



Maryland Vegetable Growers Association

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MVGA Secretary's Report of the Annual Board Meeting on January 13, 2006

- ◆ 2004 Membership: 56 members -- 30 members paid dues in 2004
- ◆ 2005 Membership: 74 members -- 43 members paid dues in 2005

MVGA Awards Program for 2006

- ◆ \$500 – Jerry Brust MCE *State Survey of Thrips and Stink Bug Species in Vegetables.*
- ◆ \$500 – Laura Hunsberger MCE *The Use of Perimeter Trap Cropping Control Pepper Maggot in Organic Pepper Production.*
- ◆ \$250 – University of Maryland Soil Judging Team

2006 MVGA Label Indemnification Program

The MVGA Board will continue to promote the IR4 Minor Crop Pesticide Use Label Program for Maryland. You must be a MVGA member in good standing to qualify. Please fill out the MVGA 2006 Grower Intent of Use, Indemnification, and Waiver of Liability for the Pesticide Section 18 or 24c Special Use Labels and return promptly to Jerry Brust, MVGA Secretary/Treasurer. This form will be mailed in May 2006 as part of a comprehensive MVGA Report of the Membership. Chemical labels will be forwarded to growers as required. Products that require additional indemnification forms will be forwarded as required based upon the intent of use indicated.

New in 2006 Syngenta will require growers to submit on-line indemnification forms for Dual Magnum 24c labels for cabbage and spinach. MVGA Membership will still be a requirement. Full details concerning this on-line 24c label indemnification process will be forthcoming.

2006 MVGA Membership Drive

Each year MVGA membership dues are collected at the winter regional Extension vegetable meetings or received by mail from January to July. The 2006 annual membership renewal date is due received by the July 1, 2006 sign-up period. All membership dues paid after August 15, 2006 will be rolled forward to the 2007 membership year. The Maryland Vegetable Growers Association currently has 74 members on roster.

2006 MVGA Board

Please welcome Jerry Brust as the newly appointed 2006 MVGA Secretary/Treasurer.

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| Guy Moore | James Knill | Jack Gurley | Candice Lohr |
| Dave Myers | Dwight Baugher | Chris Parker | Darrel Pierce |
| Allen Swann | James Schillinger | Robert Pumphrey | Jerry Brust, Ex-Officio |

*For more information concerning MVGA organizational matters, or to make comment, please contact Guy Moore, MVGA President at 410 442-1427, or Jerry Brust, MVGA Secretary/Treasurer at 410 222-6759. MVGA membership forms and reports are currently available online at:
<http://www.agnr.umd.edu/extension/local%5Foffices/AnneArundel/files/agbulletins.cfm>

Respectfully Submitted by
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