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Dear Pedro,

Our family has been discussing how best to use the money contributed in memory of David Gumpf. Our goals are to use the money in a positive manner that will reflect Dave's interests and contributions. We have considered several options suggested by Dave's friends and colleagues, and we have decided that the option we prefer is to establish an award in Dave's memory under the auspices of IOCV. Dave was active in IOCV affairs and many of his colleagues and close friends are also members.

We would like the award to reflect Dave's interest in the detection and diagnosis of citrus pathogens and the development and maintenance of healthy supplies of budwood for citrus nurserymen and growers. It would be our intent that the award be given to the author(s) of the best paper presented and published in this general topic area. Dave had a strong interest in graduate students and young scientists and we would be pleased if the selection process gave some weight toward the encouragement of young scientists.

Approximately \$5,000 has been donated so far in Dave's memory and it is possible that some additional monies may yet be received in addition to investment income that may be earned. We would prefer to leave the specific management of the fund monies and the development of a selection process for the awardees to the discretion of the IOCV executive council. Our desire would be to establish an award in the amount of \$ 1,000 for each meeting, beginning with the Mexico meeting in 2004, and to continued awards for so long as sufficient funds are available. We would also like the award winner to receive a plaque or similar form of documentation. The additional money for this would also be deducted from the fund. We envision that the award will be discontinued when sufficient funds are no longer available and any remaining balance would be used as deemed best by the executive committee.

We are aware that there is a Wallace Award given for the best paper presented at each IOCV meeting, and we would want the award given in Dave's memory to be complementary to the Wallace Award and other forms of recognition that may be devised in the future. That is, we envision that the winner of the award given in Dave's memory would remain eligible for the Wallace Award and other more general forms of recognition.

Please advise us if it is possible to develop an award in Dave's memory following the general considerations given above. If the response is favorable, please also indicate the appropriate means to transfer the funds to IOCV from their current location in an account managed by the California Citrus Nurserymen's Association,

Sincerely Yours,

Jan Gumpf on behalf of the family of David J. Gumpf.

Gumpf award announcement

The family of Dr. David J. Gumpf, has contributed funds to IOCV that were received in his memory from numerous friends and colleagues following his death on February 6, 2003. Dave was a special friend and colleague of many IOCV members and his sudden death February 6, 2003 was a great loss. A long time member and former treasurer of IOCV, Dave was a professor of plant pathology at the University of California, Riverside and also the director of the world renown Citrus Clonal Protection Program.

The Gumpf family has asked IOCV use these funds to establish an award to be given in Dave's memory. In recognition of Dave's long time interest and many contributions to improving citrus budwood resources and budwood indexing, the Gumpf Award will be given for the best paper relevant to improvement of healthy citrus budwood resources, including improvements in detection methods, therapy and programs. Dave recognized that developing and maintaining pathogen-free resources of citrus germ plasm is critically important for a healthy disease-free citrus industry and requires sustained cooperative efforts by scientists, nurserymen and growers. This award is intended to encourage continued efforts in this area.

The award will consist of a cash award for \$1,000 and a plaque. Contributions of students and young scientists are especially welcome for consideration. Competition for the award will commence with the Mexico meeting and shall be given for subsequent meetings for as long as funds are available. Recipients of the Gumpf Award will remain eligible for the Wallace Award and other such general awards that may be devised in the future.

Additional contributions to the Gumpf fund in Dave's memory are welcome and will be added to the existing fund.

The David J Gumpf Award Statement

This award in memory of David J. Gumpf is given to _____ for outstanding research contributions toward the improvement of pathogen-free citrus germ plasm resources.