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Hello Pals

Thank You -- Great Response to Yesterdays "Last-Call" for the

Upcoming Jan.17th "Redox-University" Opportunity....

'R.U.' ... Where You will be exposed to some Eye-Opening Soil & Plant Science Realities.

I am very pleased to know I'll be seeing so many of You there !!!!

No....This Weather isnt hurting anything I'm just Cantankerous

I like a Winter with a bunch of 19*F-Temps.... a whole bunch of SunShine and 19 Inches of Snow with No Wind.

If we keep that 19*F, then we keep the same 19" of Snow. We only need to Plow 1 Time.... And a bunch of SunShine keeps us all in great Spirits !! ...and keeps the SnowMobilers are Happy too !!

******Pruning Trees -- Jeff** Alicandro reminds us that "'Tree-Heights exceeding 80% of the Row-Spacing will result in inadequate SunShine Levels and Poor Cropping in lower Scaffolds" ... and, the taller Tree-Tops often are hard to reach with Scab-I-Cides.

The Alicandro Crew has seen/documented old 40 Ft-Tree-Row Spacings with heavy Apple Fruit-Set right down to the limbs hanging in the Weeds ...and yet unfortunately they are seeing increasing percentage of modern 10' - 12' - 14' Row Spacings which are nearly Blank in the bottom 30% of the Tree Canopy. They have seen this in High-Density Apple and also in Peach plantings.

The 'SunShine' is just so huge in all of our Production Success. You all might recall me mentioning 1 older Wayne County N.Y. Processing Block..... Romes & Idas I think planted 30' x 30'...where the Operator has his Program dialed in real tight.... Following all of Jeffs helpful hints.... Thinning.... Nutrients... Pruning... and Averaging over 2100-Bu-Ac.Yr-In-Yr-Out.... Some Years 2700 Bu....some years 1500 Bu-Acre. I drive by that same Block 2 - 3 times a Year. Amazing. 15 Year Average 2100 Bu-Yr. Deanna sells that Guy Bumble Bees.

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So Consider this alternative ... Send an EMail to Jeffs Daughter Lindsay Alicandro-LaMora, and RSVP for their Big Agr.Assistance-Winter-Grower Meeting... on Tuesday March 5 - 2019 -- Usually around Lyons N.Y....Details will be coming soon. They have some Manufacturer Research & Development folks Speaking ... and usually some Cornell Folks It starts fairly early...7.30am - 8am....goes til 12.30 or 1pm...Then a real Nice Lunch. Theres several Breaks ...Lots of Door Prizes Very much like our Reisters Winter Meetings & Expo in later February. There's close to 20 Manufr-Vendors there with Expo-Like-Tables set-up....to Visit with when you go on a 'Break'.... Very much like our RGSs Winter Meetings & Expo later in February.... 🗇 🐵 There's normally around 200 Growers there Mostly all about Apples.... maybe because Wayne County N.Y. is the largest Apple Producing County in the U.S. I'll be speaking to that Group for a few Minutes ... Lookin Fwd to it.

Have You Ever Noticed that a Womans "*I'll be Ready in 5 Minutes*" and a Mans "*I'll be home in 5 Minutes*" are exactly the same ...???

Warmest r

