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***Sacred Cows, Illegal Aliens, and Conscientious Investors:
Labor, Faith and Finance in the American Meat Industry***
Plenary – June 23, 2009
SAFSF Forum, Greensboro, NC

Moderator: *Judith LaBelle*, President, The Glynwood Center, <http://www.glynwood.org/>

Speakers:

- *Rabbi Morris Allen*, Project Director, The Hekhsher Tzedek, <http://magentzedek.org/> or www.hekshertzedek.org
- *Leslie Lowe*, Director of Energy and Environment Programs, Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility, <http://www.iccr.org/>
- *Reverend David Ostendorf*, Executive Director, Center for New Community, <http://www.newcomm.org/>

ARTICLES, BOOKS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Al Pi Din, Foundational Document in Jewish Law

<http://www.magentzedek.org/educationalmaterials>

A Quarrel Over What is Kosher, Wall Street Journal article, 02/06/09

<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB123388572903955241.html>

Boss Hog, Rolling Stone December 2006 exposé of Smithfield Foods and CAFO impacts.

http://www.rollingstone.com/politics/story/12840743/porks_dirty_secret_the_nations_top_hog_producer_is_als_o_one_of_americas_worst_polluters

Corporate Power in Livestock Production:How it's Hurting Farmers, Consumers, and Communities – And What We Can Do About It, Agriculture Accountability Initiative (June 2007)

http://www.agribusinessaccountability.org/bin/view.fpl/1198/cms_article/10800.html

Fifty Million Farmers, by Richard Heinberg. In this lecture for the E. F. Schumacher Society, Heinberg, a research fellow with the Post Carbon Institute and author of several books, argues that an effective response to peak oil, the growing scarcity of water and climate change will require the “deliberate de-industrialization of food production” and “re-ruralization” across America. <http://www.energybulletin.net/node/22584>

Immigrants and Economic Justice: Food for Thought and Action, by David L. Ostendorf, Response magazine, January 2009. An overview of the role of immigrants in the U.S. food system. Available from Center for New Community, PO Box 479327, Chicago, IL 60647. <http://www.newcomm.org/>

Kosher that's not just for food, NPR Marketplace, 04/07/09,

http://marketplace.publicradio.org/display/web/2009/04/07/pm_kosher/

Places at the Tables: Toward a New Narrative on Race, Immigration, and the U.S. Food System, by David L. Ostendorf, forthcoming from the Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, The Ohio State University. A historical analysis of the role of race and immigration in the U.S. food system, and community-based responses emerging in the current period. Available from the author at dlo@newcomm.org.

Righteous Porkchop: Finding a Life and Good Food Beyond Factory Farms, by Nicolette Hahn Niman. A highly readable examination of the industrialization of the food system and emerging alternatives. As an attorney for the Waterkeeper, Nicolette Hahn was in the lead on early litigation against confinement hog operations. Then she met and married the founder of Niman Ranch. <http://www.righteousporkchop.com/>

The Effects of Climate Change on Agriculture, Land Resources, Water Resources, and Biodiversity
U.S. Climate Change Science Program (October 2008)
<http://www.climatechange.gov/Library/sap/sap4-3/default.php>

The Food and Framing Transition: Towards a Post Carbon Food System
Post Carbon Institute (Spring 2009)
<http://www.postcarbon.org/files/PCI-food-and-farming-transition.pdf>

The Four Consumers, Passover material, Haggadah Insert titled generated by volunteers with a Grassroots Organization, Jewish Community Action and Rabbi Morris Allen's comments delivered in Washington DC at the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society Rally <http://www.magentzedek.org/educationalmaterials>

The Conservative Movement's resolution regarding hoist and shackling slaughter
http://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/teshuvot/docs/19912000/dorffroth_shackling.pdf

Tied to the Great Packing Machine: The Midwest and Meatpacking, by Wilson J. Warren. University of Iowa Press, Iowa City, 2007. An excellent historical narrative of meatpacking, its move into the rural heartland, and the story of workers, unions, and race in the plants. <http://www.uiopress.uiowa.edu/books/2007-spring/warren.htm>

Union of Reform Judaism's resolution in support of Hekhsher Tzedek's work
<http://www.magentzedek.org/pressroom>

Economic Concentration and Structural Change In the Food and Agriculture Sector: Trends, Consequences and Policy Options; Prepared by the Democratic Staff of the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, United States Senate, October 29, 2004,
<http://www.sraproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2007/12/harkinconcentrationwhitepaper.pdf>

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www.Eatwild.com. Information about the benefits of raising animals on pasture for the animals, the environment, farmers and consumers' health. Also a source for grass-fed meats. Maintained by Jo Robinson, author of *Pasture Perfect: The Far-Reaching Benefits of Choosing Meat, Eggs and Dairy Products from Grass-Fed Animals*. Robinson is a journalist and has been investigating the differences between animals raised on feedlots and pasture-based farms for several years.