



**“Fruit Facts” – Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**  
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**Apologies! Please see below corrected information!**

***On the Horizon***

**Last week to collect Honeycrisp leaves (sample one healthy leaf, without chlorosis in the mid-portion of one-year old shoots).** You can still sample Honeycrisp leaves early next week. Do not continue delaying the sampling of leaves if you are interested to know the nutritional status of your trees. Nitrogen levels won't be accurate if you sample chlorotic leaves. Avoid them when sampling!

July is a good time to collect **foliar samples** for evaluating nutrient needs of berry patches for optimizing next season's growth and yields. Instructions on submitting a foliar sample can be found [at this link](#). If submitting to Dairy One, submission form [can be found at this link](#).

**Renovating strawberries** involves treating the plants with an herbicide such as Sinbar or 2,4-D, and a few days to a week later, mowing the leaves off, leaving the crowns and youngest leaves intact. Foliar samples can be taken after the new growth has grown to mature size.

**Mark your Calendars and plan to attend the upcoming Apple Social events**, to be held July 16<sup>th</sup> in Medina and July 31<sup>st</sup> in Williamson

Please join us at this casual networking event for all apple industry folks from Western NY, proudly sponsored by Valent. There will just a brief introduction of the Lake Ontario Fruit Program. Each of the four specialists will share their programming areas, along with their current research and extension projects (3 minutes per person). The goal is to get folks meeting one another in a more casual environment than the usual structured educational programs. We would especially encourage young/new growers, processing growers, and folks who may not be very familiar with Cornell Cooperative Extension's Lake Ontario Fruit Program to join us.

Food and beverages will be available. Some new equipment will be displayed, including the latest in John Deere, with Erik Quanbeck of LandPro. Note to vendors - if you are interested in displaying any equipment at either venue, please contact Craig Kahlke (contact info below).

Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like!

**Please preregister** at [https://lof.cce.cornell.edu/event\\_preregistration\\_new.php?id=1953](https://lof.cce.cornell.edu/event_preregistration_new.php?id=1953) or with Craig Kahlke by phone/text (585-735-5448) or email [cjk37@cornell.edu](mailto:cjk37@cornell.edu).

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