

Completing FMC's 2008 projects

FMC, with oversight by the government regulatory Agencies, is nearing completion of remedial work performed on some defined areas north of the plant site, including a small section of a vacant wooded lot (the Coe property) that could not be remediated in 2007, two residential properties on Park Avenue, and a portion of FMC-owned property in the northwest part of the plant site immediately south of the railroad tracks.

Preparation for the installation of an engineered cover over a section of the FMC-owned railroad property inside the FMC plant's property boundary began in mid-August. The cover installation itself began in September.

The removal of impacted soil, backfilling and construction of a soil cover on a portion of the wooded property not remediated as planned during the 2007 Early Actions projects has now been completed.



This work was not conducted in 2007 as originally planned due to the presence of a root zone from a large tree on a neighboring property, and the

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FMC Home Value Assurance Program

In June, FMC announced that it will offer a three-year Home Value Assurance Program to Middleport owners of one or two family homes located in areas that are part of FMC's Middleport environmental program.

The current Property Price Protection Program, which FMC started offering in 2004 when various soil sampling studies were announced as part of the Middleport environmental program, will expire on June 15, 2009. The new Home Value Assurance Program will be in effect from Jan. 1, 2009 to Dec. 31, 2011. Enrollment in either program is voluntary for residents who are interested in selling their homes.

FMC has developed and will fund the Home Value Assurance Program to provide homeowners within the Corrective Measures Study area assurance that they will receive fair market value when selling their home.

FMC held information sessions in July to provide details about this new program. The Home Value Assurance Program features paid home appraisals, reimbursements of the difference between the appraised price and the sale price up to 10% of the appraised price, and opportunities to earn bonuses for completing a sale during established time frames.

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is produced to inform the community about issues related to the FMC Middleport plant, the environment and the local community.

Call Debra Overkamp at:
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with your questions, comments or concerns.

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potential to destroy that tree. This tree otherwise fell earlier this year during a winter storm.

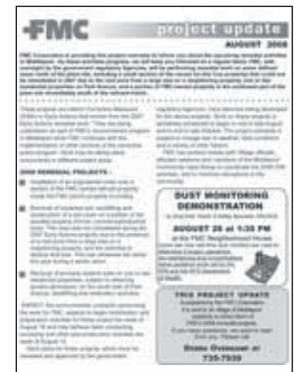
Removal of primarily shallow soils on two residential properties on the south side of Park Avenue (46 and 48), backfilling and restoration of the properties began in early September.

A Project Bulletin detailing the work, health and safety measures and the overall project

timetable was mailed to all Royalton-Hartland School District residents prior to any work commencing.

All project work is expected to be completed at the end of October, weather permitting.

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Home Value Assurance announced

FMC will not purchase properties under the new Home Value Assurance Program.

Dana Thompson, FMC Middleport Plant Manager, said, "As we are continuing to move forward in our environmental studies, we believe this program provides homeowners assurance that if and when they decide to sell their home, they will receive fair market value.

Homeowners who are eligible for the Home Value Assurance Program can participate beginning on January 1, 2009, should they decide to sell their

home. The current Property Price Protection Program will remain in effect until June 15, 2009. Property owners in study areas as defined in 2004 can continue to enroll in the Property Price Protection Program until that time.

A fact sheet and a DVD about the Home Value Assurance Program is available by visiting FMC's Office at 15 Main St. or by calling 716-735-9769, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Coffeehouse explained dust monitoring techniques

FMC hosted a Coffeehouse on August 26 to demonstrate dust monitoring tools and techniques that are used when remedial construction work is ongoing in Middleport.

Greg Ertel, Health and Safety Specialist from the Syracuse office of ARCADIS, presented the information. He described what steps are taken to ensure levels of dust in the air do not exceed established levels and demonstrated how the monitors used in the field work.

Ertel indicated that the monitors sound an alarm before dust levels exceed levels set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) based on health and safety, therefore allowing on-site workers to take the steps necessary to increase dust control measures.

In the interest of the health and safety of the

community and on-site workers, work on the project is conducted observing strict dust monitoring guidance limits that are below levels set by the USEPA and the NYSDOH.

While soil is being transported, workers also wet down soil, vehicles transporting soil, and roads where the vehicles travel to mitigate dust.



A DVD of the Dust Monitoring Coffeehouse Presentation is Available.
Call 735-7939 or e-mail feedback@middleport-future.com for your copy.

What's new at the FMC Middleport plant

By Dana Thompson, FMC Plant Manager

A great deal of activity has gone on with FMC's many different programs and projects throughout the summer and into this fall.

That includes me, as I am expecting and will be taking a leave to take care of the new addition to my family.

While I am on leave, I am happy to introduce you to Glen Wilson, our Furadan® Area Leader, onboard as Interim Plant Manager.

Glen has 23 years of experience with FMC and previously worked at the FMC Baltimore plant in production and maintenance. Many residents may have had the chance to meet Glen at our May 17 Open House where he led our tours and did a great job explaining to our visitors what



we do at our formulations plant in Middleport.

Glen will again be providing tours to any interested residents who would like to know more about FMC's Middleport plant on Saturday, October 11 at 11 a.m. We are



offering a tour of the plant and an opportunity to meet Glen and ask us questions that you may have about the facility or about Glen.

We hope that you take advantage of this opportunity. We will also be serving cider and donuts after the tour and you can also enter to win a \$100 gas gift card.

Please call Debra Overkamp, FMC Community Liaison at 735-7939 to RSVP.

New equipment means savings and efficiency

A project to improve and increase the efficiency of the air compression system used at the Middleport plant was completed this June. According to John Velletta, FMC Middleport's Maintenance Engineer, what once required 400 HP worth of compressors can now be accomplished utilizing just 150 HP. The compressed air is dried in a new air dryer and then stored in the plant's new 6000 gallon storage tank, making the system even more efficient. Since a great deal of the plant's machinery and the sprinkler system use compressed air, the project

is expected to pay for itself in 1 to 1 ½ years. The new equipment is also eligible for a NYSERDA rebate, a program of New York State that offers rebates based on the amount of energy saved as a result of the project.



**FMC PLANT
TOUR
SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 11
AT 11 AM**

A tour of the FMC plant will be held on Saturday, October 11 at 11 a.m. Interim Plant Manager Glen Wilson will be showing visitors some of the plant operations at our mixing and packaging facility. Cider and donuts will be served.

RSVP to Debra Overkamp at 735-9769 by October 9.

**Mike Cooley
retires**



After 41 years of service, Manufacturing Manager Mike Cooley retired from FMC in Middleport. Mike worked in a variety of positions while at the plant and his service was honored by his family and co-workers at a celebration held at the plant earlier this year. We wish Mike all the best!

Property Price Protection Tour of Homes Oct. 25

There will be a "Fall Cruise Through Middleport Tour of Homes" on Saturday, October 25 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Homes currently for sale in FMC's Property Price Protection Program will be open for visitors and prospective home buyers to tour.

Each home will be staffed by a real estate agent who will be able to show visitors through the homes and answer questions. Visitors can enter to win one of three grand prizes, a generator, a gift certificate for home repairs and a gas card. Winners will be drawn at raffle that will be held at the end of the day. Light snacks and water will also be available at each of the homes on the tour.

Maps of the homes for sale that will be featured in the "Fall Cruise Through Middleport" are available at FMC's 15 Main St. Office or online at www.middleport-ny.com.

For more information about the Fall Cruise Through Middleport or about the Property Price Protection Program call 735-9769.



FALL CRUISE THROUGH MIDDLEPORT TOUR OF HOMES

Saturday, October 25
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Visit and enter to win one of **THREE** grand prizes in our drawings!

As of November 1, the FMC Neighborhood Office at 17 Vernon St. will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call us at 735-7939.

CAMU Proposal Update Corrective Action Management Unit

A designated area within a facility for the management of wastes generated in the course of remediation at the facility.

Q Is a CAMU technically a hazardous waste dump?

A No, it is not. FMC has proposed that only "non-hazardous" remediation soil and debris be placed in the proposed CAMU on FMC's plant site. Any remediation soil and debris will be tested to ensure that it meets the regulatory "non-hazardous" thresholds. Any soils that do not meet these thresholds would be transported to a permitted, commercial disposal facility.



For a video walking tour of the proposed CAMU site contact Debra Overkamp at 735-7939 or e-mail us with your mailing address at feedback@middleport-future.com.

SAVE THE DATE!
Tues., OCT. 28 at 7 PM

FMC STRAIGHT TALK SERIES

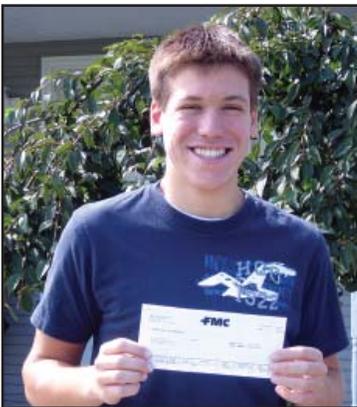
Session # 1 - Arsenic in the Environment

with Dr. Teresa S. Bowers
of Gradient Corp.

More information to come!

*To review documents related to environmental activities at the plant, visit the FMC repository at the Middleport Free Library
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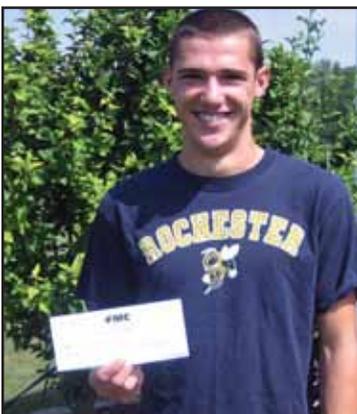


FMC recognizes Roy-Hart students for academic achievement

Three Royalton-Hartland students received an FMC award, presented annually for academic excellence in mathematics, chemistry and biology. Cole Staines, Jesse Anderson and Jason Zayac were each awarded \$300 scholarships from FMC Corporation at the Royalton-Hartland High School Academic Awards Assembly on June 10.

Dana Thompson, Middleport Plant Manager, interviewed each student considered for the award and was impressed with the students' commitment to excellence. "It was a pleasure to meet these hard working students and to be able to recognize their accomplishments this year."

This fall, Staines, 2008 valedictorian, is studying Biomedical Science at the University of Buffalo. Jason Zayac, 2008 salutatorian, attends the University of Rochester and is contemplating a career in medicine. Anderson returns to Roy-Hart this fall as a junior and will be considering a future in engineering.



Support for the Middleport Outdoor Playground

Debra Overkamp, FMC Community Liaison delivered a check for \$100 for the Middleport Outdoor Playground Committee's project to reopen the playground, which was built 18 years ago by the teachers, parents and students in the Royalton-Hartland Central School District. A group of local residents have been raising funds and plan to reopen the playground on State Street early this fall. The facility was closed this spring after a safety inspection noted some items that were in need of repair. For information go to www.middleportoutdoorplayground.com.