



# STATION NEWS

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## BRIEFS

### Brown Bag Lunch and Travelog

Please join the IPM Program in welcoming former Station employee, Jim Engel, who will speak at a brown bag luncheon next week. Jim will be sharing his experiences from a recent trip to Ezurum, Turkey during a noon-time program in the Jordan Hall conference room, Friday December 8. Bring your own lunch; cookies will be provided. Jim's presentation will include beautiful photographs, native music and his colorful, personal insights into this fascinating country.

Jim visited his son Jeremy Elliot-Engel, who is currently studying abroad through SUNY Cobleskill. Many of you also know Jeremy, who was employed at NYSAES the last two summers.

During Jim's trip, the Agricultural Economics Department at Attaturk University (where Jeremy is studying) invited Jim and Jeremy to be part of the team that visits villages in the region. As with CCE activities here in the states, this team brings new and innovative technologies and information to farmers and growers, but with several added twists. The challenges of extension work are made even more difficult because of the remote mountainous terrain, unique cultural traits such as separation between the genders and overcoming deeply ingrained misguided farming practices that die hard. The program will be a blend of travelogue to a distant part of the globe and a glimpse into the cultural and social make-up of one small rural village in Ezurum, Turkey.

Mark your calendars for Friday, December 8, 2006. Thanks, and we hope to see you.

### Holiday Pay Dates

There will be 2 pay dates over winter break.

**Biweekly Payday**, December 28, 2006:

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## Susan Brown Honored with Endowed Professorship

Susan K. Brown, professor of horticultural sciences, has been named the Herman M. Cohn Professor of Horticultural Sciences. The endowment was made possible by the sale of land bequeathed by Mr. Cohn to the university in 1966, and is the second endowed professorship established in as many months at the Geneva Experiment Station.



*S. Brown*

"I am delighted

that we are able to honor Susan Brown with an endowed chair, something she very much deserves," said Susan A. Henry, the Ronald P. Lynch Dean of Cornell's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CAL S). "Susan is an internationally recognized apple breeder and geneticist and a dedicated mentor to her graduate students."

Cohn, who came to fruit farming later in life, made his money in the clothing business in Rochester. In 1960, he leased the 300-acre Horn fruit farm on Lake Ontario in Sodus, NY, to Cornell for pomology research. Upon his death in 1966, he bequeathed the farm to Cornell. Proceeds from the sale of various parcels of the property in 1980 were used to establish the Herman Cohn Endowment Fund. The sale of the remaining acreage took place in 1992, and the fund has now grown to an amount sufficient to support a professorship.

In "The Story of the Horn Farm," which Cohn wrote in 1954, he attributed much of the farm's productivity, profit and fruit quality to his association with "Cornell men," to whom he was introduced by then CAL S Dean William I. Myers. Among them were: Stan Warren in agricultural economics; Pete Hoffman and Karl Brase, in pomology; Bill Mills, Ken Parker and Jim Hamilton, in plant pathology; and Richard Wellington, in pomology — a man Cohn characterized as "the ace of fruit breeders."

The endowed professorship will help support Cornell's apple-breeding program, which is one of the largest programs in the world. The program emphasizes genetic approaches to understanding and improving apple. Marker-assisted selection is important in crops like apple where tree size and the long period prior to fruiting can delay the selection progress. Apple fruit quality, nutrition and plant architecture are also key areas of investigation, as is the study of the role genes play in tree architecture and development. Genetic modification of tree form would aid in the mechanical harvesting of apples, an important objective for the future because of increasing problems with adequate farm labor at harvest.

"Susan Brown is most deserving to be named the first Cohn Professor at Geneva," said

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Direct Deposit, December 28, 2006  
Checks, Mailed to arrive December 28, 2006 (advices will not be mailed)

**Semimonthly Payday**, December 29, 2006:

Direct Deposit, December 29, 2006  
Checks, Mailed to arrive December 29, 2006 (advices will not be mailed)

Eliminate delays, sign up today for direct deposit of your paycheck! [http://www.payroll.cornell.edu/forms/cu\\_prl\\_directdeposit.pdf](http://www.payroll.cornell.edu/forms/cu_prl_directdeposit.pdf)

Note for those without direct deposit: Due to the holidays, there are likely to be postal delays.

If the address on the front of your check is incorrect, please update it immediately.

Thank you.

C. Martin  
Human Resources

### You're Invited to the New York State Agricultural Society's 175th Anniversary Annual Forum: Exploring Challenges, Cultivating Opportunities

A record crowd of over 500 people is expected at the Holiday Inn, Liverpool on Thursday, Jan. 11, 2007, for the 175th Annual Meeting & Forum of the New York State Agricultural Society. The program is co-sponsored by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets.

This year, the New York State Agricultural Society takes a bold new step in its leadership role in representing the state's broad agricultural interests. Instead of the usual format of listening to policymakers and experts tell us what they think we should know, the Society reverses the tables-literally at its 175th meeting. Agricultural Forum attendees will tell policymakers and experts what the agricultural community thinks they need to know.

Policy, research, teaching, extension and support service programs are all formed based on understanding the needs of the agricultural community. Often the interpretation of those needs get filtered through many levels before they make

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## Jane Irwin Retires

Jane Irwin has retired after 10 years as a NYS Agricultural Experiment Station Library employee. It has been my privilege to be her supervisor and work with her since 1999. She has been a diligent, thoughtful, loyal, generous and forward-thinking member of the Library team, and her contributions to the Library and the Experiment Station have been substantial.

When Jane was hired part-time in 1996, her responsibilities were to assist Jeanne Samimy, the Library Assistant in the Station Library at the time, on various library tasks (such as shelving, binding, journal check-in) and to provide technical support for the Library's 4 computers, 2 used by staff and 2 available for public use. By 2006 she supported 32 library computers, more than 2 dozen software packages, provided software support to faculty, staff and graduate students and she coordinated the Station-wide instruction program.

Clearly, her responsibilities have grown over time, but it was just a month into her job when she was asked to start the instruction program and set up the Library Technology Center (LTC) where hands-on classes could be taught. She built the instruction program from the ground up. The large variety of training opportunities that we offer today is the result of Jane's efforts in response to known and anticipated needs throughout the Station community. She constantly looked for new ways to provide instruction beyond the workshop setting. Jane has offered open forums, open labs, one-on-one consulting, online tutorials, short lunch-time sessions, and other approaches to accommodate individual learning styles and time constraints.

Countless hardware and software upgrades were implemented over the past 10 years. The number of computers increased. PCs were added to the initial selection of Macs. The diversity of operating systems and software grew continuously. Without her expertise, her vision, and her hard work, the Station community would not have the wide array of technology-based library services and resources that we currently enjoy and depend on.

Jane has spear headed numerous special projects as well. She led the development and maintenance of the Library website. Before there was a Cornell-wide "Find E-journals" system, Jane and Geneva Library staff developed an e-journal database for Station researchers, the first of its kind at Cornell. She implemented the publicly accessible wireless network that can be accessed in the Library and in Jordan Hall meeting rooms. Jane developed a mobile classroom utilizing laptops and the wireless network which made hands-on classes possible in any of the Jordan meeting rooms.

The benefits of the instruction program to the Station community are quite visible, but Jane's leadership and support of technology are less apparent. Her success is best measured by the fact that many technology-based Library services and resources are delivered to the Station community problem-free. Her contributions are behind the scenes. Her technical expertise and commitment to service assures that faculty, staff and grad students can access e-journals, request copies of articles in journals we don't own, check books out of the library, scan slides and create digital presentations using Library facilities.

Every time Jane was asked to take on an additional task or responsibility, she gracefully

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Marty Schlabach congratulates Jane Irwin on her retirement.



## Three New Businesses Join Cornell Agriculture & Food Technology Park

The Cornell Agriculture & Food Technology Park has announced that three new businesses will join its roster of tenants. The new companies reflect the core focus of the park in the areas of food and agriculture.

The new tenants, Stony Brook Cookie Company, Organix Green Industries, LLC, and ZedX, Inc., will utilize The Technology Farm's brand new 20,000 square foot business accelerator facility for their respective business needs. Each enterprise will also collaborate with Cornell researchers to enhance product development and innovation.

- Stony Brook Cookie Company will relocate to Geneva from the Boston, Massachusetts area. The company will grow its existing gourmet cookie business in a customized food laboratory facility at the park and looks forward to working with Cornell's food science and nutrition experts to develop new, wholesome, all-natural baked products for both retail and commercial markets.

The business is owned and operated by Cornell alumni Greg Woodworth and Kelly Coughlin.

- Organix Green Industries, LLC maker of organically produced fertilizers and soil amendment products to enhance plant growth, offers the farm and public sectors an economic solution to processing organic waste. With production facilities located in nearby Seneca Castle, NY, the company derives value by working closely with Cornell researchers and taking advantage of the business-related services available at The Technology Farm.

- ZedX, Inc. is a 20-year-old global corporation offering a wide range of information technology products with an emphasis on the development of weather-dependent IT decision support products for the agriculture, environment and energy sectors. It has significant partnerships with U.S., European and African universities, governments and industries.

Headquartered in Bellefonte, PA, ZedX will utilize their new Geneva location to more closely interact with researchers at both Cornell and the Infotonics Technology Center in Canandaigua, New York. ZedX is headed by President, Joseph M. Russo and CEO, Keith A. Wheeler, both Cornell alumni.

"We are excited about the opportunity to relocate our growing business to The Technology Farm and the Finger Lakes region," said Stony Brook's Greg Woodworth. "We see great opportunities to work closely with Cornell researchers in order to develop high-quality, nutritious baked products. The entire team associated with The Technology Farm has been wonderful to work with."

"It is very encouraging to see the quality and diversity of enterprises choosing to locate at the Cornell Agriculture & Food Technology Park," said Dr. Robert Seem, president of the CAFTP Board of Directors.

### Station Club's Noon-Hour Lunch & Merchandise Sale, Sawdust Cafe Thursday, December 14, 2006

Get 2 slices of pizza, tossed salad & soda all for only \$5.00. Bring in a donation of canned meat (Spam, tuna or ham), peanut butter, Chunky-style soup or canned fruit for Operation Merry Christmas and receive 10% off your purchase.

We have a wide selection of merchandise; so if you can't make up your mind, we also have Station Club gift certificates available.

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their way into implementation. At the annual forum, participants have an opportunity for face-to-face, unfiltered discussions about the critical issues of our industry and our times and those which will shape our futures.

The Society has identified 25 primary issue areas around which small group discussions will answer the questions:

What are the challenges surrounding this issue?

What are some solutions?

Group discussions will be structured and facilitated. Each group will have "listeners" from relevant agencies and organizations to hear firsthand what participants in the 2007 New York State Agricultural Society Forum have to say. The contents of the discussions will be recorded, briefly discussed at the full session and summarized in writing after the forum.

When you want to know what is going on in your fields, orchards and processing plants, you go out and scout them. The Society 175th Annual Meeting and Forum will be the biggest day of scouting the needs of New York agriculture the state has ever seen.

Other highlights include the premiere of a new PBS documentary, "The Producers: taking center stage for New York Agriculture." This educational film, produced by WCNY-TV, is a significant project suggested by the Society to mark its 175th anniversary. Also, there will be a pre-Forum kickoff on Wednesday, Jan. 10, celebrating the 125th Anniversary of the NYS Agricultural Experiment Station, and a reception honoring Ezra Cornell's 200th birthday on Thursday, Jan. 11, the day of the Society Annual Meeting and Forum.

All are invited to join in the discussion and the celebration of 175 years honoring New York Agriculture's past, present and future. Early registration is strongly encouraged. Forum Registration: \$25 per person by Dec. 15; \$30 per person to register between Dec. 16-Jan. 2; and \$40 per person at the door. Meals are additional.

For meeting details and registration information, visit <http://www.nysagsociety.org/> or contact Penny Heritage, NYS Agricultural Society Executive Secretary at 518-384-1715.



## 2007 Empire State Fruit and Vegetable Expo to be Held February 13 - 15

Once again, The Empire State Fruit and Vegetable Expo leads the way with information and innovation that you need for your farm business. All aspects of agriculture, production to marketing and labor to technology, will be a part of the education sessions featured. The Expo is the place to be in February to find information needed to continually improve and manage a farm business as well as network with others in the industry. Make plans to attend the Expo, which will be held at the NCenter Convention Center, in Syracuse, NY on February 14 and 15, 2007.

As a part of the Expo, the Becker Forum will be held on February 13 at the Holiday Inn Liverpool, our host hotel for the Expo. This comprehensive, day-long forum will address the current challenges in agricultural labor, and will also look toward what the future holds with regards to labor issues. Speakers will focus on immigration issues and human resource management. Employee and employer panels will also be a part of this forum as material is covered in-depth on this very important issue for everyone involved in agriculture. Pre-registration for the forum is required, which fills up very quickly.

The Commodity Educational Sessions and Trade Show for the Expo kicks off on Wednesday, February 14 and offer two full days of information for growers and agribusiness representatives alike. Sessions for Wednesday include Tree Fruit, Growing Apples Organically, Potatoes, Soil Health and Reduced Tillage, Cole Crops Weed Workshop, Cabbage and Cole Crops, High Tunnels, Phytophthora Blight, Tomatoes and Peppers, Leafy Greens and Specialty Vegetables, and H-2A Labor. On Thursday, plan to attend sessions on Stone Fruit, Tree Fruit, Berries, Onions, Sweet Corn, Soil Health and Reduced Tillage, Beets and Carrots, Beans and Peas, and Vine Crops. The educational sessions include useful information that you can implement in your growing operation. Speakers from all over the country, as well as grower panels, will share detailed and useful information on topics that are current and relevant in the ever-changing landscape of agricultural production.

The trade show for the Expo will feature agri-businesses that specialize in the needs of the fruit and vegetable industry. In addition, the trade show will also offer specialized sessions important to both employees and employers in agricultural operations. Plan to spend some time at the show and learn about keeping spray records, using non-chemical weed management, important food safety information, and post-harvest considerations, just to name a few! Wednesday evening will feature the popular Expo social, which will be a special celebration as we honor the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station's 125th anniversary!

Expo programs will be available at the beginning of December. Pre-registration costs are \$30 for one day or \$55 for two day admission to the Expo. Registration at the door will be \$40 for one day or \$65 for two day admission. The Becker Forum on February 13, 2007 requires pre-registration (deadline January 31, 2007). Cost for the Forum is \$30 and includes lunch. Trade show passes are available at the door for \$15 and include admission to the trade show and trade show sessions only. NYSDEC credits will be available at many of the sessions. A complete list will be available at the Expo. Bring your NYSDEC identification card to receive your DEC credit sheet. Visit <http://www.nysaes.cornell.edu/hort/expo> to download a complete program and pre-registration form or contact [NYSVGA@twcnny.rr.com](mailto:NYSVGA@twcnny.rr.com) to request a program in the mail.

The Empire State Fruit and Vegetable Expo is sponsored by the New York State Vegetable Growers Association, Empire State Potato Club, New York State Berry Growers Association, New York State Horticultural Society, Cornell University and Cornell Cooperative Extension.

For general Expo information, please contact Jeff and Lindy Kubecka, New York State Vegetable Growers Association, PO Box 70, Kirkville, NY 13082, 315-687-5734, email [nysvga@twcnny.rr.com](mailto:nysvga@twcnny.rr.com) or visit <http://www.nysaes.cornell.edu/hort/expo/>. For information on exhibiting, please contact Dan Wren, Lee Trade Shows, at 800-218-5586 or email [dwren@leepub.com](mailto:dwren@leepub.com).

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added it to her already full plate and she grew with her position. She has been generous with her time, often working extended hours in her office or at home. At times she has spent multiple hours over days or weeks working one-on-one with an individual faculty member or staff member, patiently teaching the use of new software or solving a technical problem.

In addition to her job-specific responsibilities, she recently took the lead in starting a Station camera club. Outside of work she has enjoyed working in her flower garden and often brought beautiful bouquets of flowers to brighten up the Library.

In retirement, Jane and her husband David will be heading to warmer climes for the winter and she will be pursuing her recently established photography business.

We are so grateful for Jane's many contributions toward the smooth and successful delivery of library resources and services and for being a wonderful colleague. We wish her the very best in her retirement.

*M. Schlabach*

### WEATHER INFORMATION

It is that time of the year when we must prepare for the possibility of inclement weather and the need to close the Station. Remember, if there is a question as to whether the Station is open due to inclement weather, you can call the Station's information telephone line - 315-787-2011. The message on the information line will be changed to report a closing or delay if there is a change in working hours. The information line can receive 15 calls simultaneously so if you get a busy signal, try again soon. Station closing info can also be found on the NYSAES home page website.

Below is a partial list of local radio stations that will also report this information.

WCGR (AM) 1550 CANANDAIGUA  
WGVA (AM) 1240 GENEVA  
WNYS (FM) 98.5 GENEVA  
WHCU (AM) 870 ITHACA  
WACK (AM) 1420 NEWARK  
WFLR (AM) 1570 PENN YAN  
WHAM (AM) 1180 ROCHESTER  
WSFW (AM) 1110 SENECA FALLS



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Station director Tom Burr. "She is recognized as a world leader in apple breeding and genetics. Her research on apple tree architecture and related genetic markers has the potential to greatly impact the apple industry worldwide."

"I was very surprised and quite honored to learn I was named the Cohn Professor," Brown said. "Like my predecessors at Cornell, I hope my research will have as positive an impact on current and future generations of apple growers as their work had on the Cohn family and their farm."

J. Ogrodnick



On Thursday, November 9, Kitty Noble, project administrator of the Finger Lakes New Knowledge Fusion Project\* along with several faculty members and staff hosted 16 teachers and administrative staff from Marcus Whitman High School. Topics and discussion centered around what kinds of opportunities are available to the school to partner with the Station, Park, and the Fusion Project. This was an effort to help the school broaden the scope of its agriculture education program by opening the lines of collaboration with these institutions.

Kyle Arvin (pictured above), director of the New York State Seed Testing Lab, explains how seeds are tested, how they germinate under certain conditions, and what are some ways the seed lab could collaborate with the Marcus Whitman agriculture program. Other speakers throughout the day included: Curt Petzoldt (IPM), Marc Smith (Director's Office), Beth Gugino (Plant Pathology), Holly Lange (Plant Pathology), Angela Baldo (USDA), Bob Seem (the Technology Farm), Jim Ballerstein (Horticultural Sciences), and Mark Scott (Field Research Unit).

Marcus Whitman teachers and administrators were thoroughly impressed by the resources available through the Station, Park, and the Fusion Project and look forward to working with each in the future.

\*This project is an economic development grant funded by the National Science Foundation as part of its Partnerships for Innovation Program.

Welcome Aboard!

We at B&P are most happy to announce the appointment of our new Plumber - DAN McNEIL. Dan will not be a brand new face to you for he has been working as a temp in the plumbing shop for some time.

After going through the process he ended up being the successful candidate. We want to congratulate Dan and thank him for joining our team. If you see Dan around welcome him aboard.

## CLASSIFIEDS

**FOR SALE:** Futon, metal frame, mattress with cover, like new, \$50; coffee table, \$8; dining table, \$10; two desks, \$10/each; floor fan, \$5. Email xz65@cornell.edu, or call 315-945-4075.

**FREE KITTIES** to good homes - one mostly white with some pale buff undercoating about 5 month old cat and one sleek and shiny black cat, also about 5 months old. Friendly and loving, they love to be petted and are people friendly. Believed to be from the same litter. A donation will be made directly to your vet toward a checkup and neutering. Call Sue Dwyer at 781-0360.

**HOUSE FOR RENT.** Bay View Heights: Two bedroom, 1.5 bath, 2-car garage. \$850/month plus utilities. Please contact Kathy DeRosa, x2236, kad2, 789-7482.

**HOUSE FOR RENT:** Great location near Hospital, Ag-Tech Park, off-street Parking, two baths, two large bedrooms including loft with sky-lights. Newly painted inside and out. New back and front porches. \$725. plus utilities. Contact Kathy DeRosa for more info, x2236, kad2.

**FOR SALE:** Smart Cards to help raise funds for the Class of 2007 Drug Free Graduation Party. For \$20 you can save on car wash, dining, golf and movies in the Geneva, Waterloo and Seneca Falls area. For more information, please contact Nancy Long x2288.

**HOUSE FOR SALE:** Close to Experiment Station. Close to Schools! Updated kitchen, bathrooms, floors, windows. More information and pictures are available at: <http://www.forsalebyowner.com/listing/A86B3?currentlySearching=1>

**FOR RENT:** 120 William Street. Three newly remodeled, 2 bedroom apartments in a quiet building set back off William Street. The property is walking distance from the Colleges, and downtown, has a large yard, off street parking and an on-site coin-operated laundry. Each apartment has its own private entrance with newly tiled kitchens and bathrooms. Kitchens include dishwashers and microwave ovens. Apartment A - \$650 per month + utilities, apartment B - \$580 per month + utilities, apartment C - \$615 per month + utilities. Rents include water, sewer, snow removal, lawn care. Available immediately. # 41 Folgers Street. Adorable, newly remodeled, single family home in a quiet neighborhood. The house boasts 4 bedrooms, 1.5 bathrooms, screened porch and a yard. Walking distance from Geneva General Hospital, also from NSE, Middle, High School and The Station. The house is available furnished or unfurnished. Rent is \$900/month + utilities. Will consider short term rentals. Rent includes water and sewer. #172A William Street.

Bright, sunny, two bed upstairs apartment in a beautiful house. Newly remodeled with a fabulous new kitchen. Tons of storage space in a large attic. There is an on-site coin-operated laundry. Rent is 580/month + utilities and includes water and sewer. Note: All properties are absolutely no smoking and a no pets preferred policy. References are required and a background check will be conducted. One month security deposit with the first months rent is required. Property is managed and maintained by: Blue Heron Signature Properties, Geneva. Contact Dr. Daniel Peck at dp25@cornell.edu or call 315-521-1705.



**CALENDAR of EVENTS**  
DEC 1 - 15, 2006

**MEETINGS**

**CHAIRS & DIRECTORS MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, December 5, 2006  
**Time:** 2 - 3:30 PM  
**Place:** 348 Morrison

**CALS FACULTY SENATE MEETING**

**Date:** Wednesday, December 6, 2006  
**Time:** 4 PM  
**Place:** Jordan Hall Auditorium

**CHAIRS MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, December 12, 2006  
**Time:** 8:30 AM  
**Place:** Director's Office

**ASC**

Please visit the ASC Website regularly at <http://www.nysaes.cornell.edu/adm/asc/index.php>

The finance link has two new procedures: The how to order a computer and how to apply for a Pcard.

New Faculty visit <http://www.purchasing.cornell.edu/overview2.cfm> for purchasing information.

Check out Quick Links under Finance for University wide information.

Contact Kathy Morabito at x2228 or kmm64 with any questions or suggestions about the ASC Website.

**HR**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2006**

**Geneva BeneFair**

**Where:** Jordan Hall Auditorium  
**Time:** 10 AM - Noon

To view the NYSHIP rates and deadlines for 2007 go to: [http://www.cs.state.ny.us/ebd/ebdonlinecenter/choices07/actives/Act\\_Rates\\_07.pdf](http://www.cs.state.ny.us/ebd/ebdonlinecenter/choices07/actives/Act_Rates_07.pdf)

To sign up for Select Benefits this year go to: <https://ec.ohr.cornell.edu/>

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**Flu Shot Clinic**

**Where:** Jordan Hall Staff Room  
**Time:** 10AM - Noon

Free for staff and faculty. Please bring Cornell ID. Students and spouses are \$25.

**Red Cross Blood Drive**

**Where:** Jordan Hall Lounge  
**When:** 9 AM - 2 PM

Please contact Gemma Osborne to make an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome.

**Blood Pressure Screening**

**Where:** Jane Irwin's former office (off Jordan Lounge)  
**When:** 10am - Noon

Please come say Hi to Christa and Kerry from the Wellness program.

**Retirement Planning**

**Where:** Please see insert  
**When:** By appointment

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2006**

**Sexual Harassment Workshop**

**Where:** Jordan Hall Auditorium  
**When:** 11 AM - 2 PM(lunch provided)

We have worked with the Office of Workforce, Diversity, Equity and Life Quality (WDELQ) at Cornell to arrange 3 lunchtime workshops that all Station members are encouraged to attend. Please make every effort to attend these very important sessions. We will be providing a light lunch for each session.

**Please mark your calendars**

The first session will be held on Thursday, December 7, in Jordan Auditorium from 11 AM to 2 PM and will focus on enhancing awareness and climate readiness around sexual harassment.

The second session will be held on Thursday, December 14, location to be announced at a later date, from 11 AM to 2 PM and will review discrimination issues and expectations.

The third session will be held in the Spring, and will explore diversity and inclusion and diversity recruitment.

The completion of this program will result in a certificate issued by Cornell University Office of Workforce, Diversity, Equity and Life Quality.

**SEMINARS**

**PLANT PATHOLOGY**

**Luciana Cursino dos Santos**  
**Cornell University, Geneva**

Endophyticin L, the Novel Bacteriocin from the Citrus Endophyte *Curtobacterium flaccumfaciens* and the Insights of Bacteriocins' role in the CVC Disease

**Date:** Tuesday, December 5, 2006  
**Time:** 3:30 PM (Coffee at 3 PM)  
**Place:** A-134 Barton Lab

**Wolfram Köller**

**Cornell University, Geneva**

Resistance Management; the Good, the Bad and the Ugly

**Date:** Tuesday, December 12, 2006  
**Time:** 3:30 PM (Coffee at 3 PM)  
**Place:** A-134 Barton Lab

**ENTOMOLOGY**

**10 Minute Practice sessions for ESA**

For graduate students, postdocs and technicians. Please email Greg Loeb to register your presentation at [gml1@cornell.edu](mailto:gml1@cornell.edu) by December 5.

**Date:** Thursday, December 7, 2006  
**Time:** 10:30 PM (Coffee at 10:15 PM)  
**Place:** 310 Barton Lab

**TAEKARDIO**

Six week session/ \$25

**Instructor:** Tina Felice,  
Geneva Martial Arts

Mondays & Wednesdays from 12:10 PM - 1:00 PM  
Jordan Hall Auditorium



**HOLIDAY BUFFET**



The Retirees Annual Holiday Buffet will be December 13, 2006 at the Geneva Country Club. Please consult the postcard that was sent out for details. Please call Ruth Sherman at 789-2416 or Sue Dwyer at 781-0360 for reservations NO LATER THAN December 6, 2006.

If you did not receive a card and would like to be on the mailing list, please call Sue at 781-0360.