



**VERMONT VEGETABLE AND BERRY GROWERS ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL MEETING: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2010**

Capital Plaza Hotel and Conference Center, 100 State Street, Montpelier  
(802) 223-5252 [www.capitolplaza.com](http://www.capitolplaza.com)

- 8:00 **Registration, Trade Show, Refreshments**
- 9:30 **President's Remarks** – Bob Pomykala, Pomykala Farm, Grand Isle
- 9:45 **Tour of Soil and Pest Management on Vermont Farms**– Vern Grubinger
- 10:15 **Greenhouse Energy Best Practices**  
Chris Callahan, Callahan Engineering, Cambridge NY
- 10:45 **High Tunnel Funding – A Pilot Program for Vermont Growers**  
Jim Wood, Vermont NRCS
- 11:15 **Growing Greenhouses Vegetables in St. Lucia**  
Mike Collins, Old Athens Farm, Westminster
- 11:45 **Update from Industry Representative on New Products**  
Trade Show Exhibitors
- 12:00 **Luncheon and Trade Show**
- 1:15 **Business Meeting: Election of Officers, etc.**
- 1:30 **Updates from the Vermont Agency of Agriculture Food and Markets**  
Roger Albee, Secretary and Steve Parise, GAPS auditor
- 2:00 **Thirty Years of Organic Fruit Experimentation in Northern Vermont**  
David Fried, Elmore Roots Nursery, Wolcott
- 2:30 **Mighty Food Farm: the First Three Years of Crops, Soils, Pests**  
Lisa McDougall and Chuck Currie, Pownal
- 3:00 **My Experiences with Cover Crops**  
Jake Guest, Killdeer Farm, Norwich VT
- 3:30 **Adjourn - Trade Show**

**PRE-REGISTRATIONS - Must be received by Jan 28th** (Add \$5 for at-the-door registrations.)  
\$35 Members, \$45 Non-Members, *this fee includes delicious hot lunch and coffee break.*

**Membership dues for 2010 are \$50; benefits include:**

- 2010-11 New England Vegetable or Small Fruit Management Guide
- or, one book or video of equal value \$20 (see list on VV&BGA web site);
- a subscription to Agriview, VT Agency of Agriculture newsletter
- a subscription to the Vermont Vegetable and Berry News (by email)
- a subscription to American Vegetable Grower and American Fruit Grower
- eligibility a research grant from the Association
- \$10 registration discount at the association's annual meeting
- registration fee waiver at on-farm workshops
- inclusion on the association's grower listserv (buy, sell equipment & share info).

**New this year – no-frills membership option: \$20 for 2010, benefits include:**

- inclusion on the association's listserv
- A subscription to the Vermont Vegetable and Berry News (by email)
- a subscription to American Vegetable Grower and American Fruit Grower
- showing your support for the vegetable and berry industry

**Mail check made out to VV&BGA to: Doug Johnstone, P.O, Box 701, Springfield, VT 05156.**  
Please include note stating your membership selection and who is being registered for the meeting.

Questions? Vern Grubinger, UVM Extension, 802-257-7967 ext. 13, [vernon.grubinger@uvm.edu](mailto:vernon.grubinger@uvm.edu).

Attendance at this meeting will be worth 2 pesticide recertification credits for private applicators and commercial applicators certified in categories 1a and 10.

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