

MEMORANDUM

TO: Area Commercial Tree Fruit Growers

FROM: Mark Sutphin, Associate Extension Agent, Horticulture


SUBJECT: **2017 Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit School – February 17, 2017**

DATE: January 17, 2017

The next meeting of the Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit Production School will be held on **Friday, February 17, 2017**, at the Best Western, Lee-Jackson Inn Banquet Convention Center, Winchester. This building is located at 711 Millwood Avenue, Winchester, Virginia 22601. The program will begin at 8:30 a.m. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.

This session will re-certify you for two years on your Virginia private pesticide license (category 90). The offering also will re-certify for West Virginia credits. In order to receive re-certification credit, you will need to sign in by 8:30 a.m., and sign out at the end of the program.

There will be a \$20.00 registration fee for the event and will include lunch and morning coffee. To ease registration the morning of the event, we are asking that you **complete and return the enclosed registration form with payment (checks made payable to: *Treasurer, Virginia Tech*) by February 13, 2017**. Walk-in attendees and those not submitting pre-payment, will be charged \$30.00 at the door. If you have any questions, I can be reached at the Frederick Office or by email: mark.sutphin@vt.edu.

The agenda for the meeting is included. We look forward to seeing you on February 17th.

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Mark Sutphin, Frederick County Extension, at (540) 665-5699/TDD (800) 828-1120 during business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to discuss accommodations five days prior to the event.

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Attendee Registration Form

Please return this form along with your \$20.00 (per person) Attendee Registration Fee, (checks made payable to: *Treasurer, Virginia Tech*) **by February 13, 2017** to:

Virginia Cooperative Extension – Frederick County

107 North Kent Street

Winchester, VA 22601

Farm/Business Name: _____

Contact Name(s): _____

Additional Attendees: _____

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Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

There will be a charge of \$50.00 for all returned checks.

No refunds will be processed unless we are notified prior to February 13, 2017.

Winchester Regional Commercial Tree Fruit Production School

February 17, 2017

Lee Jackson Conference Center, 711 Millwood Avenue, Winchester, VA 22601

Sponsored by: Virginia Cooperative Extension, WVU Extension, Frederick County Fruit Growers Association

- 8:00** **Registration and Pesticide Recertification Sign-in** *(View Exhibits and Coffee Break)*
- 8:30** **Welcome and Introductions**
Mark Sutphin, Associate Extension Agent, Horticulture – Frederick
- 8:45** **Introduction of Dr. Sherif**
Sherif Sherif, Assistant Professor of Horticulture, Virginia Tech-Winchester
- 9:00** **Replant Disease Issues of Apple and Peach**
Keith Yoder, Professor of Plant Pathology, Virginia Tech-Winchester
- 9:30** **Periodical Cicada in Some Areas in 2017: Biology and Control**
Doug Pfeiffer, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech-Blacksburg
- 10:00** **Sponsor/Vendor Brag Session** *(New products, chemicals, improved technologies, etc.)*
- 10:25** **Break** *(View Exhibits)*
- 10:40** **Pollinator Protection in Virginia – Current Recommendations and Proposed Plan**
Doug Pfeiffer, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech-Blacksburg
- 11:00** **EPA’s Revised EPA Worker Protection Standard (WPS)**
Debbie Brown, VDACS Office of Pesticide Services
- 12:00** **Lunch** *(View Exhibits)*
- 1:00** **BMSB Control and Biological Control: Recent Developments and Questionnaire**
Chris Bergh, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech-Winchester
- 1:45** **Quick Overview of the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act**
Mark Sutphin, Associate Extension Agent, Horticulture - Frederick
- 2:00** **Spray Bulletin Update/New Chemistries: Regulatory Update and Label Changes**
Tree Fruit Extension Specialists
- 2:45** **Pesticide Recertification Sign-out and Adjourn** *(View Exhibits)*

