



WEEK of MAY 3, 1992

STATION NOTES

Everyone has a favorite tree. Martin Goffinet, Geneva Arboretum Association Chairman's, personal favorite is the large Eastern Sycamore (American Plane Tree) on the lawn south of Hedrick Hall. "The Sycamore interests me in every season" said Martin, "and like most trees of character, it reminds me of trees I knew in my childhood."

The Arboretum Association celebrated Arbor Day 1992 by planting, someone's favorite — a Bosnian Pine, in the Pinetum north of the Heating Plant, where according to Martin, 176 conifers once grew. A large group of employees gathered to commemorate the occasion. Director Jim Hunter pointed out that although the weather was bleak, there was a bright spot — the Station employees and their dedication to preserving, improving, and caring about the trees and plantings around the Station. "The plantings add a great deal of beauty to our campus, and we owe a debt of gratitude, especially to the Arboretum Association, for all they've done." By the way, Jim's favorite tree is the Sugar Maple because it reminds him of the beautiful fall colors seen in the mountains of northern New Hampshire where he grew up.

The Arboretum Association also recognized Arbor Day by releasing *A Guide to the Woody Ornamentals of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station*, the culmination of three years' work by the group and realization of their first goal.

ARBOR DAY '92



Above, Station employees gather for the third annual Arbor Day tree planting ceremony.
Below, Dr. Hunter presents merit award to Martin Goffinet.



The Association showed their gratitude to Martin Goffinet by awarding him a framed certificate of merit "in appreciation for his efforts on behalf of the Geneva Arboretum Association and the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station." Martin also received a gift certificate to Spin-Line Sporting Goods and 10 Concolor fir seedlings from Stan Comstock's Nursery.

The third annual Arbor Day tree planting ceremony ended appropriately with Martin saying, "GO PLANT A TREE."

Bernadine Aldwinckle

UNITED WAY at 98.1%

We are now wrapping up this year's drive and are within spitting distance of our target. As *Station Notes* goes to press, the tally is **\$17,170** vs. a target of \$17,500. We're hoping some outstanding contributions may push us over. **Don't hesitate to send in a late donation (call x369 for a card) or an increased donation.** Top individual donation, so far, is **\$650.**

Considering the economic situation and the Concorde flights, many Station people have really come through for the good causes in our local community. We want to thank all those who gave, and especially those who gave so generously. And I personally want to acknowledge the unit coordinators who did such a great job - **Joe Ogrondnick, Alice Martin, Pam Adams, Tony Shelton, Stuart Reeves, Ed Woodams, Dick Durst, Ken Livermore, Mike Dickson, Jan Knodel, Janice Valerio, and Wayne Wilcox.**

Herb Aldwinckle

BOOKS/TAPES AVAILABLE FROM GENEVA PERSONNEL OFFICE

The Personnel Office now has the following books and audio cassette tapes available for employees to borrow:

Books:

- The Working Parent Dilemma
- How to Manage Conflict
- The One Minute Manager
- Putting the One Minute Manager to Work
- The Power of Ethical Management
- Coping with Difficult People

Tapes:

- The Power of Ethical Management
- The One Minute Manager & Putting the One Minute Manager to Work
- Winning Against Stress
- Assertiveness: The Right Choice
- The Psychology of Achievement
- Becoming the Promotable Woman

Please contact Personnel at x203 for further information.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

Tuesday, May 5, 6:30 pm
Sawdust Cafe
English as a Second Language

Thursday, May 7, 6:30 pm
Sawdust Cafe
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SEMINARS

HORTICULTURAL SCIENCES

Date: Monday, May 4
Time: 11:00 am
Place: Staff Room, Jordan Hall
Speaker: Walter Haeussler
 Director of Patents and Licensing, Cornell Research Foundation
Topic: The Cornell Research Foundation

ENTOMOLOGY

Date: Wednesday, May 6
Time: 3:30 pm
Place: Room 310, Barton Lab
Speaker: Dr. Robert Granados
 Program Director, Plant Protection, Boyce Thompson Institute
Topic: Baculovirus Enhancers: Versatile Proteins for Biological Insect Control

POLICIES, PROCEDURES and PEOPLE

• Update on Joe Petrone

Joe is home and recuperating from open heart surgery. Get well wishes can be sent to him at 463 Washington Street, Geneva, NY 14456.

• Warning Received

Is there an Edwards High Vacuum International rotary pump anywhere in your lab or workplace? If so, a letter of warning has been received concerning models E2M5 and E2M8 purchased from VWR. It is possible for an electric shock hazard to exist in the electric motor. If you do have one of these pumps, contact Buildings & Properties, x301, for a copy of the letter regarding information on a modification kit for the motor.

WHAT IS GEC?

The purpose of the Geneva Employee Council is to provide a means through which employees at the Geneva Experiment Station can address their problems and can work to improve communications within the Experiment Station and with Cornell University. Each department has members to act as liaisons with the station to voice your needs or concerns. We meet once a month to discuss those needs or concerns. We welcome Station employees to these meetings to discuss individual needs or concerns, as well as questions about how things work within the station. We have five sub-committees that always welcome your topics or ideas of interest. They are as follows:

- **Communications**

Jim Ballerstein, Horticultural Sciences
 Chris Becker, Plant Pathology
 Janet Garlick, Integrated Pest Management

- **Education**

Lorraine Barry, Horticultural Sciences
 Chris Becker, Plant Pathology
 Jeanne Samimy, Library

- **Employee Assistance Program**

Chris Becker, Plant Pathology
 Ann Cobb, Plant Pathology
 Charie Hibbard, Personnel
 Doug Knowlton, Food Science & Technology
 Nancy Staton, Entomology

- **Lunchroom**

Alan Soper, Field Research Unit

- **Nomination**

Dale Frankish, Field Research Unit
 Mollie Ross, Integrated Pest Management

GEC meets on the second Thursday of each month at the Sawdust Cafe from 12:00 PM until 1:00 PM. The next three meetings are as follows:

May 14th

June 11th

July 9th

Everyone is welcome to attend!

CO-ED STATION SOFTBALL IS ABOUT TO BEGIN

Just a reminder to let everyone know that the co-ed Station Softball League will begin play on Tuesday, May 19. It is not too late to sign up if you would like to play in this co-ed league. Everyone at the station, as well as direct family members, is welcome to participate, and everyone who joins a team and shows up for the games will get a chance to play. Again, this is a co-ed league for all Station employees, so please sign up if you are interested in playing softball this summer. Contact one of the following to participate:

Buildings and Properties -

Ed 'Wild-Man' Bailey (301)

Entomology -

the beautiful Donna Roelofs (325)

Germplasm Resources -

Phil 'Wheels' Forsline (390)

Horticultural Sciences -

Kevin 'Hot-Rod' Maloney (221)

Plant Pathology -

Brian 'the Dude' Terhune (332)

Xtras -

Matt 'the Moose' Lewis (251)

Commissioner -

Chris 'all talk' Hayes (246)

CLASSIFIEDS

FREE to GOOD HOME: 2 1/2 yr. old, female Husky-Shepherd (spayed). Black & white with blue eyes. Very affectionate and playful. I love her dearly, but she would be so much happier in a country home. Call Elaine at x253.