



## Executive Officers

Philip Pinkney  
*President*

Chris Johns  
*Vice President*

Jamie Poltrock  
*Secretary*

Teresina Mahoney  
*Treasurer*

George Bailey  
*Sergeant-at-Arms*

## Board Members

Michael Ty  
Daniel Mumau  
Michael Yap Gabriel  
Johnny Torres

## Associate Advisory Board

John A. Rees III  
*Chairman*

Greg Schenkel  
Tom Albanese  
Rick Albrecht  
Sandi Boyer  
Lee Weiss  
Lance Cranford  
Lydia Brown  
Corey Collier  
Lorri Davidson  
Mike Fryer  
Russ Kelley

## Junior Chapter

Angela Armstrong  
*President*

## Website Info

[acfchefslasvegas.org](http://acfchefslasvegas.org)

# Letter from the President

Honored Guests, Fellow Culinarians, Associate Members, Culinary Students, Family and Friends:

Welcome to each and everyone of you, thank you for choosing to join us this evening to celebrate yet another year of our members achievements here at our annual ACF Chefs Las Vegas Chapter Awards Celebration.

The Chef for Kids continues to stay as strong as ever as they celebrate their 26th Year with its' Elementary School breakfast and child nutrition programs under the tireless leadership of "Still" Chairman Chef Chris Johns with the support of his Board in their efforts bring relief to the less fortunate throughout the valley. I also want to recognize those supporters who believe in that very same mission but are too numerous to name, I want to thank them nonetheless. The Annual Dinner and Live Auction was one of the strongest yet, they did a great job raising money to support the many projects that makes such a difference to the underprivileged community. Thanks to you, one and all as you carry forward this ever more important mission.

The Chapter Advisory board has not only continued to give its' substantial support to the General Meetings but also celebrating their biggest and very successful Chefs Golf Tournament just a few short weeks ago; without their fundraising efforts on our behalf, we would a much greater struggle to fund the scholarship programs and other activities in which we regularly participate. Remember it is up to us to support those who support us in our daily business transactions whenever we can. Thanks to you all.

I would be remiss if I didn't again give the same recognition to Chefs Claude Lambertz and Frank Insera for the continued drive in the promotion and running of the now monthly Poker Tournaments. Though while much greater support is still needed it has proven to have maintained a solid and dedicated following.

Another program that has become an established as an annual event is the Friends and Family Appreciation Outing, an evening to relax and unwind for everyone at the close to our Chapter Calendar Year as a thank you the many hours of volunteerism. It is hard to think of a nicer way to show our appreciation, thank you Chef Michael Ty for making everything done here possible.

I would also like to add a special "shout out" and huge THANK YOU to the 2014 Chef of the Year and current Sergeant-at-Arms, Chef George Bailey, Room Chef at South Point Hotel, Casino and Spa, for stepping in over the last year and planning out our monthly meetings. Together with Chef Michael Ty, a memorable celebration of the Chinese New Year, this year at KJ's Chinese Restaurant, Chef Bailey also arranged and planned the 2015 Holiday Party at Market Street Station [yet now another tradition] where we collected the many generous donations from those present of new and unused toys in support of Chefs for Kids for the less fortunate. Then finally now this evening, with the help of the Culinary Team of The Orleans and members of the Advisory Board, tonight's 2017 Chef of the Year Awards Celebration. Thank you again Chef Bailey and many kudos for yet another job very well done.

Special congratulations go out to Chef Jamie Poltrock Banquet Chef at the South Point Hotel, Casino and Spa as the duly elected 2017 Chef of the Year, ACF Chefs Las Vegas. Our sincere congratulations go out to you being recognized by your peers for your tireless dedication to the American Culinary Federation, our local Chapters' mission and that of our affiliate organization, Chefs for Kids in securing the Chapters bright future.

My final acknowledgment goes to Ms. Anne E. Myers in being awarded the honor of having been chosen by the Chapter Board as 2017 Student Culinarian of the Year. Anne is a dedicated student at The College of Southern Nevada, majoring in Culinary Arts with a minor in Food and Beverage Management. Anne has a long record of volunteerism and maintains a consistent record of being recognized on the Presidents' listing for her Academic Achievements Our sincere congratulations go out to you and we are confident that you are heading towards a most successful career in the Hospitality Industry.

As Chapter President for the last three and a half years, I want to say what a privilege it has been to serve the membership and promise to give my dedicated support to the new officers and board members following this years Novembers election. On behalf of the current Chapter Board members, I take it upon myself to promise to continue to maintain our positive profile within the local community and ask those who are still on the sidelines, to step up and make more personal effort to support the ACF Chefs Las Vegas. We will continue to solicit each member individually to support and participate in our growth, only through everybody's commitment and personal involvement will we be able to secure a better future of the Chapter and further expand our community footprint.

**Chef Philip Pinkney, CEC, CCE, AAC**  
**Chapter President, ACF Chefs Las Vegas**