



## Short Cutts



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### Rossi Accepts Turfgrass Science Position

Dr. Frank Rossi, formerly an Assistant Professor of Environmental Management of Turfgrass at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, has accepted the position of Assistant Professor of Turfgrass Science at Cornell University.

Dr. Rossi is no stranger to New York, having grown up in Eastchester, or to Cornell University; he was a Ph.D. student under Dr. Joe Neal in 1991. He took over at Cornell on May 1, 1996. His responsibilities are in both turfgrass extension and research. His extension duties include being the Turfgrass Science Cooperative Extension Program Leader, planning the New York State Turf and Grounds Exposition educational program, editor of *Cornell University Turfgrass Times* (CUTT) and being involved with field days and short courses. We warmly welcome Frank, his wife Barbara and their two children to Ithaca.

Coinciding with Frank's arrival, we bid farewell to Scott Ebdon, who served as interim Turfgrass Extension Specialist since September, 1995. Scott has accepted a turfgrass scientist position with O. M. Scotts & Sons, Marysville, OH. He will be developing research programs pertaining to turfgrass fertilizers and new product development. We wish Scott the very best in his new position.

### Joe Neal Heading Home

It is with deep regret that we announce the departure of Dr. Joe Neal to North Carolina State University. Dr. Neal has been the definitive source for turfgrass and horticultural weed control in New York State. His work, alone and in collaboration with Dr. Andy Senesac has garnered national and international respect.

Dr. Neal will be assuming his former Ph.D. advisor's duties as the horticultural weed control specialist.

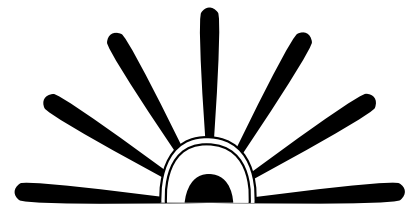
To facilitate a smooth transition for the Neal family, Joe, Brenda and the two girls will be departing in late August. While we are saddened to lose Joe and his family and his many contributions to New York State, we are thrilled to see them rejoin their close family ties in North Carolina and Georgia. We wish them all the best!

### It's Our Fault, You Win!

As you may have noticed, the recent publication schedule of *CUTT* has been, uh, erratic. The departure of Norm Hummel, the interim period of Scott Ebdon, and the arrival of Frank Rossi, among other factors, have wreaked havoc on *CUTT's* publication. We regret that we have not been timely in delivering the latest news and information to our readers.

To try to make things up to you, our loyal readers, we have decided to extend all subscriptions by one year at no charge. We anticipate returning to a regular seasonal publication schedule and sending your full quota of four issues per year.

In addition, we intend to examine our editorial calendar to address topics that coincide with field work. We are considering some design and layout issues that will enhance the readability and appearance of *CUTT*. Finally, we are committed to providing you with the highest quality turf publication and would love your input. Call or write Frank Rossi with your comments.



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