

# HOT OFF THE PANINI PRESS

February 2022 Issue

## President's Message

Hello everyone I was glad to see everyone at the meeting and I wanted to thank Dave and Wanda Canada for the presentation.

I want to encourage everyone to take a look at the national website we have the culinary Federation national conference in Saskatoon the week of June 16 would love to see a lot of great attendance.

So, if you're interested in going, please go ahead and review the itinerary in the room rates and so forth and let's get booking!

On another note, I wanted to follow up in regard to membership I know you've heard a lot about it but since we switched the platform from locally receiving an invoice to just going to the national website to your account and logging on and updating your contact information if needed and paying your dues you can pay monthly if you wish it's very convenient.

The executive looks forward to bringing you an exciting spring and summer activity calendar so stay tuned and will see you in March.

We are looking for chefs with experience to step up and help organize our locale competitions!

With Sysco still be closed to guest and staff, we will not be able to hold it here is year, so we will need a location to help with setting up the event as well.

As well the executive will need to talk about this at our next meeting and make sure we have our ducks in a row and money allocated properly.

So, anyone that as been involved before and understands what is needed to achieve this please step forward, this things are our life blood in the industry

So, this is a call to action

President

Peter Ecker

Culinary Federation

Winnipeg



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**Meeting Notes From February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**David Cheng from Wanda Trading Inc did an amazing PowerPoint on the products they carry. From different packaging to bubble tea. If you are interested in new packaging ideas, please reach out to him.**

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**If anyone has any old pictures, posters or newsletters from the last 60 years of Cf association, please forward to Cheryl Sheffield ([chefcher@outlook.com](mailto:chefcher@outlook.com)) as she would like to put together a 'Blast from the Past' scrape book of the association for the last 60 years.**

**If you know of anyone that would love to become a member of the CF, please invite as a guest. Let Peter Ecker or Jared Lavalee know who you would like to bring.**

**Please click the link or copy and paste into browser to participate in a survey to help us understand how the federation can improve.**

**<https://s.surveyplanet.com/t9pky3zu>**

**Join Us For Next Months Meeting on Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7pm. Please look for your Zoom Link.**

# UPCOMING EVENTS & WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CULINARY WORLD

## Upcoming Meetings:

All meeting will be done by Zoom, please look for the link in your emails. Make sure to check your junk folder.

March – Northern Meats presentation

April --What's new and trending at Maple Leaf with their corporate Chef James

May – We still have an opening for this month if anyone is willing to fill in.

Hopefully, we can get back to some normalcy by June for a fun and exciting BBQ!!!!

June – BBQ Party – Details to follow

Chef Conference in Saskatoon June 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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## ANNOUCEMENTS

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**Cheryl is still looking for old archives, pictures, posters, newsletters...etc to build a 'Blast from the Past' scrapbook to celebrate 60 years of the Culinary Federation. Please email to her if you have anything.  
[chefcher@outlook.com](mailto:chefcher@outlook.com)**

- 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.
- The National website – [www.ccfcc.ca](http://www.ccfcc.ca) 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.
- The CCFCC Winnipeg Branch Hot Off The Panini Press newsletter is seeking submissions, contributions and notices to assist in making it interesting to the members it's developed for. If you have information that you would like to send out to members please forward to the email at [chefcher@outlook.com](mailto:chefcher@outlook.com)



## ANNOUCEMENTS

We're excited to share the official rules for the 2022 Senior and Young Chef Competition Finals (taking place at the CF22 Saskatoon Conference on June 13 and 14). There have been some adjustments to the format (primarily for the Senior Competition) so we encourage you to review the attachments carefully and advise if there are any questions.

Click the links below for the documents and application forms:

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Please share, as soon as possible, with all participants who will be competing at the 2022 Finals. Note that final application forms are due **NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2022.**

Looking forward to an amazing competition!



## ANNOUCEMENTS

**Culinary Team Canada Pastry Chef, Michelle Brown is in a strong battle with cancer. Our prayers are sent out to her and family!**

**Michelle and her 2 sons were the pastry department that worked closely across borders with Culinary Team Canada for 16 months leading up to the Olympics.**

**These types of relationships between team members become strong and last forever.**

**An email addressed to Chef JD Braid from Michelle's Son Bennet:**

**I wish this was under better circumstances but I wanted to let you know she was taken off treatment on Monday. She was transported to hospice this afternoon and most likely has a few days remaining.**

**As you know, she was diagnosed last June with a very aggressive form of myeloma. She knew it was going to be a very difficult battle. There were plenty of highs and lows but ultimately this was the only thing stronger than her.**

**She had a very strong week and a half after her birthday where her numbers were great and she was full of energy being her regular self. That gave us another chance at getting the stemcell transplant but a few days later, the chemo was too much for her body to handle.**

**She had been unable to speak and do much on her own since early February. But throughout her battle she was constantly planning on eventually getting back to teaching and was excited to be part of the team again in Luxembourg, even if just for support. She loved working with you guys. And always joked in the beginning of covid that if competing in Germany with you all was the last thing she did, then she ended on a high note.**

**We're all with her now and she's being kept comfortable for her remaining days. Obviously we hoped it didn't come to this and the last week accelerated it tremendously but we've had time to prepare.**

**Her wishes were to be cremated and have her ashes scattered in a couple of places. There will be a memorial sometime in the future the coming weeks in Waco and another around April in New York.**

**She accomplished a lot and had a great run. We know she could go for another 100 years if she could.**

# THANK YOU

A huge THANK YOU to David Cheng on his presentation on all products that Wanda Trading Inc provide. It was very informative.

Here is his information to contact David:

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## Quote of the Day

A recipe has no soul.  
You, as the cook, must  
*bring soul* to the recipe  
-Thomas Keller



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