



Annual Summer Meeting

of the
Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association, Inc.
in cooperation with the
University of Massachusetts Amherst



July 17, 2008

*University of Massachusetts Cold Spring Orchard Research & Education Center
Sabin Street, Belchertown*

- 10:00 AM **Tour of Cold Spring Orchard Research & Education Center.**
Some topics include: vineyard progress, powdery mildew in grapes, abscisic acid for thinning, Harvista, Inspire, fall blackberries, potato leafhopper, rootstocks, tall-spindle training system, enhancing return bloom.
- 12:15 PM **Lunch.** The lunch will include a spectacular meal from Outlook Farm in Westhampton, Massachusetts. Several barbequed specialties will be available, along with all the fixings.
- 1:30 PM **Welcome, Introductions, and Brief Remarks.**
André Tougas, President, Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association
- 1:35 PM **Update on Endowment Development**
Wes Autio, for the Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association
Steve Goodwin, University of Massachusetts
- 1:40 PM **Ronald J. Prokopy Award for Outstanding Support of Massachusetts Agriculture Presented to MaryMcClintock of the *Greenfield Recorder*.**
André Tougas & Tom Clark, Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association
Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association Award of Gratitude Presented in Memory of Hamilton "Tony" Lincoln, Jr.
André Tougas & Ken Nicewicz, Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association
- 1:45 PM **An Update on Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources Activities.**
Scott Soares, MDAR
- 2:00 PM **GAPs (Good Agricultural Practices) in Massachusetts, the Future and a Survey of Growers.**
David Nyachuba & Rich Bonanno, University of Massachusetts
- 2:45 PM **Adjourn.**

Registration for this meeting will be \$25 and will include the tour, educational program, pesticide recertification credit, and the meal.

To ensure the availability of the meal, please pre-register by returning the bottom of this form, with a check made out to M.F.G.A. for \$25 per person or sign on to massfruitgrowers.org and pay by credit card.

We must receive pre-registrations by Monday, July 14 at noon.

Send to: Doreen York
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With check made out to
M.F.G.A. for **\$25 per person**
by noon on Monday,
July 14

Name or orchard name

Number of reservations