

Carroll - Patrick Fruit Growers School
Monday, February 11, 2019
Golden Corral Restaurant, Mt. Airy, North Carolina

- 9:00 a.m. **Registration** (*\$20, includes meal*)
Sign-in for Private Pesticide Recertification
- 9:30 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions** – *Ashley Edwards and Steve Pottorff, VCE Agents*
News and Marketing Updates from VDACS - *Danny Neel, VDACS Marketing Division*
Update from The Apple Growers Association - *Bethany Hill, AGA Board member*
- 9:45 a.m. **Update from FSA** – *Tammy Goodyear, FSA, Patrick County*
- 10:15 a.m. **2018 Pesticide Legal and Worker Protection Updates** - *Jim Atwell, VDACS Office of Pesticide Services*
- 11:00 a.m. **Biology and Control of Plum Curculio** - *Dr. Doug Pfeiffer, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech-Blacksburg*
- 11:20 a.m. **Using the Pollen Tube Growth Model on the NEWA Website** – *Chester Allen, M.Sc. student, Virginia Tech – Winchester*
- 11:30 a.m. **Avoiding a Rotten Harvest: Strategies for Managing Bitter Rot in 2019** - *Dr. Sara Villani, North Carolina State University*
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch** (*Buffet included in your registration*)
- 12:45 p.m. **Internal Worm Management Revisited** - *Dr. Chris Bergh, Virginia Tech – Winchester*
- 1:15 p.m. **Standards for the Growing, Harvesting, Packing and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption, FSMA Produce Safety Rule** – *Don Knotts, VDACS Produce Safety Program*
- 1:45 p.m. **Plant Growth Regulators in Apple Production: Their Applications, Efficiency, and Interactions** – *Dr. Sherif Sherif, Assistant Professor of Horticulture, Virginia Tech – Winchester*
- 2:20 p.m. **Virginia Phenology and Range Expansion of Spotted Lanternfly** - *Dr. Doug Pfeiffer, Professor of Entomology, Virginia Tech-Blacksburg*
- 2:30 p.m. **Spray Bulletin Update/ New Chemistries: Regulatory Update and Label Changes**
Tree Fruit Extension Specialists
- 3:00 p.m. **Pesticide Recertification Sign-out and Adjourn**