

Food Vo Ideas for Colleges, Healthcare, Schools and Business Dining



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Yale and UMD

Intercept marketing at Boston College

Cyber cafe/c-store blur at U of W

Oakwood College's vegetarian c-store

and more!

department vision includes the tag line "to be the employer of choice and it's incredible to literally be able to say that we've reached that goal!"

Bando, now in her eighth year at the helm of BCDS, says the award recognizes strides that the university has made in recent years to help her department's 300 employees and managers develop their skills while providing "exceptional" benefits. (For more information on BC's dining program, see related story on page 38).

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Sodexho Rolls Out Pandinis

Fire up the new oven!

Sodexho recently taste-tested the products it will be purveying from its new Pandinis concept by offering menu selections for a nominal \$1 to employees and their families at the Allentown, PA, headquarters of its Sodexho/Wood Co. unit. The proceeds were all donated to the Sodexho Foundation, the company's non-profit hunger-fiebing initiative.

The core of Pandinis is a new rotating fire deck oven that can produce more than 200 pizza pies an hour. A unit hooked up in a manufacturer's truck prepared the pizzas at the Allentown demonstration. The oven being tested was on its way to Tempe, where Arizona State University will be the concept's first site.

The Pandini's menu focuses on fireshly made dough, fresh produce and spicy lealian sausage and pepperoni. Menu selections include pizzas, labrettis (a kind of hot grilled sandwich similar to a panini), calzones, strombolis, salads, sandwiches and pastas.



Hallmark Promotes Employee Health

Food part of overall awareness event.

mployees at Hallmark Cards in Kansas City get a week each year in which they are encouraged to shape up by exercising and eating right. The event, called Health Awareness Week, includes everything from free screenings administered by health professionals from a nearby hospital to highlighting healthy eating practices and providing advect from professional nutritionists about individual healthy eating plans.

This year's event was held in April in the big lobby next to the caftereria where the medical professionals set up shop. Meanwhile, the caftereria did its part by offering a selection of delicious but healthy meal choices. Employees dining in-house even got free samples of Mrs. Dash's spice mixes and participated in a drawing for Mrs. Dash gift certificates.



Irradiated Meat
Products may be included
in school lunches starting
in January.

The U.S. Dept. of Agriculture and its Food & Nutrition Services division, which oversees the National School Lunch Program, have announced that it will begin permitting lunch program participating schools to offer irradiated meat starting in January. In its action, the department is following the will of Congress, which di-



Who's the baby?

The photo above is of a prominent onsite foodservice industry figure in much younger days. This soliciting guesses as to who it might be. Comet guesses will qualify contestants in a drawing for a handsomely bound copy of Food Management 25th Anniversary issue, which features a detailed, ixidhy illustrated history of the onsite foodservice industry. Send all guesses to jlawn@penton.com. The winner will be announced in a future issue of Food Management.

rected that irradiated meat bused in school lunches in la vear's Farm Bill.

Food & Nutrition Service Undersecretary Eric Bost in a leter to schools indicated that it decision to offer irradiated me would be left to each district, at those choosing to offer the prouct should notify parents in a vance and give clear indication menus or with serving lib signage about which selection contained irradiated product USDA does not have the a thority to require schools to ma such notification, Bost said.

The agency will be sending e ucational materials about irrad tion to schools in June. The tir lag in actual introduction is to g schools time to make an inform decision on what they wish to and to inform and educate p ents if they decide to proceed offering irradiated meat school lunches. Bost added.

For more on this topic, see the February 2003 FM, p.

