27th Annual Nickels Field Day
May 11, 2004
Green Bay Road, Arbuckle

8:30 am  Coffee and Danish: Courtesy of Colusa/Glenn Farm Credit
9:00 am  Field Talks

- Marianna 2624 Rooted Orchards - Varieties, Advantages & Performance
  John Edstrom, UC Farm Advisor, Colusa County

- Walnut Hedgerow Production at Nickels
  Bill Krueger, UC Farm Advisor, Glenn County

- Investigating Alternative Rootstocks
  Joe Connell, UC Farm Advisor, Butte County

- Precision Irrigation and Fertilizer Management - Current Needs/Future Solutions,
  Dr. Patrick Brown, Robert Coates, Dr. Ken Shackel, Dr. Michael Delwiche,
  UC Davis

- Optimizing Potassium Nutrition
  Dr. Roland Meyer, Extension Soils Specialist, UCD

- Electronic Repeller for Controlling Crows
  Dr. Michael Delwiche & Andrew Houk, Biological and Agricultural
  Engineering, UCD

- Reducing Soil Erosion on the Farm
  Jeanette Wrysinski, Project Manager, Yolo County Resource Conservation
  District

- Tree Trellising and Staking Systems
  Franz Niederholzer, UC Farm Advisor, Sutter & Yuba Counties and Mike
  Perry, Lassen Land Company, Orland

12 noon  Luncheon by reservation to benefit Pierce Youth Foundation
1:00 p.m.  Brush Shredding Demonstration
           Al Orth, Flory Industries, Salida

PCA Credit - 1 hour requested
IPFP Meeting
Tuesday, May 18, 2004
1:30 pm
Westermann Farms, Hamilton City

Ag Waivers and New Pesticide Regulations Related to Prunes
   Glenn County Ag. Commissioner and Allan Fulton, UCCE, Tehama County

Pest Monitoring
   Carolyn Pickel and Franz Niederholzer, UC/ IPM Farm Advisors, Sutter/Yuba Counties

Early Leaf Samples for Nitrogen and Potassium and Prune Nutrition
   Steve Southwick, UC Dried Plum Specialist and Franz Niederholzer, UC Farm Advisor, Sutter/Yuba Counties

Regulated Deficit Irrigation For Prunes
   Rick Buchner or Allan Fulton, UCCE, Tehama County

Smart Sprayer Technology Demonstration
   Speaker to be announced

To get to Westermann Farms, take Highway 32 to Hamilton City. On the west side of the railroad tracks, turn north into the headquarters and look for signs.

Risk Management Seminar Reminder
You should have received notification of two upcoming risk management seminars. The first Plant or Pull: The Economic Outlook for Tree Crops will focus on tree crops and will be held starting at 8:00 am, Thursday, May 6th, at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Yuba City. The second, Tailoring Risk Management to Fit Your Farm, will be more general and will be held starting at 8:30 am, Friday, May 14th at the Small Business Development Center in Chico. Call our office at 530-865-1107 if you would like more information.

Integrated Prune Farming Practices Handbook Available
The Integrated Prune Farming Practices Decision Guide is the result of a project initiated by the California Dried Plum Board in 1998 to develop and demonstrate IPM practices for dried plums. The manual includes information on aphids, Peach Twig Borer, Oblique Banded Leaf Roller, web spinning mites, Prune Rust, nitrogen budgeting, and using midday stem water potential for prune irrigation management. Also included with the manual are the Tree Fruit Pest Identification cards (a $15 value) and computer software for pest monitoring record keeping and pesticide use reporting. This manual is available from our office for $30 plus tax.

Weekly Crop ET Data Available
For weekly ET data converted for specific crops, you can go to our website at http://ceglenn.ucdavis.edu, click on Orchards Crops, then click on orchard crop links. If you do not have internet access, call our office at 865-1107 to have the information faxed or mailed to you.
Luncheon Reservation Form

Please return this form and your check by May 3.

Cost:  $10.00/person (Prepaid Reservation)
       $15.00/person at the door

Make checks payable to:  Pierce Youth Foundation

Mail to:  Pierce Youth Foundation
          P.O. Box 1349
          Arbuckle, CA  95912

Name:
Address:
City:  State:  Zip:
Phone:

Name(s) of Attendee(s):

Total Amount Enclosed: