



The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences launched into the new year, earning fresh focus from Governor Andrew Cuomo on hemp research as well as Commissioner Richard A. Ball on the state budget.

Food & Energy Systems



Time Warner Cable News: "State Ag Commissioner Gives Regional Budget Briefing"

1.27.2017

Richard A. Ball spoke to a standing-room-only crowd at CALS to discuss the governor's proposed budget. Also on WFXV-TV.

NPR: "The Next Generation of Farmers Is Being Trained in New York City High Schools"

01.05.2017

Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) is touted for its working aquaponic and hydroponic labs at Food and Finance High School in NYC.

WENY News: "Exploring Hemp at Cornell University"

01.31.2017

Donald Viands, School of Integrative Plant Science (SIPS), explains hemp research, production, and uses for New York State.

Finger Lakes Times: "New Food-Safety Tech to Be Unveiled at Ag Station"

01.31.2017

The New York State Agricultural Experiment Station (NYSAES) is highlighted for its new high-pressure food processing unit, the nation's first commercial-scale facility of its type.

American Agriculturalist: "New York's RubyFrost and SnapDragon to Chomp into Winter Apple Demand"

01.23.2017

The NYSAES apple varieties are now at supermarkets, including Wal-Mart, across the country.

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Social Sciences



NPR: "A Chocolate Candy Aims to Make the World Think About Hunger"

01.23.2017

Christopher Barrett, Dyson School, provides expertise on food waste, suggesting unconventional solutions, such as breeding drought-tolerance into rice and paving a road so farmers can more easily get to market.

The Huffington Post: "What Brunch Tells Us About Culture and Economics"

01.23.2017

David Just, Dyson School, explains that there has been a demographic shift in brunch consumption, and that restaurants are now more likely to cater to young people on the weekends.

The Christian Science Monitor: "Twitter Bans 'Pharma Bro' Martin Shkreli for Harassing Journalist"

01.09.2017

Drew Margolin, communication, describes how hateful speech can spread online to a broad audience, with Martin Shkreli as a prime example on Twitter.

Audubon: "Subaru Is Adding eBird As an Available In-Car App"

01.12.2017

The Lab of Ornithology has partnered with Subaru to provide eBird as an in-car application for the Impreza and BRZ models, marrying the outdoors lifestyle of Subaru owners to that of birders.

Life Sciences



The New Yorker: "The Vertical Farm"

01.03.2017

Ed Harwood, former CCE associate director, is profiled for his work on mini-farms, vertical farming, and indoor agriculture.

The Telegraph: "Is Breakfast Actually Bad for You?"

01.01.2017

David Levitsky, nutritional sciences, suggests that eating breakfast does not necessarily mean someone will eat a smaller lunch.

Modern Farmer: "Meet Dr. Gregory Peck, the Grand Pomologist of Hard Cider"

01.11.2017

Greg Peck, SIPS, is highlighted as the nation's preeminent hard cider scientist in this article that discusses his research, classes, and impact.

Scientific American: "Prionlike Protein Spotted in Bacteria for First Time"

01.13.2017

Jeffrey Roberts, molecular biology and genetics, says developing the capability to experiment with prions in bacteria could reveal more about the behavior of human prions linked to Alzheimer's and Parkinson's.

Live Science: "Why Are Bananas Berries, but Strawberries Aren't?"

01.12.2017

Courtney Weber, SIPS, explains that oranges are a subtype of berry called hesperidium, which has distinct segments.

Environmental Sciences



Associated Press: "The Bald and the Bold: Eagles' Resurgence Comes at a Price"

01.15.2017

The Lab of Ornithology provides information about cormorants, seabirds whose few breeding colonies in the U.S. often fall prey to opportunistic bald eagles, which are rebounding from historically low numbers.

Newsday: "January Precipitation Lifts L.I. Out of Severe Drought, Monitor Says"

01.26.2016

The Northeast Regional Climate Center reports conditions on Long Island are not as dire as in previous months.

The New York Times: "On Long Migrations, Birds Chase an Eternal Spring"

01.05.2017

Frank A. La Sorte, Lab of Ornithology, describes how scientists have been getting better at understanding bird migrations thanks to online resources like the Lab's eBird.

CBS Evening News: "Judge Says Roundup Weed Killer Can Be Labeled with Cancer Warning"

01.28.2017

Jeffrey Scott, entomology, explains that glyphosate—the main chemical in Roundup Weed Killer—is highly toxic to a plant but less likely to be toxic to anything else.