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## Beer brewer funds hops research

PROSSER, Wash. (AP) — A new research center, largely funded by Anheuser-Busch Inc., will help ensure that U.S. brewers have a stable supply of hops, Washington State University officials said Wednesday.

The world's largest brewer, St. Louis-based maker of Budweiser and other brands, contributed \$700,000 of the \$1 million cost of the Hop Research Facility.

"You can't brew a fine beer if you start with low-quality-grade raw materials," said Melvern Anderson, vice president of Busch Agricultural Resources.

Washington's Yakima Valley produces about 77 percent of the nation's hops, with Oregon and Idaho providing most of the rest. Yakima and Benton counties, with 28,000 acres, trail only Germany in the production of hops worldwide.

The cone-shaped hops are dried and combined with barley and water to make beer.

The 8,890-square-foot hops facility, at WSU's Irrigated Agriculture Research and Extension center here, will be used primarily to find alternatives to the chemicals used to protect hops from disease and insects.

New federal regulations are making it more expensive for chemical companies to prove their products are safe and win "re-registration." As a result, many companies are abandoning such production and farmers are scrambling to find new

tools.

One option is integrated pest-management programs that seek genetic answers to pest and disease problems.

"If growers could no longer profitably produce hops and turned to another crop, Anheuser-Busch and all the other breweries would be in trouble," said Wyatt Cone, a WSU entomologist who introduced the speakers. "Beer would become pretty expensive."

Hops growers in the three Northwest states supply Anheuser-Busch with about 45 percent of its annual needs.

Anderson said WSU is one of the leading research centers on plant genetics, plant pathology and entomology. The brewery also made smaller grants totaling \$300,000 to Oregon State University and the University of Idaho for hops research.

The new center will be named for Lin Faulkner, who headed the Prosser research station from 1976 to 1990.

Hops were first grown in the United States in New York in 1805.

Disease and pest problems kept pushing the industry west, and by 1900 California became the nation's hops-production leader. Oregon became the center of hops production in 1920, but mildew problems pushed the industry into the arid Yakima Valley by the 1940s, where it has remained.

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### MEETINGS

**Incidental Fee Committee** will meet tonight at 6:30 in EMU Century Room A to hear special requests from OLSPIF, AVENU and Survival Center. Internal IFC matters will also be discussed. For more information, call 346-3749.

**EMU Board of Directors** will meet today at 4 p.m. in the EMU Board Room. For more information, call 346-3720.

**Alpha Kappa Psi** will have a new member initiation today at 5:15 p.m. in Room 228 Chiles. For more information, call 346-9923.

**Circle K International** will meet tonight at 7:30 in EMU Century Room F. For more information, call 344-5078.

**Alpha Phi Omega** will meet tonight at 7 in Room 155 Straub. For more information, call 346-9794.

**Alpha Phi Omega Executives** will meet tonight from 6 to 6:55 in EMU Century Room E. For more information, call 346-9794.

**Sexual Identity Group** will meet today at noon in EMU Century Room C. For more information, call 346-4099.

### MISCELLANEOUS

**Southeast Asian Studies program** will present Boontern Tiravattanasart, assistant professor with the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at Thailand's Kasetsart University, to speak on "Agribusiness Opportunities in Thailand" today from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room A. For more information, call 346-1521.

**Global Education Project** will present a brown bag discussion on "French/German Relations in the Context of the Economic Community" today at noon in the EMU Board Room. For more information, call 346-1334.

**Birth to Three** will sponsor a free panel discussion titled "Discipline Without Damage: Disciplining Young Children Without Damaging Self-Esteem" tonight at 7 at the Emerald Baptist Church, 631 E. 19th Ave. For more information, call 484-4401.

**Focus on Advising** will have individual advising appointments for undeclared freshmen today from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Room 164 Oregon Hall. Drop by to make an appointment. For

more information, call 346-3211.

**Muslim Student Association** will present "The Plight of Minorities in Modern India: A Muslim Perspective" tonight from 7 to 8 in Room 146 Straub. For more information, call 346-3798.

**Museum of Natural History** will present the lecture "Cooking with Seaweed" by Evelyn McConaughy, author of *Sea Vegetables: Harvest and Cooking Guide*, today at 4:30 p.m. at the Museum of Natural History, 1680 E. 15th Ave. For more information, call 346-3024.

**Oregon Humanities Center** will present an interdisciplinary symposium titled "Justice, Race, Class and Gender" today through May 22. Toni McNaron, from the University of Minnesota, will give a lecture today at 4 p.m. in Gerlinger Alumni Lounge, and Susan Moller Okin, from Stanford University, will give a lecture tonight at 7:30 in Gerlinger Alumni Lounge. For more information, call 346-3934.

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