

PROFESSIONAL

The ACF Kona Kohala Chefs Association provides scholarship to qualifying members: such as::

- Continuing education members
- Student culinarians at Hawaii Community College- West Hawaii
- Junior Culinarians/high school

CERTIFICATION

The ACF has a comprehensive certification program open to chefs, cooks, bakers, culinary educators and administrators, offering 14 different designation levels. Professional development classes are offered on line at www.acfchefs.org and at regional and national conferences.

For each certification level, ACF verifies quality of work experience, education, and professional activities, including 30 hours of course work in sanitation, nutrition and supervision. Over 20,000 certifications have been awarded since 1970.

Some of the levels are:

Certified Sous Chef	CSC
Certified Chef de Cuisine	CCC
Certified Executive Chef	CEC
Certified Culinary Educator	CCE
Certified Working Pastry Chef	CPCC
Personal Certified Chef	PCC
Certified Culinarian	CC



President William K. Trask, CEC, AAC
and Jean Hull, CCE, AAC

ABOUT THE AMERICAN CULINARY FEDERATION

The American Culinary Federation, founded in 1929 is the largest professional, not for profit, organization for chefs and cooks in North America.

More than 24,000 culinarians, food service professional, purveyors and culinary enthusiasts belong to 230 chapters in four regions across the United States.

ACF Membership provides opportunities for professional development, career building, and networking, fostering educations, inspiration and professional recognition in the hospitality industry.

Contact: www.acfchefs.org

“The Authority on Cooking in America”



CHAPTER MISSION

The ACF Kona Kohala Chefs Association members are industry leaders committed to culinary enrichments through professional development and education in our community.



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*The ACF Kona Kohala Chefs Association's
Charitable and Educational Fund,
is a § 501(c)3 charitable organization*

About the Kona Kohala Chefs Association

Our island chapter began in 1978 with twelve members. Today, there are more than 50 chapter members, plus college and high school student culinarians.

Members include chefs, cooks, purveyors, vendors, farmers, educators, students and culinary enthusiasts. They attend a monthly lunch meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at various restaurants, and hotels. The meetings focus on business highlights, educational topics and fellowship. You don't have to be a chef to join. Food professionals all play a part in this exciting industry!

RECENT AWARDS

Hermann G. Rusch Achievement Award

Western Region 2010

Jean Hull, CCE, AAC

ACF President's Medallion

Vernon Wong, CEC 2007

ACF National Chef & Child "Little Oscar"

2002, 2006, 2008

ACF Western Region CCF "Little Oscar"

2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008

ACF Western Region Service Award 2006

Chapter Award 2004, 2005

ACF Western Region Chef of the Year

Vernon Wong, CEC 2000

ACF Western Region Student Culinarian

Keo Velasquez 2003

Community Involvement

The Big Island of Hawaii offers many culinary events throughout the year. Our chapter holds two fundraising events. The premier fundraising event is "Christmas at Kona Village, Dining with the Chefs." It reached its 20th year in 2008. This benefit assists with scholarships for our members, student and junior culinarians.

Our second benefit is the Chef and Child 'Q'uisine of Hearts, supporting nutrition education for children in Kona and Kohala: **"giving children a gift that lasts a lifetime, making wise food choices."**

We are connected with the ACF Chef and Child Foundation: a philanthropic arm of the ACF.



Steve Marquard at a CCF Cooking Demonstration

We support charity events such as:

- **United Way/Dolphin Days at the Hilton Waikoloa Village Resort**
- **Island-wide High School Cooking Competition**
- **Kona Brew Fest—Recycle Hawaii**
- **Kona Coffee Cultural Festival—Recipe Contest**
- **Taste of the Hawaiian Range**
- **Palamanui Capital Campaign-Culinary Campus**
- **Hamakua Alive Festival**

Benefits of joining our ACF Kona Kohala chapter

- Our ACF membership is diverse, offering a wide range of networking opportunities.
- ACF is the largest national culinary organization that defines and supports the image of professional chefs in the U.S.
- Our chapter provides scholarship and support for members continuing education and professional training.
- The chapter provides scholarship support for student culinarians at Hawaii Community College-West Hawaii and local high school student culinarians.
- ACF regional and national conferences offer insight, education and certification programs
- Opportunities to connect and to contribute to our community.
- Farmer/Chef contacts and a commitment to culinary sustainability + buying fresh & local.
- Fellowship among the food service and hospitality industry. **We also like to have fun!**

ACF National Chapter Dues

Professional-Chef, Cook /3 years	\$190
Culinarian, 6months/3 years.....	\$100
Allied-Dietician, F&B,	\$195
Associate-Purveyors.....	\$225
Culinary Enthusiast.....	\$125
Student Culinarian (over 18)....	\$ 80
Student Culinarian (under 18)...	\$ 70

ACF Local Chapter Dues

Allied (local chapter dues).....	\$110
Associate (local chapter dues....	\$110

-applications available or, on ACF national web site