



A New York Minute



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President's Message

Dear CASA Members,

After the Annual Conference held this year in Pittsburgh, PA, I assumed the position of President of the NY Conference of CASA, while Christopher Sortino assumed the position of Vice President.

I have been a member of CASA for nine years. A few years after becoming a member, I joined the NY Conference Executive Board as the representative for the Department of Agriculture and Markets. Eventually, I was elected Jr. Vice President and subsequently succeeded Dilcia Granville as Vice President, and now as President.

In early August we held elections for Secretary, Treasurer, and Representative to the Executive Board. I am happy to report that Wilma Arce, from the New York City Health Department was elected Secretary, Alice Peltz from the Suffolk County Department of Health was elected Treasurer, and the our Vice President, Christopher Sortino from the Suffolk County Health Department was elected as the Representative to the Executive Board.

Later in August, Christopher Sortino and I traveled to Hamburg, NY to attend the Education Committee meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to plan the program and the speakers for the annual conference to be held this year in Niagara, NY. While I was there, I had the opportunity to visit the Niagara Conference center, which is the site of the annual conference. The center is a recently renovated, state of the art facility, within walking distance of Niagara Falls.

With our new local conference board in place, we began planning the upcoming December quarterly meeting. We are proud to say that we have been able to put together an interesting and exciting program with very distinguished speakers.

At the conclusion of the December meeting we will get back to work to plan the next to quarterly meetings, to be held in March and June of 2005.

I look forward to seeing you on December 8th, 2004

Sheila O'Hara
President
NY Conference of CASA



Sheila O'Hara and Chris Sortino at the 2004 Annual Conference in Pittsburgh

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Welcome Back.....

Quarterly Meeting

Our first quarterly meeting for the 2004 calendar year will be held on December 8th
at the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, located at
55 Hanson Place in Brooklyn.

Please join us beginning at 9am, for registration and continental breakfast.
We have several interesting and informative topics lined up for this meeting:

John Schrade

FDA

Food Safety & Security at the Democratic and Republican National Conventions

Terrence O'Riordan and Gina Scammon

Suffolk County Department of Health

*Food Handling Practices at a Large Scale Temporary Event
(U.S. Open Golf Tournament , Shinnecock Hills)*

Gustavo Graciano-Mendez

Suffolk County Department of Health and Pan American Forum of Chefs

*Temporary Food Service in the Guatemalan Rainforest
(Hunger March)*

Buffet lunch will be provided

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Registration Form 2004 December Meeting

Name _____

Agency/Firm _____

E-mail Address _____

Meeting Registration: \$20 (member)

\$30 (non-member)

CASA Membership:

Regulatory Agency- \$15

Academic & Retired Regulatory Member- \$10

Associate Member- \$35

Please make checks payable to NY Conference CASA

Fax Registration form to Alice Peltz (631) 853-6992
Or, mail registration form to Alice J. Peltz
Suffolk County Department of Health
North County Complex, Bldg C928
Veterans Memorial Hwy, P.O.. Box 6100
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Directions to 55 Hanson Place:

From Long Island: I-495 to exit 17 to BQE/I-278 toward Brooklyn/Staten Island. BQE to exit 29/Tillary St./Brooklyn Civic Center. Turn slight right onto Tillary St. Turn left onto Flatbush Ave. Drive 0.6 miles on Flatbush Ave to Atlantic Ave. Turn left on Atlantic Ave. One block on Atlantic Ave to 5th Ave. Turn left on 5th Ave. Parking lot on right side of street, ½ block from Hanson Place

From Westchester: I-87S to I-278 toward Triboro Bridge/Manhattan/Queens. I-278 to Exit 29 (Tillary St). Continue as outlined in above directions

From LIRR: Flatbush Ave

From Subway: # 2,3,4,5,B or Q to Atlantic Ave. D,M,N or R to Pacific Street.

* Parking is available in the Pathmark Mall across from 55 Hanson Place. The fee is \$ 8

Save the Date

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A n n u a l C o n f e r e n c e

When: May 17th-19th, 2005

Where: Niagara Falls, New York

Join us in beautiful Niagara, NY for our Annual CASA Conference. The Conference will be held in the recently completed Conference Center Niagara just a stroll away from the falls.

For a sneak peak of the Conference Center,

Check out their website at :

<http://www.niagarafalls-cc.com>

Editor's Note:



Hello NY CASA members ! I hope all of you are enjoying the latest format for our newsletter. I apologize for the brevity of this particular issue, but hope to add articles to subsequent additions. Remember, this is your newsletter, so please feel free to send me any news, info, clipped articles, etc, to put in the spring addition. You may e-mail me at Nadine.Roe@suffolkcountyny.gov My mailing address is:

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Hope to see all of you at the quarterly meeting! - Nadine Roe



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