**GUEST SPEAKER**

Vernon P. Grubinger is the vegetable and berry specialist for the University of Vermont and the director of the University of Vermont Center for Sustainable Agriculture. He has produced the videos *Farmers and Their Diversified Horticulture Marketing Strategies*, *Vegetable Farmers and Their Weed-Control Machines*, and authored the book *Sustainable Vegetable Production From Start-Up to Market*.

*Participants may receive 3.0 Pesticide Applicator re-certification credits. Certified Crop Advisors will earn 5.0 re-certification credits, pending approval.*

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SPEAKERS:

Caragh Fitzgerald – Extension Educator, UMaine Extension

Dr. Vernon Grubinger – Vegetable and Berry Specialist, University of Vermont Extension

Dr. David Handley – Vegetable and Small Fruit Specialist, UMaine Extension

Dr. Mark Hutton – Vegetable Specialist, UMaine Extension

Tori Lee Jackson – Extension Educator, UMaine Extension

Dr. John Jemison – Water Quality and Soil Specialist, UMaine Extension

Dr. Ellen Mallory – Sustainable Agriculture Specialist, UMaine Extension

Lauchlin Titus – Crop Advisor, Ag Matters

AGENDA

8:45 AM REGISTRATION

9:00 AM Managing Farm Energy Costs: Saving Now and Prospects for the Future
Caragh Fitzgerald

9:30 AM Growing Raspberries in High Tunnels
Dr. David Handley

10:00 AM Pumpkin Disease Management
Dr. Mark Hutton

10:30 AM BREAK

10:45 AM Corn Weed Management: Match the Product to the Field
Dr. John Jemison

11:15 AM Rotations and Cover Cropping for Healthy Soil
Dr. Vernon Grubinger

12:00 PM LUNCH

12:45 PM Crop Insurance Update
Tori Lee Jackson

1:00 PM Making the Most of Mechanical Weed Control
Dr. Vernon Grubinger

1:45 PM Growing Day-Neutral Strawberries: Profits and Problems
Dr. David Handley

2:15 PM BREAK

2:30 PM Keeping Your Soil Healthy: What Do Soil Amendments Really Do?
Dr. Ellen Mallory

3:00 PM My Favorite Vegetable Varieties
Lauchlin Titus

3:30 PM WRAP-UP & EVALUATION

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