

*VIRGINIA CONFERENCE OF CASA
CENTRAL ATLANTIC STATES ASSOCIATION OF FOOD
AND DRUG OFFICIALS*

August 2005 NEWSLETTER Number 2

President's Message

I would like to welcome and thank all of our new and present members for your continued support in all our trainings and encourage everyone to continue to participate in CASA. A fantastic 2005 Annual Conference was held in Niagara Falls, NY- five of our officers were able to attend this year: Steve Fuller, Frank Scherra, Chris Thackston, Annie McCullough and myself. Everyone had a wonderful time. Again as a reminder, Virginia's turn to host the Annual Conference will be in 2007, please support our officers and make this an outstanding conference.

Our lastest (2) training on **March 10, 2005 at the Germanna College in Fredericksburg, Virginia, along with an afternoon tour at the A. Smith Bowman Distillery Plant, and April 14, Frito Lay Lynchburg Plant, Lynchburg, Virginia** (outstanding meetings) please continue to attend our Conference training seminars, and contact us so that we can continue to network in an effort to strengthen our Conference and provide quality speakers, so please kept attending and bring a co-worker with you.

The elections are over and congradulations to our new officers and board members for the 2005-2006 year. I encourage you to let me or any member of our board know if you would like to have Virginia CASA sponsor your training.

As noted from recent flyers you have received, there are more than just ridesgoing on at this amusement park...that's right we're going to **Busch Gardens, Williamsburg on September 15, 2005**. I look forward to seeing each member at the upcoming meetings.

Dawn Collins CASA-President



REMINDERS!
CASA has a New Address

*Any dues or correspondence should now be addressed to:
Mr. William R. Kinder, CASA Treasurer
P.O. Box 488
Abington, PA 19001-0448*

**MEMBERSHIPS ARE GOOD
JANUARY-DECEMBER
PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW!!!!**
*Regulatory \$15.00
Associate \$35.00*

BABY NEWS!

**Dianne and Tom Milazzo are proud parents of a new baby boy,
Carmon Joseph Milazzo. Carmon weighed in at 8 lbs.
15 ozs. and was 19.75 inches long. After a natural child
birth of just under 23 hours, he arrived July 7,
2005 at 6:23am. Congratulations..Dianne and Tom.**

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

I attended the August executive board meeting/planning session on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, of August 2005 in Gettysburg, PA. We had a productive and hectic meeting, which was held at the Eisenhower Inn where the annual conference will be held in May, 2006. The hotel is a very nice facility and the location offers many opportunities for sight seeing (especially for Civil War buffs) after meeting hours. The conference will be held from Tuesday, May 16th to Friday, May 19th. We have many topics of interest including, but not limited to the following: Foodborne Illness CSI, Retail Food Allergens, Flu Pandemic Threat, Development of Emergency Preparedness Training for Retail Food Stores, Amusement Park Ride Inspections, School Food Safety, Updating Temperature Control for Potentially Hazardous Foods, Updating the Food Code to Address Norovirus, and Molecular Epidemiology. This is going to be an exciting conference and I hope everybody can pencil it in on your calendars and attend. Make plans to come!

I want to thank Janet Pruitt for taking the time from her busy work schedule to attend the planning session in Gettysburg. She carried a wealth of topics and speakers-which the planning committee really liked.

My next executive board meeting will be in December in Gettysburg, so if anyone has any questions or concerns that you want me to address with the board please let me know ahead of time and I will be glad to take care of it.

Sincerely,
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Virginia Conference of CASA

Meeting Location:

Busch Gardens-Williamsburg, Virginia

September 15, 2005

8AM-4PM

Agenda

8:00am Check In and Breakfast

Busch Gardens Williamsburg Training Center

8:30am Welcome -Dawn Collins/Casa-President

Brian Kilpatrick-Busch Gardens

International Staffing - Rik Kareko

Recruitment, Training, Housing and
Transportation

Food Forecasting and Production - Christie Richards

How Busch Gardens plans and prepares to serve
quality and variety to thousands of visiting
guests

Food Safety - Kevin McCormick

Learn more about what goes on behind the scenes
to ensure food safety from procurement to
consumption

Lunch

Anhueser-Busch BrewMaster's Room -

An educational experience about quality and
brewing

Park Tour -

Production Bakery, Italy Display Kitchen and
Trappers Smokehouse

*Training will be held at the Busch Gardens Williamsburg Training Center
(BGWTC)*

Directions: Take exit 243A off of I-64. The sign will say Busch Gardens/Rt. 60
Once you have exited off I-64 follow the signs for Route 60...**do not take the road into the theme park.** Take the Route 60 exit and at the bottom of the ramp take a left at the stop light (this will be Route 60 West) At the next light, approx ½ mile down the road, make a left...this is the employee entrance into the park. Stay in the right lane as you will need to bear off to your right to get to the parking area. Inform the guard that you are here for the CASA meeting and they will advise you where to park.

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September 15, 2005

Registration Form

Message from the Secretary/Treasurer

I would prefer that you pay the fees prior to the training. It makes it easier for me to write the receipts before I get there so I don't have to miss part of the meeting while writing receipts. It also helps us in planning for the meeting.

**Thanks,
Steve**

Name: _____

Agency/Org: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: () _____

CASA Members.....\$25.00
Non-Members.....\$40.00
Associate Members.....\$25.00
Associate Non-Members.....\$60.00

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