

PPGSA September 28th Meeting Minutes

Master's Symposium- Nov. 18th

- Refreshments start at 8:30, first talk at 9:00, lunch will be served
- Plan on coming as attendance is expected
- If you are giving a talk, email 1-page abstract to Courtney by Nov. 1st

Departmental BBQ- Oct. 15th

- Held at Green Hope Elementary from 4-7
- It will be catered but grad students are responsible for desserts and snacks, if 3 more people could bring chips/dip that would be great! Please let Jim know at jpkerns@ncsu.edu if you can.

DH Hill Student Advocate

- Melanie had volunteered to be Plant Pathology's student advocate and will serve as the conduit between the library and our department

Plant Pathology Journal Discussion Group- Oct. 20th

- We are going to start the journal discussion group soon, with Oct 20th as the first date. It will either be over breakfast or lunch with the meal provided. The location will be alternated between Gardner, Method, and Centennial. The first papers will be by our own Dr. Paola Veronese. Further details will be sent out soon.

Fund Raiser

- We raised a net profit of over \$1000! Good job guys!
- The bulbs will be shipped out Oct 10th. Laura will send out an email as soon as they arrive to set a time for people to come and help to sort bulbs. Even if you didn't sell any, please come help out because the money we raised is for everybody.

Website

- If you have any good pictures of students and or faculty having a good time not involving alcohol (or if you're good with photoshop) please send them to Ryan Parks!

Prelim Question Collection

- If you have any or know of anyone with prelim questions please email them to Damon Smith so he can post them on the web for people to study from.

Graduate Student Office

- Thanks Jim and Amanda for planning it and thanks to Jim, Amanda, Courtney, Nurpali, Melanie, Ryan, and Damon for painting it. But you can still contribute to the lounge that we will ALL share. We will be doing some cleaning this Monday at 2:30 so please come by for what ever time you can!

Social Activities!!!!!!!!!!

- Send-off for Lynne Felt. We'll be getting a cake for her and having it before we all go out for Mitch's around 4:30 to beer up a fond farewell for this awesome woman.
- First Friday will be postponed to Oct 14th due to fall break-be there for beer!
- A camping trip WILL be held in the spring so if anybody is dying to do something let Melanie know so she can get on it!!!