



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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Distinguished Scientist Ronald Sederoff To Discuss Genetic Modification at NCSU Friends of the Library Fall Luncheon

National Academy of Sciences member **Ronald R. Sederoff**, Distinguished University Professor of Forestry and Edwin F. Conger Professor of Forestry at NC State, will present “**Let’s Talk About Your Lunch! Genetic Modification: Plants, Animals, and the Environment**” at the NCSU Friends of the Library’s annual Fall Luncheon. The luncheon is on Friday, November 9, 2001, from 12:00 to 1:30 P.M. at NC State’s McKimmon Center. **Tickets are \$13 each for Friends’ members and \$16 each for the general public.**

Sederoff, who has studied the molecular genetics of many organisms, was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 1995 for his work in forest biotechnology. For the past twelve years, Sederoff has been director of the Forest Biotechnology Group and its associated Forest Biotech-

nology Industrial Research Consortium. In July 2001 Sederoff and a team of NCSU scientists received a \$3 million grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to research the breeding and genetics of the loblolly pine. He is also principal investigator for a multi-institutional grant of \$4.45 million from the National Science Foundation Plant Genome Program to study wood formation in loblolly pines.

Sederoff received his undergraduate and graduate degrees in zoology at UCLA. He taught at Columbia University and the University of Oregon before joining the NCSU Department of Genetics in 1978. He has published extensively, is a coholder of five patents, and has served on many national advisory committees for the USDA, Department of Energy, and the National Research Council.



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The thirteenth annual North Carolina State University Libraries Faculty Award also will be presented during the Fall Luncheon. This award is given to an NC State faculty member who has contributed consistently or notably to the operation and development of the Libraries.

For tickets or more information, call the Friends of the Library at (919) 515-2841.

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