



**VERMONT VEGETABLE AND BERRY GROWERS ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL MEETING: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009**

Capital Plaza Hotel and Conference Center, 100 State Street, Montpelier  
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- 8:30 **Registration, Trade Show, Refreshments**
- 9:30 **President's Remarks** – Bob Pomykala, Pomykala Farm, Grand Isle
- 9:35 **Slide Tour of Farm Innovations** – Vern Grubinger, UVM Extension
- 10:00 **EQIP Projects on Vermont Vegetable and Berry Farms**  
Lance Gorham, Windham County NRCS
- 10:30 **Insect Habitat on Vermont Vegetable and Berry Farms**  
Yolanda Chen, UVM Plant and Soil Science Dept.
- 11:00 **Nematodes on Vermont Vegetable and Berry Farms**  
Yong Bao, UVM Plant and Soil Science Dept.
- 11:30 **Update from Industry on New Products**  
Trade Show Exhibitors
- 11:50 **Business Meeting: Election of Officers, etc.**
- 12:00 **Luncheon and Trade Show**
- 1:15 **Strawberry Varieties and Cultural Practices for Success**  
David Handley, University of Maine Cooperative Extension
- 2:00 **How We Grow Greenhouse Raspberries**  
Howard Prussack, High Meadows Farm, Westminster West
- 2:30 **Buying Cool Equipment from Far Away Places – Grower Panel**  
Jon Satz, David Marchant, Pete Johnson
- 3:00 **Growing Our Own Sudax for Strawberry Mulch**  
Bob Pomykala
- 3:30 **Adjourn - Trade Show**

**PRE-REGISTRATIONS - Must be received by Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>** (Add \$5 for at-the-door registrations.)  
\$30 Members, \$40 Non-Members, *this fee includes lunch and coffee break.*

Membership dues for 2009 are \$35. Benefits include: a 2008-09 Vegetable or Small Fruit Management Guide, or one book or video of equal value (see list on VV&BGA web site); a subscription to Agriview (with the Vegetable and Berry News), and new this year: inclusion on the association's grower listserv.

Mail check made out to VV&BGA to: Doug Johnstone, P.O, Box 701, Springfield, VT 05156.

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.