

Dear Small Fruit, Tree Fruit & Vegetable Growers:

I hope you will mark your calendars for the upcoming **2020 Southern Illinois Fruit and Vegetable School.**

This year, as in past years, we bring you an informative, practical, and up-to-date educational program to address the challenges of growing small fruit and vegetables commercially in Southern Illinois.

This conference is being held at the Doubletree Meeting & Event Center in Mt. Vernon, IL. It is conveniently located at 222 Potomac Boulevard just off Interstate 64.

Advanced REGISTRATION is \$50.00 per farm.

Spray Guides will be available for purchase at the school. Your registration does NOT include a spray guide this year.

Available guides will be the 2019-2020 Midwest Fruit Pest Management Guide (If you received this guide last year, it's still good for the 2020 growing season.) OR the 2020 Midwest Vegetable Production Guide for Commercial Growers .

These guides will sell for \$15.00 each.

Advanced registration is preferred and is available online or by mail. The deadline for receipt of advanced registration is January 30, 2020.

Registration at the door is \$60.00.

Conference Site Location:

Doubletree Meeting & Event Center

**222 Potomac Boulevard
Mt. Vernon, IL 62864
618-244-7100**

On the production side, the University of Illinois Food Crops team will be on hand to present a wide range of important educational topics. Current trends in insect and disease management, as well as a variety of other production related topics will be discussed. Separate tracks will be offered for each production area.

Exhibits

Commercial exhibitors will be on hand to show you the latest wares in the horticulture industry. This is your chance to do all your shopping in one stop!

For Program Information Contact:

Elizabeth A. Wahle, Commercial Ag Educator
University of Illinois Extension
Madison-Monroe-St. Clair Unit
1 Regency Plaza Drive, Suite 200
Collinsville, IL 62234
wahle@illinois.edu or 618-344-4230

If you require reasonable accommodations to participate in this program, contact: (618) 344-4230. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time for meeting your access needs.

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Serving Commercial Growers Throughout Southern Illinois and Missouri



**Wednesday,
February 5**

**Doubletree Meeting &
Event Center
Mt. Vernon, IL**

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Extension

7:45 AM **REGISTRATION BEGINS, EXHIBITS OPEN**

Vegetable Session

Tree Fruit Session

Small Fruit Session

- 8:20 AM **WELCOME -**
Elizabeth Wahle, Univ. of IL Extension
- 8:30 AM **MANAGING KEY VEGETABLE PESTS -**
Ric Bessin, Univ. of KY
- 9:00 AM **FSMA UPDATES: EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS, FARM SURVEYS, FARM INSPECTIONS FOR ILLINOIS -**
Laurie George, Univ. of IL Extension
- 9:30 AM **TOMATO DISEASE MANAGEMENT -**
Mohammad Babadoost, Univ. of IL

- 8:20 AM **WELCOME -**
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- 8:30 AM **PEACH BACTERIAL SPOT MANAGEMENT -**
Mohammad Babadoost, Univ. of IL
- 9:00 AM **2019 IN REVIEW -**
Austin and Parker Flamm, Flamm Orchards
- 9:30 AM **PEACH INSECT MANAGEMENT -**
Ric Bessin, University of KY

- 8:20 AM **WELCOME -**
Bronwyn Aly, Univ. of IL Extension
- 8:30 AM **HASCAPS VARIETY TRIALS -**
John Strang, Univ. of KY
- 9:00 AM **GROWER TALK -** *Frank and Jimmy Williams, Scatter Creek Berries & Produce*

10:00 AM **BREAK — VISIT WITH VENDORS**

10:30 AM **JOINT SESSION— BUYERS PANEL -**
Liz DeRuntz, Leaf Food Hub; Michael Gehman, Farmstead Food; Tony Cusumano, Cusumano & Sons; Clay Mitchell, Robinson Fresh

11:30 AM **LUNCH ON YOUR OWN - VISIT WITH VENDORS**

- 1:00 PM **NEW VARIETIES FOR 2020 -**
Brad Paulson, Rupp Seed
- 1:30 PM **CUCURBIT AND BRASSICA DISEASE MANAGEMENT -**
Mohammad Babadoost, Univ. of IL
- 2:30 PM **BREAK — VISIT WITH VENDORS**
- 3:00 PM **SIU-C VEGETABLE RESEARCH UPDATE -**
Alan Walters, Southern IL Univ. - Carbondale
- 3:30 PM **HIGH TUNNEL TOMATO, PEPPER, AND WINTER VEGETABLE RESEARCH UPDATES FROM DIXON SPRINGS AG CENTER -**
Bronwyn Aly, Univ. of IL Extension
- 4:00 PM **ADJOURN**

- 1:00 PM **MANAGING SECONDARY PESTS OF APPLES -**
Ric Bessin, Univ. of KY
- 1:30 PM **PHYSIOLOGY OF PRUNING FRUIT TREES -**
John Strang, Univ. of KY
- 2:00 PM **FSMA AT FLAMM ORCHARDS -**
Austin and Parker Flamm, Flamm Orchards
- 2:30 PM **BREAK — VISIT WITH VENDORS**
- 3:00 PM **BITTER ROT IN APPLES -**
Mohammad Babadoost, Univ. of IL
- 3:45 PM **FRUIT BORON NUTRITION -**
John Strang, Univ. of KY
- 4:15 PM **ADJOURN**

- 1:00 PM **STRAWBERRY MATTED ROW VARIETY TRIAL -**
John Strang, Univ. of KY
- 1:30 PM **MANAGING BERRY VIRUS DISEASES THROUGH KNOWLEDGE AND CLEAN PLANTS -**
Ioannis Tzanetakis, Univ. of AR
- 2:30 PM **BREAK — VISIT WITH VENDORS**
- 3:00 PM **MANAGING INSECT PESTS OF CANE BERRIES -**
Ric Bessin, Univ. of KY
- 3:30 AM **FSMA UPDATES: EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS, FARM SURVEYS, FARM INSPECTIONS FOR ILLINOIS -**
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