Roanoke Area Fruit School

Wednesday, February 11, 2015

Brambleton Center, Room 16.

3738 Brambleton Avenue SW, Roanoke VA 24018

8:15 am – Registration

8:30 am – Welcome and opening remarks.

8:35 am – Tall spindle orchard system in Virginia
  Greg Peck, Assistant Professor of Horticulture- Virginia Tech, Winchester

9:05 am – Opportunities and resources for hard cider production
  Greg Peck, Assistant Professor of Horticulture- Virginia Tech, Winchester

9:20 am – Brown Marmorated Stink bug update 2015
  Chris Bergh, Professor of Entomology- Virginia Tech

9:50 am – Refreshment break

10:00 am – Disease management update- Glomerella, Fire Blight, and other bad stuff
  Dr. Keith S. Yoder, Extension Tree Fruit Pathologist- Virginia Tech, Winchester

10:30 am – Neonicotinoid insecticides and pollinators: Can impacts be mitigated?
  Doug Pfeiffer, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech

10:45 am – Invasive species update: Spotted wing drosophila and spotted lanternfly
  Doug Pfeiffer, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech

11:00 am – Spray Bulletin update
  Greg Peck, Chris Bergh, and Dr. Keith Yoder

11:30 am – Market and Industry Update
  Danny Neel- Sales and Market Development, VDACS
11:45 am – **Lunch on your own.** --There are a number of restaurants close by, or you are welcome to pack your own and eat in the meeting room.

1:00-3:00 pm – **Private Pesticide Recertification**  
Kate Lawrence – Extension Agent, Botetourt  
Andy Allen – Extension Agent, Craig  
Jon Vest – Extension Agent, Floyd