

## Farm Bureau Opens Resource Center

GLENMONT, N.Y. — In a celebrated event, New York Farm Bureau opened the Western New York Resource Center Oct. 13 in Batavia.

On hand for the ribboncutting were a host of Farm Bureau leaders, including New York Farm Bureau President John W. Lincoln, American Farm Bureau President Bob Stallman, several state board members, as well as county Farm Bureau presidents from the western New York region.

The county Farm Bureaus of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Orleans, and Wyoming counties have teamed up to provide a consistent voice to the media and legislators in the western New York area.

The Resource Center offers all the counties involved a unique opportunity to network with each other on critical issues,

share information and knowledge on vital agricultural issues, and to make the best use of their resources to support agriculture in New York State.

"This type of coordination is an outstanding example of how we all need to work together both within New York Farm Bureau and beyond," said John W. Lincoln, New York Farm Bureau president. "Agriculture is a changing industry. The Western New York Resource Center represents the innovative and adaptable nature of our membership."

The Western New York Resource Center will provide to members a link to local media, information on agricultural issues, member support, the latest agricultural facts and statistics, legislative updates on agricultural issues, and a toll-free phone number, (877) 383-7663. The office is located at 41 Liberty Street, Batavia, N.Y.

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## Four New Pest Management Centers

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Agriculture Deputy Secretary Richard Rominger announced recently the creation of regional pest management centers that will help focus research and extension efforts on developing and delivering alternative and safer pest management strategies to farmers and ranchers.

"These centers will help strengthen the connection between production agriculture, research, and extension programs, and agricultural stakeholders throughout the U.S.," said Rominger. "For example, the centers will play a key role in USDA's efforts to work with EPA on the continued implementation of the Food Quality Protection Act."

The centers will bring together university research and extension specialists in each region of the country. In the north central region, Michigan State University, and the University of Illinois will lead a multi-state coalition.

Similar coalitions are established in other areas. Pennsylvania State University and Cornell University are the lead institutions in the Northeast. In the South and West, the University of Florida and the University of California at Davis are the lead institutions.

Rominger emphasized that these cooperative partnerships will involve colleges, universities, and crop production experts from states within the region. The centers will focus their efforts on pest management issues that are common to agricultural production within a region and across state boundaries.

A key objective of the centers is the formation of a responsive pest management network that is able to inform public and private sectors about emerging issues and to identify farmer needs and priorities.

