

# **News & Views**

For alumni, students, associates, and friends of FSHN

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#### **FSHN Alum Embarks on an Unexpected Journey**

Nastasha Winniczuk (BS, 2009) knows a little something about being a stranger in a strange land. She is currently living and working in Australia, and has also traveled through parts of Korea and China while working trade shows for Carmi Flavors.

It all started back in January, 2008. At that time, Nastasha planned to study

Enjoying a little sightseeing in Shanghai, May 2010.

at the Univ. of New South

Wales in Sydney, Australia. She had registered for classes, picked out an apartment on Bondi Beach, and received her student visa. But two weeks before her flight she managed to break her arm while on a ski trip in Vermont. Realizing that acquiring medical insurance in Australia would be difficult, she reluctantly canceled the trip.

Disappointed, Nastasha talked it over with family and friends and eventually decided that working abroad for a year would be more interesting than studying abroad for a semester. So after her graduation in December, 2009, she obtained her "work and holiday" visa for Australia, purchased a one-way ticket to Sydney International Airport, and began preparing for her arrival in March.

Nastasha spent the first few months of her stay in Australia traveling and sight-seeing, relying on "couch surfing" for shelter. For those of you who aren't familiar, couch surfers are an online community of travelers who enjoy meeting people from around the world. To that end, they allow strangers to use their spare rooms and empty sofas while traveling. Those who have stayed for free with couch surfing hosts are expected to

provide free lodging for other surfers upon request.



Staffing a booth at the "Wine and Gourmet Asia" trade show, Macau, October 2010.

In addition to being hosted or hosting others, couch surfing provides a forum for

Diving Fish Rock Cave at South West Rocks (near Port Macquarie), New South Wales.

people to learn about upcoming events, new travel opportunities, things to see, local transportation, and more. While staying with one host, Nastasha received free lodging, travel stories, and advice in exchange for wine, desserts, and some stories of her own. Through this system she has been able to meet people from all over the globe.

After traveling on her own for a while, staying in guest rooms and on spare sofas, Nastasha decided to find a place to live and a job. Soon thereafter, she got an apartment and began work in promotional commission sales for a tour company in Gold Coast, Queensland. She says the work hasn't been easy, since sales jobs are pretty far out of her element and summer isn't tourist season in Australia, but that it pays the rent. Her partner, **Jesse Summers**, soon moved to Australia to join her. Jesse is also a Gator, having graduated with his BS in Industrial and Systems Engineering in 2008.

When Nastasha was still an undergraduate, she worked trade shows for a flavor company out of California. Some of you probably saw her at the Institute of Food Technologists Annual Meeting, handing out food samples at

their booth on the Expo floor.



Jesse and Nastasha at the "Baby Wombat Experience" at Dreamworld theme park, Gold Coast.

When that flavor company got word that Nastasha was living

in Australia, they asked her to work some expos in Asia, as sort of an intern for their South Pacific trade shows. And that's how Nastasha ended up getting all-expense paid trips to South Korea and China....

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**Dr. Brian Barrow** (BS, 2002) completed his residency at the Univ. of South Florida this year, and is now an attending physician at Sylvan Valley OB/GYN in Brevard, NC.

BS, 2010 graduates accepted to professional schools include: Chestine Libema and Cynthia Moreau (UF College of Pharmacy); Jaymie Virtusio (dental school at the Univ. of the East in Manila, Philippines); Stephanie Kostakis (Univ. of Houston's College of Optometry); and Alexandra High (Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Bradenton, Florida).



Yvon Etienne (BS, 2008) is a Compliance Officer/Sanitation & Safety Specialist with the Division of Environmental Health & Engineering for the FL Department of Health in Miami. His duties include

enforcing compliance with Florida Statutes and Administrative Code, analyzing jurisdictional issues, preparing investigative plans, generating reports, and making recommendations for action; he also provides health education to the public.



Eric Dreyer (BS, 2008; MS Student) was recently hired as FSHN's new Taste Panel Manager. See page 4 and page 8 to learn more about Eric's many talents.

**Jebari Miller** (BS, 2010) is the Quality Control Supervisor for the popcorn division of Signature Brands in Ocala, Florida.

## **Alumni Updates**



Join us in congratulating
Tania Rivera (BS, 1998)
for recently winning
"Outstanding Dietetics
Educator of the Year" from
the American Dietetic
Association! Her students
nominated her to the

Florida Dietetic Association, and then they put her on the national ballot. Tania is a Registered Dietitian who for the past six years has been an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Dietetics at Florida International University, teaching the clinical nutrition portion of the program. She also serves as Public Policy Coordinator for the Florida Dietetic Association. Tania told us, "My days at UF are many of my fondest memories."

**Erica Mason** (BS, 2010) was accepted to the Univ. or North Florida's MS-DI program.



Anna Land (BS, 2010) was accepted into the MSc program in International Food Business and Consumer Studies at Kassel Universität in Germany. She hopes to learn more about global marketing while experiencing Germany's food culture.

BS 2010 graduates accepted to graduate school include: **Amanda Ford**, MS in Business Management; **Laura Haugen**, MS in Food Science (Univ. of Illinois); **Anjani Vyas**, UF's Master of Agribusiness; **ArNelle Wright**; UF's MS in Nutritional Sciences. **Christopher Hanna** (BS, 2009) was accepted to UF's MS in Food Science.

## Congratulations!



Danielle (Bogan) Raley (BS, 2005; MS, 2007) and Chris Raley's son Robert was born on June 29 of this year, and has already become a dedicated Gator fan.



Alberto Azeredo (PhD Candidate) and his wife Gabrielle Maia have a new baby girl named Anna. Anna was born at 1:52 AM on August 10, weighing 5 lbs 11 oz and measuring 19 inches long.



Lyndsey Wells (BS, 2005; MS, 2007) and Tim Weathers (BS, 2006) are now engaged. Lyndsey is the General Manager of The Flying Biscuit Café and Tim is managing a Moe's Southwest Grill, both here in Gainesville.



Shawn Sprankle (BS, 1998; MS, 2001) and his wife Crystal had their first child this year, a baby girl named Makenzie. She was born on May 5, making it a great Cinco de Mayo!



Minna (Leibovitz) Schuster (BS, 2001; MS, 2003) and her husband Simon welcomed a new baby this fall. Joseph Daniel was born on September 20. Their other son Sam turned three years old in November.



**Dr. Serggio Lanata** (BS, 2003) and his wife **Dr. Barbara Garita** (UF alum from Biomedical Engineering) welcomed their daughter **Arezia** on March 26, 2009. Dr. Lanata is a neurology

resident at Brown University in Providence, RI.



Dr. Mitch Knutson (Associate Professor) got married to Angela Robinson on October 10 this fall in Savannah, Georgia. Angela is a UF alum with a BS in Animal Sciences and a MS in Management,

and she is currently pursuing a Nursing degree at Santa Fe College. Congratulations to Dr. Knutson on his marriage, and also on receiving tenure this year!



Dr. Gillian (Folkes) Dagan (BS, 2000; PhD, 2004) and her husband Dr. Roi Dagan (UF alum from the College of Medicine) had a baby girl named Ava Nonie on October 8.

Congratulations also go out to Dr. Dagan for winning the CALS Horizon Award, given annually to recognize outstanding alumni achievements.



Lorenzo Puentes (BS, 2002) and his wife Courtney had a baby boy named Gabriel on November 24. Lorenzo is now the Sample Logistics Manager for ABC Research, Inc. (See page 4 for more on Lorenzo.)



Jackie Nguyen (BS, 2010) married Thuy Do on November 25 this fall. Jackie is currently cooking for one of the largest Vietnamese restaurants in Orlando, and intends to pursue graduate studies in forensics.

#### **Proud Grandparents**



**Dr. Jess Gregory** (Professor) with his new granddaughter **Ishwari Nimalendran**, born August 18 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. [Editor: Love the Gator shirt... in Michigan!]



Dr. Sue Percival (Professor) holding her new grandson Orion Mitchell Jordan. He was born on August 27 to proud parents Melanie and Brian. [Editor: His shirt reads: "I wasn't born yesterday... or was I?"]



Dr. Pam McMahon (Senior Lecturer) with her granddaughter Virginia June, born to proud parents Conor and Katie in Lexington, Kentucky. Virginia turned one year old on October 14 this fall.

Please send us your career updates and special announcements!

#### Long-Time Friend of FSHN and IFAS Passes Away



We are sad to report that **Herbert McCullough Dunlap III** lost his long battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) on September 3 of this year. Born July 4, 1930 in Rock Hill, South Carolina, Herb was an alum of the UF Dairy Science program (BA, 1955). In November 2005, he was inducted into the CALS Grand Guard, a society of alumni celebrating at least 50 years since graduation.

Over the years, Herb was extremely supportive of the FSHN Department and especially our food science programs. He was an active member of both the Florida Dairy Products Association (FDPA) and the Florida Section Institute of Food Technologists, and he consistently supported their efforts to raise scholarship money for food science majors. You could always find Herb playing golf in scholarship tournaments such as the FDPA/UF Golf Outing each fall. (In fact, in 2004 his team won the tournament.)

Most recently, Herb sold dairy ingredients for Limpert Bros. and Kerry Ingredients. But his professional career spanned more than fifty years, and he never really retired. In recognition of his outstanding and ongoing support of the dairy industry, he was awarded the FDPA's Outstanding Service Award in 1992 and the Carolina/Virginia Dairy Products Association's

"25-ers Award for Active Work and Service to the Dairy Industry" in 1996.

Herb is survived by his wife **Eleanor (Pat) Corinne Morris Dunlap**; daughters **Anne Gray Dunlap** (FSHN graduate: BS, 1990) of Coplay, PA, **Mary Joe Dunlap** of Gainesville, FL, and **Jane Dunlap Callahan** of Orlando, FL; grandchildren **Rachel Scott Callahan** and **Eleanor Natasha Callahan** of Orlando, FL; and his brother **Joe Gray Dunlap** and sister-in-law **Lural Dunlap** of Gainesville, FL.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to either the ALS Foundation (1275 K ST NW, Suite 1050, Washington, DC, 20005) or the Paralyzed Veterans of America (801 18th ST NW, Washington, DC, 20006). Herb Dunlap will be greatly missed by everyone in FSHN and IFAS.



Herb Dunlap's
Fall 2003
FDPA/UF Golf
Outing Team,
L-R: Gary
Carlin, Ecolab;
Herb Dunlap,
Limpert
Ingredients; Ed
Cangi, M.G.
Novell; Johnny
Melvin,
Southeast Milk.

## **FSHN Alum Wins National and Regional Dietetics Awards**

This past summer at the Florida Dietetic Association's (FDA) Annual Symposium in Orlando, FL, **Lydia Snyder** (BS, 2007; MS-DI, 2010) was presented with both the American Dietetic Association's Outstanding Dietetics Student Award and the FDA's Collegiate Leadership Award.



Lydia is pictured above with **Dr. Gail Kauwell** (MAg, 1979; PhD, 1993; Professor) on the left and **Dr. Neil Shay** (former FSHN Department Chair) on the right. Join us in congratulating Lydia!

FSHN is also proud to acknowledge all the other students and alumni who represented us at the FDA Symposium (see pictures at right).



Left, L-R: Anghela Paredes (BS, 2009; MS-DI Student), Leila Kalley (MS-DI Student), Jamie Stolarz (BS, 2009; MS-DI Student). Right, L-R: Lisa Chan (MS-DI Student); Rebecca Clinton (BS, 2009: MS-DI Student); Julie Martinez (BS, 2009; MS-DI Student).



Top: **Dr. Karla (Pagan) Shelnutt** (BS, 1997; PhD, 2003). Bottom: **Tannelle Clarke** (BS, 2009).



L-R front: Anita Conley (MS, 2009), Valerie Weyenberg (BS, 2007; MS, 2009), Lydia Snyder (BS, 2008; MS, 2010), Lindsey Pipkin (MS, 2010), Jamie Stolarz (BS, 2009; MS-DI Student), Anghela Paredes (BS, 2009; MS-DI Student), Lisa Chan (MS-DI Student), Rebecca Clinton (BS, 2009; MS-DI Student), Julie Martinez (BS, 2009; MS-DI Student), Leila Kalley (MS-DI Student), Back: Dr. Neil Shay (former FSHN Department Chair).

### **Caught in the Act**

Send us your photos of FSHN alumni and friends at work or at play! Contact information is located on page 2.



**Dr. Harry Sitren** (Professor), aka "The Godfather," apparently resented having to share his birthday cake with **Janna Underhill** (FSHN News & Views Editor) this fall.



**Dr. Charlie Sims** (Interim Chair and Professor) blows out the candles on his surprise birthday cake at IFT in Chicago this July, while **Courtney Puentes** cheers him on.



**David Mulia** (BS, 2005), now living and working in his hometown of Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia, shows us his version of "Iron Chef" while sporting some classic Gator gear.



Robert "Bob G" Golaszewski (MS, 1997) was caught conversing with would-be donkey hitchhikers while on vacation in Custer State Park in South Dakota this summer.



L-R: Angela Valadez (PhD Student), Thao Nguyen (BS, 2010; MS Student), and Ivy Cho (Senior) making friends with our new Albert at the annual FSHN Tailgate.



Renee Campbell (BS, 2009) was spotted hanging around the Jamaican Embassy in Washington DC before she started medical school this fall at Howard University.



**Dr. Holly Petty** (BS, 2002; PhD, 2007) braved the Hermit Trail in Grand Canyon National Park this summer; it is the wildest, least-maintained trail in the Park.



L-R: **Tim Weathers** (BS, 2006) and **Lyndsey Wells** (BS, 2005; MS, 2007) as Little Red Riding Hood and the Big Bad Wolf. See page 2 for more on Tim and Lyndsey.



L-R: Adilia Blandon Ubeda (MS Student), Molly Sims (Senior), and Sonia Hudson (BS, 2009; MS Student) checking out Chicago's "Bean" sculpture at IFT this summer.



Eric Dreyer (BS, 2008; MS Student) won the first-ever "FSHN Creepy Mustache Growing Competition" this summer, and was awarded this fancy yet useful Styrofoam cup.



At the IFT Annual Meeting in Chicago this summer, **Lorenzo Puentes** (BS, 2002; MS Student) was captured expressing his undying love of pink, fuzzy chocolate hearts.



Having apparently decided that life isn't scary enough already, **Jaclyn Kalva** (BS, 2007; MS, 2009) flung herself out of a perfectly good airplane this September.

#### Dr. Gary Rodrick Retires after 35 Years of Service to Academia

A special thank you to **Dr. Lynn Bailey** (Professor) for providing text and photos.

**Dr. Gary Rodrick** (Professor) retired this year after 23 years in FSHN. Dr.



A hard-working doctoral student at the University of Oklahoma, 1968.

Rodrick is originally from McPherson, Kansas where he was educated in a one-room school house for several years before

finishing high school in Minneola, Kansas. He was soon awarded an athletic scholarship to Dodge City Junior College, where he played basketball and golf, and then transferred to Kansas State College on scholarship. He continued to play basketball and golf at Kansas State, graduating in 1966 with his BS in Biology and in 1967 with his MS in Biology. In 1971, he earned a PhD in Zoology from the University of Oklahoma.

In 1971, Dr. Rodrick was awarded a National Institutes of Health (NIH) post-doctoral fellowship, and for the next two years conducted research at the University of Massachusetts. He was hired as an Assistant Professor and Associate Director of the Institute for Pathobiology



**Dr. Lynn Bailey** and **Dr. Gary Rodrick** at his retirement reception.

at Lehigh
University in
1973, where he
received a
Research
Career
Development
Award from
NIH. Dr.
Rodrick joined
the faculty at
the University

of South Florida's College of Medicine in 1978, teaching preventative health and tropical medicine. A few years later, he

became the founding faculty member at USF's College of Public Health. And then in 1987, Dr. Rodrick joined the FSHN Department at UF.

Since 1987, Dr. Rodrick has taught many courses here in FSHN, including Research Planning, Introduction to Food Science, Food Microbiology and Lab, Food Safety and Sanitation, Seafood Technology, an Honors Food Safety course, Food Toxicology, and Parasitology. He has also mentored a large number of students over the years: 15 PhD students, more than 50 MS students, 14 MPH students, and more than 60 undergraduate and high school students. All of those students remember Dr. Rodrick as an outstanding teacher and research supervisor; this became apparent at his retirement party on Friday, October 8 when a large number of former students showed up to wish him well. Some even traveled all the way across the country to attend.

During his 35 years in academia, Dr. Rodrick received 18 consecutive years of funding, including 6 NIH grants, 4 National Science Foundation (NSF) grants, 3 World Health Organization (WHO) grants, 5 National Oceanic and Atmospheric

Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) grants and 2 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grants as well as continuing Sea Grant resources. Over the years, he served on "Study Section" for NIH, NSF, EPA, Fulbright, WHO, and NOAA, providing expert reviews on a volunteer basis. He also served as an ad hoc reviewer for many funding agencies and research journals.

During his career, Dr. Rodrick published more than 120 reviewed papers as well as numerous book chapters and abstracts. He also edited 5 books. His research has taken him to 37 different countries to serve as an expert and



Counter-clockwise from top right: Jamaica, 1982; Egypt, 1985; Haiti, 1989.



a professional consultant on various research projects.

Most recently, his research focused on post harvest processing aids for molluscan bivalve shellfish with emphasis on freezing and irradiation. His main goal has been to optimize the effect of post-harvest treatments to retard spoilage and kill bacteria such as *Vibrio vulnificus* and *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*.

Please join us in congratulating Dr. Rodrick on all of his successes and wishing him the very best in his retirement.



Some of the well-wishers at Dr. Rodrick's retirement ceremony, L-R: **Dr. Sally Williams** (MS, 1977; PhD, 1993); **Paul Simmons** (MS, 1996); **Dr. Keith Schneider** (PhD, 1991; Associate Professor); **A. Grant Hurst** (BS, 2003; MS, 2005); **Daniel Periu** (BS, 2002; MS, 2005); **Dr. Dustin Dixon** (MS, 1992; PhD, 2006); **Dr. Gary Rodrick** (Professor); **Dr. Wafa Birbari** (PhD, 1992); **Dr. Samir Assar** (MS, 1996; PhD, 2000); **Elizabeth "Beth" Lore** (BS, 1995; MS, 1998); **Linda Lore** (BS, 1995; MS, 1998); **Richard Tovar** (MS, 2002; PhD Candidate); **Dr. Juan Manuel Cevallos** (MS, 2007; PhD, 2010).

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....this past spring. Her first show was "Seoul Food and Hotel" in mid-May, which was part of the Korean Food Expo. She worked that show alongside the company president, to help prepare her for the next show. Nastasha said, "The Seoul food show was my first international trade show... it was quite different from those that I've been to in the USA. I learned a lot from my superiors and was able to apply that knowledge when I worked alone in China the following week." She added that she was particularly fond of a Canadian bakery she found at the show.

The following week, they sent Nastasha to Shanghai for the "SIAL



L-R: Jesse Summers, Nastasha Winniczuk, Dr. Paul Winniczuk, Patti McCarthy.

China 2010 International Food and Beverage Exhibition." She says that although she was nervous about working a show alone, she ended up generating leads for the company, making new friends in industry, and coming home with a suitcase full of free giveaways from the other booths, including marshmallow popcorn samples and even Chinese artwork.

During June, July, and August when the rest of us were sweating, Nastasha was bundling up for the cold Australian winter. She says it was disconcerting to be cold in the "summer," and to be unable to swim, surf, or dive even though she was close to the beach. Fortunately, she was able to experience a few dives before the cold really set in.

In July, her parents Patti
McCarthy and Dr. Paul
Winniczuk (MS, 1994; PhD,
2008) came to visit, arriving first
in Sydney and then touring the
Gold Coast and Cairns. Nastasha
and her parents explored forests,
mountains, beaches, and even a glow
worm cave. They also got to go sailing,
and learned to drive on the "wrong"
side of the road.

In September, Nastasha worked "Fine Food Australia" in Melbourne. She says she enjoyed staying on the executive floor of the Marriott and interacting with company reps. She added, "The show itself was quite successful. Many big companies were there and the samples were endless." After the show, she visited St. Kilda pier to see the local penguins.

That same month, Nastasha and Jesse began hosting their own couch surfers, entertaining guests from Austria, Belgium, South Korea, Israel, Germany, the US, the UK, India, Malaysia, Sweden, Indonesia, and Canada. They even managed to triple-book their couch one week, ending up with a giant slumber party in their living room.

Congratulations to the 2010 MS-DI graduating class! Front row, L-R: Colleen Davis, Lindsey Pipkin, Jennifer Marquez. Back row, L-R: Lydia Snyder (BS, 2008), Dr. Gail Kauwell (MAg, 1979; PhD, 2003; Professor), Lakshmi Mahan (BS, 2007).



In October, Nastasha found herself staffing another booth at "Wine and Gourmet Asia" in Macau, near Hong Kong. She took some time to visit Hong Kong Disneyland as well as enjoying the city's food and nightlife.

Next, Nastasha gets to travel to New Zealand to work on a sailboat for a few weeks, and later she might be asked to work a trade show in India. She is scheduled to return to the United States in March of 2011.

Nastasha told us that it can be very stressful to travel in a foreign country when you're on a strict budget. But she added, "It's definitely a good trip, and an incredible learning experience to be thrown into the 'real world' before I settle down with a 9-5 job back in Florida next year... or grad school."

We wish Nastasha all the best on her continued adventures in Australia, Asia and beyond!

### "Carve Your Professor" Pumpkin Identification Contest

This year's Halloween "Carve Your Professor" competition resulted in five amazing likenesses of current FSHN faculty members. So, how many professors can *you* identify? Take a good look at the pumpkin pictures below and try to figure out whose face is on each one. Use faculty photos on the FSHN website (*http://fshn.ifas.ufl.edu/faculty\_directory.shtml*) to help you decide, and then send your guesses to Janna Underhill at *janna@ufl.edu*. The first few people who guess all the pumpkins correctly will receive fun Gator prizes, so guess that gourd! (Sorry, current FSHN employees and students are not eligible to win – you already know all the answers!)











### Making Connections at the 2010 IFT Annual Meeting in Chicago

The FSHN Department hosted a booth on the Expo floor at the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) Annual Meeting this July in Chicago. Additionally, we organized our 6<sup>th</sup> annual Alumni Social in conjunction with the meeting; that event brought together faculty, students, alumni, and friends to enjoy free food, drinks, Gator goodies, and networking and was co-hosted by Florida Section IFT. A special thank you to our 2010 corporate sponsors: Kraft General Foods, The Burdock Group, the FSHN Taste Panel, FL Section IFT, Cypress Systems Inc., Clif Bars, Darifair, the International Society of Beverage Technologists, and Tate & Lyle; and to our individual sponsors: Dr. George Baker (BS, 1997; PhD, 2002) and Bob Golaszewski (MS, 1997; see page 4 for more about Bob). We hope you enjoy these photos taken at the booth and at various social events during the meeting. See you next year in New Orleans!



Clockwise from top: Dr. George Baker (BS, 1997; PhD, 2002; Assistant Scientist). Dr. Sean O'Keefe (UF Courtesy Faculty; VA Tech), Dr. Annie Aigster (BS, 1996; MS, 1998; VA Tech), Dr. Alexandra Oliveira (PhD, 2001; Univ. Alaska, Fairbanks).



Dr. Wafa Birbari (PhD, 1992; Saralee).



L-R: Rob Bent (BS L-R: Jenni Justiz-Quinones, 2005; MS, 2009; Linda Roman. Jenni and Virginia Dare), Linda are grads of UF's Renee Applebaum Chemical Engineering Dept. (BS, 2007; MS and now both work for Kraft. Student; Kerry).



LeeAnn Applewhite (MS, 1991; UF Courtesy Faculty; APL Sciences) won the door prize at the Florida Party.



L-R: Chris Duncan (BS, 2006), Flor Nunez (MS, 2005; Zamorano Univ.), Janna Underhill (News & Views Editor).



L-R: Dr. Mark McLellan (IFAS Dean for Research and Professor) and Julie McLellan.



Dr. Will Forsyth (BS, 1972; MS, 1974; East Carolina Univ.).



L-R: Neha Patel (BS, 2006; WIC), Dr. Bob Bates (Professor Emeritus).



L-R: Lorenzo Puentes (BS, 2002; ABC, Inc.), Blaine Holmberg (BS, 2008; MS Student), Dr. Charlie Sims (Professor/Interim Chair, Eric Drever (BS, 2008, MS Student).



Jorge Stern (BS, 1961; Virginia Dare).



L-R. Dr. Asli Odabasi (MS, 1998; PhD. 2003: Postdoctoral Associate), Sonia Hudson (BS, 2009; MS Student).



L-R: Daryl Clampitt (MS, 2004; Darifair), Renee Applebaum (BS, 2007; MS Student; Kerry).



L-R: Devin Lewis (MS, 2010), James Li (PhD Student).



L-R: Dr. Art Teixeira (Affiliate Professor), Marjorie Teixeira, Janna Underhill (News & Views Editor)



L-R: Dr. Glen Dreher (PhD, 2007; D. D. Williamson) visiting Janna Underhill (News & Views Editor) at the FSHN booth.



L-R: Dr. Bruce Welt (Affiliate Associate Professor), Stefan Crynen (PhD Candidate).



L-R: Dr. Mickey Parish (UF Courtesy Faculty; Univ. of Maryland), Dr. **Charlie Sims** (Professor/Interim Chair).



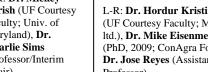
L-R: Isabelle Salgado (BS, 2007; Winn-Dixie), Taylor Cookingham (BS, 2006; Custom Culinary), Christine Wang (BS, 2008; PepsiCo).



L-R: Luis Martinez (BS, 2005; MS, 2007; Darifair), Sandi Shriver (MS Student), Janna Underhill (News & Views Editor), Neha Patel (BS, 2006; WIC), Saqib Janjua (MS, 2007: Unilever).



L-R: Adilia Blandon-Ubeda (MS Student), Dr. Maria Plaza (PhD, 2010; Univ. of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez).





(UF Courtesy Faculty; Matis ltd.), Dr. Mike Eisenmenger (PhD, 2009; ConAgra Foods), Dr. Jose Reyes (Assistant Professor)



L-R: Chervl Rock (PhD Student), Olivia Liu (MS Student), Aman Sandhu (PhD Student), Jyotsna Nooji (MS Student), Janna Underhill (News & Views Editor).

#### **FSHN Achievements**



**Dr. R. Elaine Turner** (Professor and CALS Associate Dean) was chosen to receive the E. B. Knight Journal Award at the 2010 North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture Conference, held at Penn State University in September along with **Dr. Heidi Radunovich** and **Dr. Eboni Baugh**.

The article being recognized for the award (published in the December 2009 issue of *NACTA*) was titled, "An Examination of Students' Knowledge of What Constitutes Plagiarism."



**Dr. Art Teixeira** (Affiliate Professor) was named a 2010 Fellow by the Institute of Food Technologists. Each year, IFT selects several Fellows in recognition of their contributions to the fields of food science and technology. Dr. Teixeira was singled out for his outstanding contributions to

teaching and research in Food Engineering. Other current FSHN faculty and IFAS Deans who have been elected as IFT Fellows include: **Dr. Doug Archer** (Associate Dean for Research and Professor), **Dr. Bob Bates** (Professor Emeritus), **Dr. Mark McLellan** (Dean for Research), **Dr. Ron Schmidt** (Professor Emeritus), and **Dr. Charlie Sims** (Professor and Interim Chair).



**Dr. Vishnupriya Gourineni** (Post Doctoral Associate) received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Nutraceuticals and Functional Foods Division Poster Competition at the 2010 IFT Annual Meeting in Chicago this July with: "Cytotoxic and apoptotic effects of

isoflavones and short-chain fatty acids."



**Sandi Shriver** (MS Student) received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Aquatic Food Products Division Poster Competition at the 2010 IFT Annual Meeting with: "Pulsed ultraviolet light reduces IgE-binding to the major heat-stable allergen of Atlantic white shrimp

(Litopenaeus setiferus)."



Akshay Kumar Anugu (PhD student) received 3rd place in the Nonthermal Processing Division Poster Competition at the 2010 IFT Annual Meeting in Chicago this July. His poster title was, "Efficacy of pulsed ultraviolet light in reducing the allergenicity

of isolated egg proteins."



**Jyotsna Nooji** (MS Student) received a certificate of merit from the Nonthermal Processing Division at the 2010 IFT Annual Meeting. Her oral research presentation was: "Reduction of the allergenicity of wheat gluten by pulsed ultraviolet light."



Jamie Stolarz (BS, 2009; current MS-DI student) received a 2010 Janette Smith Memorial Scholarship from the American Dietetic Association in recognition of her outstanding academic and professional achievements.



**Eric Dreyer** (BS, 2008; MS Student) won 1<sup>st</sup> Place Best of Show for his American Pale Ale in the First Coast Cup Competition sponsored by the homebrew club of Jacksonville, Florida. His American Pale Ale beat out 400 other entries! **Dr. Michelle Danyluk** (Assistant Professor) was selected for the International Association for Food Protection's 2010 Larry Beuchat Young Researcher Award at the IAFP awards banquet in Anaheim this August, receiving a plaque and a cash



Left, L-R: **Dr. Michelle Danyluk, Dr. Larry Beuchat**(University of Georgia Center for Food Safety)

Right, L-R: Vicki Lewandowski (IAFP President), Dr. Ron Schmidt.



honorarium. As a researcher in the early stages of her career, she was recognized for her outstanding (and nationally recognized) research and extension programs in food microbiology and safety. Dr. Danyluk focuses on the ecology of foodborne pathogens in citrus, nuts such as almonds, tropical juices, leafy greens, and other fresh and fresh-cut produce. As we mentioned in the spring 2010 newsletter, **Dr. Ron Schmidt** (Professor Emeritus) received an Honorary Life Membership in IAFP at that same ceremony.



**Dr. Bruce Welt** (Affiliate Associate Professor) served as 2010 IFT Annual Meeting Scientific Program Planning Chair for the Food Processing and Packaging Committee, planning the scientific program for all the food processing and packaging tracks at the Annual Meeting in Chicago in July.



**Rebecca Creasy** (PhD Student) participated in the National Institutes of Health Office of Dietary Supplements course, Dietary Supplement Research Practicum 2010, held in Bethesda, Maryland this past summer. She got to meet with representatives

from the federal government, industry, media, and consumer advocacy groups as well as learn more about research, issues, and controversies surrounding dietary supplements.



**Angela Valadez** (PhD Student) was chosen as the 2010-2011 Student Representative by FL Section Institute of Food Technologists. She will represent FSHN students at all FL Section meetings and events this year.



Whitney Luster (Nutritional Sciences Senior) has been chosen as a CALS Ambassador for 2010-2011. Whitney also served as a CALS ambassador last year.

L-R: Undergraduates **Rebecca Quinonez** (Dietetics), **Tracy Vu** (Nutritional Sciences) and **April Wu** (Nutritional Sciences)







were among ten CALS students chosen as the second cohort of the CALS Leadership Institute (for 2010-2011).



Congratulations to **Pardeepinder Brar** (MS Student) for winning the fall 2010 Florida Association for Food Protection \$1,000 student scholarship. Pardeep has been active in FAFP, and also recently presented research on *Salmonella* 

risks during tomato harvest at the International Association for Food Protection conference this August.