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GRANTS

A nine-member interdisciplinary turfgrass science team which includes **Dr. Fred Baxendale** was awarded \$500,000 by the U.S. Golf Association in support of a three year, regional (Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas) project to investigate "Pesticide and Fertilizer Fate in Turfgrasses Managed Under Golf Course Conditions".

SPRING 1991 SEMESTER

The first day of classes is January 14. Classes being taught in the Department this semester are:

General and Applied Entomology taught by **Dr. Ackland Jones** with the lab being taught by **Ms. Nancy Witters**.

Beekeeping taught by Mr. Marion Ellis.

Management of Field Crops taught by **Dr. Z B Mayo.**

Seminar taught by Dr. John Foster.

Comparative Insect Anatomy and Histology taught by **Dr. Ackland Jones**.

Becoming a Professional Scientist taught by Drs. Leon Higley and David Stanley-Samuelson.

Independent Study, Research Entomology, Masters Thesis, and Doctoral Dissertation are also offered.

"The price of greatness is responsibility."
Winston Churchill

Dr. Kenneth Pruess began a change of duty for 6 months January 1. He will spend the time in Dr. Tom Powers' lab in Plant Pathology working on molecular biological techniques.

Dr. Fred Baxendale was an invited speaker at The 29th Annual Nebraska Turfgrass Conference which was held January 7-9, 1991, in Omaha, Nebraska.

CONGRATULATIONS Mr. Stephen Spomer for being elected by the faculty curators as a Research Associate of the Division of Entomology of the University of Nebraska State Museum. The appointment is for five years.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

Ms. Paula Gouveia Marcon, Mr. David Currey, and Ms. Midori Ono are beginning graduate studies in the Department January 1991. Paula will be supervised by Dr. Gus Thomas, David by Dr. Jim Petersen, and Midori by Dr. Blair Siegfried.

"Well done is better than well said."

Ben Franklin

DEPARTMENTAL VISITORS

Dr. Wendy Wintersteen, Department of Entomology Iowa State University, was in the Department January 10-11 working with **Dr. Leon Higley** on a book chapter.

Dr. Mike Villani, Department of Entomology Cornell University, spoke on the "Biological Control of Turfgrass Insect Pests" at The 29th Annual Nebraska Turfgrass Conference in Omaha, Nebraska. Dr. Villani was the invited quest of **Dr. Fred Baxendale**.

DEPARTMENTAL TRAVELERS

Dr. David Stanley-Samuelson visited the Department of Biology at the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio, January 6-8. He presented a seminar on "Comparative Eicosanoid Physiology in Invertebrate Animals", coordinated research objectives with Professor Rick Karp and his group, and presented lessons on the biochemistry of eicosanoids.

PUBLICATIONS

"Phospholipid fatty acid composition and arachidonic acid metabolism in selected tissues of adult <u>Tenebrio molitor</u> (Coleoptera: Tenebrionidae) by Ralph Howard and **David Stanley-Samuelson** published in Ann. Entomol. Soc. Am.

"Nutritional interactions revealed by tissue fatty acid profiles of an obligate myrmecophilous predator, Microdon albicomatus, and its prey, Myrmica incompleta (Diptera: Syrphidae) (Hymenoptera: Formicidae)" by David Stanley-Samuelson, Ralph Howard and Roger Akre published in Ann. Entomol. Soc. Am.

"Manipulation of larval diapause of the European corn borer (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae) as a potential mechanism of integrated pest management" by W.B. Showers, A.J. Keaster, J.F. Witkowski, S.L. Clement, H.C. Chiang, and A.N. Sparks published in Environ. Entomol.

MISCELLANEOUS

Happy Birthday	
Mike Catangui	January 2
Paula Gouveia Marc	on 4
Keith Jarvi	12
Betty Meyers	19
Barb Spike	25
Ron Seymour	31

On behalf of the Department, we would like to WELCOME **Cheri Marshall**, our new full time accounting clerk. She is married and the mother of two children, Dan (13) and Nicole (7).

The Departmental Holiday Party January 3 at the Lincoln Hilton was a success and everyone enjoyed themselves very much.

The Funny Bone (local comedy club) has offered the Department of Entomology complimentary tickets for the January 30 and 31 evening shows. Details and sign-up sheets are located in the copy room. Kevin Mattran (Pat's son) is one of the comedians for those performances. Sign up and join in the fun.

Cheri Marshall has made some changes to the requisition form currently being used. The forms basically require the same information; and if you have any questions regarding the changes, please stop by and ask Cheri. The forms will still be kept in the copy room along with other Departmental forms.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Jim and Karen Kalisch** on the birth of their daughter Katherine Joy (Katie) born January 14 at 1 p.m. Mother and child doing fine.