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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 29 - 1:00 p. m. - Auditorium, Jordan Hall - Special Regional Dry Bean Meeting
 29 - 8:00 p. m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - U. S. Power Squadron
 30 - 3:30 p. m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Pomology Department Seminar
 31 - 1:30 p. m. - Tour: 4H Group, Canandaigua
- April 1 - 10:00 a. m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Empire State Gladiolus Society
 Spring Directors Meeting
 3 - 8:00 p. m. - Mrs. Barton's Home - Ceres Circle
 4 - 9:30 a. m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Potato Agents and Specialists
 4 - 1:00 p. m. - Tour: Advanced Economic Biology Students, State University
 College, Buffalo
 5 - 9:30 a. m. - Tour: Michigan Fruit Growers
 5 - 8:00 p. m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - U. S. Power Squadron
 6 - Noon - Auditorium, Jordan Hall - Travelogue: Trinidad, Miss Marilyn
 Mautz
 6 - 3:30 p. m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Station Seminar

GERTRUDE CATLIN WINS AWARDS



The most delightful news that has crossed our desk for this issue is that Gertrude Catlin, Entomology Photographer, has just returned victoriously from the Annual Conference of Professional Photographers Society of New York at Grossingers. Gertrude exhibited four prints and walked away with four ribbons. This is quite an accomplishment especially when two of the four ribbons were blues. The two prints receiving top award were, "Brush-Foot Butterfly" and "Lunar Snack" (Lunar Moth). In the photograph opposite, Gertrude is shown with her winning photographs. I am sure that all members of the Station staff join us in congratulating Gertrude on her fine showing and excellent prowess with her camera.

STATEWIDE RASPBERRY AND BLUEBERRY MEETING

The Station's good friend John Tompkins chaired a raspberry and blueberry meeting Wednesday here at the Station. One hundred and twenty-five interested raspberry and blueberry growers and a number of fieldmen from the processing industry were in attendance. Joe Keplinger, George Schafers, George Slate, and Don Ourecky were members of our Station staff participating in the program. One of the most interesting portions of the program was an illustrated talk by Donald Cunningham, Blueberry Equipment, Inc., South Haven, Michigan on mechanical harvesting equipment for raspberries and blueberries. Although New York State has a relatively small proportion of the total acreage of raspberries and blueberries, it was strongly recommended at the meeting that a number of growers consider the possibility of raising raspberries in this state since we have the climate and soils to produce excellent quality berries. Also, it was mentioned that raspberries are relatively scarce and prices are high in the fresh fruit markets.

REGIONAL DRY BEAN MEETING SCHEDULED MARCH 29

About 300 persons are expected for the Special Regional Dry Bean Meeting to be held March 29 in Jordan Hall. Three members of our staff, Keith Steinkraus, Freeman McEwen, and John Natti will present papers at this meeting. Keith will discuss research developments on new products and uses of dry beans, and Freeman will inform dry bean growers of recent insect control advances. John Natti will concentrate on root rot control efforts with chemicals and crop rotation. The meeting is scheduled from 1:15 p. m. to 3:30 p. m.

SPECIAL NOTE OF INTEREST

Because of the Dry Bean Meeting scheduled for March 29, it is going to be necessary for us to ask that all Station employees refrain from parking in the Jordan Hall parking lot on the afternoon of that day. Because a large attendance is expected, we will have to find space for perhaps as many as 150 cars. Your cooperation on this matter will be greatly appreciated by those attending the conference. It is hoped that we will not have to make this special announcement for many more meetings since enlargement of the Jordan Hall parking lot is going to become a reality one of these days in the near future.

CERES CIRCLE SCHEDULES MEETING APRIL 3

The next meeting date for Ceres Circle will be Monday, April 3 at 8:00 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Donald Barton. Bob LaBelle, Food Science, will present a series of slides on mountain climbing. Program Chairman is Mrs. Desmond Dolan and hostesses are Mrs. Robert Shallenberger and Mrs. Claude Heit. We hope that as many as possible of the women Station employees and wives of Station employees will be able to attend what appears to be a most interesting program.

VISITORS

Entomology seems to be getting hit rather hard with visitors at the present time. Recent visitors to this department include Dr. Jan Van Diepen, Stauffer Chemical Co., Cooksville, Ontario, Canada and Dr. Richard Buck, Union Carbide Chemical Co., New York City. This next week Entomology will have a visitor from Thailand. He is Mr. S. Prasertphon who is in charge of the biological control program in that country. Mr. Prasertphon has been spending considerable time at the University of California and is now coming to New York State to visit with Freeman McEwen and Wendall Roelofs on our facets of biological control.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

Mrs. Christina Ponchak has accepted an appointment as research technician in Food Science and Technology effective March 16. Christina received her B.S. degree from Muhlenberg College in 1964 and has been employed at Lederle Laboratories in Pearl River, New York. Her husband is in the Army and is stationed at the Seneca Ordnance Depot. They are now residing in Seneca Falls and Christina will be working with John Burke on metabolism and toxicology studies of pesticides.

Congratulations to Winston Low of Food Science who has completed work on his M. S. degree and is returning to his home in Hong Cong for four months where he will work with his father in the soy milk business. Winston will be back at the Geneva Station beginning July 1 to start work on his PhD. degree.

Miss Janet Antenucci resigned her position in Plant Introductions and has been replaced by Mrs. Judy Rector.

Beatrice Oakes and Stephen Douglass will return to RIT this week following three months of study at Geneva in the Department of Food Science and Technology. Greg Farling will be reporting for work from RIT as part of the special training program established by this institution.

ROUND AND SQUARE DANCE DEEMED SUCCESS

Jean Cleere, Entomology, wishes to thank all members of her committee who worked on the Station Club Round and Square Dance held recently. Jean reports that the dance was a rousing success and everyone who attended seemed to have an excellent time. We hope that Station Club will continue its very fine programs which it has scheduled for this year.

SEMINAR CANCELLATION

Word was received that the seminar originally scheduled for 10:00 a. m. on March 29 by Len Topeleski has been cancelled indefinitely. You will be informed of the new date as soon as it is learned.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS REPORT

We were sorry to learn that Dr. Mahtat Shalkh is temporarily incapacitated by a sprained ankle.

DEATHS

The sympathies of the entire Station staff are extended to Mrs. O. F. Curtis whose mother, Mrs. Mosher, passed away last weekend. Mrs. Mosher, at the time of her death, was in Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester. Burial was Wednesday in Marcellus.

VACATIONERS

Dr. and Mrs. Foster Gambrell flew to Puerto Rico last week for a brief vacation and are expected back this coming Monday.

Fred Taschenberg is going to spend some vacation time in Florida and on his way expects to see his daughter in Tennessee.

	WEATHER		
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