



WEEK OF DECEMBER 16, 1990

STATION NOTES

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, December 18, 6:30 pm

Sawdust Cafe

English as a Second Language

Thursday, December 20, 6:30 pm

Sawdust Cafe

English as a Second Language

SEMINARS

HORTICULTURAL SCIENCES

Date: Monday, December 17

Time: 11:00 am

Place: Staff Room, Jordan Hall

Speaker: Mr. James Turner,
Graduate Research
Assistant, Horticultural
Sciences, Geneva

Topic: Mechanism for Sugar
Accumulation in
Grape Berries

PEOPLE, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Andy Rao, Food Science and Technology, served as a member of the CSRS Comprehensive Review Team, Department of Food Science, Penn State University, December 10-14.

• A Special Thank You

Thanks to all Station employees, retirees, and friends who purchased citrus fruit in the recent sale by Ontario Day Care Center. Your support is greatly appreciated. *Janice Valerio*

DON'T FORGET

The Station Club

CHRISTMAS PARTY

*this Saturday, December 15
at 2:00 pm in Jordan Hall*

BRUCE MOORE NAMED ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF OF GENEVA



Bruce Moore's truck was recently fitted with flashing red lights—just in time for Christmas. But this is one set of lights that won't be coming down after the holidays.

Bruce, the printer in Communications Services, was elected Assistant Fire Chief for the City of Geneva on December 3. The appointment is for five years, and took effect December 4. Bruce has been a member of the Hydrant Hose Fire Company since January 1969. During that time he has held nearly every office in the organization, including Second and First Lieutenant, Captain, Vice President, and President.

He has also served on a number of committees and has attended over 20 fire schools and seminars. A look at the seminar titles provides a good indication of the breadth of Bruce's firefighting knowledge. Some of the seminars he has participated in include:

- Essentials of Firemanship
- Crash Extraction
- Fire Command—Today, Tomorrow and Beyond
- Search and Rescue, and
- Hazardous Materials

According to Bruce, the Assistant Chief's duties are "to take charge of the fire team and direct operations at the scene." This past Tuesday, Bruce was "the only chief in town" and in charge city wide until 12:30 p.m. He said "a call went in that morning which turned out to be a car leaking gas, that we just cleaned up."

While that call was fairly routine, Bruce feels that his training and experience have prepared him for just about any eventuality.

Hail to the Chief!

Joe Ogrodnick

*Oh, Chistmas Tree, oh Christmas Tree,
How lovely are thy branches...*



From left, Linda Jensen, Pam Tyman, and Janice Valerio.

Plant Pathology secretaries unveiled the department's new Christmas tree at a special coffee break last Friday. The new tree replaces an older one that has been limping its way through the last few Christmases. In the midst of pre-holiday hustle and fiscal blahs, the new tree is a refreshing addition to the department's decor.

STATION PEOPLE
HAVE NOW WORKED

153

DAYS WITHOUT A
LOST TIME ACCIDENT

RACQUETBALL LADDER

No matches played 12/6-12/12.

Jim McFerson	PGRU	390
Chris Hayes	HS	246
Curt Petzoldt	IPM	206
Phil Forsline	PGRU	390
Tom Burr	PP	315
Joe Kovach	IPM	209
Gary Harman	HS	246
Ed Woodams	FST	265
Matt Lewis	CS	251
Walter Wolf	ENT	362

If interested in joining the ladder or to report game results, call Matt Lewis at x251.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR RENT: 2-3-bedroom apartment, unfurnished, off-street parking, heat included, near hospital. \$375 per month. Available January 1. Phone 315/585-9515 after 6:00 pm.

FOR RENT: Room available in 1-story, 3-bedroom house (1.5 miles from Station, across from YMCA on William Street). Available January 7. Rent \$250/month — includes utilities, shared kitchen, bath, living/dining area, full basement, and off-street parking. Washer/dryer available. Non-smokers and no pets. Call Carla at x262 days or 789-5310 evenings.

FOR SALE: Matching couch, loveseat and chair; \$75 or best offer. Call Matt x251.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GENEVA EMPLOYEE COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON

The Council strives to fulfill it's mission to enhance communications within the Station and with the Ithaca campus, and to enhance the well-being of all Station employees. I am pleased to announce that the GEC Employee Handbook, written substantially under the guidance of members of the 1988 Council, will be printed in early 1991. Again this year, two outstanding employees have been recognized. It has been a pleasure to work with the dedicated group of people on the this year's Council and to be a part of their efforts to help make the Experiment Station a great place to work.

Roger Cullen

ASSEMBLY REPORT

It has been an honor to represent the Geneva Station community on both the Employee Assembly and the Personnel Policy Committee during the past year. This has given me an opportunity to meet and better understand my peers and the concerns of the Cornell campus.

During the last year, the Em-

ployee Assembly has addressed and dealt with many topics and concerns. They have ranged from employee in-equities to recycling with the employee newspaper task force, the Task Force on Working Families, Classification study, Advisory committee on the status of women, Endowed health care plan, and Parking policy falling somewhere in between it all. This Assembly has been very active and useful for both the university and employee as a whole.

The Personnel Policy Committee, as a body of the Employee Assembly, has worked on many of the same topics as mentioned above, with a particular concentration on the Task Force for Working Families and policies affecting all of us. A most recent concern has been emergency telephone procedures which is being addressed by Administration and the Office of Human Resources.

In early October of this year, I was pleased to accept the office of Chairperson of the Personnel Policy Committee for a one-year term.

As in the past, I welcome any concerns on the Geneva Campus which can be brought to the attention of the Employee Assembly or Personnel Policy Committee.

Dave Lasher

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

This Committee consists of three members: Jeanne Samimy (Lib), Bud Smith (PP), and Janice Valerio (PP). The Communications Committee serves to keep Station employees informed of GEC activities, by printing items of interest in

Station Notes. The Committee is in control of the GEC budget and gives a report to the Council at monthly meetings.

The Committee is pleased to report that the GEC Employee Handbook will be published in early 1991. This Handbook will be kept with the Personnel Manuals located in each department. Station staff will be notified via *Station Notes* when the Employee Handbook has been printed and it is recommended that all employees take time to look through this informative publication.

Janice Valerio

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Education Committee consists of three members: Elizabeth Baroody (FS&T), David Gadoury (PP), and Janice Valerio (PP). The Committee's goals for the year have been to continue to fulfill the results of the previous questionnaire which gave the Committee an idea of what courses and subject areas Station employees were interested in. Since a large majority of employees were interested in Nutrition, the Committee invited Dr. Donald B. Zilversmit, Professor of Nutritional Sciences, Cornell University, Ithaca to speak on "The Nutritional-Cholesterol Question" on Monday, July 9, 1990 at 12 Noon. This seminar was advertised in the *Geneva Pennysaver* and *Finger Lakes Times* to promote outside interest and to make the Geneva Community aware of GEC. The seminar was a success with 20 people attending. Since the previously held Standard First Aid Course was such a success, the Committee is in the process of setting a date for another course. All Station employees are encouraged to participate in courses offered by GEC, you are the ones that make them a success. If you have any suggestions or a request for a specific event, please contact one of the Education Committee members.

Elizabeth Baroody

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The 1990 members of this committee were Steve Spangler (Ent), Dale Frankish (FRU), and Mollie Ross (IPM). The Committee has two responsibilities. One is to develop a slate of candidates for the annual elections to membership on the GEC. We encourage all Station employees to nominate candidates for the GEC, or to put yourself on the ballot. It is important that new people join the Council so we can have input of new ideas and involvement from all Station employees. The GEC elects half of its membership each year. These memberships are in three categories: non-academic exempt (CP), non-exempt (NP-GR), and academic (prof., CA, Grad. Asst.). The other responsibility of this committee is to mediate the selection of the two Outstanding Employee Awards; one is presented at the summer picnic, and the other is presented at the fall banquet. This year, the summer Outstanding Employee Award was given

to Patty Gibbs (CS), nominated by Audrey Gardner (FST); and the fall award was given to Martin Goffinet (HS), nominated by Dona Soper (HS). Both awards were presented by Director Hunter. The candidates were selected by a volunteer panel of Station employees who are not members of GEC.

Steve Spangler

NYSAES RETIREE'S ASSOCIATION REPORT

The annual luncheon meeting of the Retiree's Association was held Monday, April 30. The purpose of this meeting was to elect officers and plan for the coming year. The following officers were elected: President—Joe Pettrone; Vice President—Phil Crough; Secretary—Dorothy Lynch, and Treasurer—Rita Curtin. This year's events included a fun-filled trip to Toronto on May 15-16, the Retiree's Association Picnic on July 17, and a trip to Cooperstown on September 11. The Retiree's catered two Station picnics this year—the Plant Pathology Picnic on July 20 and the Station Club Picnic on July 27. Lastly, the Retiree's held their Christmas party this year on December 5 at the Waterloo Holiday Inn. The annual meeting for 1991 is scheduled in May.

Dorothy Lynch

Six 2-Year Seats to be Filled

COUNCIL SEEKS NOMINATIONS FROM EMPLOYEES

As announced last week, the time has arrived for receipt of nominations for the Geneva Employee Council.

This year, six seats are to be filled: five non-academic exempt (CP); and one academic (Prof., CA, grad. assist.). We thank the following people who will be leaving GEC: Jeanne Samimy, Liz Baroody, Dave Gadoury, Janice Valerio, Roger Cullen, and Cathy Matteson.

The GEC is dedicated to serve employees by making the Station a good place to work. Fresh ideas and an abiding interest in the Station and its future are desirable characteristics for nominees. Those interested are asked to complete the form below and mail or deliver to Steve Spangler, Entomology, Barton Lab, or Dale Frankish, Field Research Unit, no later than Monday, January 7, 1991.

Elections will be held in mid-January. Get involved, it's good Station citizenship.

NOMINATION APPLICATION

I state that I am eligible* and willing to serve as a Geneva Employee Council Member from my constituency. I anticipate being a member of the Geneva Experiment Station community for the full length of the term to be served.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Campus Address: _____

Campus Phone: _____

Category for which you are being nominated: _____

*For purposes of voting and membership on the GEC, employees are defined as any regular full-time or regular part-time member of the three above-listed categories.