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54th Belleville Research Center Field Day will be on July 8 in Belleville. Rain or shine, the annual event hosted by Southern Illinois University Carbondale College of Agricultural, Life and Physical Sciences kicks off at 9:00 a.m. with welcome remarks and then rolls into programming.

ANNUAL SOUTHERN ILLINOIS FERTILIZER & PESTICIDE CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 23, 2021

DOUBLETREE
222 POTOMAC DRIVE
MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS

Exhibitor/Contributor participation welcome!

A registration form can be found on Page 4 of this newsletter.

Check our website for updated program information: conferenceservices.siu.edu
Each year the SIFPC Board recognizes three outstanding students at Southern Illinois University Carbondale in Weed Science, Soil Science, and Chemical/Fertilizer Industry. These awards are named in honor of three gentlemen who contributed mightily to improving crop production in Illinois.

**LLOYD BURLING AWARD**

Mr. Burling worked in the Chemical and Fertilizer Industry for over 40 years. He is the past president of the Illinois Fertilizer & Chemical Assn. (1970-2003). During his tenure, the industry was able to focus the message for Illinois farmers. He is retired but is keeping busy by being involved in many volunteer efforts in his community.

**LLOYD BURLING AWARD RECIPIENT**

My name is Ellie Lewis, and I am from Zionsville, Indiana. I am a current junior at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. I am double majoring in Crop, Soil, and Environmental Management and Spanish. After graduation, I want to pursue graduate school to study Sustainable Agriculture.

**GEORGE KAPUSTA AWARD**

Dr. Kapusta worked at SIU for over 35 years. He built the SIU Weed Science Program and the Belleville Research Center. Dr. Kapusta passed away on March 31, 2008.

**GEORGE KAPUSTA AWARD RECIPIENT**

My name is Alexander Mueth, from Breese, IL. I am senior at SIU Carbondale majoring in Crop, Soil, and Environmental Management, with a minor in Plant Biology. After graduation I plan to continue in weed science research by working for Karla Gage’s lab as a research assistant in the summer of 2021. I also plan to continue my studies at SIUC and begin work on a master’s degree in Weed Science.
Dr. Edward Varsa worked at SIU for over 35 years. He built the Soil Fertility program at SIU and was the Director of Research for the Belleville Research Center and the Agronomy Research Center. Dr. Varsa passed away on July 8, 2020.

My name is Justin Berberich. I grew up on a family farm in Mt. Carmel, IL. I am going to SIU Carbondale to get a Bachelor's degree in Crop Soil and Environmental Management. This is my senior year of college after which I will attend graduate school at SIU and eventually return to the farm to continue my career.

Started as a small social group in the early 90’s the “Midwest Ag Group” has evolved into 40 present and former fertilizer industry personnel with over 900 years of experience and diverse backgrounds, who desire to stay in contact with the industry, as well as, give something back to it. The group meets twice per year and pay dues, which are used to create the $1,000 scholarships given to students with an interest in agricultural careers. The scholarships, coordinated through the IFCA, are given to assist students from four major Illinois universities: Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Illinois State University, University of Illinois, and Western Illinois University.

I am Josiah Southall from Marion, Illinois, and I am currently serving as a specialist in the U.S. Army Reserves. I am a senior enrolled at SIU Carbondale majoring in Crop, Soil, and Environmental Management. Upon graduation with a B.S. degree, I will be entering the workforce full-time with a major Agricultural company.
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CONFERENCE FEES: 

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: $ __________

☐ Individual Registration ☐ $40  ☐ $20 SIU Students  ☐ $50 (after November 16th)

☐ Contributors/Exhibitors (by mail or fax only) **please select a level**
Select one:  ☐ Contribution Only  ☐ I will need a table for my display (Silver Level or above)
☐ Outdoor Display for Heavy Equipment (Silver Level or above)

☐ BRONZE  $100-$199  1 registration + lunch
☐ SILVER  $200-$299  1 registration + lunch + 1 exhibit table
☐ GOLD  $300-$399  2 registrations + lunches + 1 exhibit table
☐ PLATINUM  $400+  2 registrations + lunches + 1 exhibit table + location reserved

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REFUND POLICY: Refunds will be made, less a $15 cancellation fee, if Conference Services is notified before November 16, 2021. No refunds after November 16th.

Mail form with payment to:
Fertilizer & Pesticide Conference
Conference & Scheduling Services
Student Center — Mail Code 6705
Southern Illinois University
1255 Lincoln Drive
Carbondale, IL 62901

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