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2009 Southern Region Small Fruit Consortium Berry Crop Irrigation Agent Training

Wed, Jan. 7, 2009, 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Room 205, Savannah International Trade and Convention Center

This is the big convention center on the North side of the Savannah River. There is a ferry across the river to the hotel.

2:45-3:00 pm Refreshments available

Welcome: Dr. Tom Monaco, Exec. Director, Southern Region Small Fruit Consortium, Raleigh, N.C.

3:00-4:30 p.m. Irrigation Basics, Dr. Allen Straw, SW-VA AREC, Glade Spring, VA.

4:30-6:00 p.m. Irrigation Components and Scheduling for Berry Crops, Dr. Allen Straw, SW-VA AREC, Glade Spring, VA.

6:00 p.m. Ride ferry across river, check into hotel and dinner on your own

Thurs., Jan. 8, 2009

7:30 a.m. Load bus in front Day's Inn for trip to the UGA Bamboo Station Station

7:45 a.m. Bus departs

8:15 a.m. Convene: UGA Bamboo Station and Coastal Gardens, junction of Cane Brake Rd. and US 17 south of Savannah, Ga.

(If you have to drive to the Bamboo Station:
<http://ugaextension.com/bamboo/Directions.html>)

8:15 a.m. Introduction to the UGA Bamboo Station and Coastal Gardens, Dr. Stephen Garton, Director

8:25 a.m. Large Scale Commercial Installation and Fertigation – Mr. Erwin Newell and Mr. T. Denman Isgett, B.B. Hobbs Co., Darlington, SC

9:45 a.m. Coffee and Beverage Break

- 10:00 a.m. Wrap up and Review of Irrigation Basics, Dr. Allen Straw, SW-VA AREC, Glade Spring, VA
- 11:00 a.m. Demonstration of Sprinkler Types – Naan-Dan, Mr. Giles Padgett-Wilkes, Point Source Irrigation, Mt. Dora, Fla.
- 11:30 a.m. Demonstration of Sprinkler Types – Rain Bird, Mr. Ed Anderson, Azusa, Cal.
- 12:00 noon Lunch at Bamboo Station
- 12:45 p.m. Getting water to the field:

Small Scale Field Installation:

Demonstration of trencher operation and water delivery options besides PVC such as lay flat, oval hose, etc.

Installation over head irrigation for freeze control on jatropa (a subtropical biodiesel crop)

Installation of drip irrigation system
- 4:00 p.m. Bus departs Bamboo Station for Day's Inn

Southeastern Fruit and Vegetable Convention

Rough outline of program, times are not exact- see www.gfvga for details

Thurs, Jan. 8, 2009 **Blackberry and Raspberry Program**, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 9, 2009

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| 7 AM – 9:30 AM | Exhibitor Set Up |
| 8 AM – 11 AM | Educational Sessions- 1. Organic Blueberries and Veggies 2.Blackberry and Raspberry (continued) |
| 10 AM – 6:15 PM | Trade Show OPEN (approx. 8 hours) |
| 11 AM – Noon | Special Interest Forum – TBD |
| | Lunch available in Trade Show Hall (incl. in Reg. Fee) |
| 2:00 – 5:00 PM | Educational Sessions- Blueberry |
| 4:45 – 6:15 PM | Welcome Reception – Trade Show Hall (Live Auction) |

Saturday, January 10, 2009

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| 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM | General Session |
| 10:00 AM | Trade Show Opens (approx. 4 hours) |
| | Lunch available in Trade Show Hall (incl. in Reg. fee) |
| 2:00 – 5:00 PM | Educational Sessions- 1. Blueberry, 2. Muscadine, 3. Strawberry |
| 2:30 PM | Trade Show Closes |
| 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Reception at the Westin (located next to the Convention Center) |

Sunday, January 11, 2009

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| 8:00 AM | Worship Service |
| 8:30 – 10:30 AM | Industry Roundtable |