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Celebrating Vincent E. Petrucci

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Professor Vincent Petrucci and his students





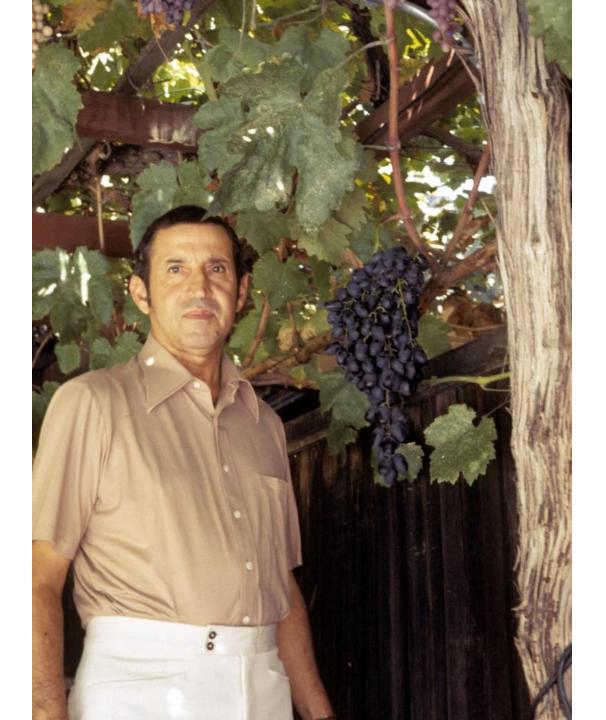










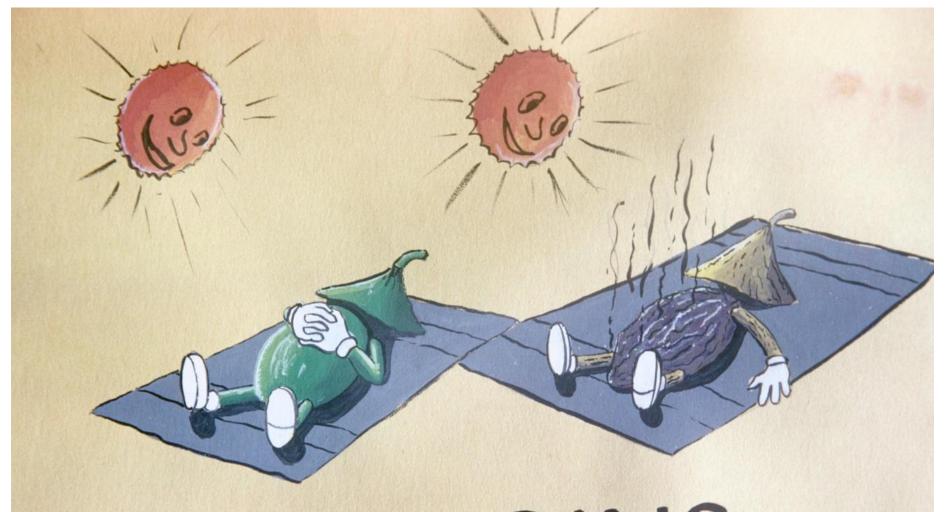




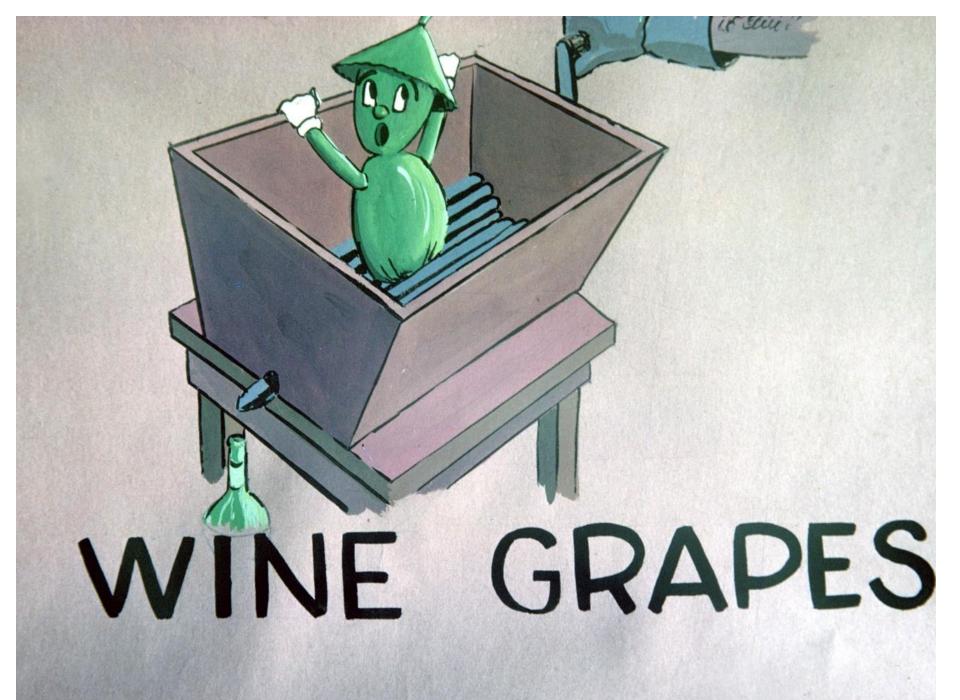


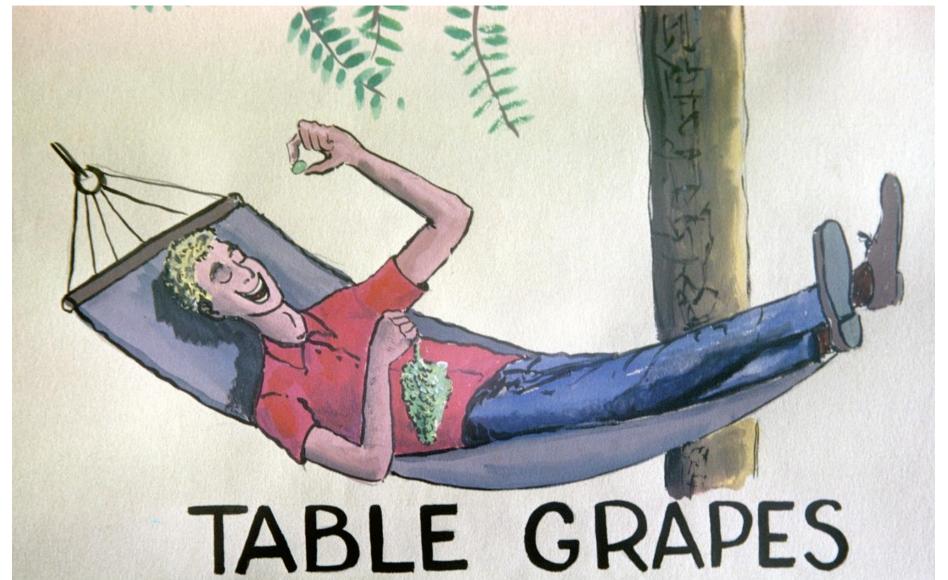


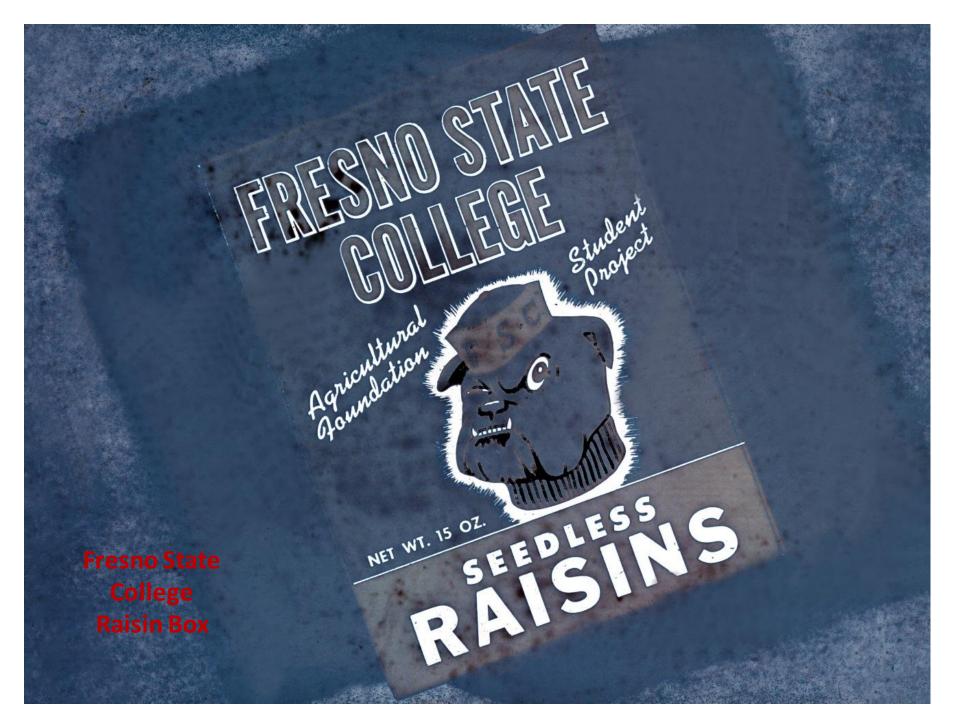


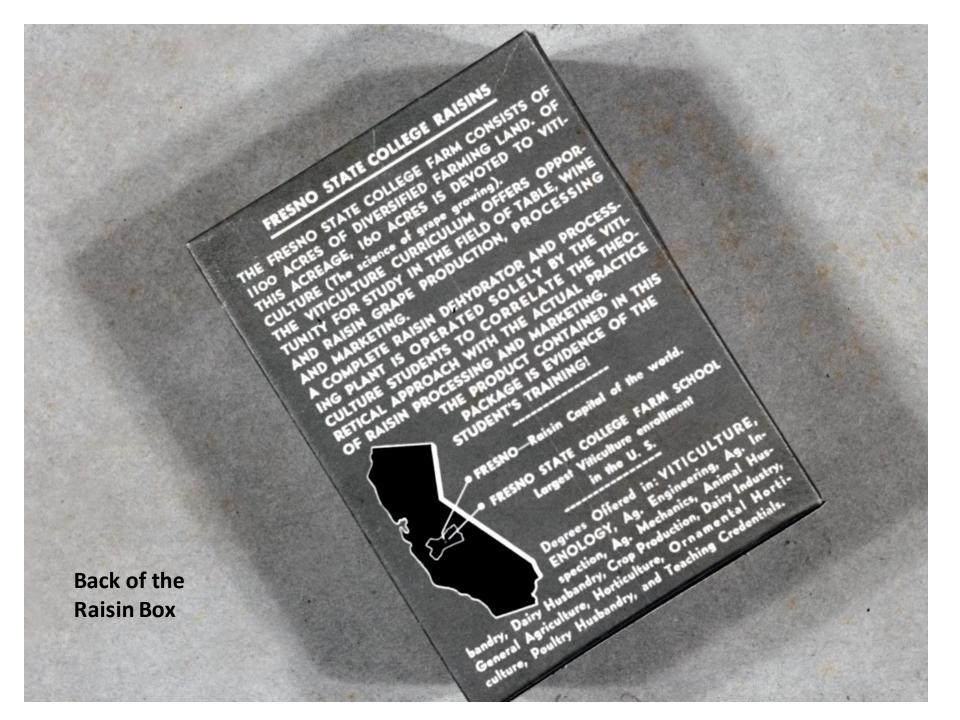


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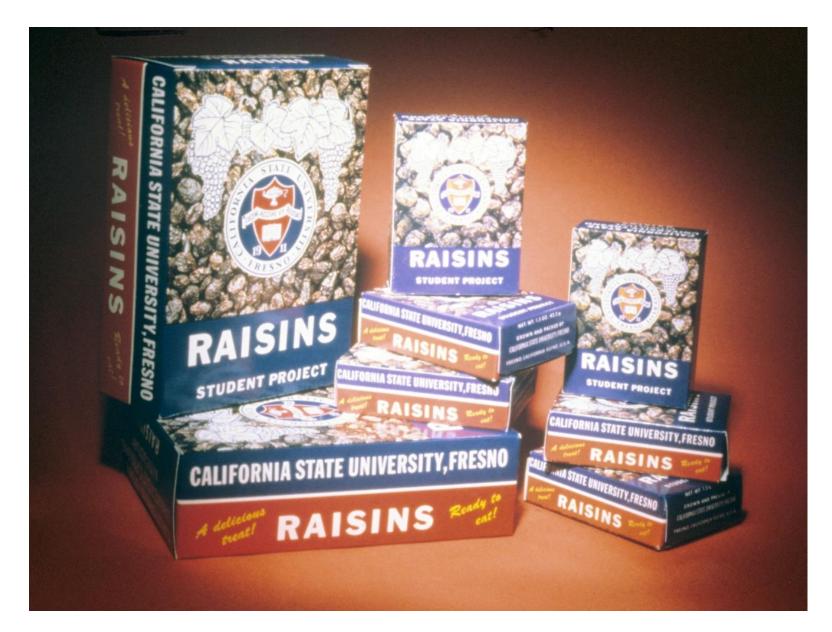












California State University, Fresno Raisin Box



















Pete P. Peters Conference Room 1970's



Gallo Graduate Research Laboratory 1970's

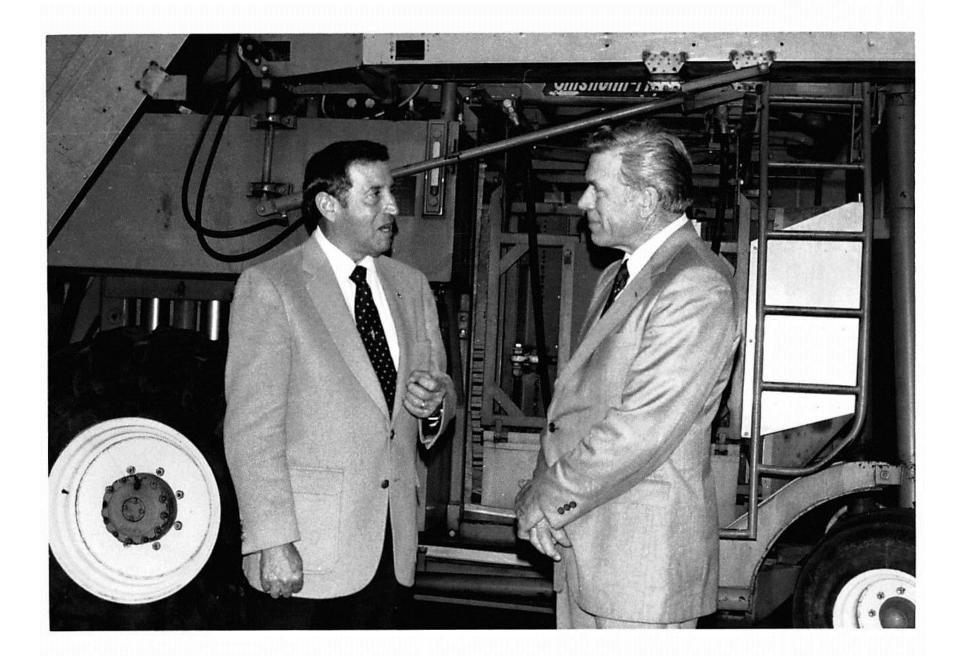


Sun Maid Technical Laboratory – 1970's





Vince Petrucci in Russia





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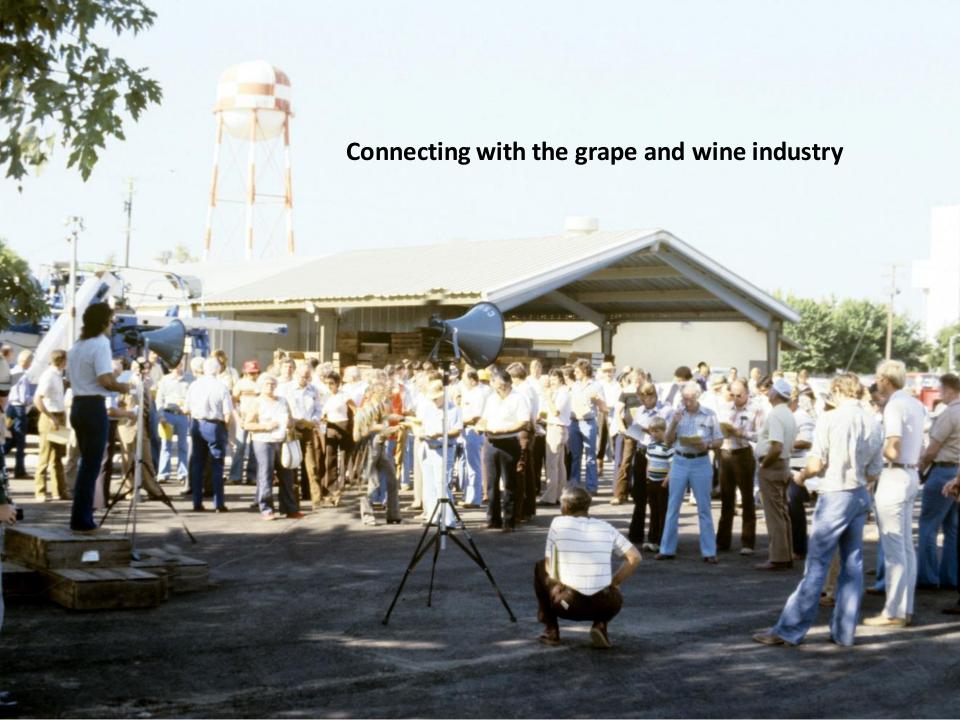




Vineyard Manager, Dom Bavaro and Professor Petrucci at Raisin Day









































































Raisin Plant Dedication







Construction of the viticulture and enology building, funded by the grape and wine industry



BUSINESS A10

Mr. Viticulture

FSU professor Vincent Petrucci leaves school, his goal accomplished

Making Headlines in the Fresno Bee – March 1, 1994

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The Fresno Bee • Tuesday, March 1, 1994 A11

Petrucci: New research center is a thriving facility

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students honored Petrucci four times as an outstanding teacher, why he is one of the most effective fund-raisers in Fresno history and why he is an international figure in viticulture.

In the past decade he has spearheaded efforts to raise more than \$6 million for state of the-art-facilities such as the new Viticulture and Enology Research Center, of which he has been director since 1985.

He calls himself open, fun-loving and at times sentimental. "I think I am young because I have associated myself with people who are 18 to 35," he said. "Plus the fact of drinking two glasses of red wine a day and having a beautiful wife!" He and his wife, Jo, have five children and 15 grandchildren.

Friends have included such industry heavyweights as the Baron de Rothschild and the late Julio Gallo. "I have very much been inspired by Julio, who has been a very good friend since the day I took the job," he said.

Behind a gentle and likable manner, however, friends and colleagues say he stands firm on key issues and drives hard to reach

Deborah Dexter-Mendez, a pest control researcher and graduate student at VERC, said, "he doesn't come on very shy for very long. He is very passionate about what he is doing here."

From the very beginning, Petrucci has focused on practical research and teaching topics, unlike many academics who enjoy discus-

sion of abstract theory whether or not it is useful.

He has bachelor's and master's degrees in plant science from the University of California at Davis but quit a doctoral program in education to move to Fresno and never found the time to pick up his Ph.D. The program he founded is giving his old alma mater, considered the other outstanding viticulture program in California, plenty of competition.

Where most university research tackles theoretical problems, which may or may not give growers a quick benefit, his laboratories and classrooms consistently have focused on real-world plant health and wine-processing problems. Likewise, his students are considered adept in practical industry techniques as well as theory.

Bob Gallo, Julio's son and executive vicepresident of E&J Gallo Winery in Modesto said, "if it wasn't for Vince Petrucci, I am sure Dad would have said it wouldn't have been built," he said. E&J Gallo made a major donation to the VERC center.

Anil Shrikhande, director of research and development at Heublein Wines Inc. in Madera, which financed one of VERC's state-ofthe-art laboratories, said that "they have been really really useful and productive in our efforts to make the finest quality wines in the country."

Dr. Carlos Muller, professor of enology at Fresno State, said over the years Petrucci has done plenty of favors for growers as a consultant in pest management, fertilizer

and vine variety selection, to name a few

· Bob Gallo said "Vince has been very good with his program in supplying a number of people who fit into our grower relations programs and ranch management programs."

And increasingly these students are foreign, which with Petrucci's international reputation has helped spread the word about Fresno around the world.

Petrucci recalls being hosted by ex-Fresno State students or colleagues in travels to 37 different countries.

Barry Gump, professor of chemistry and enology and interim director of VERC, said the principle of serving industry now pervades VERC.

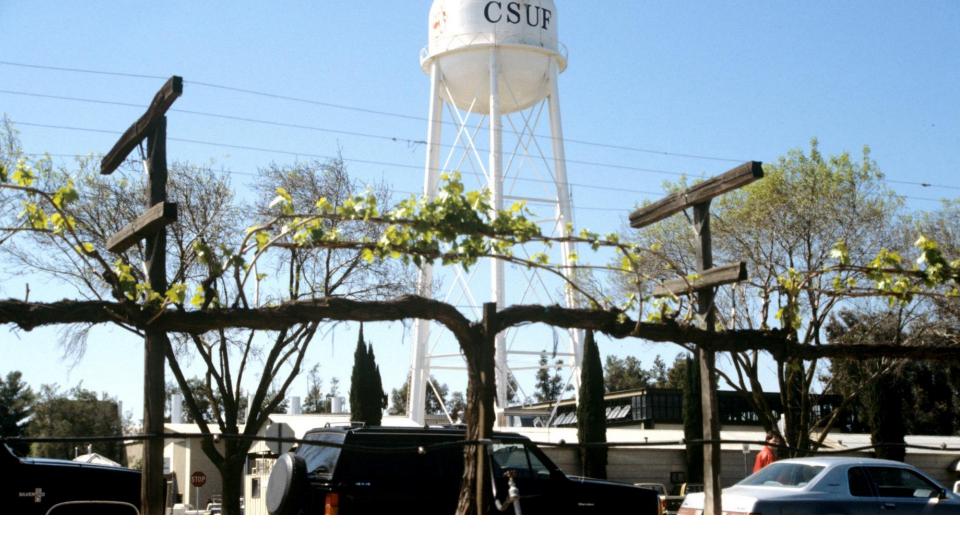
Gump said that a fund-raising drive has begun to get money for a new director.

Petrucci sees to it that businesses that give to the center get public recognition through dedications and by putting plaques on parts of the center they helped build.

Petrucci will continue on at the center as a professor emeritus and has plans to write a treatise on world raisin production and a high school textbook on viticulture.

Even with his book plans, he admits that it is hard to step down as director of an institution he is so bound up in. "It wasn't a question of leaving early," said the teacher who taught an estimated 10,000 students during his tenure. "I think I have accomplished the dream I had, and that was to leave a program that was solid and up and running."





The V. E. Petrucci vine













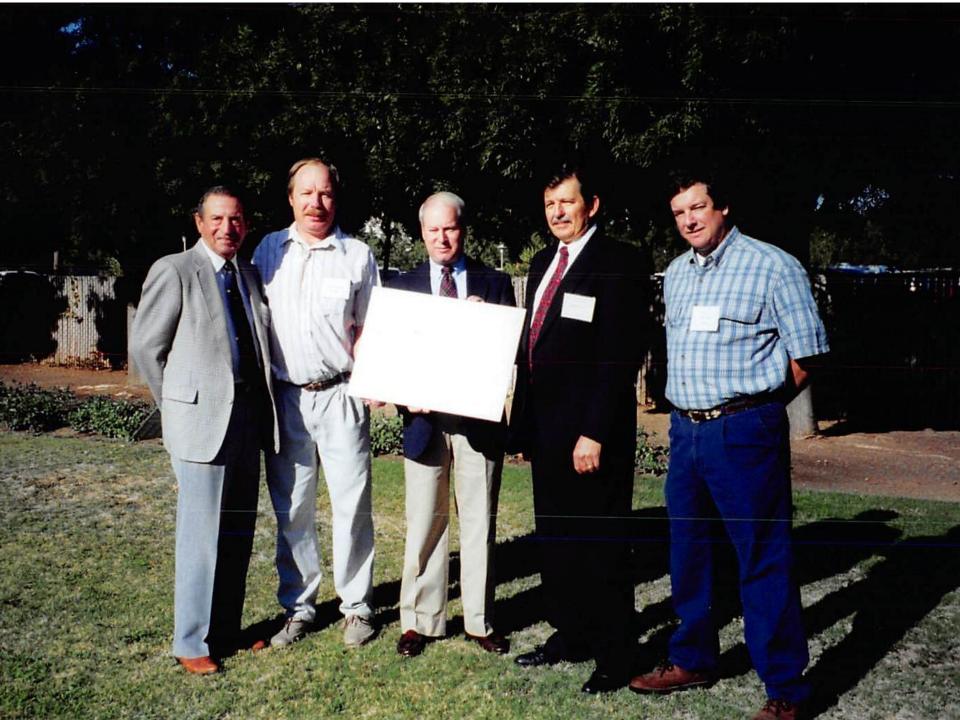






















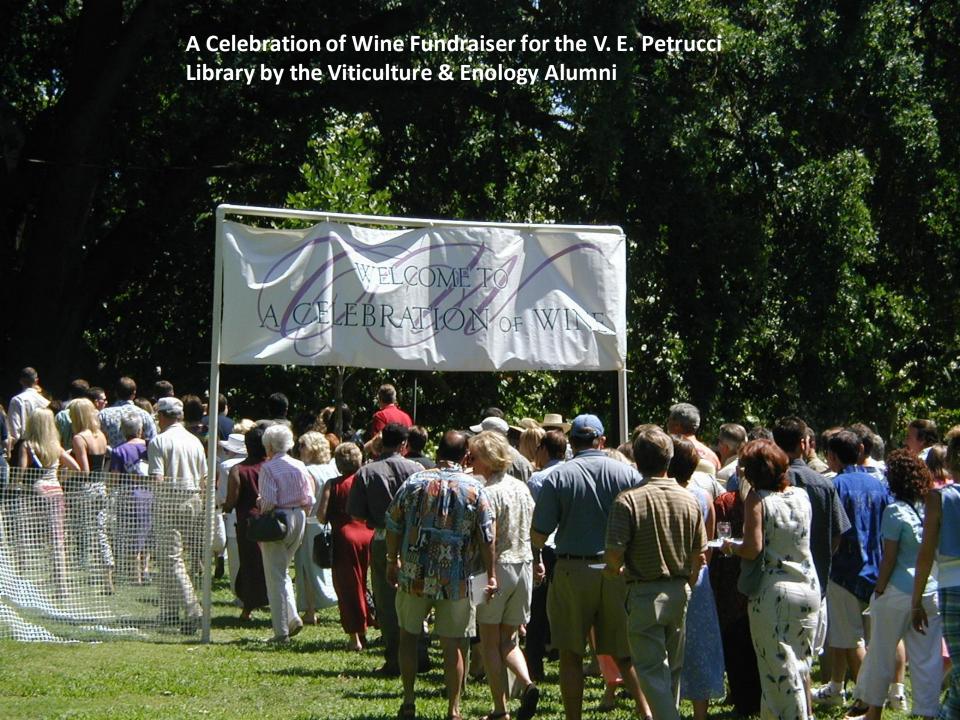
















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Horace O. Lanza Enology Assistantship

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San Joaquin Valley Winemakers Research Assistantship



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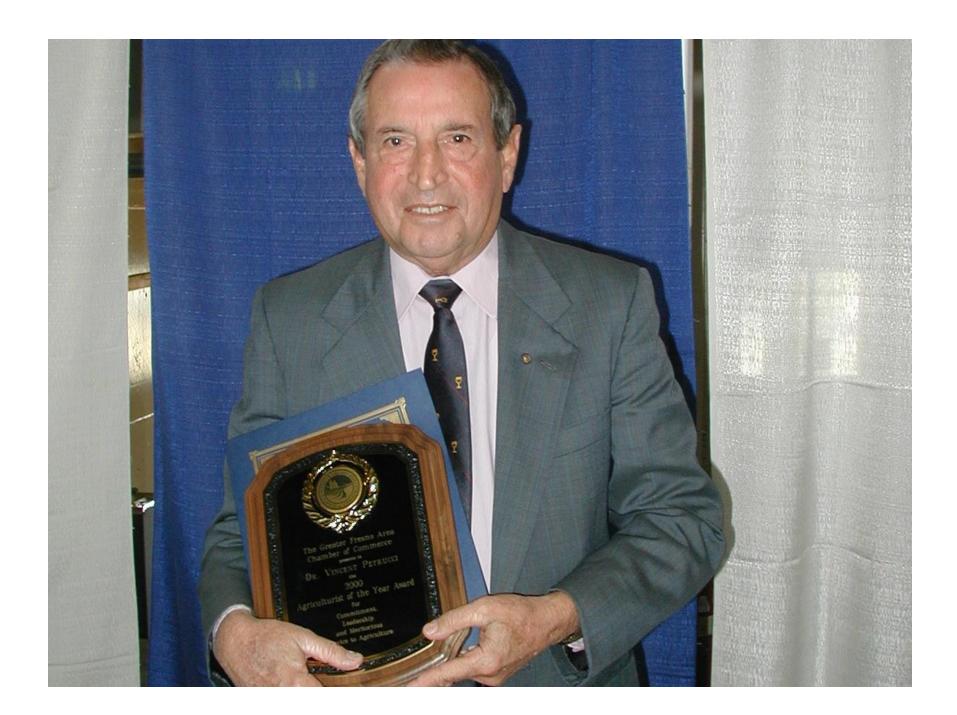




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