

Dr. Shai Barbut ()

Dr. Barbut was born in Israel and is a Canadian citizen. Shai received his B.S. from the University of Jerusalem and his M.S. and PhD from the University of Wisconsin. Shai is a professor in the Department of Animal & Poultry Science at the University of Guelph, in Guelph, Ontario, Canada since 1985. Dr. Barbut has published extensively in the area of poultry meat and egg products. Dr. Barbut's textbook on Poultry Products Processing-An Industry Guide has been used extensively by academia and industry personnel. In The Science of Meat and Poultry Processing he extends the coverage of his first book and has been published as an E-book providing free access to anyone while permitting the author to update the content as needed. Shai is one of the only faculty members at a Canadian University researching and writing in the area of poultry meat and egg product technology. He is a fellow in the Institute of Food Technology in the area of Muscle foods and has won numerous honors and awards as well as providing leadership on many government committees.



Dr. Glenn W. Froning ()

Dr. Froning was born in Gray Summit, Missouri, received his B.S. and M.S. Poultry Science, University of Missouri and PhD, University of Minnesota. After receiving his B.S. he served in the US Army in Korea. Glenn is Professor Emeritus from the University of Nebraska in Food Science and Technology. His research efforts has produced over 200 articles on poultry meat and eggs leading to improved quality and uses of mechanically deboned fowl meat, identified functional properties of eggs and egg products and causes of color and texture defects in poultry meats, characterized the particles of bone found in poultry meats and studied additives and their effects on products. Glenn served the Poultry Science Association as well as the Institute of Food Technology and elected as fellow in each association. Glenn has received numerous awards and recognition and has served on many national and international Glenn's former students serve the committees. industry throughout the US and around the world.



Mr. Andrew R. Rhorer ()

Andy, a native of Indiana and received his B.S. from Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis School of Engineering and Technology and his M.S. from Purdue University. Andy served in the U.S. Army from 1970-1973 during the Viet Nam era. Andy was Exec. Vice President of the Indiana State Poultry Association and Tri-State Poultry Federation from 1984-1989, Executive Director of the Indiana State Egg Board, the enforcement agency for the Indiana Egg Law and the USDA Egg Product Inspection Act, for Indiana from 1984-1989 and scientific director of the Midwest Egg Quality School from 1976-1989. Mr. Rhorer served as the Egg Industry Liaison on the Department's Salmonella enteritidis Task Force from 1990 to 1994 and senior coordinator (Director) of the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) for 24 years and as the executive secretary of the NPIP's -General Conference Committee. He is currently the President of Global Poultry Improvement, LLC.



Dr. Yvonne Vizzier Thaxton ()

Yvonne was born in Memphis, TN and received a B.S. Bacteriology and M.S. Biological Sciences from Mississippi University for Women. She was Microbiologist for MFC Services (AAL) in Jackson, MS and later Food Products laboratory manager. In 1974, she went to Marshall Durbin Food Company as laboratory manager and became their Director of Laboratory services. In 1981, she became the Assistant Vice President of Marshall Durbin and in 1983 Vice President of Science & Quality Assurance for Marshall Durbin Food Corp. in Birmingham, AL. Yvonne received her PhD from Auburn University and served as an adjunct professor and later as Professor of Poultry Science at Mississippi State, Professor Emerita in 2010. She then became Professor and Director for the Center for Food Animal Wellbeing at the University of Arkansas. Yvonne has given a career of service to the Poultry Industry, Academia as well to various Government agencies and to professional organizations, her community and her church.