

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24, 1991

# STATION NOTES

## NO COLLEGE EXHIBIT AT STATE FAIR THIS YEAR

For the first time in what seems like eons, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences will not have a major exhibit at State Fair this year. This includes the Geneva Station's part of the exhibit as well.

More than 50 years ago, the Station had a major exhibit in the Horticulture Building. In the mid-1960s, the exhibit space was expanded, completely redesigned, and significant effort made annually to have an exhibit that would tell the story of the Experiment Station's research and extension programs to the general public. An important part of this exhibit was a display of fresh fruit, including apples, pears, plums, and small fruits. About this same time, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences was assigned space in the Horticulture Building right around the corner from the Station's exhibit. The two complimented each other well.

Then, about seven or eight years ago, a decision was made by both State Fair officials and College administration that it would be nice to have a total College of Agriculture and Life Sciences exhibit in a single location. Some 20,000 square feet of space was allocated by Fair officials to the College in the Agriculture and Health Building. This was a major undertaking that drew on the talents of many people within the College to design, construct, and man the exhibit space annually. Budgets soared from a few thou-



*Dismantling of the Biotechnology and Gourmet Vegetable Garden exhibits.*

sands dollars a year to tens of thousands. The Station played a major role throughout the life of this exhibit. Up to 250,000 people would visit this College each year during the Fair. The exhibit emphasized all facets of College activity—research, extension, and instruction.

There is a saying that eventually all good things must come to an end. This year, a major change was going to have to be made in the exhibit. Although parts of the current exhibit were modified or updated annually, the same basic design had been in place for most of the seven or eight years that the College had been in the Agriculture and Health Building. It was decided that current budgetary stresses, both on the Fair and the College, are such that it would be impossible to fund the kind of exhibit that was desired.



*"Tear-Down" for the last time at State Fair.*

This past Tuesday, February 19, College personnel, including our own Dick Schading and Joe Ogronick from Communications Services, went to Syracuse, home of the State Fair, and helped tear down the College exhibit. The photographs show the dismantling process taking place. They brought back with them usable parts of the Geneva portion of the exhibit, including a display on the Plant Genetics Resource Unit that will be given to Steve Kresovich for display hereon campus.

An era has come to an end.

*Pat Krauss*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Tuesday, February 26, 6:30 pm**

Sawdust Cafe

*English as a Second Language*

**Tuesday, February 26, 7:00 pm**

Staff Room, Jordan Hall

*Child Care Meeting*

**Wednesday, February 27, 3:30 pm**

Director's Office

*Department Chairs' Meeting*

**Wednesday, February 27, 7:00 pm**

Sawdust Cafe

*Finger Lakes Stamp Club*

**Thursday, February 28, Noon**

Sawdust Cafe

*Geneva Arboritum Association Meeting  
(all employees welcome)*

**Thursday, February 28, 6:30 pm**

Sawdust Cafe

*English as a Second Language*

## SEMINARS

### HORTICULTURAL SCIENCES

Date: Monday, February 25  
Time: 11:00 am  
Place: Staff Room, Jordan Hall  
Speaker: Mr. David Trinka  
Graduate Research Assistant Fruit and Vegetable Science, Ithaca  
Topic: Field Establishment of Tissue Culture Heritage Red Raspberries

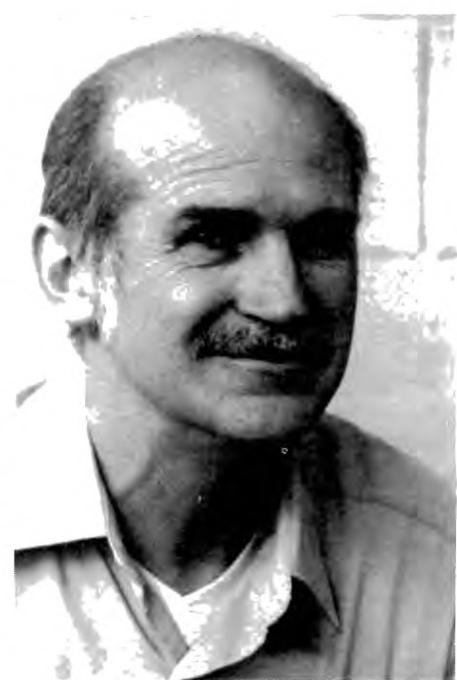
### PLANT PATHOLOGY

Date: Wednesday, February 27  
Time: 3:00 pm  
Place: Room 133, Barton Laboratory  
Speaker: Dr. P. A. Arneson  
Dept. of Plant Pathology, Ithaca  
Topic: Modeling of Fungicide Resistance as a Management Tool

## DON JOHNSON, B&P, WINS AWARD

We congratulate Don Johnson and the Buildings and Properties unit on winning a \$200 award as part of a cost reduction incentive awards program in which Cornell University is participating. The announcement was made by Allan A. Lentini, assistant to the Senior Vice President of Cornell.

Don's submission was titled, "Re-motoring Product Cold Storage Rooms." It was found that motors and pumps that operated refrigeration units in the Raw Products Building were larger than needed and energy inefficient. These were replaced with smaller motors and different pumps that circulate the refrigerant with the result that significant energy savings will be realized on a continuing basis.



*Don Johnson*

Cornell provides awards of from \$100 to \$500 for cost reduction programs that it feels are innovative and which result in true cost savings. Don Johnson and his supervisor, Don Lipker, have been invited to a luncheon along with other award winners on March 14 in the Robison Room of Schoellkopf Hall on the Ithaca campus.

## PEOPLE, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

### • A Note of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for the gifts and their best wishes I received at my farewell luncheon on February 19. After having been at the Station for almost 15 years, I know I'll miss you all greatly. It will take quite a bit of practice to head in the other direction when leaving my driveway each morning.

George Moriarty

### • Welcome

Armando Quintero-Ramos who is a member of the faculty of the University of Chihuahua, Mexico, has joined Malcolm Bourne's group for six months as a Visiting Fellow. He will be working on textural properties of vegetables as affected by processing conditions.

### • Welcome Full-Time

Larry Bush will now be working full-time as an Applications Programmer in IPM.

## STATION CLUB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Station Membership Drive will begin on March 1 and extend through the March 15 deadline. Don't miss this great opportunity to become a Station Club member and enjoy reduced prices at Station Club functions such as: the summer picnic, autumn banquet, Christmas party, bowling party, and much more. Check these low membership prices and see your department representative for purchasing a membership card.

FAMILY	\$5.00
SINGLE	\$2.50
RETired FAMILY	\$2.50
RETired SINGLE	\$1.25

## CANDLELIGHT GOURMET DINNER COMING UP

Come wine, dine, and enjoy an evening with friendly company, laughter, and music in Jordan Hall on Saturday, March 23. All Station employees, spouses, and/or friends are cordially invited for Hors d'oeuvres at 6:30 pm followed by dinner at 7:00 pm. Please, bring your favorite dish to share and your own personal table setting. A \$2.00 donation per person at the door will be appreciated to help defray costs.

## SCHEDULING CONFLICT CHANGES BOWLING PARTY DATE

The Annual Station Club Bowling party originally scheduled for Saturday, April 13, has been changed to **Saturday, March 16**, due to Rose Sticht-Kohlage's retirement party which was previously set for April 13. The sign-up and payment deadline for the bowling party is now Friday, March 8. Watch for more details on both events in future *Notes*.