

## 2010 ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Eastern Plant Board  
36<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Horticultural Inspection Society  
6<sup>th</sup> Annual Eastern Region Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey Meeting  
April 12 – 15, 2010  
Albany, NY



### **EASTERN PLANT BOARD OFFICERS:**

President – Gary Gibson, West Virginia  
Vice-President – Vicki Smith, Connecticut  
Secretary-Treasurer – Carol Holko, Maryland

### **HORTICULTURAL INSPECTION SOCIETY OFFICERS:**

President – Ethan Angell, New York  
Vice-President – Sarah Scally, Maine  
Secretary – Mark Taylor, Maryland  
Treasurer – Tia Blevins, Connecticut

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The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets is honored to host the 2010 Annual Meetings of the Eastern Plant Board, the Horticultural Inspection Society and the Eastern Region Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey program. The meeting will run from Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> and will be held at the Holiday Inn Albany-Wolf Road located at 205 Wolf Road, Albany, NY Phone: 518-458-7250.

- **Registration:**

The registration fee is \$230 if paid before March 15 and \$270 as of March 16. These fees include most meals, with the exception of two dinners. Cash or checks written to the **Eastern Plant Board** will be accepted. We cannot accept credit or debit card payments. For those unable to attend the entire meeting, the single day registration fee is \$100.00.

- **Accommodations:**

The hotel rate is \$110 per night plus 14% tax. All reservations will require a major credit card or deposit equal to one night's lodging (room and tax) to guarantee your reservation. All reservations must be received no later than 3:00 p.m. on March 22, 2010. Reservations can be made online at <http://www.hialbanywolf.com> under group code of GAD or by calling 1-800-HOLIDAY available 24-hours a day referencing group code GAD or the Eastern Plant Board. If you have special requests or difficulty booking your reservation, please call house reservations between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. M- F at 518-458-7250. Check in is 4:00 p.m. with check out at 12 noon.

- **Transportation:**

Complimentary van transportation to and from the Albany International Airport for overnight guests.

- **Tour (optional)**

Come join us for a “quacking” good time as we board one of the Albany Aqua “Ducks” to tour New York’s historic Capital City of Albany. Sit back and relax as the 90 minute guided tour begins on land viewing Albany’s beautiful historic sites then splashes into the Hudson River for a mariner’s view of the city’s skyline. The “Ducks” are equipped for all weather conditions with blankets, heat and protection from the rain and have the latest safety equipment for land and marine use. The additional cost for this tour is \$25 per person. For those who may want to peek at the fun of this amphibious tour can check out the Albany Aqua Ducks website at <http://www.albanyaquaducks.com>.

- **Door Prizes:**

If you would like to donate a door prize to be raffled off to meeting participants, please bring it with you to the meeting.

We look forward to your attendance and participation. If you have any questions, please contact Margaret Kelly or Judy Snyder by calling our office at (518) 457-2087 or by email at [margaret.kelly@agmkt.state.ny.us](mailto:margaret.kelly@agmkt.state.ny.us) or [judy.snyder@agmkt.state.ny.us](mailto:judy.snyder@agmkt.state.ny.us).