

**Wednesday July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 (2:00 – 6:00 PM)  
Cedar Springs Research Station**

*Growers and industry representatives are invited to an informal orchard meeting where tree fruit research on peach, pear, cherry, and apple will be presented. Speakers from the University of Guelph, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Michigan State University, and OMAFRA will discuss new management techniques, cultivars, advanced breeding selections, pest control and weed management strategies, new approaches to chemical thinning, and growth control using plant bio-regulators. This event, hosted by the University of Guelph, is sponsored by a research project based on the sustainability of the tree fruit industry and partially funded by the University of Guelph/OMAFRA Sustainable Production Systems Research Program.*

**PROGRAM**

<b>2:00 pm</b>	Light Refreshments	Welcome, Dr. Robert Gordon, Dean, Ontario Agricultural College, University of Guelph
<b>2:15</b>	Apple performance on Dwarfing Rootstocks; High Density Peach Production	John Zandstra, University of Guelph Ridgetown Campus
<b>2:35</b>	Improving Efficiencies in Apples	Leslie Huffman, Apple Specialist, OMAFRA Harrow
<b>2:55</b>	Are Pears in Your Future?	Dr. David Hunter, Research Scientist, AAFC, Vineland
<b>3:15</b>	Michigan's approach to Chemical Thinning and the Use of Apogee™	Phil Schwallier, District Hort. Educator & CHES Coordinator, Michigan State University
<b>3:45</b>	Stone Fruit Breeding Selections	Dr. Jay Subramanian, Stone Fruit Breeding and Biotech, University of Guelph, Vineland
<b>4:05</b>	New Advances in Tender Fruit	Ken Slingerland, Tender Fruit and Grape Specialist, OMAFRA, Vineland
<b>4:25</b>	Plant Bio-regulators for Apples and Stone Fruits	Dr. John Cline, Pomologist, University of Guelph, Simcoe and Vineland
<b>5:00</b>	Barbeque Dinner	
<b>6:00</b>	Adjourn	

**Directions**

The Cedar Springs Research Station is located on Highway #3 ~5 km east of Cedar Springs,.  
The address is 7350 Talbot Trail, Blenheim, Ontario

**Information**

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