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BRIEFS

STATION'S WALKAMERICA
REPORT

The Station team consisted of seven walkers who raised \$562 for the Walk for Healthier Babies. Thank you to all those who walked and/or contributed money for the cause!

Kathy DeRosa

WPS TRAINING SCHEDULED

The following dates have been scheduled for Worker Protection Standard (WPS) training:

May 30, 10:30 am-Noon, Staff Room, Jordan Hall

June 13, 10:30 am-Noon, Staff Room, Jordan Hall

June 27, 10:30 am-Noon, Staff Room, Jordan Hall

July 11, 10:30 am-Noon, Staff Room, Jordan Hall

Anyone who will or may come in contact with pesticides or pesticide residues applied in the field or greenhouse should be trained under this Act. Training consists of viewing a video that has been prepared by the Environmental Protection Agency plus a lecture presented by Mart VanKirk, Field Research Unit, and Pat Krauss, Administration. An individual needs to be trained once every five years. A card is given to each employee who completes training that they may carry with them in their wallet or purse.

SAFETY SEMINARS SCHEDULED

Tom Shelley and Jim Greiger from Environmental Health and Safety will visit the Geneva campus on Friday, May 30, and present the three seminars that were canceled earlier in the year. Following is information about these seminars (please note that one is for members of the Safety Committee, one for employees in Food Science and Technology, and one for all Station employees).

It is hoped that as many people as possible will try to attend the appropriate seminar(s).

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ROBERT POOL TO RECEIVE
CANTARELLI PRIZE

Robert M. Pool, Professor of Viticulture in the Department of Horticultural Sciences at Geneva, continues to garner accolades for his contributions on behalf of the grape and wine industry. He will receive the Cantarelli Prize for 1995-96 from the Italian Academy of Vine and Wine, which will be awarded at an official ceremony at the University of Perugia on Friday, July 11. At that time, Pool will deliver a lecture about his work.

Professor U. Pallotta, President of the Italian Academy of Vine and Wine, announced the juried award: "The jury, chaired by Professor Cesare Intrieri, cites . . . your outstanding and original contributions to research in the mechanical regulation of crop load and fruit quality in grapes. The jury also notes that your research is and will continue to be significant in its impact on and consequences on the reduction of production costs for the vine and wine industry." The Cantarelli Prize carries an award of \$10,000.

"The Cantarelli Prize is due recognition of the contributions Bob Pool has made to viticulture, both nationally and internationally," said Horticultural Sciences department chairman Hugh Price. "His research on vineyard mechanization and crop load adjustment has played a significant role in maintaining the competitiveness of the New York grape industry."

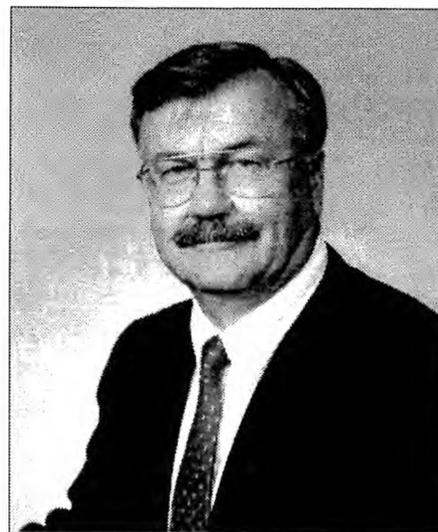
Pool's primary research interests include: mechanization of pruning, crop level related to grape and wine quality, sustainable viticulture, vineyard floor management and weed control, cultural practices and rootstock effects on cold hardiness, interaction of disease (fungal, bacterial and viral), and vine productivity.

"I'm very proud to accept this award on behalf of Cornell's viticulture research group at Geneva and at the Vineyard Laboratory in Fredonia," said Pool. "The research demonstrates Cornell's ability to provide broad expertise to serve focused public need, and it adds to a long list of contributions that the grape program has made to the grape producers of the state, and in fact, to the entire grape-growing world. This record of accomplishment reflects the sustained effort of our entire staff."

In accepting the award, Pool credits key people who have been involved in the 20-plus years effort to develop these concepts, including the late Don Crowe, Harriet Hubbard, Rick Dunst, Gary Howard, Andrew Fendinger, Christine Cummins, and Gordon De Golier. "Cornell's grape extension specialists and many interested growers and industry representatives were also vital to the development of a workable system," said Pool.

He depends on the continued support of the grape industry. "These accomplishments would not have been achieved without the grape industry's sustained financial support," said Pool. "The New York Grape Production Research Fund, a not-for-profit corporation representing New York grape growers, has funded this work for more than 20 years, and the New York Wine and Grape Foundation provided support for 10 years."

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9:00 am-Noon—Special Program for Members of Station Safety Committee (Lunch Room, Food Research Laboratory)

1:15-2:15 pm—Overview of Services Provided by Environmental Health and Safety (Auditorium, Jordan Hall)

This program is designed for ALL members of the Station family. All employees are encouraged to attend. This program will provide you with an overview of what services are available from Environmental Health and Safety and what you can expect from them. You also will have an opportunity to ask questions. This is an excellent program, and will only take an hour of your time.

2:30-3:30 pm—Special Program for Employees in Food Science and Technology (Conference Room, Food Research Laboratory)

This program will cover spill control and handling of flammable solvents. This is a follow-up to an earlier program presented to members of the Department of Food Science and Technology and an additional session was requested by department safety officials. Your attendance at this session will be greatly appreciated.

MARKETING ORDER FOR CABBAGE INCHES CLOSER

A new research assessment on New York cabbage growers moved one step closer to implementation in April, when petitions with signatures from 25% of the state's 300 cabbage growers in favor of the marketing order, were delivered to the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets.

The proposed assessment would be \$4 per acre of cabbage grown. There are 15,000 acres planted to cabbage in New York each year, which would raise an estimated \$60,000 annually.

NYS Ag & Markets has 45 days to review the documents and decide if a public hearing should be held. If enough support for the order is given at the hearings, a vote will be held in the fall. If it were passed, the new assessment would take effect next summer.

Fresh market and kraut cabbage is a \$45 million industry in New York. A voluntary assessment of 10 cents per ton currently brings in about \$12,000 a year for research.

"That level of funding just isn't enough to support all of the research needs of the industry," said Hugh Price, chairman of the Horticultural Sciences Department at Geneva.

As reported in the Great Lakes Vegetable News, May 1997

SPRINT LEASES SPACE ON STATION WATER TOWER

The work you see occurring at the Experiment Station's water tower is part of a modernization program of SPRINT. Within a short time, there will be six panels installed around and near the top of the tower that will be used by SPRINT to relay digital, wireless telephone messages to the next tower. The State University of New York approved the request of SPRINT officials to use the Station's tower, since it is in an ideal location as a site for a repeater station. In return for allowing SPRINT to use the tower, SPRINT will pay the Station an annual lease fee.

SO WHY NOT TRY ASPARAGUS GUACAMOLE?

Traditional guacamole, which is made with avocados, is high in saturated fats. The beauty of asparagus guacamole is that it is fat free. Proponents of the new food product say it tastes good, too.

The new product was developed by food scientists at Michigan State University. Comstock Michigan Fruit is manufacturing the product in a shelf-stable jar.

If you come up with an edible recipe on your own this asparagus season, send it to *Station News* and we'll print it.

Mastering Your Time: How to Get More Done in Less Time

June 2, 1997 • 9:00 am-4:00 pm • Jordan Hall Lounge

This workshop will discuss how to get more done in less time. Discover 12 major reasons you may not be getting the best return from your time and energy. In this workshop you will uncover how true effectiveness is often doing less, better. Points covered in the workshop are:

- How are you going to get there if you don't know where you are going?
- Planning & setting priorities
- Adjusting your attitude
- Knowing your most productive time
- Finding time
- Putting an end to putting it off
- Gaining time through delegation
- Gaining cooperation
- Minimizing costly interruptions
- Creating an efficient working environment



Lunch: On your own
 Class Size: Minimum 15; Maximum 40
 Fee: None
 Instructor: Joanne Conley, regional training specialist, New York State Department of Social Services

To register for *Mastering Your Time: How to Get More Done in Less Time*, complete the following information and return it to Personnel, Jordan Hall, by May 27.

Please Print
 Name _____ Dept. _____
 Signature _____ Phone _____
 Supervisor _____ Signature _____

(POOL, cont.)

Pool has been active in developing national grape germplasm repositories at Davis, California, and Geneva, NY. He formed and for 10 years chaired the Grape Commodity Advisory Committee to the National Plant Germplasm Committee. In extension, he serves on the advisory committees of New York's regional grape extension specialists, on Cornell University's statewide fruit extension committee, and is an active participant in writing extension publications, organizing research tours and presentations, and in training extension agents.

He is the US representative of the Viticulture Section of the International Society for Horticultural Sciences, and a member of the National BATF to Office International du Vin.

Pool received his B.S. in Enology in 1962 and his M.S. in Food Science in 1969, both from the University of California at Davis. He received his Ph.D. in Pomology from Cornell University in 1974, and was hired by Cornell as an Assistant Professor of Viticulture in 1974. He was named Professor in 1988.

LINDA IRLAND JOINS ADMINISTRATION STAFF

Linda Irland has joined the Director's Office team as an Administrative Assistant. Her's will be the pleasant voice answering the telephones for Dr. Hunter, Dr. Seem, Pat Krauss, and Kathy DeRosa. She will also be helping with mail and long-term projects.

If the name sounds familiar to you, Linda worked in Kathy's position for six months while Kathy was on maternity leave for Michael, who was born in 1994.

Following that, Linda filled in at the Station business office for six months, until March 1995.

"I'm glad to be back," said Irland, who lives in Waterloo. "I very much liked working here the first time." Previously, she has worked for the Seneca Army Depot in Romulus, and the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Canandaigua.

"I'm very happy to get Linda back," said DeRosa. "It will only take a little refreshing for her to relearn the job. She got along so well the first time, I am sure she will fit right in." Kathy will be reducing her hours to spend more time with her family. The office has been rearranged to accommodate two people. Both Irland and DeRosa can be reached at x211.



BIKE WEEK '97 • ARE YOU READY TO ROLL?



Bike week starts next Tuesday, May 27, with four days of food, fun and prizes! Each day, bikers will check in between 7:30 and 8:00 AM at the Pavilion behind Jordan Hall for breakfast. A different department will host each daily breakfast, offering a variety of nourishing (and not so nourishing?) treats. The check-in registers riders to win prizes from a random drawing. The more you ride, the better your chances will be. This year's prizes feature a bicycle lock, floor pump, bike rack, helmet, grocery gift certificates and Station T-shirts and hats. Many thanks to the Station Club, the Geneva Bicycle Center, Wegman's, and Tops for these prizes.

On Friday, all human-powered commuters are invited to join in the excitement. Bikers and pedestrians alike should sign-up with their department representative today. The department with the highest percentage participation will win a prize, and hold the coveted Bike Champ title for 1997.

Department Representatives

Horticultural Sciences Rixanna Petzoldt & Pat Wallace
 Comm/Library/Admin Jim Moravec
 Entomology Jennifer Grant & Jan Nyrop
 Plant Pathology Sheri Day

Food Science Pim Kovach
 B&P/FRU John VanderWeide
 IPM Janet Knodel
 PGRU Dave Wiemann

CLIP AND SAVE

BIKE WEEK EVENTS

Monday 26	Tuesday 27	Wednesday 28	Thursday 29	Friday 30
<p>Memorial Day. Take a test ride at home.</p>	<p>7:30- 8:00 AM Breakfast at Jordan Pavilion, hosted by Plant Pathology.</p> <p>6:30 PM Family Fun Ride, sponsored by the Lake Country Bike & Ski Club. 10 miles with a 6 mile cut-off. Meet at Geneva YMCA. For more info, call Janie Wilkins 789-0870, or Jim Hogan 789-5922.</p>	<p>7:30- 8:00 AM Breakfast at Jordan Pavilion, hosted by Horticultural Sciences.</p> <p>Time TBA Ceremony in which Mayor Wisor issues a proclamation that Bike Week is recognized in Geneva.</p>	<p>7:30- 8:00 AM Breakfast at Jordan Pavilion, hosted by Buildings & Properties.</p> <p>5:15 PM Tour de Phelps*, a 15 mile ride for Station employees, students, and families, led by Jennifer Grant. Meet at Jordan Pavilion. *Note date change.</p>	<p>7:30- 8:00 AM Grand Finale. Breakfast for bikers, walkers, rollerbladers and friends at Jordan Pavilion, hosted by Entomology.</p>

EVENTS/MEETINGS

MAY 23-30, 1997

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day Holiday
Station Closed

Wednesday, May 28, 3:00 pm

Director's Office, Jordan Hall
Research Department Chairs' meeting

Friday, May 30, 10:30 am

Staff Room, Jordan Hall
Worker Protection Standard training (see related story)

Friday, May 30, 1:15 pm

Auditorium, Jordan Hall
Safety Seminar for all Station employees presented by Environmental Health and Safety (see related story)

Friday, May 30, 2:30 pm

Conference Room, Food Research Lab
Safety Seminar for all employees of Food Science and Technology presented by Environmental Health and Safety (see related story)

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: 1994 MX3 Silver Mazda, AM/FM-stereo with CD player. Asking \$9,700. Call after 6 pm, 789-0174, or during the day, x288 (Debby), for appointment to see.

FOR SALE: Freezer (size 2.2 x 2.4 x 5.5 ft), \$135.00 or best offer. Contact Ariel at ad18@cornell.edu or 781-7041 after 5:00 pm.

HOUSING AVAILABLE: Very clean studio apartment within walking distance of the Station. \$350/mo includes utilities. Private entrance, and use of garage. Fully furnished, including kitchen utensils and linens. Market and laundry facilities are also within walking distance. Contact Karen at x378 or kje7@nysaes.cornell.edu or 789-5240.

ENJOY HERSHEY PARK THIS VACATION SEASON

Planning a trip to HERSHEY PARK in Hershey, Pennsylvania this vacation season? Stop by Personnel, Jordan Hall, and pick up your 1997 HERSHEY PARK Hospitality Card which features discount coupons for admissions and lodging.

New for 1997, enjoy a trip down memory lane. HERSHEY PARK proudly announces plans for the expansion of Midway America, a nostalgic themed area that celebrates the best of old-fashioned American amusement parks.

New attractions include a spectacular Ferris Wheel approaching 100 feet in height, a re-creation of the original Whip Ride at HERSHEY PARK, and a children's area, plus more games, food, and merchandise!

9th Annual Station Club Golf Tournament Friday, June 6 • BIG OAK GOLF COURSE

Shotgun start at 4:50 pm

(all players should meet at the practice green at 4:30 pm for a putting contest, door prize drawing and hole assignments.)

Five person team scramble (m/f)

Each Station golfer may bring one guest

Station Club Member—\$13.00*/person

Non Station Club Member—\$14.00*/person

*Includes Green Fees and Food (Burgers, Dogs, & Salads)

The tournament is open to new or experienced players.

Enter as teams please. Any singles or pairs who can't find a team should contact Ed Lavin who will help form teams.

(Each player must have his/her own set of clubs. To make reservations for rental clubs, pull or power carts, call Big Oak at 789-9419.)

To enter, complete the form below and send to Ed Lavin, Food Science, by Friday, May 30.

Also include the appropriate tournament fee for each person listed.

Cash is preferred but if paying by check, make payable to "Station Club".

9th ANNUAL STATION CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT FRIDAY, JUNE 6

Team Name _____
1. (Team Captain) _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____