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CCE OF OTSEGO COUNTY ANNOUNCES NEW STAFF

Doug Geertgens, President of Cornell Cooperative Extension Association of Otsego County announced the hiring of two employees at the Associations regular meeting on 21 May 2009. Heide Tafel assumed the duties of Community Educator – Agriculture and Dottie Wehnau the duties of Diabetes Coalition Coordinator.

Ms Tafel is a native of Edmeston, a graduate of Cornell University with a degree in Animal Science and has spent the past three years managing a community not of profit farm near Boston. Included in her duties there was the development and delivery of educational programs.

Ms Wehnau is employed through an agreement with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Essex County where she is currently employed part time. Her duties will include the coordination of a four county Diabetes Coalition in central New York. Ms Wehnau is a registered dietitian with experience in nutrition and diabetes management.

President Geertgens expressed his pleasure in being able to recruit such highly qualified employees. He further stated that all budgeted positions are now filled.

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