

# 2017 INDUCTION CEREMONY

University of Minnesota Chapter of Phi Tau Sigma





### Founded in 1953 at University of Massachusetts- Amherst Dr. Gideon "Guy"Livingston & 6 Graduate Students.

Minnesota Chapter chartered in 1981 by Dr. Elwood Caldwell

Mission " To raise the stature and recognize scholarly achievements of the Food Science and Technology profession."

# THE HISTORY



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### What We Do:

- National Newsletter
- National Mentorship Program
  - Scholarly programming
    - Scholarships
    - Networking



New inductees from the 2016 Induction Ceremony! (L to R: Chelsey Hinnenkamp, Abbie Hohman, Jenny Hayek, Lijun Duan, Gary Reineccius, Mary Schmidl)



# RECOGNITION OF PHI TAU SIGMA MEMBERS

Let us acknowledge all members of Phi Tau Sigma in the audience tonight!

• There's more of us than you think!



# INDUCTION OF NEW PHI TAU SIGMA MEMBERS

# LET US WELCOME...

# ARIEL GARSOW

#### About Ariel:

- Ariel is a undergraduate in Food Science at the U, graduating in May!
- Ariel has had five different internships at four different food companies.
- She is currently studying abroad in Toledo, Spain.
  Through this program, she is interning at a local bakery.
- Next year, she will be going to The Ohio State University to study food processing under the direction of Dr. Dennis Heldman.

#### Fun Facts:

- In her free time she enjoys volunteering, experimenting with new recipes and exercising.
- This May she is looking forward to walking The Camino Francés, a 500-mile pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela, Spain.



Ariel couldn't be with us tonight – she's studying abroad in Toledo, Spain!

# ARIEL'S ADVENTURES IN SPAIN!





## ALEXANDRA KUECHEL

#### About Alex:

- Alex is a Master's student in Food Science at the U of M
- Graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a B.S. in Food Science and a Certificate in German in 2014
- Conducting research in the Schoenfuss lab on polylactose
- 2016-2017 Disney IFTSA Product Development Competition Director
- Interned at Edlong Dairy Technologies, Land O'Lakes, Inc. and Kraft Heinz in Product Development

#### Fun Facts:

- Alex loves baking and trying out new dessert recipes!
- In her free time, Alex enjoys reading, horseback riding, and checking out new restaurants in the Twin Cities.



#### About Xin:

- Xin is a Master's student in Food Science at UMN
- Conducts research under Dr. Len Marquart on whole grains and works with tortillas
- After graduation with her BS degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, she had a one-year internship at the Wheat Marketing Center in Oregon
- Currently she has been working at Ardent Mills for a year and half as a quality development associate, and she plans to continue working there after graduation

#### Fun Facts:

- Xin is a vivid traveler and always looking to visit new places (always planning a trip or on one!)
- While traveling, she loves to try local food and meet new people
- Loves to bake in her free time and tend to be creative without using recipes. Her favorite thing to make is granola!

### XIN LIU



Xin couldn't be with us tonight but we'll recognize her anyway!

## MORRINE OMOLO

#### About Morrine:

- Morrine Omolo is a PhD student in Food Science at the U.
- She has previously served as a graduate student representative on the UMN Board of Regents, Council of Graduate Students Executive Board
- She is currently working with an advisory team to establish a CFANS center for Women in Science.

#### Fun Facts:

- Morrine enjoys watching detective series (CSI, NCIS, Law & Order, etc.)
- Building jigsaw puzzles (up to 3,000 pieces now)
- Likes to travel (since coming to the US she's visited 32 states!)



# **IGOR SEPELEVS**

### About Igor:

- Igor is a PhD candidate in Food Science at the Latvia University of Agriculture
- He is currently interning at the University of Minnesota, conducting research under Dr. Gary Reineccius
- PhD Thesis includes work on potato manufacturing waste and its potential use in food production

#### Fun Facts:

- Igor loves biking when the weather is nice
- His favorite animal is a penguin
- He likes to travel to new places!



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### DR. KUMAR MALLIKARJUNAN

### About Dr. Mallikarijunan:

- Over 30 years of Food Process Engineering experience
- Specializes in food process modeling, process optimization and non-destructive sensing
- Authored more than 300 publications
- Active leadership roles in IFT, ASABE, and many others

#### Fun Facts:

- Represented the school in drawing/painting/arts competitions and won several prizes for his creative work
- Directed and acted in stage plays during his college days.
  The play he directed received best female actor award (even though that was his male friend who acted as a female lead in the drama).
- Visited many countries and has research collaborations in many countries around the world





# We would like to welcome all new members!

Stick around for a second – group photo time!