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Hello from the Cold Clammy Windy Dreary West-Side of Kent City

But

It was a Good MSU-Amy-Phil-7am-Swan Inn Meeting this Morning... Well Attended. They covered some pertinent issues.

Jim Kruger from **Fine Americas** was this Mornings "Sponsor" and bought Breakfast for All.

FineAmericas is for sure one of our Fave Manufacturer Pals.... They have saved our Grower Friends very serious Money over the last 10 Years or so. Serious Savings.

And now... they are doing all the final LegWork getting ready to bring their own 1MCP Product to Market but I'm not sure when. If you insisted that I guess...??? I'd say Fall-2020...???

But...Be sure to be very watchful for more & more 'Cost-Reductions' from the current Suppliers of the 1MCP-Type Products. They will surely start positioning themselves for some competition. And guess who \$ave\$ \$ome more money again...??? Thank You Fine Americas Guys !!! Don't forget to be \$aving \$ome \$erious dollar\$ on your 6BA [**Exilis** 9.5SC] Needs ...

and your Prohexadione [**Kudos** 27.5WDG] Needs ... and Your Ethephon [**Motivate**] needs ...

and your GA4/6-BA [**Perlan**] Needs.... and all of your NAA [**Refine** 3.5SC] Needs

and your "Ultra-Pure-GA4" Needs [**Novagib** 10L] and Your OMRI-Approved **Falgro** 2X-LV [GibbAcid] for use on Cherries...Grapes...Blues

😊 Remember when we first got together with Fine, and we came out with FalGro 4L @ \$14.85-Qt...??? when ProGibb was \$45 - Qt...??? 😊 Laugh...!!! ...Thot I'd die. 😊 😊

Thats how we got Fine really seriously jump-started in this Michigan area. Acupla years ago our Motivate was less than half the sell-price of Ethrel !!!

******Amy Confirmed...** That there is exposed Green in quite a few cracking Buds. But the Weather stays cold...the forecast is favoring us.

Amy agrees with what a bunch of You are already doing for years now.... Just get 1 good Cover on every Week for Scab til Primary is done. And I really believe that the "Alternate-Center-Strategy" works better than anything.

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And Alicandro agrees with you 'Alt-Center-Guys' and me.... that our Strategy works best.

******Phil Reminded** Us that Kudos does for us everything that Apogee will do.... and Jim Kruger explained that Kudos is the one with the Labeling more comprehensive & complete & conducive to what we are actually already doing with it... like starting Applns at Pink.

******Phil Also ReVisited** the SAR Issue.... Using the "SA" Products.

And he mentioned ActiGard from Syngenta.

You have heard me mention a few times in these FRNotes the "SA" in several of our Fave Products in which we are getting the "SA" for virtually Free !!!

The "**SAver**" from Ed Browns "Plant Food Systems" Companya '**2-0-10**' that includes a Big-Dose-Proprietary-Package of PFS's really great technology, including a big jolt of "SA"....

As a matter of fact, you get as much 'SA' with a Qt of SAver as you do with Medium-Rate-Actigard.... But a Quart is **\$6** instead of **\$52** - per - Acre for 1.5 oz [medium-rate] Actigard.

**** **The "SA" is what causes the SAR.....** Salicytic Acid causes the Plant to Rev-Up its own Self-Defense-System... like to Resist the invasion that is being caused by a Pathogen. Several of our Products contain 'SA'... in the "Inert" Ingredients ...

Example: That is why so many Folks are having great success with DiKaP from Redox.... not only as a superb Nutrient source, but also enjoying a 'fringe-benefit' with a stronger healthier Plant fending-off Disease attacks. I recommend 12-14-16 oz.-Ac.-DiKaP, depending on TreeSize, at least 6 - 7 - 8 Applns on Producing Apples.... 3 - 4 Applns on Stone Fruits. I like to Tank-Mix with CS2005.

**** **5 Days Out Monday - April 15th** Cut-Off-Dead-Line-Date for your Entry in the "**1st Scab Infection 2019**" Contest. Just Pick a Date and specify AM or PM.... that you think is gonna be the 1st MSU-Amy-Certified-Scab Infection at the original Sparta Station at Krafts. The Winner will get a case 2 x 2.5 ga. CS 2005 Systemic Copper Bactericide-Fungicide compliments of MagnaBon LLC. 1 case treats 20 Acres at the Full-Rate.

Many of You Guys around the Ridge and also many more from far & wide...have mentioned on several occasions what a Blessing we enjoy here with Amy & Phil and their diligence. They are just so great. May our God Bless them.

Warmest Regardsr