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The above is CASA's new **web-site**. CASA will be conducting most of its business in 2006 and future years via this web-site.

For starters, as we have been announcing for the past 6 months, it is important that each member register his/her e-mail address with CASA at the appropriate box on the web site. (See Home Page below) This will allow CASA to notify you when an important announcement has been posted on the web-site like the announcement for the upcoming Annual Conference in Gettysburg, in May 2006. Information for the Annual Conference will **not** be mailed to each member as in the past. The announcement will contain all associated materials such as the conference agenda, hotel information, directions, registration forms, etc.

Routine electronic communication online at the CASA website will include:

- Scholarship information
- Newsletters
- Membership/Renewal
- Training Announcements
- Job Opportunities
- Encourage non-CASA members to register as well so they can be informed of CASA activities and announcements.

This will save CASA considerable mailing and printing costs to offset the development and monthly cost of maintaining the web-site. Below is the Home Page for the web-site.



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More INFORMATION

- About CASA
- Contact us
- Conference Newsletters
- Executive Board & Committees
- Membership
- Trainings & Registration
- H. Thompson Price Scholarship Information

REGISTER Your E-MAIL

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Join/Renew MEMBERSHIP

If you would like to be a member or need to renew your current membership.

[Join/Renew](#) (PDF 12kb)

Conference QUICK LINKS

- Pittsburgh
- Baltimore
- New York
- Philadelphia
- Northeastern New York
- Virginia
- Susquehanna
- Niagara Frontier

Links and Resources

- Association of Food and Drug Officials
- Food and Drug Administration
- Centers for Disease Control

Announcements

- [CASA Reporter - Winter 2006](#) (PDF 92 KB) - In this issue:
 - Annual Conference hits Gettysburg in May
 - Japanese Markets Open to U.S. Beef
 - Debate Over Acrylamide in Food Continues
 And more.....
- **H. Thompson Price, Jr. Scholarship** - our [scholarship application](#) is now available for downloading.



Latest trainings

- **Trainings will be announced here as they are scheduled.**

This site designed and hosted by [Precision Webmasters](#)

The membership/renewal form is found on the web-site. **Remember, renewals are not being mailed to members in 2006.** Click on "Join/Renew" on the "Join/Renew MEMBERSHIP". The membership/renewal form will be displayed. Simply print the form, complete it and mail to the Treasurer. Attached to this message is a copy of the Membership Application for your convenience. Please encourage non-members to join.

You can also renew your membership using the announcement or at our next Quarterly meeting on March 9.

Meeting announcements will continue to be mailed to those members who do not have an e-mail address.

IF YOU ARE A MEMBER AND RECEIVED THIS ANNOUNCEMENT VIA POSTAL MAIL AND HAVE AN E-MAIL ADDRESS, PLEASE FORWARD THE ADDRESS TO:

theresa.holland@montgomerycountymd.gov

or

alexander.ondis@fda.hhs.gov

CASA Membership Dues Information
and Application

CENTRAL ATLANTIC STATES ASSOCIATION OF FOOD AND DRUG OFFICIALS

Please complete today and return to:

Bill Kinder
Treasurer/CASA FOOD & DRUG OFFICIALS
PO Box 488
Abington, PA 19001-0488

- Regulatory \$15 Annual Dues U.S. funds only, please
 - Associate \$35 Annual Dues
 - Academic \$10 Annual Dues
 - Student \$10 Annual Dues
 - Retired \$10 Annual Dues
- (Make checks payable to CASA – FID#56-6136694)

Local Conference Membership is included
with payment of dues in all categories.
Check appropriate conference below:

- Baltimore Philadelphia
- New York Pittsburgh
- Niagara Frontier Susquehanna
- Northeastern N.Y. Virginia

Name _____
Agency _____
Address _____
Telephone _____
Fax _____
Email _____

CASA is a regional affiliate of the Association of Food and Drug Officials
(AFDO)

If you would also like to become a member of AFDO go to www.afdo.org

You will note that there is a “Conference QUICK LINKS” feature on the Home Page. When you click on “BALTIMORE” you will find information, training announcements, newsletters, etc. that pertain to the Baltimore Conference. The Baltimore Conference has recently revised its Constitution and By-Laws to be in agreement with CASA’s Constitution and By-Laws. The new Constitution and By-Laws was written to meet the IRS definition of “Tax Exempt Organization.” in the IRS Code.

The new Constitution and By-laws is required to be available to the membership 30 days prior to a business meeting for a vote. It will be posted under the “Baltimore” Quick Link by February 9 to allow members to view this document 30 days prior to our business meeting on March 9, 2006 at Fort Meade.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Annual Conference will be held at the Eisenhower Inn and Conference Center in Gettysburg, PA. from **May 16th to 19th, 2006.**

The Conference will feature topics on many varied subjects, exhibitors with up-to-date information and equipment, and organizations. There will be full conference registration or daily registration.

Since Gettysburg is only about 1 hour drive from Baltimore, this presents an excellent opportunity for our members to attend and meet professionals from throughout CASA-land.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

In order to continue with regular issues of “**the Skipjack**”, I need everyone to contribute; Please e-mail information for this newsletter to alexander.ondis@fda.hhs.gov Information may include;

- Interesting actions that your jurisdiction has taken
- New regulations and their impact
- Job opportunities
- News from your counties, retirements, new hires, etc

293 QUARTERLTY MEETING

The announcement for our 293 Quarterly meeting on March 9, 2006 is attached. Respond by 2/28, as I must present a list of attendees to Fort Meade security.

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