers

Election of Chefs de Cuisine officers, for the term of 2010 - 2011, will be held in the latter part of October.

Chef John Bogacki is chairing the nominations committee and accepted nominations during the month of September for the offices of:

- ❖ President
- ❖ Vice-President
- ❖ Secretary

❖ Treasurer

Ballots will be mailed to all registered (i.e. dues paid up) members in late October. The elected officers will assume their posts in January, 2010 and serve for 2 years.

Chef of the Year

The Chefs de Cuisine Association of St. Louis requests the honor of your presence at its presentation of the

2009 Chef of the Year
Award Gala & Dance
Sunday, November 8, 2009

Honoring ???

Ameristar Casino Resort

Discovery Ballroom

1260 S Main Street

St. Charles, MO 63301

(on the riverfront just north of I-70 bridge)

- ❖ Cocktails & Hors d'Oeuvres 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Black Tie Optional • Limited Seating

\$125 per person

Invitations will be mailed to all registered members in early October.

All reservations are required to be prepaid and will NOT be accepted on-line.

Also, rooms are available for the evening of November xx at the Ameristar Casino Resort. Reservations required by October xx to receive the special rate of \$149. Contact Ameristar for more details at 636-940-4300, and mention the Chefs de Cuisine event.

General Meeting Minutes

Because of the Latin Food Summit, no general meeting was held in September. Consequently, there are no meeting minutes to post. See you at the October meeting!

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Notes from the Jr. Board

First off, we would like to thank everyone that helped out with the Chef's Wine Country BBQ: Rich Mueller, Amanda Losh, Meredith Frank, Jeremy Brown, Kameron Burrak, Katie Fitzgerald, Amanda Schmidt, Josh Motter, Bret Parrigon, Michelle Allender, Alex Marley, and Kendra Couch. The event was a great time full of great food and great people, we all worked hard but it was well worth it.

Coming up on October 3rd is the first Knowledge Bowl Team meeting. If anyone is interested in seeing what the team is all about, it will be at Le Cordon Bleu at 9:00am. If you have any questions about the meeting, you can contact Jeremy Brown at jeremyb404@yahoo.com.

October will be a busy month. First, the Knowledge Bowl Team meeting on Oct 3rd and the regular meeting and dinner at Westwood Country Club on Oct 12th, which I hope everyone has asked off for. The Fall Culinary Salon is on the 19th and 20th. During the Salon, Chefs Hardy and Rossi will be competing for Chef of the Year, it should be an exciting time seeing what they are cooking up. Additionally Brian Horton and Michelle Allender will be competing for Jr. Chef of the Year. If you have time, come out and show your support.

We hope to see everyone at the next meeting, October 12th at Westwood Country Club, remember to make your reservations no later than Oct 9th.

Job Positions

Executive Chef
Bogey Club
St. Louis, MO

The Bogey Club is seeking an executive chef that is versatile and possesses a sincere "love for the kitchen" with a dedicated desire to please the membership. In addition to being a talented

craftsman able to create and produce quality food products, the chef must be a capable administrator. He/She must know how to control costs, meet deadlines, practice proper sanitation, relate well to the club's membership and provide leadership for the culinary staff.

Experience

5 years minimum as a Sous Chef or Executive Chef in a quality restaurant, hotel, resort or private club.

Education

Two-year or four-year college or university degree in culinary arts.

Completion of an apprenticeship either in the U.S. or abroad.

Compensation

The successful candidate can anticipate a compensation package that is commensurate with ability, experience and performance.

Resumes should be submitted to:

Mr. David Shelton
General Manager
Bogey Club 9266 Clayton Road
St. Louis, MO 63124
bogeyclubstl@yahoo.com
Ph (314) 993-0161 Fax (314) 993-5677

For Sale or Lease

Royal Orleans Restaurant Cape Girardeau, MO

The Royal Orleans was a steak house in Cape Girardeau for 50 years with a well-established clientele. This is a turnkey operation, ready to go for anyone interested in starting it up.

Contact Carl Zeitler at 636-399-6452 (cell) or 573-651-1916 for more information.

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