



## ACF Casco Bay Culinary Association

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### **President's Message**

On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to thank the members and supporters of the ACF Casco Bay Culinary Association for making this years Chef's Touch Dinner and Auction such as success. Everyone involved knows how difficult organizing an event like this can be and without your support we would not be able to host such an event.

We surpassed all of our goals and the comments from our guests in attendance were amazing. I would like to especially thank Chris Merriam, CEC Food and Beverage Manager/Executive Chef Portland Marriott at Sable Oaks and his staff for making this event a true success.

We were able to raise \$8,000 for the chapter and the programs we support. As you know this year we pledged \$4,500 to S.M.C.C. for culinary scholarships, \$1,000 for the Knowledge Bowl Team and \$1,000 to the Wayside Soup Kitchen. These programs are supported directly by the funds raised from our events and allow us to continue with these programs in the future.

Our final meeting before our summer break will be held Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30 PM at 51 Wharf Restaurant and Ultra Lounge, located at 51 Wharf Street in Portland. We will have complimentary appetizers and a cash bar will be available. Join us and enjoy great food and a chance to relax and socialize before the summer season.

Please RSVP to me if you will be able to attend. Thanks and we'll look forward to seeing you Tuesday.

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