New Jersey News

Sun High Orchard Tree Fruit Pruning & Training Workshop January 23, 2020, 10AM-12:30PM

Sun High Orchard, 19 Canfield Ave., Randolph, New Jersey

Win Cowgill (Win Enterprises International, LLC)
Megan Muehlbauer (Rutgers Cooperative Extension)

Fee: \$10.00 per person

On-site Registration: 9:30AM

Pre-Registration Required by Tuesday, January 21: Call Kim at the Rutgers Coop. Extension office 908-788-1339- Email kfrey@co.hunterdon.nj.us. Please register with your farm name and name of each person attending.

Program: For commercial fruit growers, hands on pruning of 1- to 5-year-old apple trees grown as tall spindles. We also will work on some semi-dwarf apple trees grown in French Ax system and some peaches in open vase. For questions regarding the program, email wincowgill@mac.com.



Joe Maccherone Passes at 92

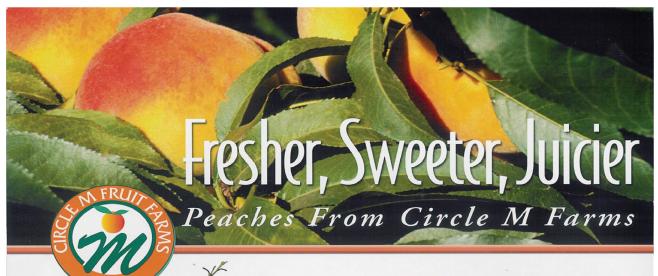
Joe Maccherone, 92 of Mullica Hill, NJ passed away on Nov 10, 2019. Born in Clarksboro, he was a life resident of Gloucester County, graduated with honors from Swedesboro High School, Class of '44, and served in the Army Reserve during the Korean War.

He worked as a farmer his entire life, owner of Fruit Valley Farms, growing peaches and vegetables. Joe was very supportive of Rutgers University, hosting peach variety research trials on his farm for the betterment of the peach industry. Joe and Fruit Valley Farms were long time members of the NJ State Horticulture Society. Son Santo and his wife Lorry now and now run Fruit Valley Farms.

Joe was a member of St. Clare of Assisi Parish, was active with the St. Joseph and St. Alfio Celebrations, and donated watermelons for the church's Spaghetti Dinners and Chicken BBQ's. He served three terms as a Committeeman for S. Harrison Twp., was a member of the Circle M Farms Bowling Team, was an avid dancer, and with his late wife Eva (nee Sorbello) could be found gliding across the floor of the former Oasis Club in Mullica Hill. Joe is survived by his children, Sara (husband Anthony) Picciano, Santo (wife Lorry), Fred (wife Donna) and Joseph Jr. (wife Annabelle), and seven grandchildren. He was predeceased by siblings, Mary Licciardello and Carmen, Alfred and John Maccherone. Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Joseph's Church, 140 Broad St. Swedesboro, NJ. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, Woolwich Twp. NJ. Contributions in his memory should be directed to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105.



Hunterdon County, NJ -- Deer are still an issue in apples! I installed an 8' woven wire deer fence around my orchard. This week a friend sent me this photo with the caption: "Win - I bet you are glad to have a functioning fence. This guy lost an antler taking out my apples."



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