Hold the dates!
Assistant Professor – Post Harvest Candidate Interviews

Please plan to participate on November 15 & 25. Both candidates will give a seminar at 10:00 a.m. the day of their interview. Treva will email itineraries soon.

November Seminars

**All to be held at 4:05 p.m. in 2318 - Fifield Hall**

November 5  Jean Ristaino, William Neal Reynolds Distinguished Professor of Plant Pathology, and Director, Emerging Plant Disease & Global Food Security Cluster, North Carolina State University
Tracking the threat of late blight in global agriculture

November 12 Rebecca Nelson, Professor, Plant Pathology Department, Cornell University and Scientific Director for The McKnight Foundation’s Collaborative Crop Research Program
Managing mycotoxins in African maize

November 19 Lorenzo Rossi, Horticultural Science Root Biologist, Horticulture Department, IRREC - University of Florida
Synergistic effects of Phytophthora and salt stress on young citrus seedling root anatomy and physiology

November 26 Kamaldeep Bansal, PhD Candidate, Plant Pathology Department, University of Florida
Comparative genomics and transcriptomics of the pollen-mimicking floral infection of blueberry by Monilinia vaccinii-corymbosi


UF/IFAS Leads Multistate Research to Reduce Pepper Diseases; Boost Production, featuring Pamela Roberts

Thank you to EVERYONE that participated in the 1st Annual UF/IFAS Food Fight! A friendly competition among a few IFAS departments. Our department collected 663 items that will be donated to the UF Field and Fork Pantry. We came in 1st place! Great job PLANT PATHOLOGY!!

Upcoming Holidays and Events

- **November 8**: Coffee Break 🍭 Hosted by Garrett, White, Greenhouse
- **November 11**: Veteran's Day – **UF Closed**
- **November 21**: Florida Ag Expo – GCREC
- **November 22-23**: Wilmot Gardens Fall Plant Sale
- **November 28-29**: Thanksgiving Holiday – **UF Closed**
- **December 4**: Last day of classes
- **December 5-6**: Reading Days (No classes)
- **December 6**: PLP Holiday Party *(more information at later day)*
- **December 6-7**: Environmental Horticulture Student Club Poinsettia Sale
- **December 9 & 10**: Emerging Agricultural Enterprises Summit – Straughn Center, Gainesville
- **December 7-13**: Exam Week
- **December 13-15**: Commencements
- **December 25-31**: Holiday Break – **UF Closed**
- **January 1**: New Year’s Day – **UF Closed**
Greenhouse Reminders

For all new personnel and annually for all others, the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) video must be viewed **BEFORE** gaining access to any greenhouse. Please contact Mike Stilwell if you are uncertain of when your renewal is due.

Wednesdays are “Spray Days”. If special arrangements are needed, your P.I. must send your request via e-mail to mstilwel@ufl.edu by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Biohazard Waste – Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) Protocol

- **Autoclave Bags** – please follow ALL steps below
  - Use only autoclave bags that are rated for at least 132° Celsius for plant material and soil
  - DO NOT overfill
  - Please secure bag with the twist ties provided, DO NOT use autoclave tape to secure bag or tie in knots!
  - Please place a piece of 3-4-inch autoclave tape on a flat surface of the bag in a place that is easy to see
  - DO NOT include items that will puncture bags
  - DO NOT leave bags on the floor. This will result in citation from EH & S
  - Use a permanent marker to identify each bag with name of principal investigator and lab room number

  **If you have questions, or need assistance, call Mike Stilwell at (352) 392-4478.**