

State Senator Liz Krueger and the NYS Maple Producers Association Present New York's Rich Maple History

LIZ KRUEGER April 6, 2009

Public school students from P.S. 77 will spend a morning learning about maple syrup's history and production through a variety of interactive workshops. Maple syrup has been a staple of New York's agricultural industry dating back to pre-colonial times. To this day the maple syrup industry in upstate New York provides many jobs and is a significant part of the State's economy. The day's events will serve as a way to connect City children with an understanding of how their food is produced, upstate agriculture and it's importance to the whole State including the over 8 million New York City residents.

The day's activities will take place at a 40 foot trailer parked outside the school. Inside the trailer there will be exhibits showing the history of maple syrup. Outside the trailer there will be interactive displays at which the children can learn how to tap "trees" for sap, collect the sap in barrels, and process maple syrup. People dressed as colonists and Native Americans will also be part of the presentations.

WHO: State Senator Liz Krueger, NYS Maple Producers Association

WHAT: Maple Syrup Exhibit and Display

WHEN: Wednesday, April 8, 2009 from 9:00-10:30 a.m.

WHERE: P.S. 77, 1700 3rd Avenue at 96th Street

(Trailer will be located on 96th btw. Lexington Ave. and 3rd Ave.)

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