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ACF National President Michael Ty, CEC, AAC inducted into the *Disciples Escoffier International - USA*.

On March 6, 2011, during the annual dinner of Les Amis d'Escoffier Society of Chicago, John Kaufmann, CFE, CEC, AAC Chairman, hosted this year by the Mid-America Club of Chicago, Chef Ty was honored as a new member of the Disciples Escoffier International-USA along with Jesse Cobb, Jr. CEC AAC, Steven Jilleba, CMC AAC and John Kartje, CEC AAC for continued support and contributions to the culinary arts.

This gastronomic society was established in France to maintain the good name and traditions of French Cuisine. The names of Chefs Ty, Cobb, Jilleba and Kartje will be recorded as USA members with the Disciples Escoffier International in France.

Other ACF members in the Disciples Escoffier International-USA include:

Hans Aeschbacher, CEC AAC - Joe Aiello, CEC, AAC - Michel Bouit, CEC, AAC - Jim Calzante, CEC, AAC
Bert Cutino, CEC, AAC - Fred Dame, MS - Jack Delby, CEC - Erwin Dreger, CEC, AAC - Fritz Gitschner, CMC, AAC - Bobby Hatoff, HAAC - Harry Hoffstadt, CFE, CEC, AAC, HOF - John Kaufmann, CFE, CEC, AAC
John Kinsella, CMC, CEC, AAC - Thomas Macrina CEC, CCA, AAC - Cary Miller - Manfred Mork, CEC, AAC
Alex Ottman, CEC, AAC - Michael Pivoney - Michael Reich, CEC - David Russell, CEC, AAC - William Schutz
Don Smith, CEC and Jim Singerling, CEC, CMA.

The goals of the Disciples Escoffier International are to honor the memory of Auguste Escoffier, in France and worldwide, promoting and preserving his work and maintaining the great culinary traditions; to promote culinary education and apprenticeship encouraging young people to discover the desire and motivation to work as a professional chef.

The Disciples Escoffier International continues to work in close cooperation with schools, establishing contacts between professionals and students; to organize culinary events worthy of these traditions; to honor those in the culinary profession who work to maintain the high standards of French haute cuisine; to unite all Disciples Escoffier from around the world and in the true "*Esprit Escoffier*".

Today, there are more than 20,000 members around the world that includes a large membership in France as well as in China, Hungary, United States, Italy, Japan, Benelux, Canada, Mexico, Portugal Thailand, Germany, South Africa, Morocco and Russia.

It is in this spirit that the Disciples Escoffier International - USA strives to develop a national membership with the establishment of a culinary scholarship fund and continued charitable endeavors. Membership is divided into 3 categories: professional chef, industry leader & epicure and food producer. An official Disciples Escoffier International- USA website with photos, event and travel calendar, member information and professional links will soon be established.

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