VIRGINIA/WEST VIRGINIA TREE FRUIT CONFERENCE JANUARY 24-26, 2012 HOLIDAY INN-KOGER CENTER - RICHMOND, VA.

Tuesday, January 24, 2012

10:00 a.m.	Registration
11:30 a.m.	Deli Lunch
1:00 p.m.	OPENING SESSION Ed Streapy, President, VSHS, presiding
**	OUTLOOK FOR 2012 VA.GENERAL ASSEMBLY Donna P. Johnson, President, Virginia Agribusiness Council
1:30 p.m.	GROWING STRAWBERRIES FOR LOCAL MARKETS Dr. Reza Rafie, Va.State University
2:15 p.m.	CAUSES AND MANAGEMENT OF PEACH TREE DECLINE IN THE SOUTHEASTERN UNITED STATES Dr. Guido Schnabel, Clemson University
2:45 p.m.	BEST USE OF CHEMICAL ROTATION TO DELAY RESISTANCE Dr. Keith Yoder, Virginia Tech
4:00 p.m.	LET'S TALK GROWING AND MARKETING SWEET CHERRIES Panel Huff Chiles, Crown Orchard Dr. Greg Peck, Virginia Tech Phil Baugher, Adams County Nursery
5:15 p.m.	Annual Business Meeting - VSHS

Dinner on your own

Wednesday, January 25, 2012

8:30 a.m. Dr. Greg Peck, Va. Tech, presiding

Door Prize Drawing - Must be present to win

HIGH TUNNEL PRODUCTION OF RASPBERRY

Dr. Reza Raffi, Virginia State University

GROWER PANEL

9:15 a.m. * HOW DID YOUR BMSB PROGRAM WORK?

Dr. Tracy Lesky and Dr. Chris Bergh - moderators

10:15 a.m. SHOW AND TELL PANEL

11:00 a.m. * UPDATE ON VIRGINIA PESTICIDE REGULATIONS

AND WORKER PROTECTION REGULATIONS

Micah Raub, Va. Department of Agriculture

12:00 noon Lunch on your own

1:15 p.m. Dr. Keith Yoder, Va. Tech, presiding

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* How to Protect your Operations in

Worker Compensation Issues

Bob McAdam - Attorney

1:45 p.m. HONEYCRISP RESPONSE TO PGR'S

Phil Schwalier, Michigan State University

2:30 p.m. SHOW AND TELL PANEL

3:00 p.m. Break - Sponsored by Bayer Crop Science

3:15 p.m. Door prize drawing - must be present to win

PREHARVEST MANAGEMENT OF BROWN ROT AND PEACH SCAB IN COMMERCIAL PEACH PRODUCTION

Dr. Guido Schnabel, Clemson University

4:00 p.m. THE LATEST UPDATE ON BMSB

Dr. Tracy Lesky, USDA and Dr. Chris Bergh, Va. Tech

6:00 p.m. Reception

Introduction of 2012 Apple Ambassador

*indicates topics that qualify for private pesticide recertification

Thursday, January 26, 2012

7:30 a.m. Buffet Breakfast

John Bruguiere, VP, VSHS, presiding

8:30 a.m. U.S. DEPT. OF LABOR UPDATE

Jim Mooney

9:15 a.m. FIELD TO STORE: HOW WHOLE FOODS MARKET

WORKS WITH LOCAL FARMERS TO CREATE WIN-WIN

PARTNERSHIPS

Jill McCarthy and Matt Ray

9:45 a.m. THINNING USING THE CORNELL CARBOHYDRATE MODEL

Phil Schwallier, Michigan State University

10:30 a.m. WATER QUALITY AND AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY

SUSTAINABILITY

Eric Bendfeldt and Kenner Love

11:00 a.m. **H2A - THE ONLY WAY TO GUARANTEE A LEGAL**

WORK FORCE

Joseph Young, Exec.Director, New England Apple Council

11:45 a.m. Adjourn

12 noon Apple Board luncheon