

## Massachusetts Flower Growers' Association Winter Meeting and Education Program Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Northeast Nursery Supplies warehouse, 147 Summit Street, Unit 2A, Peabody, Massachusetts Behind all the buildings in the industrial park—call 978-317-6016 for directions if needed.

8:15 – 9:15am Open House—Kane's Flower World owners Jeff and Ralph Kane invite you to stop by and see

their retail and wholesale operation. Visit before you come to the meeting

Kane's Flower World, Inc., 64 Andover Street, Rte. 114, Danvers

9am Registration open: Complimentary coffee and pastries (Northeast Nursery Supply)

9:40 am Welcome: Tom Spence, Northeast Greenhouse and Supply manager

9:45 – 10:45am Effective Control of Greenhouse Insect and Mite Pests in Spring Greenhouse Crops

Rick Yates, technical support manager, Griffins Greenhouse Supply

(1 pesticide recertification credit)

Review of solutions to the most common and problematic insects and mites the growers face

to produce Spring greenhouse crops.

11am – 12pm Effective use of PGRs (Plant Growth Regulators) on Spring Greenhouse Crops.

Nick Flax, technical services specialist for Ball Horticultural Company

How you can use PGRs to improve your crop quality. Be it hanging baskets, pots or flats, Nick will review the products or environmental controls to use for the most effective methods.

(1 pesticide recertification credit)

12–1pm Catered lunch—Reservations requested ASAP

MFGA Annual Meeting—Ed Bemis, president and Bob Luczai, secretary

1–1:30pm Short Panel and Discussion: Best Promotional Methods to Attract and Maintain Customers

Hear how some of our members attract and maintain customers and where they are putting

their advertising dollars and energy.

Fran Morello, Fran's Flowers, Framingham

Linda Zukas, Nunan Florist & Greenhouses, Georgetown

Tina Bemis, Bemis Farms Nursery, Spencer

1:30 – 2pm The Supply Chain Situation—Now and In the Foreseeable Future

A panel of greenhouse and retail suppliers will give their opinions on the current supply chain

problems, what they see and what they will do in the future.

Panelists include representatives of hard goods including soil mixes, pots and plant

suppliers

For more information contact: Bob Luczai, MFGA—781-275-4811/cell 508-935-8264 www.massflowergrowers.com/events/2022-winter-meeting

## Winter Flower Growers' Program—Registration Form <u>Lunch Reservations by February 21, 2022</u>

All Names
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Address
Email
Registration includes lunch! Registration must be received by February 21, 2022
Make check payable to and return to: Massachusetts Flower Growers' Association, 8 Gould Road, Bedford MA 01730.
First registration @ \$40.00 = \$
Number of additional registrations x \$35.00/person = \$
Total registration = \$
Fax the form to MFGA at 781-275-8668 or email to massflowergrowers@gmail.com.
For more information call MFGA office at 781-275-4811, Bob Luczai at 508-935-8264 or email massflowergrowers@gmail.com.
Credit card:
We accept (indicate): Visa American Express MasterCard Discover
Name on card:
Card number:
Expiration date (MM/YY):/
Billing address zip code: CVC code:

Note: Registration at the door (day of the meeting) is available but lunch may not be guaranteed. We will try to accommodate as many people as possible.