

**Agenda for Preseason Tree Fruit Meeting**

**March 28, 2018, Ramada Inn, 490 Pleasant Street, Lewiston ME**

5 Pesticide Applicator Recertification Credits.

Cost is \$15 for Maine State Pomological Society Members, \$20 for non-members.

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8:00 am Registration, Coffee, Meet & Greet

8:15 am ***Maine Tree Fruit IPM Update***

– Glen Koehler, University of Maine Cooperative Extension

8:45 am ***Early Season Caterpillar Pests and Other Creatures from the south***

– Heather Faubert, University of Rhode Island Cooperative Extension

9:30 am ***How to Read a Tree***

– Dr. Alicyn Smart, University of Maine Cooperative Extension.

10:00 am ***Fruit Quality and Storage***

– Dr. Renae Moran, University of Maine Cooperative Extension

10:30 am **Break**

10:45 am ***Irrigation for Tree Fruit Orchards***

– Trevor Hardy, Brookdale Fruit Farm Inc.

11:30 am ***On-Farm Marketing Ideas***

– Heather Faubert, University of Rhode Island Cooperative Extension

12:00 pm **Lunch** – Sandwich bar, salad, dessert and beverages

12:45 pm ***Maine State Pomological Society update***

– Joel Gilbert, MSPS President, Berry Fruit Farm

1:00 pm ***Non-chemical orchard weed management***

– Dr. Terence Bradshaw, University of Vermont (via live video)

1:45 pm ***Biopesticides for Tree Fruit Production***

– Dr. Anissa Poleatewich, University of New Hampshire

2:15 pm **Break**

2:30 pm ***A Career Retrospective on New England Orchard Pests***

– Dr. Alan Eaton, Professor Emeritus, University of New Hampshire

3:30 pm ***Board of Pesticides Control Update***

– Megan Patterson, Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

4:00 pm **Adjourn**