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BRIEFS

Contemplating Retirement? New
Legislation in Effect

Governor Pataki has recently signed into law two pieces of legislation that may be of interest to contract college employees contemplating retirement and/or retired state and contract college employees considering their reemployment options.

The first change raises the Section 212 calendar year earnings limit from \$20,000 to \$25,000 effective January 1, 2003.

The second change to Section 212 of the Retirement and Social Security law decreases the age at which a retiree can reenter public employment without an earnings limit and without a loss of retired pay from age 70 to 65. This change is effective immediately. Therefore, anyone who is already 65 or who reaches age 65 in 2002 is not subject to earnings limits this year.

Local September 11 Observances

On Wednesday, September 11, at 7:30 p.m., the Geneva Area Interfaith Council is offering a worship service to be held at the First United Methodist Church on 340 Main Street, Geneva, NY. This is the last segment of a three-part sequential service that begins earlier in the evening in several participating houses of worship and at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, following which participants are encouraged to walk to the Methodist Church. The three-part service will highlight the themes of remembrance, solidarity and hope as it starts at several worship sites and then progresses through the streets of Geneva to the central site of the Methodist Church.

Remembrance of those who died in New York City, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania on 9/11 will characterize the first seg-

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Cornell Enology Lab Hires First
Extension Educator

Hans Justrich brought his family nearly 4,000 miles from their home in Malans, Switzerland, to Geneva, NY, to become the Agricultural Experiment Station's first extension enologist. In his words: "I needed a challenge." For the second-generation winemaker, who began working in Thomas Henick-Kling's lab on July 25, that challenge is embodied in a new country, new people, new grape varieties, and a new climate.

"We're lucky to have found someone with his expertise and experience," said enologist Henick-Kling, who directs the Vinification and Brewing Technology Lab where Justrich will also be working. "Hans has a wonderful background in wine making, experience with small and large wineries, and is familiar with the varieties of grapes that are economically important to New York."

Justrich's enthusiasm for his work is readily apparent. "Wine making is great—it's an art and a way of life," he said. "Every year is a new challenge and a new experience."

This attitude, according to Ben Gavitt, research support specialist in Henick-Kling's lab who manages the New York State Wine Analytical Lab, makes Justrich well suited to the position. "He has the perfect personality for this job," said Gavitt, who will be working closely with Justrich to test samples brought in from New York wineries.

Justrich's role is to bring more of the benefits of the world-class research that goes on at the Experiment Station to the New York wine industry. Dedicated to extension, he will be able to visit some of the many wineries that take advantage of the New York Wine Analytical Lab. Justrich said he looks forward to working with New York's winemakers and vintners. "It's a beautiful facility with good equipment and nice people. I met some of the winemakers and they were very interested and open minded," he added. "We don't grow Cabernet in Malans, so I'm looking forward to working with that variety in New York."

Before coming to Cornell, Justrich consulted with grape growers and winemakers in Graubunden for 18 years, disseminating information and organizing wine tastings and workshops. Previous to that, he worked for a research station in plant pathology in Zürich, Switzerland, and at a winery in California. He earned his advanced degree from Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zürich) in 1979.

Justrich is married to Monika, and they have two children, Stefan and Sarah. Justrich is an avid outdoorsman who skis, bikes, and plays soccer. His office is in room 115, Food Research Lab, and he can be reached at X2263 or hj47.



Hans Justrich

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ment of the service. Each faith tradition has time-honored rituals to lift up the dead in prayer and to ask God's comfort for the grieving. The initial segment will begin at the following communities of worship at the times indicated:

Faith Community Church (7 p.m.), 90 Lewis St.

Love of Christ Community Church (6:30 p.m.), 160 N. Main St.

Presbyterian Church in Geneva (7 p.m., 24 Park Place

St. Francis de Sales & St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Churches (at St. Stephen's) (6:45 p.m.), 48 Pulteney

Hobart and William Smith Colleges (meet on the steps of Cox Hall on the Quad at 6:45 p.m.)

St. Michael's Orthodox Church (6:45 p.m.), 98 Genesee St.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church (7 p.m.), 151 Genesee St.

Temple Beth-El (6:30 p.m.), 755 S. Main St.

Trinity Episcopal Church (6:30 p.m.), 520 S. Main St.

Zion Lutheran Church will gather at Trinity Episcopal Church at 6:30 p.m.

Each sanctuary will welcome everyone who wishes to attend.

Solidarity with the survivors, rescue/relief personnel, the bereaved and their communities will mark the second segment of the service, a walk from each sanctuary to the 7:30 p.m. service at First United Methodist Church. Walking acknowledges that rescuers, survivors, searchers and relief workers had to rely heavily on their own legs or the legs of others to get into or out of the area around Ground Zero. Additionally, many faith communities revere God-guided treks from trying conditions to fa-

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Save the Date
Station Club Banquet
Friday, November 1, 2002
Club 86

Ten Was Not Enough

Not satisfied with a Station sports record of 10 straight softball titles, the Buildings & Properties softball team made it 11 in a row on Wednesday, August 28, with a 16-9 victory over regular season champion Barton Lab. The game was a hard-fought struggle, especially for the first five innings, played on an immaculate, if dry, field.

B&P jumped out to an early 4-0 lead in the top of the first, keyed by back to back doubles by Mike Poole and their captain Nestor Ortiz. Barton answered with three runs in the bottom of the first as Jason Plate, Sara Villani and Mike Hudson all started off the inning with hits. B&P added a run in the top of the second and third to carry a 6-3 lead into the bottom of the inning. Eric Ninestine, Ken Bell and Al Fairbrother all contributed with hits in those innings.

B&P's lead didn't last long as once again Plate, Villani and Hudson opened the inning with three straight hits. Slugger Kevin Conley then capped the inning with a dramatic three-run homer to left field, putting Barton ahead 7-6.

B&P was tenacious, taking the lead back with two runs in the fourth. Once again, Poole came through for B&P with a double. Only a nice play by third baseman Villani kept the B&P from scoring more runs. Still, the inning ended with B&P clinging to a narrow 8-7 lead.

Jeff Thibault started the sixth off with a double—one of his four hits in the game. Thibault was then driven home on a double by Jose Santel. Mike Poole did further damage in the inning with a single, driving in Santel. Poole and Ortiz who had walked were both able to score on a misplay by Barton giving B&P a 12-7 lead. B&P never looked back, adding to

this lead in the seventh when Poole hit a towering two-run homer for his fourth hit of the game, giving B&P a 16-7 lead. Barton made the game interesting in the bottom of the seventh with hits by Bill Turechek, Kris Silver and Megan Kennelly that gave Barton two more runs. In the end, though, B&P held on for the 16-9 finish.



B&P team: Front row (left to right): Eric Ninestine, Ken Bell, Nick VanderWeide, Jeff Thibault and Nestor Ortiz, Jr. Back row (left to right): Jose Santel, Al Fairbrother, Nestor Ortiz, Sr, John VanderWeide, Scott Granish and Mike Poole.



Barton Lab team: Front row (left to right): Bill Turechek, Jason Plate, Sara Villani, Jodi Creasap, Rebecca Loughner. Back row (left to right): Tom Dunham, Joel Strussenberg, Chaz Muser, Kevin Conley, Steve Hesler, Kris Silver, Megan Kennelly and

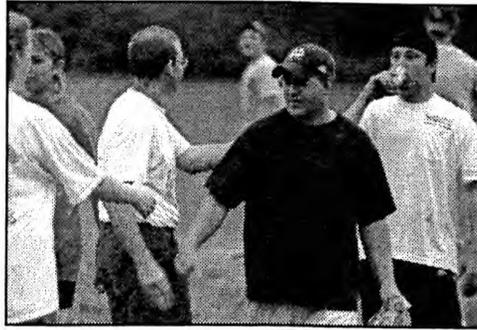
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In summing up the game and the season, Barton co-captain Turechek said, "We had an excellent team this year and I think this is clearly reflected in our outstanding record. We were fortunate to have a full roster of very good players who made it to nearly every game. This wasn't easy for a lot of teams this year. But I'm happy to say that all our players played in every game and I believe most of them will be back to play next year."

In the true spirit of Station sports, Megan Kennelly, Barton's other Co-Captain summed the year: "I'm going to miss this year's softball crew. Everyone from Barton seemed to have such a good time at the games. A couple of our summer students even came back for this last game—that's quite an indicator that they enjoyed the season. The whole league was fun this year. It's fabulous when the teams can come out and play ball and not be overly competitive about it."

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Jeff Thibault congratulates the other team.

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vorable ones. The walks will take place rain or shine. Those unable to walk are welcome to drive to the service; we encourage carpools.

Hope will characterize the third segment of the Interfaith Service set to begin at 7:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, during which the pastor will be asking for God's healing and guidance through scripture, prayer, poetry, choir and congregational singing. No sermon will be given and no offering will be taken.

Bill Gottschalk-Fielding, Pastor
Geneva First United Methodist Church

FSIS Sets New Salmonella Testing Procedures

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) issued new procedures for responding to establishments that fail Salmonella performance standard testing for raw products. The new procedures constitute a more scientific and systematic approach to food safety and to the enforcement of current regulations. For a complete description of the new procedures, see <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/oa/background/newsalmproc.htm>

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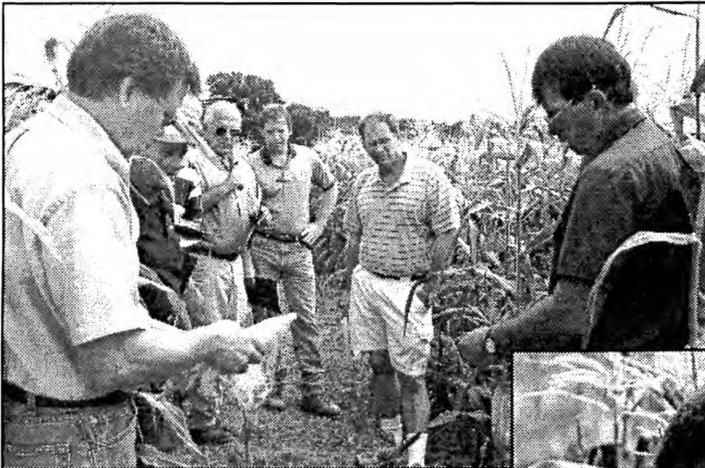
Taekardio Notice

Tina and Sue, owner/instructor from Geneva Martial Arts, will hold an informational meeting for those interested in Taekardio or Taekwondo classes held at the Station. The meeting will be held at noon on Monday, September 9. The meeting will take place in the Jordan Hall Lounge. (Bring your lunch!)

If you are interested in Taekardio or Martial Arts but cannot make the meeting on Monday, please let me know so I can follow up later.

K. DeRosa

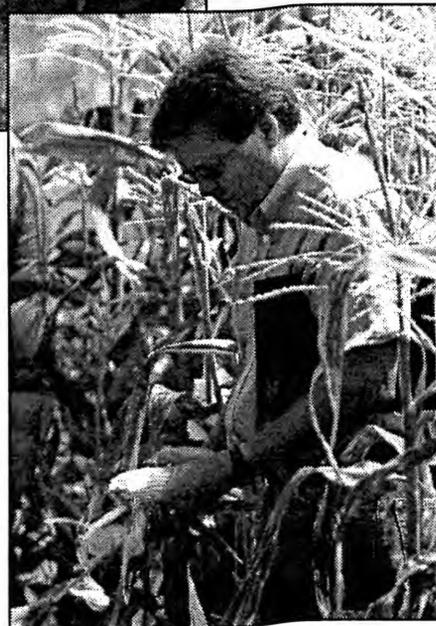
Bean and Corn Field Day 2002



Between the snapping of fresh beans, and the sharp crack of whole ears of corn being broken in two, representatives from a number of major seed companies listened closely as Jim Ballerstein and Steve Reiners provided them with an in-depth analysis of this year's field trials of their seeds. The annual bean and corn field day took place on August 27 here at the Station.

"The turnout was great" according to Ballerstein, with all but one or two of the company reps being able to attend.

F. Hickey



ATTENTION:

If you cancel a meeting at a Geneva campus location, please have the courtesy to cancel it in Corporate Time as well so the custodians do not spend time setting up rooms for non-existent meetings. Also, please call Gemma Osborne, ext. 2248. Thank you!

CALENDAR of EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 6 - 13, 2002

MEETINGS

CANCELLED

Chairs' & Unit Leaders'

Date: Thursday, September 12, 2002
Time: 1:30 PM

SEMINARS

Plant Path

Date: Tuesday, September 10, 2002
Time: 3:30 PM
Place: Room A133, Barton Lab
Subject: Development of Black Rot Resistant Cabbage
Speaker: Dr. Phillip Griffiths, Horticultural Sciences, Geneva

FITNESS

Aerobics

Date: Monday and Friday
Time: 12:10 - 1:00 PM
Place: Sawdust Cafe

CLASSIFIED

CAR FOR SALE: 1993 light blue Ford Thunderbird in good condition with ~127,000 miles. Asking \$ 2,800 or best offer. Email Betsy at eab38@cornell.edu if you are interested or want more details. Selling the vehicle because it is 2 door and it is tough to get baby in/out of back seat.

FOR SALE: Boat, 1983 17' SeaRay 192, open bow, Merc 140, low hours, new prop, ez/lo trailer, extras, exc. condition - \$4500. Contact ama4@cornell.edu or 585-288-8956.

FOR SALE: Stereo component system. Technics CD player, Pioneer amp and tuner, Pioneer dual cassette deck. Large Advent speakers (2), Oak glass-front cabinet. All like new: \$200.00. Call 789-8112.

FOR SALE: B&P surplus, KR Wilson, 25 ton, hand operated hydraulic press. \$100 minimum bid. Bids will be opened at 1:00 on 9/6/02. Submit bids to Al Fairbrother in the Fleet Garage.

FOR SALE: Jeep Cherokee Sport 1992. Rebuilt engine, good tires, AC/heat, automatic. 152K miles. Asking \$2,500 or best offer. 789-4507, X-2266, E-mail: mar2.

FRU SURPLUS: 1985 Ford, 3/4 Ton, 4 wheel drive pickup with 60,736 miles \$300 Contact Mark L. Scott mls32 or 789-3689.

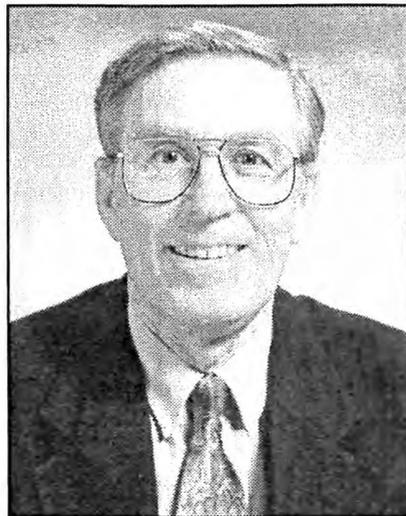
FOR SALE: Tent Camper, 1995 Coleman Cedar in excellent condition. Sleeps 5-6, stove, sink & icebox. Used 4 times. Stored indoors. \$3300 or best offer. E-mail: hak3@cornell.edu or call 539-5216.

FOR SALE: Wood stove, good condition, \$50; fireplace heatlator with triple wall stainless pipe; new 30" 6 panel interior door, light oak stain, \$60; 220 v airconditioner, 50,000 BTU, \$200. Call Penny x2254 or 585-2259.

A Message from the Director

September 11, 2001, Remembered

All of us have reflected upon and tried to put the tragic events of one year ago into a place in our hearts and minds that will allow us to continue our lives as good citizens and valued members of our families and communities. Each of us seeks and finds peace in our own, privately chosen ways, and in this regard I profoundly respect the choices Station employees will make as we observe the first anniversary of the terrorist attacks on our society. Cornell University and the Station, as institutions and as communities, have also felt the loss and faced the need to reflect and recover. As a member of that community and Director of the Station, I offer the following opportunities for remembrance:



1. Across the Geneva campus, I would like us to honor Governor Pataki's request that we pause in silence at 8:46AM, the time the first plane struck the World Trade Center; at 9:03AM, the time of the second attack; and at 9:59AM and 10:29AM, the moments when the respective towers collapsed. As you know, municipal and church bells will toll at 10:29 AM.
2. Services planned for next Wednesday evening by individual churches and synagogues and the Geneva Area Interfaith Council were announced in the *Finger Lakes Times*, September 5, 2002, and in this issue of *Station News*. Some may wish to attend other memorials during the day. For example, a number of events will take place in Ithaca as indicated in the *Cornell Chronicle*, August 29, 2002. Supervisors are encouraged to honor employee requests to take the time needed to participate in the memorial observances of their choice.
3. I encourage and support efforts by individual units and departments to consider the kind of remembrance that might best fit the needs and wishes of faculty, staff, students and visiting scientists and to act on your conclusions.
4. I support members of SAGES in their planning for an appropriate memorial event.

I welcome your questions and ideas and wish you peace at this solemn, difficult time.

Jim Hunter