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BARN SALE: Lots of useful items. August 20, 8 AM (no early birds!) until noon. 614 W. North Street. Sale will be at the Shelton barn next to the NYSAES baseball field.

FOR RENT: 1 bedroom apartment, semi-furnished, 2nd floor. \$450 available mid August. Security deposit required. Contact Nancy Long X2288 or npl1

FOR SALE: Three twin beds & box frames. 1 set \$50, 2 sets \$25 each. Also dresser and mirror \$50. Contact Pat at pm12@cornell.edu or phone 781-0218

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom house across the street from the Station on Pre-Emption Road. \$675 plus utilities. Available for August. Contact Nancy Long X2288 or npl1

FOR SALE: Classic dark hardwood dining room table, chairs, and matching buffet. \$500 for entire set. Contact Betsy at X2625 or eab38. Can email pictures if interested

FOR SALE: Husky Front Seat and Cargo Liner for 95-04 Blazer/Jimmy/Envoy; black in color, used for 2 years, very good condition, combo retails new for \$130, can be protecting your Blazer/Jimmy/Envoy for \$70. Contact David at x2326 or dbc10

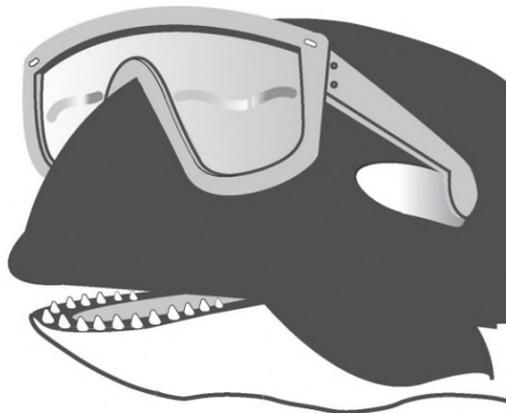
FOR SALE: Nine aluminum storm windows 72 inches tall and 34 inches wide. Good condition. \$50 for the lot. Aluminum storm door 36 inches wide. Good condition, \$20. Call x2480 or email gf35

FOR SALE: Black steel grill guard, brand new, never used. Fits Dodge truck. Heavy duty bed mat w/Dodge logo, fits short bed. Brand new. Contact George at x2618 or gwh1

FOR RENT: Seneca Lake cottage. Two bedroom, boat lift, directly on lake, no stairs. For more info email mlh5

Volunteers Needed

It's time once again to sign up to volunteer to work at the Experiment Station's Whale Watch tent. This year's dates are August 20 & 21, 2005.



We'll be open 1-7 PM on Saturday and 1- 5 PM on Sunday. The corn roasting shift will start one hour earlier each day. Volunteers are needed to fill two-hour time slots.

All volunteers will be treated to a pizza lunch on Thursday, August 18, courtesy of Administration. At that time, you will get the scoop on all the details about the exhibit you signed up for and will receive a free ticket to get into the Whale Watch for the day you volunteer.

If you don't already own a NYSAES t-shirt, which we encourage you to wear during your time slot, Station Club will sell you one at their cost of \$7.00 for sizes M, L, & XL and \$8. for XXL.

Check out the schedule at <http://www.nysaes.cornell.edu/comm/whalewatch/>

You can sign up online by simply typing your name into an open time slot and pressing submit. If you have any questions, please contact Gemma Osborne (gro2 or x2248) or Nancy Long (npl1 or x2288).

Thank you, your help is greatly appreciated.

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BRIEFS

From *The Wine Press*

New York Wines

"A New York State of Mind" is the theme of a terrific article in *Gourmet* magazine's July issue, profiling the Finger Lakes as a great and undiscovered region not only for fine wines, but also great foods and a diverse culture including a large Mennonite population. This is one of the few articles I've seen that provides a total context for the region. The wineries featured are Dr. Konstantin Frank Vinifera Wine Cellars, Ravines Wine Cellars, Silver Thread Vineyard, and Hermann J. Wiemer Vineyards, with Red New Bistro named as one of the top places to eat. Meanwhile, some other major media coverage of the New York wine industry is in the works, which I will reveal when it's published. Lots of ink these days.

Seminars

Direct Shipment Compliance Seminars on August 17 in Geneva and August 19 in New York City are part of our "Social Responsibility" program, intended not only to help wineries expand into new markets, but to make sure they do so legally. The day-long workshops will include a book of comprehensive information from the Supreme Court decision to the various laws and regulations of all states with respect to direct shipment. WineAmerica President David Sloane will provide an overview of the entire situation, with WA VP Bill Nelson and Seattle attorney R. Corbin Houchins giving a state-by-state rundown. Representatives from FedEx will also give a presentation on the company's special direct shipment program and their compliance process. (Continued on page 2)

Senators, Albany Staffers Visit Station

On July 21, Senator Catharine Young from Olean, NY, visited the Experiment Station. Senator Young was elected to the NYS Senate in a special election, and has been appointed to chair the Senate Agriculture Committee. She was first elected to the Assembly in 1998. Director Tom Burr welcomed Senator Young to the Station, and then accompanied her to the fields in Research North, where she met with vegetable specialists including Steve Reiners, Chris Smart, Brian Nault, and Curt Petzoldt.



Thomas Henick-Kling (center) tours the V&B Lab with Senators Young (left) and Nozzolio (right).

While in the field, Susan Brown talked to the Senator about the apple breeding program at Geneva. The Senator then toured the new flex-tech building at the Cornell Agriculture and Food Technology Park (CAFTP), with Dan Fessenden, Senator Nozzolio and other members of the CAFTP Board. Senators Young and Nozzolio went on to meet with Olga Padilla-Zakour and tour the Pilot Plant and the Center for Food Entrepreneurship. While in the Vinification & Brewing Technology Lab, Thomas Henick-Kling, Bruce Reisch, and Chris Owens discussed wine and grape research at the Station. Charlie Kruzansky and Lee Telega from the Cornell Office of Government Affairs were also present.



(L to R) Bill Ketzer, Director, NYS Assembly Agriculture Committee (Assemblyman Bill Magee), Michael Paoli, Principal Analyst, NYS Senate Finance Committee and Angela Wright, Analyst, NYS Senate Finance Committee, examine grapes with grape berry moth damage.

The following week, on July 27, a group of advisors to Albany decision makers in the NYS Senate and Assembly, and the Division of the Budget, traveled to Geneva to learn about key relationships between Station programs and economic development. The weather was bad, but the questions and answers flowed freely despite the downpours.

Brian and Mark Nicholson

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dures, and people from IDology will describe their unique age verification program.

“Save The Date”

“Save the Date” is the message on a postcard from the office of Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton, referring to “New York Farm Day 2005” on Tuesday, September 20 from 5:30 - 7:30 in the Russell Senate Office Building. This annual showcase of New York wines, foods, and restaurants is a tasteful reminder to official Washington and the media that New York is a major agricultural state, and agriculture is a major part of the state’s economy. Since its inception in 2002, “Farm Day” has become the most popular reception, and hottest ticket, on Capitol Hill. The New York Wine & Grape Foundation is honored to work with Senator Clinton and her very capable staff in organizing the event, and grateful to our co-sponsors for making it possible: Constellation Brands, Farm Credit Associations of New York and CoBank, New York State Restaurant Association, New York Apple Association, New York Farm Bureau, Long Island Farm Bureau, and Pride of New York. New York wine, food and restaurants.

J. Trezise

After Hours Emergencies

Earlier this month, a message was left after hours on ext.2301 concerning a smoking light fixture in a lab. The message was not heard until 7:00 am the next morning. Fortunately the problem did not escalate into a more serious situation. The office phones at Buildings & Properties are not answered after 5:00 pm. Please do not leave a message if you have an emergency or there is a serious problem in your building. If you have a problem call the Heating Plant (ext. 2215) If you have a emergency situation call 9-911 or 2499. Please also refer to the NYSAES Emergency Response Guide that is by your phone. If you do not have a response guide please call Soon Kong at ext. 2350. If you have any questions or concerns please call me at ext. 2310. Thanks for your help.

R. D’amato

It was a ‘Tour De Force’

On Thursday, July 28, 125 staff, students and retirees crossed the bridge over Castle Creek, not into a familiar apple orchard, but into a wide open space with paved roads, street lights and a futuristic-looking building which is rapidly nearing completion. The building, dubbed the Flex-Tech building, is scheduled to be finished and ready for tenants by next month.

“Believe it or not, the earliest planning for CAFTP began nearly 10 years ago,” said Dan Fessenden. “Since then, considerable effort has been made to build support for the project, raise funds, secure the land, design the project, etc.” He went on to say that during the past 10 months, the progress on the ‘Denton Farm’ has been much more visible. “We have installed more than \$3M of infrastructure including roads, water, sewer, gas and electric. These accomplishments give us the ‘product’ we need to attract tenants to fill the park.”



Marc Smith leads one of the groups through the building.

Several ‘tour guides’ recruited among the Station staff took small groups through the cavernous interior, pointing out everything from future lab and office space to where the Park’s offices and conference facilities will be located.

“I’ve never been an official tour guide before, but it felt good to share my enthusiasm for this great new project with people who’ve made the Station great every day for a long, long time,” Mark Smith said.

Employees who took the tours shared Marc’s enthusiasm:

“This building, just like the work that will be done here, is cutting edge,” remarked Ed Bailey of Buildings and Properties. “This is a great opportunity for the Station and the community.”

“It’s an impressive building obviously designed to meet a variety of needs,” Karl Siebert, Food Science and Technology, said.

“Dan Fessenden is certainly knowledgeable and was comfortable in sharing his vision for the new building,” said Pat Mahoney of the Administrative Service Center group. “The building is a fine example of architecture and engineering and should be well suited for future tenants. I was pleased also that Station employees were given the opportunity to explore the building (Continued on page 3)



Dan Fessenden greets former Station Director Don Barton and his wife Ginny.

The Flex-Tech building was designed to house firms needing flexible office and high-end, wet laboratory space. The building will house start-up companies (minimum of 120 ft² of office space) as well as larger enterprises seeking a combination of office and lab space. There is also space reserved within the building to house a pilot food processing facility that could be used by one or more tenants. The building will also offer tenants shared conference facilities and centralized administrative support.

Several ‘tour guides’ recruited

It Was Back To School for Station Scientists

About a dozen Station scientists had the opportunity to inspire a group of third-grade students thanks to a science camp developed by North Street Elementary School faculty. Paul Tucci from North Street School, and Chris Smart from the Experiment Station spearheaded the program.

The camp was filled with hands-on activities that were designed to spark enthusiasm for science among the students. “It was school principal, Nina McCarthy’s idea to put this science camp together, and asked Paul and I to be involved,” Chris said. “We worked together to identify areas of plant and food science that we thought the kids would like, and that would be age appropriate.”

The program was developed around gardens that the students had planted in the spring, and focused on aspects of plant and food science that the children could see first-hand in their gardens. Station scientists who were involved included Steve Reiners and Courtney Weber (Horticultural Sciences) who covered soil nutrients, plant anatomy and genetics; Beth Gugino and Chris Smart (Plant Pathology) who did experiments with soil health and plant diseases; Charlie Linn, Greg English-Loeb and Brian Nault (Entomology) who proved to be very popular as they described insect diversity, and also talked about insect pests, including those that are beneficial; Betsy Bihn, Kat Kittel and Melissa Mundo (Food Science and Technology) explored hygiene, food safety, and food components (by making pudding); and Claudia Coen (IPM) who talked about integrated pest management.

Sessions were held from 9:00 - 11:30 AM every day; half the students’ time was spent doing hands-on science exploration—either in the lab or in the gardens—and the other half was devoted to science literacy. “It has been fun to watch my colleagues describe their work at the third-grade level,” Chris said. “They have all been really enthusiastic and seem to enjoy teaching nearly as much as the kids enjoyed learning.” In addition to guest presenters from the Station, Paul, Chris, and Matty Brooks (the school science aide) were there every day. The camp began on July 5, and ran through August 4.

N. Abbott



Chris Smart talks ‘Pathogens’ with students.

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and have our questions answered.”

“Scientists are accustomed to thinking of incubators as small structures, but this particular ‘incubator facility’ appears huge in this early stage of its interior development,” Martin Goffinet, Horticultural Sciences, commented.

“Nevertheless, our tour guide, Dan Fessenden, did an excellent job explaining how the vast interior will eventually be compartmentalized to fit the needs of future tenants.

“I would love to take another tour someday, when all the spaces are allocated, just to see the diversity, creativity, and (hopefully) the interactions that Cornell and others are trying to foster there,” he added.

“When it comes right down to it, businesses can find or build state-of-the-art facilities anywhere,” Dan said. “What makes our venture in Geneva, New York unique is it is the only market-focused research park in the world where enterprises can access Cornell’s food, agriculture and bio-based expertise.

“Therefore,” he added, “it was only fitting the Station community was among the first to be invited for a sneak preview tour of the park.”

Dan encourages everyone to continue to pass along their ideas and suggestions, and if you happen to know of a business you think should be aware of the Cornell Agriculture & Food Technology Park to please let him know. He can be reached at 315-787-2619 or dfessenden@caftp.org

J. Ogrodnick

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from Red Jacket Orchards and John Martini, owner of Anthony Road Winery explained connections between the success of their progressive local businesses and NYSAES and USDA-ARS research in the lab and the field. Dan Fessenden closed the day at the Cornell Agriculture and Food Technology Park by describing the growing opportunities for new economic activity in the Park and the region, opportunities built around world-class research at CALS and on the Station campus.

L. McCandless and M. Smith

SeaBreeze Tickets

Adult tickets - \$17.30
Kids under 48" - \$16.28

See Nancy Long between
8:30 AM - 1:30 PM for
tickets

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SAVE THE DATE
Station Club
Family Picnic
September 9
fun and games
more details soon

