

## 2012 Hood River Winter Horticulture Meeting

Tuesday, January 31, 2012  
Pine Grove Grange, Hood River, OR

### 7:30 am Coffee and Donuts Provided by Our Sponsors

- 8:00**      **Welcome** - Steve Castagnoli, OSU Extension Service, Hood River
- 8:15**      **MCAREC Director's Update** - Brian Tuck, OSU-MCAREC, Hood River
- 8:30**      **Modified Atmosphere Packing of Pears for Long-term Storage and Export** - Yan Wang, OSU-MCAREC, Hood River
- 8:50**      **Improving Pear Production Efficiency: research update** - Todd Einhorn, OSU-MCAREC, Hood River
- 9:20**      **Engineering Solutions for Pacific Northwest Orchards** - Karen Lewis, WSU Extension, Grant-Adams, WA
- 9:50**      ***Il Pero: Observations on Pear Production in Italy*** - Todd Einhorn, OSU-MCAREC, Hood River

### 10:10 am Break - Juice Provided Courtesy of Tree Top

- 10:30**      **Farm Services Agency Programs for Fruit Growers** - Kevin MacIntyre, USDA-FSA, The Dalles, OR
- 10:50**      **Immigration Reform: battle going to the States while Congress sleeps** - Jeff Stone, Coalition for a Working Oregon
- 11:20**      **Columbia Gorge Fruit Growers Elections and Updates** - CGFG Board of Directors
- 11:40**      **Presentation of the Oregon Horticultural Society Hartman Cup Award** - Preston Henry, Oregon Horticultural Society

### 12:00 pm Lunch Provided – Thank You Sponsors!

- 1:00**      **Developing New Information and Tools to Enhance Biological Control in Pear & Sweet Cherry Orchards** - Peter Shearer and Kaushalya Amarasekare, OSU-MCAREC, Hood River
- 1:30**      **Fire Blight Management in 2012: will we see a new antibiotic for fire blight control?** Ken Johnson, OSU Department of Botany & Plant Pathology, Corvallis
- 2:00**      **Hood River Extension Programs Update** - Steve Castagnoli, OSU Extension Service, Hood River
- 2:20**      **Update on Spotted Wing Drosophila Biology and Management** - Peter Shearer, OSU-MCAREC, Hood River
- 2:50**      **Adjourn** - two ODA & WSDA pesticide recertification credits are anticipated for the afternoon presentations on pest & disease management.

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