

Rathmell memorial fund grows

UNIVERSITY PARK — The James K. Rathmell Jr. Memorial Fund has been established in memory of the Penn State Extension Horticultural Specialist who died last year.

For 27 years, Rathmell worked closely with commercial floriculture and nursery industries, implementing many outstanding educational programs on local, state, and national levels. His Extension newsletters — "Greenhouse Notes" and "Nurserymen Newsletter" — were welcomed by growers and educators who valued the up-to-date information in down-to-earth practical terms.

He organized and conducted numerous educational tours to horticultural enterprises in the United States, Canada, and Europe. His contacts with European and American counterparts in the educational field provided a wide diversification of

speakers at regionally held seminars.

When small foliage plant stores appeared in abundance throughout shopping areas, Jim saw the need for educational information. For several years his "Greenery Gab" newsletter saved many inexperienced plant retailers from self-destruction.

This eagerness to help people was well known by those who knew him. He was hard working, unselfish, and dedicated.

In his memory, a Board of Directors consisting of representatives from the Pennsylvania Flower Growers and Pennsylvania Nursery Association has established a Memorial Fund.

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The Fund, which has already been started, will use interest from investments to provide scholarship money to a serious horticultural student for work and study abroad.

The Board of Directors of the Fund will decide on the recipients of the scholarship. Applications will be available in the future to any college student in a hor-

tical curriculum.

Contributions can be sent to the James K. Rathmell Jr. Memorial Fund, Box 384, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania 17815.

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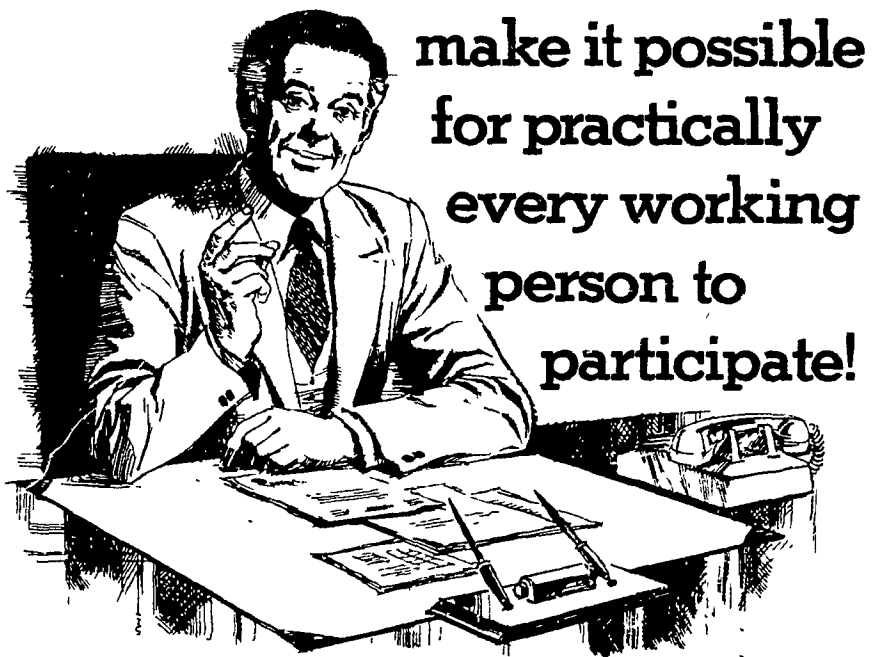
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