

# Winnipeg

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March 2011

Join us on Wednesday, March 9th at 6pm Prairie Lights Dining Room – RRC. Sold Out

President's Message;

Dear Colleagues:

Well here we are in March already, time for our annual dinner meeting at Red River College (March 9), the President's Gala (March 19 Delta) and getting ready for the Culinary Salon (March6) and the Iron Chef competition (March 20,21).

For myself I will be representing you at the Western Conference, (March 4-6 Banff). I would to thank all those who helped in any way to make these events the success I'm sure they will be.

I would also like to thank Tim Appleton for his ongoing support of our Junior's and the Culinary Challenge. We had 9 competitors in a very close competition. This years' winner was Bryan Ursell of Bergman's; he will be our representative in Vancouver at the nationals.

As mentioned earlier I will be attending on your behalf the Western Conference. We will be putting the names of Tim Appleton (Chef of the Year), Hans Schweitzer (lifetime achievement) and Paul Eccles (scholarship) for national recognition.

You membership chair Brian Humniski has been working very hard at organizing the membership data and needs everyone's assistance. If you have any changes please let him know. Dues are now due!

Ron

The Canadian Culinary Federation is dedicated, through training and partnering to the promotion and distinctly Canadian food culture both Nationally and Internationally. It is committed to the development of innovative and engaging learning opportunities that inspire its members to be passionate, respectful and tolerant professionals who make a difference in the community.

#### **Upcoming Events**

March 9<sup>th</sup>
Dinner Meeting - RRC
Executive Meeting 5pm
Dinner Meeting 6pm

March 19th
President's Awards Dinner
Delta Hotel

Centrex Show March 20 &21 Winnipeg Convention Centre

Sysco Food Show March 23<sup>rd</sup> Winnipeg Convention Centre

> April 9<sup>th</sup> CCFCC Pasta Day Forks Market

April 13th
Sysco Food Services
Executive Meeting 5pm
General Meeting 7pm

April 14<sup>th</sup>
Skills Manitoba
Red river College

May 11<sup>th</sup>
Sysco Food Services
Executive Meeting 5pm
General Meeting 7pm

June 8<sup>th</sup>
Benjamin's in Selkirk
Executive Meeting 5pm
Election Meeting

The National website – <u>www.ccfcc.ca</u> now available in French, offers updates on National initiatives, resources for professional development, employment opportunities and links to other branches. Visit us online and discover the many benefits of membership in the CCFCC.

## CCFCC Canada-wide Pasta Festival Saturday, April 9

#### Promoting the federation in Canadian communities

The branch is still in need of a full line of products in order to host this event. An updated list is available from the branch email: wpgbranch@yahoo.ca

We encourage all members to come out and participate in this event through purchasing a plate at the Forks.



The Skills Manitoba competition for secondary and post secondary students is scheduled to held at Red River College on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Winners from this show are invited to compete at the National competition in Quebec.

Please visit the new Centrex website for additional information and to see a list of exhibitors from last year's Centrex.

## STIR UP Success with Sysco

At our 2011 Sysco Winnipeg Food Show Date: Wednesday, March 23, 2011 Location: Winnipeg Convention Centre

375 York Avenue Halls A & B, 3rd Floor

Show Time: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Registration Deadline: Friday, March 4, 2011

Skills Canada Manitoba
Bud, Spud and Steak fundraiser.

March 10, 2011, 6:00p.m - 9:00p.m Tijuana Yacht Club, Canad Inns Polo Park.

Each ticket is \$20.00, with \$10.00 going towards the competitor costs. Receipts for \$10.00 are available upon request. Our fundraiser will also have a silent auction. For tickets and / or to donate to our silent auction please contact Jessica Rand at 204 927-0250, or e-mail:

skillsmb@skillscanada.com



Tickets for the President's Dinner are running out. Contact Mo <a href="mailto:fentons1@mts.net">fentons1@mts.net</a> if you were planning to attend.

## 2011 Provincial Junior Culinary Challenge

A recent Red River College grad will advance to the Canadian Culinary Federation's national championships this summer, after serving up a smorgasbord of awardwinning fare at a provincial competition last week.

Bryan Ursell, a recent Culinary Arts grad now working at Bergmann's on Lombard, earned the gold medal at the CCFCC's 2011 Provincial Junior Culinary challenge, held Thursday, Feb. 24 at RRC's Notre Dame campus.

Current RRC students Tasia Antoine and Claire Snowball earned silver and bronze medals, respectively.

In total, nine students took part in the annual contest, which requires entrants to prepare a three-course meal for eight, using ingredients from a list provided a month in advance.

Winners were selected by Kitchen Judges Melissa Hryb and Rain Ragalado — both RRC grads who've taken part in the Culinary Challenge in the past — and by Tasting Judges Ron Dobrinsky, President of the CCFCC in Winnipeg, Jon Hochman, Chef at the Lobby on York, and Luc Jean, a new RRC instructor who joins us from the Fairmont Hotel.

"It gives students a chance to improve their skills, first and foremost," says event Chair (and Culinary Arts instructor) Tim Appleton. "They've got to think about menu design, they've got to think about work plans, and about the practical skills they'll be utilizing. So it's a very competitive thing. But really, you're competing with yourself and your own abilities. That's what excites them the most."

Ursell moves on to the CCFCC National Junior Chefs Challenge, which will be held June 15, 2011, as part of the CCFCC National Convention in Vancouver.

# CCFCC Conference 2011 Vancouver BC. A conference within a convention.

**Jun 12, 2011** at 5:00 PM to **Jun 16, 2011** at 11:00 PM (PT)

# Renaissance Vancouver Hotel Harbourside

1133 West Hastings Street Vancouver, British Columbia V6E 3T3

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Canadian Culinary Federation
Fédération Culinaire Canadienne
2011 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

#### Attend

#### **Branch Board Nominations**

At the June 2011 meeting the membership will elect candidates to form an Executive Board that oversees the business of the Association. All posts are open for nominations to the Board for a two year term. In order to serve on the Executive, the candidate must be a member in good standing in the Association. The April newsletter will provide a detailed list of these positions.

### **ASSOCIATION NEWS**

The Board of Directors voted in favor on a motion to become a partner in the Paterson GlobalFoods Institute-a student residence and new home for the Red River College's Culinary and Hospitality programs.

Membership dues statements have been mailed out to all past and present members. The Association asks that you give this prompt attention to remain in good standing. If you have not received an invoice then contact our Membership Chair <a href="mailto:bhumniski@shaw.ca">bhumniski@shaw.ca</a>

Tickets for the 2011 President's Awards Dinner are expected to sell out prior to the event. Hal Anderson has been confirmed as the MC for the evening along with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, a nine course meal and wine pairing, all included in the ticket price. Chef of the Year, Associate of the Year and Life time achievement recipients will be announced at the dinner.

The Branch has also determined that a new award is to be presented annually to recognize a Junior Chef of the Year.

The branch would like to thank Mo Razik for his generous hosting of the February meeting and his donation of the door receipts to the junior branch, as well as the Forks Market and RRC students for their contributions.

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