



A New York Minute



CASA Newsletter

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Central Atlantic States Association of Food and Drug Officials

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President's Message

Dear NY Conference Members,

I hope that all of you had an enjoyable summer. Although I was unable to attend the quarterly meeting in June, I was told that it was quite a success, with several interesting speakers and a very large turnout.

At our last meeting, comment cards were handed out, allowing the membership to voice their opinions about how our quarterly meetings are run. We received many helpful responses, and we will try to implement some of the suggestions at future meetings.

I also would like to take this opportunity to remind all of you about our open forum. The open forum provides an excellent venue for our local agencies to inform the membership of noteworthy events in their respective jurisdictions.

An important part of CASA is the cooperation and sharing

of information between federal, state, and local regulatory agencies. I encourage all of you get involved and take a turn representing your agency in our open forum.

See all of you on September 25th!

Nadine Roe
President
NY Conference of CASA



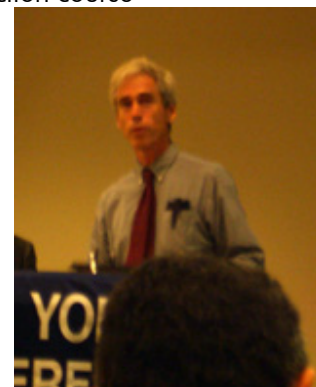
Richard Olson from NYS Agriculture and Markets discusses food recalls



Beth Torin from NYCDOH discusses the trans-fat regulations



Muhammad Khan from New York City Health Academy discusses the food protection course



Bruce Johnson from Suffolk County accepts the CASA scholarship on behalf of his daughter



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News and Notes



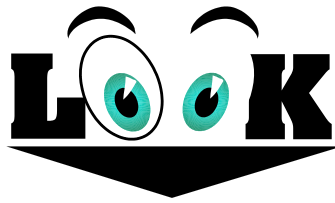
Membership Update

It has come to the attention of the executive board that there is some confusion about membership renewals.

A membership term runs in accordance with the calendar year, from January through December. Regardless of when you pay for your membership, it expires at the end of the calendar year.

The best time to renew your membership for the following year is at the holiday meeting in December.

If you are unsure as to your membership status, please contact any member of the executive board.



Member News

Congratulations to several of our members who have recently retired!

Gloria Singh

New York City Department of Health

John Seaton

Suffolk County Department of Health

Gary Tarulli

Suffolk County Department of Health

New Arrivals!

Cynthia and Scott Campbell welcomed Carson McArthur in August

Have some news that you would like to share with the membership?

Contact Nadine Roe at nadine.roe@suffolkcountyny.gov



Choosing topics and speakers for each of our meetings is a lot of work!

The board welcomes all members to assist in the planning process for our quarterly meetings.

Have a speaker or topic in mind? Let us know, and we'll work together to make it happen!

Quarterly Meeting

Our thirdquarterly meeting of the 2007 calendar year will be held on September 25th, at the FDA facility located at 158 Liberty Ave in Jamaica. Proper ID is required to gain entrance to the building. Pre-registration is requested, so that we may give your name to the security guard at the front gate.

Please join us beginning at 9am for registration and continental breakfast

9:30-10:30

"Food Import Operations"

Mary Leong
Retail Food Specialist
FDA

10:30-10:45

Coffee Break

10:45-12:00

"Reduced Oxygen Packaging"

Elizabeth O'Malley
Director, State Cooperative Programs Branch
FDA

12:00-1:00

Lunch

1:00-1:45

Open Forum

Local jurisdictions discuss recent noteworthy events

1:45-3:00

"Lead Poisoning Prevention- Lead Contaminated Products"

Debra Nagin
Director, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
NYCDOHMH

3:00-4:00

Question and Answer Session

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Registration Form 2007 September Meeting

Name _____

Agency/Firm _____

E-mail Address _____

Meeting Registration: \$20 (member)

\$30 (non-member)

If traveling to the meeting by car, please
provide your license plate number:

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) 852-5871

Or, mail registration form to:

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Directions to FDA facility :

The FDA building is easily accessible from the Van Wyck Expressway (678) from either north or south. Exit at Liberty Ave. and proceed east for approximately 1 mile. The building will be located on the north side of Liberty Ave. just beyond the Long Island Railroad trestle. Enter through the main gate, identify yourself and announce that you are attending the NY CASA meeting. You will be directed where to park. Enter through the main entrance and proceed to the main floor conference room.