

**“Keeping Local Food Safe, and Safe Food Local”**  
**Steve Gilman, Organic Farming Advocate**  
**April 9, 2010 at 7:00 PM**

**At Brown University Laboratories for Molecular Medicine,  
70 Ship Street, Providence**

A discussion of pending U.S. food safety legislation and how it will affect small farms. Can a law that protects us from the health risks of agri-business also be fair and practical for small and organic farms? Come and hear about how the bill would affect the food supply and the small farmer, and what is being done to make it more appropriate for our farms.

Admission is free for NOFA members and students. \$5 for nonmembers. Coffee and information about local organic farms will be available at 6:30. Farm members who would like to bring a table display, please contact dan at [nofari@live.com](mailto:nofari@live.com).

Steve Gilman was an organic herb and vegetable farmer for 30 years in the Saratoga, NY area before managing a three year USDA organic research project (North East Organic Network or NEON) in the mid 2000's. Since 2006 he has been working as Policy Coordinator for the Northeast Organic Farming Association Interstate Council and representing NOFA on the National Organic Coalition and the National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition. Over the past year, governmental food safety initiatives have been his main focus.

Directions and parking: Brown University Laboratories for Molecular Medicine is located at 70 Ship Street, in the Jewelry District of Providence. Free Parking is available in the lot across the street. The lot will be locked at 10:30 PM. Internet derived directions may be incorrect due to the relocation of Route 195.

**Route 95 North** to Exit 20, Point Street, or **Route 195 West** to exit 1A, Point Street. Go right at the light at the end of the exit onto Point Street. Take the third left on Chestnut Street. Take 4<sup>th</sup> right on Bassett Street. Take next right on Ship Street. The building is on your right, on the corner of Bassett & Ship.

**Route 95 South** to Exit 21, Atwells Avenue. Go straight off the exit onto Service Road No. 7. At the sixth light, turn left on Point Street. Turn left on Chestnut Street. Take 4<sup>th</sup> right on Bassett Street. Take next right on Ship Street. The building is on your right, on the corner of Bassett & Ship.