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2008 HFM Culinary Competition: Call for Entries

Get your creative juices flowing, and submit your original recipes for the annual HFM Culinary Competition!

HFM has partnered with Tyson Food Service, a division of Tyson Foods Inc., for the fourth consecutive year. The competition is open to all culinary professionals (chefs, cooks and production personnel) employed at an HFM operator member facility. The application requires the creation of an original entrée recipe with side dishes and sauces to balance the plate using the featured product: **Tyson ® Boneless Pork Chop**. Five teams of finalists will be selected to compete live at the 2008 HFM Annual Leadership Conference, on Tuesday, Sept. 16, at The Homestead in Hot Springs, VA.

To apply for the HFM Culinary Competition or for complete rules, members may visit <http://www.hfm.org/events/conf/upcoming/culinary/index.html>. Please email entries to culinary@hfm.org. All entries must be received by April 30. Finalists will be announced by the end of May.

Industry Spirit Awards: Call for Nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for the *Nation's Restaurant News* and the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation's SPIRIT Awards, sponsored by HFM associate member company **The Coca-Cola Company**. The SPIRIT Awards honor those restaurant and foodservice operators who truly understand that enhancing employee satisfaction leads to achieving guest satisfaction. Winning companies have demonstrated excellence in areas relating to workforce recruitment, hiring, retention, education and training. For more information about the awards program or nominations, please visit: www.mufso.com/spirit.cfm. Deadline for entries is June 20.

HFM President Wins Silver Plate Award

We are happy to announce that HFM President, **Mary Angela Miller**, has been awarded the coveted Silver Plate Award! Miller, the administrative director for Ohio State University Medical Center in Columbus, OH, joins other leading foodservice operators as part of the International Foodservice Manufacturers Association's (IFMA) exclusive 2008 International Silver Plate Society.

Miller earned the Silver Plate Award for the healthcare category. This year's Silver Plate winners will be honored at the Gold & Silver Plate Awards gala in Chicago, IL, May 19, where one of them will be named the 2008 Gold Plate winner.

IFMA has sponsored the Gold & Silver Plate Awards program for 54 years, recognizing the most outstanding and innovative talents in nine segments of foodservice operations. Congratulations Mary Angela!

HFM's Making an Informed Decision Under Revision

Ruck-Shockey Associates, Inc. is sponsoring the revision of *Making an Informed Decision*, one of HFM's most popular publications available exclusively to members. HFM associate member, **Georgie Shockey**, principal of Ruck-Shockey Associates, Inc. in and press member, **John Lawn**, editor in chief and associate publisher of *Food Management* magazine, are credited with making various edits to date. Currently, HFM's Marketing and Education committees are working on further revisions. Ruck-Shockey Associates, Inc. has hired a freelance writer and the new version is due out in May.