

New York State Chapter of the American Chestnut Foundation, Inc 20th Annual Meeting

Where:

Double Tree Hotel Syracuse
6301 State Route 298
East Syracuse, NY 13057 tel (315) 432-0200 or 1-800-222-TREE

When:

Friday, October 29, 2010
& Saturday, October 30, 2010

Meeting Agenda

Friday – 10/29/10 – *Adams Basin* in the Hotel

7 pm – 10:30 pm Harvest Exchange with Cookies, Juice or Soda

Saturday – 10/30/10 – Alumni Lounge, Marshall Hall, SUNY ESF Campus

7:30 am Coffee for early birds

8 am – 9 am Registration & Welcome, with Exhibits and Roasting Chestnuts

9 am - Welcome & Presidents report by **Herbert F. Darling Jr.**

Report on the two new plantings of transgenic trees in Zoar Valley and in the Lasdon

Arboretum

9:10 am Treasurer's Report by **Richard R. Radel**

9:15 am Education Report

9:25 am Election of Board – **Jack Mansfield**

9:35 am District Director's Reports

District 1 Enrico Nardone District 4 Allen Nichols District 7 Chris Lyons

District 2 Margaret Collins District 5 Adrien Gaudreau District 8 Chip Leavy

District 3 Frank Munzer District 6 Urling Walker District 9 William Snyder

Coffee break

10:45 am Morning Session **Science Reports**

12 noon Bus or caravan to Lafayette Road Experiment Station

12:15 Picnic Lunch

12:45 Tour of the plantings, including the original Wirsig Tree, (the first transgenic American Chestnut to be planted in the field), The Darling Tree, (dedicated to Herb and Jane Darling in 2008), The BRAG Plantings (The largest planting of transgenic chestnut trees to-date), a shelterwood planting, (demonstrating that American chestnut trees can be established in existing forests)

1:30 pm Dedication Ceremony

2:00 pm Bus or caravan back to campus

2:15 **Afternoon Session Science Reports** by ESF students & staff.

3:30 pm Leave for **On-campus Tours** to Tissue culture lab, American elm planting, Greenhouse, and Growth chamber room. (Break into 4 groups)

4:30 p.m. Afternoon session closes.

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6:30 pm – 9 pm Dinner at the Double Tree Hotel Syracuse, Champlain Room, Dinner Speaker is **Terry Ettinger**, Host and Producer of "The Weeder's Digest" on radio, "Garden Journeys" on TV, and "Let's Get Growing" in Eagle Newspapers.
20th, Annual Meeting adjourned

Sunday – 10/31/10 – Head for home.

8/16/10