



MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association Annual Meeting and UMass Extension Winter Fruit Program

January 15, 2009

9 AM to 3 PM

UMass Cold Spring Orchard, Belchertown, MA

2.0 pesticide re-certification credits will be offered (*program enclosed*)

Lunch will be served (included in registration fee)

Pre-registration by Friday, January 9 – **MFGA Member: \$40 per person (lunch included)**

Non-MFGA Member: \$50 per person (lunch included)

After January 9 or at the door – **\$60 per person (lunch included)**

COMPLETE pre-registration form below and mail with payment (by January 9 to pre-register, make check payable to 'UMass Amherst') to:

Doreen York

210 Bowditch Hall, 201 Natural Resources Rd.

UMass Amherst

Amherst, MA 01003

OR register and pay (Mastercard and VISA) on-line at <http://www.massfruitgrowers.org>

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Number attending: _____



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EXTENSION

**UMass Extension Winter Fruit
Program**

and Massachusetts Fruit Growers'
Association Annual Meeting

January 15, 2009, UMass Cold Spring Orchard, Belchertown, MA

9:00 AM - Announcements and coffee

9:15 – Farm to school

Kelly Erwin/staff

9:30 – Apple thinning and crop load management – new technology

Dr. Terence Robinson, Cornell University/NYSAES

10:00 – Get ready for ‘Harvista’

Dr. Duane Greene, UMass Amherst

10:15 – BREAK

10:30 – What’s new and different in fungicides?

Dr. Daniel Cooley, UMass Amherst

11:00 – Tall-spindle apples: planting, training, pruning, and modification

Dr. Terence Robinson, Cornell University/NYSAES

11:45 – Significant changes to H-2A labor program

Joe Young, New England Apple Council

12:15 – MFGA Annual Meeting

12:30 – Lunch

Included with paid registration

1:30 – Apple pruning demonstration (outdoors, dress appropriately)

Dr. Terence Robinson, Cornell University/NYSAES

3:00 PM – Adjourn

2.0 pesticide recertification credits will be offered for full-day attendance.