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

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 listserve
- 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.

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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