



WEEK OF MARCH 17, 1991

STATION NOTES

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, March 19, 9:00 am
Staff Room, Jordan Hall
Vegetable Growers Association Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 pm
Sawdust Cafe
English as a Second Language

Wednesday, March 20, 7:00 pm
Sawdust Cafe
Burdock Spinning Guild

Thursday, March 21, 10:30 am
Auditorium, Jordan Hall
New York Apple Research Association Meeting

Thursday, March 21, 6:30 pm
Sawdust Cafe
English as a Second Language

Saturday, March 23, 6:30 pm
Auditorium, Jordan Hall
Station Gourmet Dinner

SEMINARS

HORTICULTURAL SCIENCES

Date: Monday, March 18
Time: 11:00 am
Place: Staff Room, Jordan Hall
Speaker: Mr. Richard Dunst
Research Support Specialist
Vineyard Laboratory,
Fredonia
Topic: Vineyard Weed Control
Research

FOOD SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Date: Thursday, March 21
Time: 10:30 am
Place: Food Science Conference
Room
Speaker: Mrs. Qindong Wu
Visiting Scientist, Food
Science & Technology,
Geneva
Topic: Some Post Harvest
Syndromes and Their
Causes in MacIntosh
Apples

NELSON SHAULIS SYMPOSIUM HELD

Nelson and Lillian Shaulis arrived in Geneva, New York, on March 5, 1944. There was 10 inches of snow on the ground that day. Forty-seven years later on March 5, 1991, the first Nelson J. Shaulis Viticulture Symposium took place and Geneva was recovering from one of the worst ice storms in its history.

Despite the previous day's weather, more than 100 individuals from the grape and wine industry of New York, neighboring states, and Canada attended the two-day symposium held in Jordan Hall.

Director James Hunter welcomed those who had braved the elements to attend the symposium. Dr. Hunter felt the topic, "Integrated Pest Management of Grape Diseases: Present and Future Strategies," was very appropriate for the man they were honoring that day. "I'm sure you will be looking back at Nelson's publications for many years to come, as we develop new management practices. I'm very proud, as the Director of the Experiment Station, a longtime friend of Nelson Shaulis, and his backyard neighbor, to welcome you here. I think it's marvelous that we're able to have this symposium here in honor of one of our most distinguished emeritus professors. I hope you will all enjoy this symposium, and most of all I hope you will all have an opportunity to visit with Nelson and share your ideas." (*Story continued on page 2*)



Nelson Shaulis addressing the symposium audience.

Thomas Davenport, of the National Grape Cooperative, recognized Dr. Shaulis on behalf of the grape industry. "It has been one of my lifelong goals to see that this industry benefits from the outstanding accomplishments of Dr. Shaulis, and this is just the beginning of that. In a world filled with mediocrity, I've known Dr. Shaulis for his excellence in the pursuit of knowledge while maintaining a very enthusiastic approach to his work. He has been recognized throughout the world for his accomplishments. One of my fondest memories of associating with Dr. Shaulis, came through the process of the certification of a large coal-fired generating station located along the Lake Erie shoreline. Dr. Shaulis was an expert witness on behalf of the Grape Production Research Fund. The headlines in the local newspapers read GRAPE EXPERT WON'T BE FORGOTTEN FOR HIS LENGTHY IN-DEPTH ANSWERS. The article went on to say, that Nelson Shaulis finally finished his testimony on the proposed Niagara Mohawk generating station. He would be gone but he would not be forgotten—not by the presiding examiner, not by the public, not by the press, and certainly not by the attorneys of Niagara Mohawk."

Nelson responded to the accolades saying, "My appreciation to you is genuine, but I interpret this not solely on a personal basis, but rather it likely reflects your appreciation of the generalized approach which tended toward an integrated management of vineyards and vines, which was the goal of our research over a very broad spectrum of viticulture. That generalized approach was possible because of very talented colleagues like Don Crowe, Mrs. Harriet Hubbard, Herman Amberg, and Gary Howard, and the climate for research afforded both by industry—you people—and by the Experiment Station."

A variety of presentations on subjects ranging from, "Assessing and Forecasting Grape Diseases" introducing a cartoon character, Disease Forecast Man, to "Growing Grapes Organically: Experiences in Disease Control" were presented by local speakers Jim Tette, Director, Cornell IPM program; Bob Pool and Bruce Reisch, Horticultural Sciences, Geneva; Guy Jones, a Hudson Valley grower; Timothy Weigle, Cornell IPM grape specialist; and Roger Pearson, Tom Burr, Wolfram Koeller, Dave Gadoury, Bob Seem, and Dennis Gonsalves, Plant Pathology, Geneva.

Dennis Gonsalves who spoke on "The Effect of Tomato Ringspot Virus Infection on Grapevine Growth in the Finger Lakes" told the audience, "The project that I work on was essentially started by Nelson Shaulis and the people at Taylor Wine Company. Then I came into a unique part of this work, and studied the viticultural and virology aspects of the virus on the grapevine and logical management practices."

In addition to the local speakers, there were several invited lecturers from out-of-state. Maria Lodovica Gullino, University of Torino, Italy



Douglas Gubler, University of California, Davis

was one of them. "I've been on a number of sabbaticals abroad," Lodovica said before her presentation on Fungicide Resistance in Italian Vineyards, "but the one I had in Geneva was one of my favorites. I left behind many friends, and among the people I enjoyed very much here was Dr. Shaulis." Other outside speakers were: Doug Gubler, University of California, Davis, and Mike Ellis, Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, Wooster, Ohio.

Dennis Rapp, Deputy Commissioner, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets made the keynote address at a banquet held on Tuesday, March 5 at the Scandling Center on the campus of Hobart and William Smith Colleges. He spoke on "Albany Perspectives on the IPM Program," which provoked a lively discussion.

Martin Goffinet, chairman and responsible as he put it for the nuts and bolts of the program, felt the symposium was very well received. "I've had a lot of positive feedback, he said. "I haven't had a chance to have a good look at the survey, but from what I've read so far, the participants thought the program was excellent, and having a variety of speakers from different areas was a big plus."

Nelson summed up his feelings by saying, "With hindsight I'm led to think that the planners of the symposium had 20-20 foresight." "I felt the disease control theme was an appropriate one and the choice of topic and speakers would be difficult to improve on."

One final comment. Through the course of the symposium, a number of individuals told stories about Nelson. In my opinion, one by Lillian Shaulis was the best. It seems Nelson's grandmother, who lived in Somerset, Pennsylvania, had two grapevines in her yard. She never allowed Nelson to prune them!

Bernadine Aldwinckle

REVISED TREATMENT OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS

If you are a Tier III or Tier IV member of a New York State or local government retirement system, including the New York State and New York City Teacher's Retirement Systems, an employee of the State or City University of New York who belong to the TIAA/CREF Optional Retirement System or a New York City uniformed force member, your 414(h) retirement contributions are not subject to federal income tax. However, these contributions are still subject to New York State, New York City and Yonkers taxes and must be included as income on your New York State income tax return.

The amount paid into the retirement program precedes 414(h) on the W-2 form; i.e. 500.00414(h).

STRESS MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

"How To Stay On Top of Stress" will be a program presented to academic employees on April 4, from 9:00 - 12:00 in the Staff Room, Jordan Hall, and on April 5, for all non-academic employees, from 9:00 - 12:00 in the Staff Room, Jordan Hall. The program will be presented by the Employee Assistance Program. More information will follow in next week's *Station Notes*.

CLASSIFIED

FOR RENT: One-bedroom apartment 5 miles south of Geneva in restored farmhouse. \$320/month plus utilities. Contact Russ at x362 for more information or landlord at 789-4652.

Remember to sign up for the Saturday, March 23,
STATION GOURMET DINNER.
The deadline is today, Friday, March 15.

happy
ST. PATRICK'S DAY



and happy birthday wishes
to Pat Krauss.

DON'T FORGET
The deadline for
Station Club Membership Drive
is
TODAY,
Friday, March 15!!