

# New Jersey News

## Ernie Christ Memorial Lecture

Was given by Dr. Dario Chavez at the [Mid-Atlantic Conference](#) February 1, 2023.

A certificate of appreciation was presented by Win Cowgill (Figure 1), business manager of the NJ State Horticultural Society in Hershey, PA at the CONFERENCE session.

In addition to the certificate Dr. Chavez received a stipend of \$500 from the NJSHSociety. Donations to the society from our members support this event in honor of our friend and mentor, Professor Ernie Christ, for the full history of this award and lecture see: <http://www.horticulturalnews.org/100-2/a8.pdf>

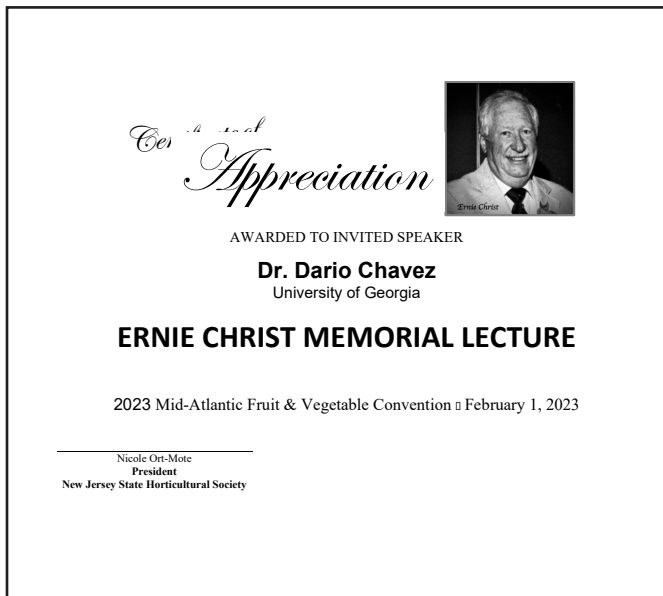


Figure 1: Win Cowgill presents the Ernie Christ memorial lecture certificate Dr. Chavez in Hershey PA.

# Win Enterprises Pruning Meeting and Demonstration Held at Sunhigh Orchards, Randolph, NJ

Twenty Eight Growers gathered at [Sunhigh Orchards](#) to review apple and peach pruning techniques. Trevor Hardy, [BrookDale Farm Supply](#) also reviewed new orchard equipment and irrigation options. Thank you to Rick Klevze, [Growmark, FS](#) Bloomsbury, NJ, for providing lunch for all!



Phil Green, Owner of Sunhigh Orchards also conducted a taste test of new [Mid West Apple Improvement Association](#) varieties with our guest speaker/presenter Bill Pitts of Bill Pitts Consulting. Photo Credit: Win Cowgill.



Bill Pitts demonstrating tall spindle apple pruning at Sunhigh. Photo Credit: Win Cowgill



Bill Pitts discusses pruning new MAIA varieties the first 3 years in the orchard to establish a good fruiting wall on Phil Greens tall spindle apple planting. Photo Credit: Win Cowgill

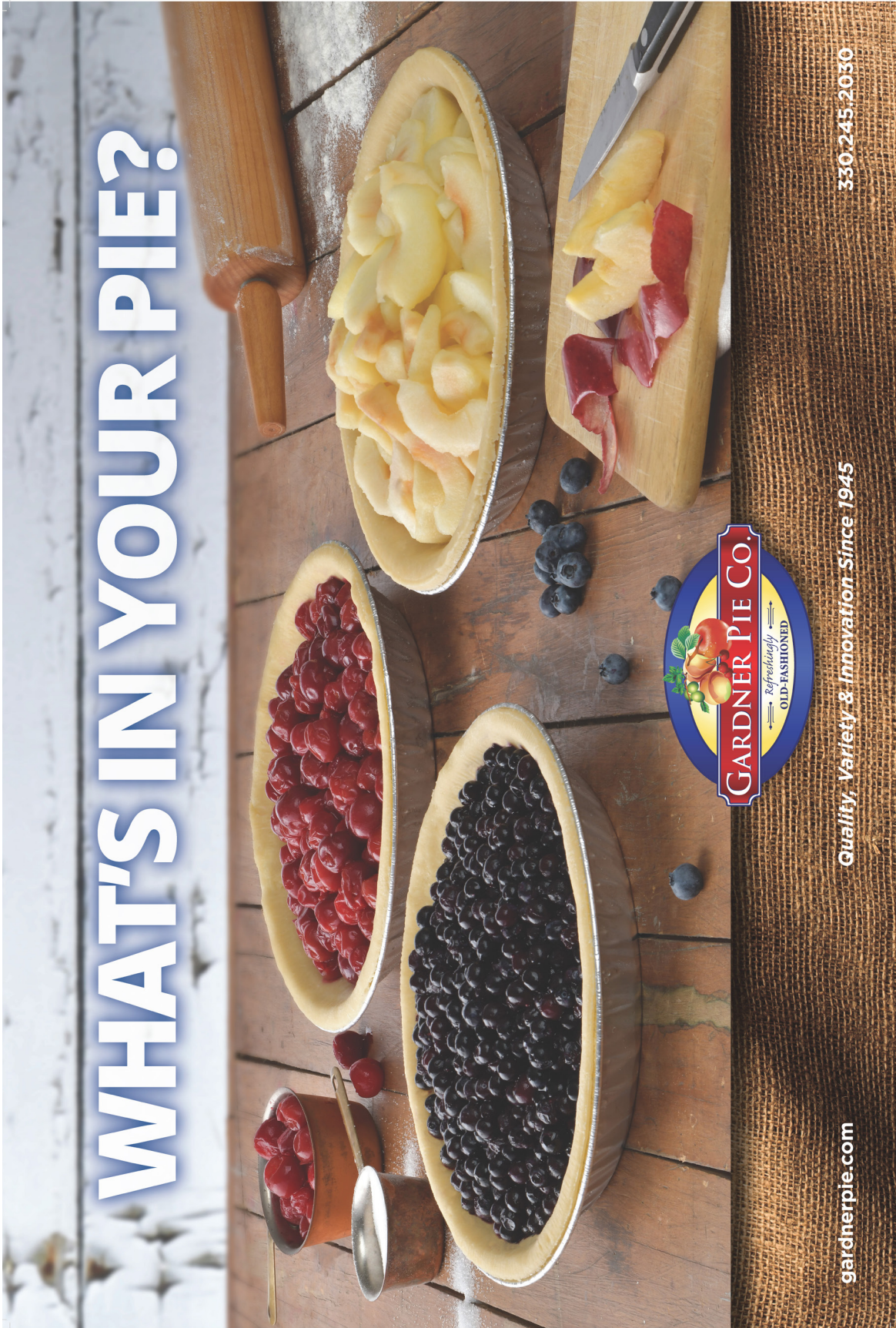


1984 International Dwarf Fruit Tree Association Summer Tour to New Jersey was a huge success. The Tour Committee above consisted of: Standing - Rich Hughes, Ernie Christ, Les Miller, Howard Heritage, Bob Langlois, and Dean Polk. Kneeling - Rich Marini, Jack Springer, Jerry Frecon, Win Cowgill, and Carl Klotz. More photos and story to follow in the Fall issue of Horticulture News.

**Blast from the Past.** 1984 Win Cowgill and Colleagues from Rutgers Cooperative Extension and Growers hosted the International Dwarf Fruit Tree Association Summer Tour in New Jersey Photo Credit: Vince Abbatiello,



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