

Crop Production Retailers

University of Minnesota EXTENSION

Crop Pest Management Short Course & Minnesota Crop Production Retailers Trade Show December 12-14, 2017

Minneapolis Convention Center & Minneapolis Hilton Hotel

Up to the Challenge!

Program & Exhibitor Guide

WELCOME to the 67th Annual Crop Pest Management Short Course and MCPR Trade Show



MCPR Board Chair's Message

Welcome to the 67th running of the Crop Pest Management and Minnesota Crop Production Retailers Trade Show. We have enjoyed our collaboration with the University of Minnesota Extension. Having completed a productive and demanding fall season, it is time for all to engage in this great show and program. This is the great Minnesota and Upper Midwest Ag "Get Together" which will challenge, educate, and help you enjoy this great adventure we call agriculture.

Dale Johnson MCPR Board of Directors



Dean's Message

Crop producers need sound research to make good decisions. University of Minnesota Extension's Crop Pest Management (CPM) Short Course and the Minnesota Crop Production Retailers (MCPR) Trade Show are an excellent way for crop decision-makers to learn more about the complex issues surrounding agriculture today and to meet with other professionals who share similar interests. The joint MCPR and U of M Extension event offers many educational opportunities and ample time for interaction with others. I hope you enjoy the presentations and networking and gain practical, useful information at the 2017 CPM Short Course and MCPR Trade Show.

Bev Durgan Dean, University of Minnesota Extension

Back by Popular Demand for 2017!

MCPR Board Chairman's Reception

The MCPR Board invites you to the MCPR Board Chairman's Reception. Drop in before your planned evening festivities. Use your exhibitor drink tickets (available for purchase at the registration counter). Join us on:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13th from 5 - 8:00 PM

Hilton Hotel - Marquette Ballroom - 2nd Floor

Appetizers will be provided. Cash bar or use exhibitor drink tickets. **The Minnesota Viking Cheerleaders will be there at 5:00 pm** to greet attendees, mingle and sign calendars (calendars available for purchase).

Trade Show Hours

- Tuesday, December 12th 3:00 pm - 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, December 13th 9:00 am - 5:00 pm (includes breaks and lunch (in the exhibit hall)
- Thursday, December 14th 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Registration Hours

- **Tuesday** 9:00 am 6:30 pm
- Wednesday 7:00 am 5:00 pm
- Thursday 7:00 am 11:00 am

Dicamba Update Tuesday, Dec. 12th

10 am - 12 pm Room 101 FGH

Getting answers to your questions about Dicamba in Minnesota is the focus of this recently added Special Session.

MCPR invited the MN Department of Agriculture, and representatives from Monsanto, BASF, and DowDuPont to provide an update on recent developments from their perspective. We also expect the U of MN Extension to be a resource for this session if called upon. This session is scheduled to provide a forum to answer questions and receive updates on the Dicamba developments. The new labels for Engenia, XtendiMax and FeXapan require that certified applicators (both private and commercial) and certified operators must receive dicamba use training before they apply the product, and are required to keep a record of that training with every application record. USEPA has given the States flexibility in how to accomplish this and each State may take a different approach.

Changes related to recent the U.S. EPA Dicamba Restricted Use Pesticide (R.U.P) designation and new label requirements and training requirements going forward are starting to impact the market place. There were many lessons learned in 2017, so training must be provided to explain the new label requirements, weed management, and other considerations. These labels expire in December 2018; therefore, it is vital that these products remain on target next year in order for them to be in the marketplace beyond 2018.

At the time of this writing reports indicated that 23 states of the 33 that had Dicamba issues have already approved the new label and training is underway! Learning how Minnesota is progressing in this regard will be an important discussion and learning opportunity in this session.

Educational grants from Monsanto, BASF, DowDuPont have made this session possible

Technical Service Provider (TSP) TrainingTuesday, Dec. 12th10 am - 1 pmRoom 200 AB

This training will present the latest information from the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) on nutrient management and integrated pest management(IPM) to Technical Service Providers (TSP) certified in these categories in Minnesota. This session will provide an overview of the updated NRCS Nutrient Management and IPM practice standards. There will be a technical review of the requirements for nutrient management and IPM practices and enhancements implemented through the Conservation Stewardship Program (CStP). This session will also cover the new TSP quality assurance review policy and TSP recertification requirements.

MCPR Plenary Session

Tuesday, Dec. 12th 1 pm - 3:00 pm Room 101 FGH

Engaging in Land Stewardship: Opportunities to Support Farmers

Water Quality has and will continue to be a major focus in Minnesota. Farmers are under tremendous pressure to produce more food, while also contributing to improved water quality. Minnesota watershed planning efforts have begun to adopt a stewardship concept for approaching water quality in agricultural areas. The stewardship concept promotes soil health as an avenue for delivering water quality improvements while maintaining productive agricultural systems. It also identifies the need for broader private sector engagement, such as crop retailors, in delivering conservation. This session Drew Kessler, PhD. From U of MN, lead scientist with Houston Engineering, Inc. will provide a background on Minnesota watershed planning and how the stewardship concept is being applied.

Up to the Challenge!

Matt Birk, MN Vikings Hometown NFL Star who wears a Super Bowl ring, is the Short Course Key Note Speaker. In addition to his work for the NFL, Matt Birk is inspiring, teaching and motivating audiences across America as a national speaker. He speaks on the topics of Leadership, Teamwork, and Achievement to motivate your team to get to the next level!

Precision Consulting: Building a Suite of Services

In this session, Matt Wiebers explains how building a service business focused on precision agriculture is becoming a profitable business model for both Minnesota crop consultants and retailers. Agronomic innovations such as crop growth models, scientific on-farm research trials, and robotic automation are empowering the next generation of agronomists to serve as specialists in offering local and regional services to the market.

Pesticide Applicator Recertification

Tuesday, Dec. 12 th	2 pm - 3:30 pm	Room 200 CDE
Wednesday, Dec. 13 th	8 am - 5 pm	Room 200 CDE

These MDA-approved sessions are for applicators that need recertification credit in Categories A (Core), C (Field Crop Pest Management), and/or H (Seed Treatment).

- Category A + C: Attend all December 13th recertification sessions.
- Category A + H: Attend December 12th from 2 pm to 3:30 pm and December 13th recertification sessions from 8 am to 2:45 pm.
- Category A + C + H: Attend all December 12th and December 13th recertification sessions.

General Session Wednesday, Dec. 13th

Starting at 8 am Room 101 FGH

8:00 am — Consolidation and Competition in Midwest Agriculture: Are These Game-Changes?

Dr. Keri L. Jacobs, Iowa State University

Consolidation of agricultural firms prevails at all levels of the supply chain and has real effects at the local level. Locally, consolidation driven from the bottom up and top down are changing the landscape. This presentation highlights the drivers of consolidation in ag locally and offers insights for the potential impacts on producers and their ag partners.

8:55 am — The Dicamba Dilemma: Where do we go from here?

Dr. Kevin Bradley, University of Missouri

In 2017, more than 3 million acres of U.S. soybean were damaged and more than 2,600 investigations were conducted by various state departments of Agriculture as a result of offtarget movement of dicamba. In this session, we will describe all of the methods by which dicamba can move off-site which will include a summary of our field research results related to the volatility of these new dicamba formulations. We will also present results from an ongoing analysis of the specific weather and environmental factors associated with off-target versus on-target applications of dicamba in 2017. All of this information will be presented in an effort to reduce the number of incidences of off-target dicamba movement in future production systems.

9:55 — Climate assessment of Minnesota: Where we have been and where we are going

Dr. Mark Seeley, University of Minnesota

After 40 years as Extension Climatologist, I will share some analysis and thoughts regarding the climate behavior of the past and the expected climate behavior of the future, especially regarding impacts on agriculture practices and production. Agriculture must continue to be diligent in its adaptation to a changing climate, and be willing to share stories of success and failure.

Concurrent Sessions | & || Wednesday, Dec. 13th

Starting at 1:00 pm Rooms 200 AB & 200 CDE

1:00 & 1:55 pm — Understanding the application requirements on the revised dicamba labels

Dr. Robert E. Wolf, Wolf Consulting & Research, LLC This presentation will help those in attendance understand the label specified application requirements for each of the dicamba products available for the 2018 spraying season. The discussion will focus on the details as outlined for mitigating spray drift and controlling the droplet size. Application parameters of concern will be nozzle type, spray pressure, spray volume, spray equipment ground speed, and spray boom height. This discussion will include a review of the latest online label information as it relates to the application process. There will also be time devoted to a discussion of the influence of drift reduction agents (DRA's) on the success of making dicamba applications.

Though the focus of this presentation is mainly devoted to the application of dicamba on dicamba tolerant cropping systems, there will also be a brief review of the application parameters essential for making applications of crop protection products other than dicamba. For some of these other types of applications, a completely different spray system setup is required. In other words, one nozzle type, one application volume, one droplet size will not meet all application needs.

1:00 & 4:10 pm — What buffers can do for farmers: a summary of ten years of prairie strip research *Dr. Matthew E. O'Neal, Iowa State University*

Efforts to conserve pollinators, game birds, reduce soil erosion and nutrient loss from farmlands has led to recommendations to add areas of non-cropped area to farmland. At lowa State University, a group of scientists, educators, farmers, and extension specialists have collaborated on the STRIPS project: Science-based Trials of Rowcrops Integrated with Prairie strips. Prairie strips are a new farmland conservation practice researched and promoted by the STRIPS team at ISU and partners (visit https://www.nrem.iastate.edu/research/ STRIPS/). Our research shows that prairie strips are an affordable option for farmers and farm landowners seeking to garner multiple benefits. By converting 10% of a crop field to diverse, native perennial plants found in prairies, farmers and farmland owners can reduce the amount of soil leaving their fields by 90% and the amount of nitrogen leaving their fields through surface runoff by up to 85%. Prairie strips also provide potential habitat for wildlife without increasing pest outbreaks. At this presentation, ten years of research results will be shared that has led to over 25 (and growing) farmers adopting this practice in Iowa. A summary of the benefits that can be expected will be reviewed, including the response of insects like pollinators and monarchs that have been in decline within agricultural landscapes.

1:55 & 3:15 pm — Insecticide-resistant soybean aphid: A new challenge in soybean production Dr. Robert Koch, University of Minnesota

The rapid spread of soybean aphid resistance to pyrethroid insecticides has created a new challenge for soybean production. This presentation will provide updates on the status of soybean aphid resistance to insecticides in Minnesota and neighboring states. To improve management of resistance, an overview will be provided on insecticide modes of action

and management of resistant aphids from other crops. This information will be used to discuss management practices that contributed to development of resistance and what changes to practices should be considered to confront this challenge.

3:15 & 4:10 pm — What's eating these soybeans?

Dr. Kelley Tilmon, Ohio State University

This talk will cover some of the lesser-known pests of soybean such as Japanese beetle and stink bugs – identification, damage, and management. These pests are becoming more common in soybean production in the North Central region.

Concurrent Sessions III & IVWednesday, Dec. 13thStarting at 1:00 pmRooms 102 DEF & 208 CD

1:00 & 1:55 pm — Disease in soybean and corn: Good, bad, and ugly in 2017

Dr. Dean Malvick, University of Minnesota

From white mold and brown stem rot in soybean to stalk rot in corn, Minnesota crops had problems with disease in some areas in 2017. This presentation will review key diseases that developed in soybean and corn, factors contributed to their development, and options to reduce their development in the future.

1:00 & 4:10 pm — Bigg(er) Data Approaches to Understanding Soybean Yield Gaps Across the Corn Belt Dr. Seth Naeve, University of Minnesota

There is more than one way to skin a cat. Naeve is cooperating with Soybean Agronomists in ten north central states to identify production practices that allow farmers to produce greater yields than their neighbors. This session will highlight the results from the first two years of this multistate study whereby research is conducted through analysis of farmer-derived yield and production data. Advanced statistics and data management may finally allow us a new view of how production practices affect soybean yield on real farms across the northern US.

1:55 & 3:15 pm — Using CRISPRs for soybean genetic improvement: moving from promise to application *Dr. Robert Stupar, University of Minnesota*

Gene editing describes a suite of technologies that enables "rewriting" (i.e. editing) of specific regions of the genetic code. There is considerable interest in using these technologies to introduce new traits into crop species and accelerate plant breeding applications. CRISPR (Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats) is the most recent and most powerful tool for such applications. In this talk, I will describe the CRISPR technology and how it is different from other breeding tools (e.g., transgenes and GMOs). I will also discuss the ways CRISPR technology is currently being used to study plant genes and improve traits in crop species. Furthermore, I will discuss the opportunities and obstacles to using this technology in the short, middle and long-terms.

3:15 & 4:10 pm — New (and old) tools for delaying and coping with herbicide resistance

Dr. Adam Davis, USDA-ARS

After decades of over-reliance on herbicides for weed management, the evolution and spread of single- and multipleherbicide resistant weed genotypes is accelerating across the north central region of the U.S. With no new herbicide modes of action on the horizon, and rapidly dwindling economic returns to herbicide management, the time for herbicide stewardship is now. In this presentation, I make the case that weed management is mostly about managing selection; share some lessons learned from the evolution and management of herbicide resistant weeds in Illinois, and introduce the basic principles and tools of integrated weed management.

Concurrent Session I

Thursday, Dec. 14th

Starting at 8:00 am Room 101 FGH

8:00 am & 1:25 pm — Be a winner, send grain not nitrogen down the Mississippi

Dr. Fabian Fernandez, University of Minnesota Nitrogen is essential for sustainable crop production, but it is also an expensive input to farmers. One unintended negative consequence of nitrogen applications for crop production is the potential for water quality contamination. Because of these reasons, what we do to manage nitrogen can have long-term implications on sustainability, both in terms of environmental quality and profitability. Using best management practices (BMPs) can help us towards our production and environmental quality goals. University of Minnesota's BMPs have been developed and continue to be modified based on sound and unbiased research. While it is important to recognize that nitrogen loss to the environment can occurs despite our best management efforts, often when we optimize profitable crop production we minimize the potential for negative environmental impacts. Our goal should be to improve N use by converting as much as possible of the nitrogen applied into grain produced, or in other words export grain instead of nitrogen down to the Gulf of Mexico. In this presentation we will discuss current and recent research dealing with water guality, agricultural drainage, and nitrogen management. We will discuss issues surrounding soil drainage characteristics and nitrate leaching losses.

8:55 am & 12:30 pm — The potassium challenge: how do we manage this nutrient in current production systems? Dr. Daniel Kaiser, University of Minnesota

Management of potassium in cropping systems can be challenging due to the chemistry of this nutrient in the soil. Potassium is considered as a macronutrient due to a high demand for this nutrient by corn and soybean. While research (continued on next page)

has demonstrated a need for potassium if availability in soil is low, current research has only shown sporadic evidence of large returns on investment when potassium fertilizer is applied. One current challenge is determining what is the best way to assess potassium availability in soils. Current research will be discussed related to work correlating soil test values to crop response across Minnesota. One area of emphasis will be on sample handling before analysis where research has shown clear effects of soil drying on the amount of potassium extracted from soil. The overarching goal of this presentation will be to discuss where we are with our current knowledge regarding the potassium guidelines in Minnesota and where the research tells us we may need to go for an updated set of Minnesota potassium fertilizer guidelines.

10:15 & 11:10 am — Nitrogen fertilizer on soybean – Yes, no, or maybe?

Dr. Emerson Nafzier, University of Illinois

Building on the idea that soybeans may not have enough energy to both make high yields and to fix their own N from the air, a great deal of attention has been directed to research trying to figure out if, and when, soybean yields might be increased by adding N fertilizer. We have conducted research in Illinois for a number of years, looking at timing, form, and rate of N fertilizer. Yield responses have ranged from zero to more than 20 bushels per acre, and while we do not yet have confidence to know when soybeans will or won't respond to N, or how often and when N fertilizer might produce a positive return, we'll discuss these results and see if we can move towards making better-informed decisions regarding this input.

Concurrent Session II Thursday, Dec. 14th

Starting at 8:00 am Room 101 IJ

8:00 & 10:15 am — A critical review of cover crop interseeding and potential new tools for improved cover crop adoption

Dr. M. Scott Wells, University of Minnesota

Adopting cover crops into the upper Midwestern cornsoybean cropping systems is challenging. Several factors can greatly influence potential successes and failures of cover crop integration into the corn-soybean rotation, most notably weather. Recent advancements in planter technologies have afforded early adopters with the necessary tools to interseeded cover crops into their corn-soybean cash crops. Research across the upper Midwest has assessed the impact of interseeded cover crops on corn-soybean performance while evaluating a suite of ecosystem services provided by the cover crops. While much of this research is ongoing, a predominate question remains unanswered; "Given the best cover crop planting technologies, will farmers be able to afford to implementation of cover crops?" This presentation will explore current research on interseeding cover crops, while offering a potential solution to the aforementioned question.

8:55 am & 12:30 pm — Bacterial leaf streak disease of corn - The Nebraska perspective

Dr. Tamra Jackson-Ziems, Terra Hartman, Brad Tharnish and Jim Harbour, University of Nebraska

Bacterial leaf streak (BLS), caused by Xanthomonas vasicola pv. vasculorum, was reported for the first time in the United States in Nebraska in 2016. Since then, the disease has been confirmed in 60 Nebraska counties and 8 additional states, including Colorado, Kansas, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas. Previously, the pathogen had only been confirmed on corn in South Africa and on sugarcane in numerous other countries around the world. Numerous other grass and palm hosts were identified in other countries, as well, including sorghum species. Results from additional host range testing conducted in Nebraska also confirmed several additional crop, weed, and native perennial grass species as hosts. Symptoms on corn can be difficult to differentiate from other diseases, especially the gray leaf spot fungal disease. Typical symptoms of the disease on corn and other hosts are narrow interveinal streaks that can appear bright yellow when backlit. The pathogen overwinters in infested crop debris thus, disease develops in the same areas repeatedly when susceptible hybrids are grown and favorable weather conditions persist. Severity of the disease varies considerably on corn hybrids, particularly on some popcorn hybrids that can be quite susceptible. High relative humidity and leaf wetness favor disease development. Results from additional research trials will be shared, including yield trials and mitigation experiments evaluating the effects of cornsoybean rotation sequences and tillage regimes.

11:10 am & 1:25 pm — Managing corn for high yield and environmental stewardship while controlling costs

Dr. Jeffrey Coulter, University of Minnesota Low grain prices and comparatively expensive agronomic inputs make profitable corn production a challenge. In this presentation, agronomic factors including hybrid selection, planting rate, nitrogen fertilizer management, starter fertilizer management, and other agronomic input and management decisions will be discussed with regard to the frequency and magnitude of responses in corn yield and economic return. This will help crop advisors and growers recognize key opportunities and limitations for increasing corn yield, profitability, and environmental stewardship.

<u>Concurrent Session III</u> Thursday, Dec. 14th

Starting at 8:00 am Room 200 CDE

8:00 & 11:10 am — Get the weeds before they get you! Are you up to the challenge?

Lisa Behnken and Ryan Miller, University of Minnesota What can be done differently in 2018 to prevent weed escapes in fields and limit the spread of herbicide resistant weeds? What have we learned in the past that can help us be more proactive in the future? As weeds become tougher to control, and herbicide resistant weeds become more of the norm in fields rather than the exception, what else can or must be done to stay ahead of the game? This session will review and reflect on weed management systems, those that incorporate chemical and non-chemical strategies to manage weeds. What you do on your farm matters, so take control and take action.

8:55 am & 1:25 pm — Update on biological control of soybean aphid

Dr. George Heimpel, University of Minnesota

The soybean aphid invaded North America from Asia in the year 2000 and remains one of the most important pests of row-crop agriculture in Minnesota. It is important to note, however, that soybean aphid pressure would be far worse were it not for resident predatory insects such as ladybeetles. Studies done over the last 15 years suggest that these natural enemies keep soybean aphid densities below the economic spray threshold in approximately 80% of fields region-wide. In addition, a recent newcomer – the parasitoid Aphelinus certus – is adding to this level of protection. I will present new data from 2015 and 2017 collected in St. Paul and western Minnesota showing that this parasitoid alone is capable of controlling soybean aphid but also that this is does not happen consistently. We have developed a mathematical model describing the level of parasitism that is needed to control soybean aphid and this can be used to better understand variable results in the field. Aphelinus certus is relative newcomer in Minnesota – it was first discovered here in 2011 - and so it may be that more consistent control will develop once it is better established in the state

10:15 am & 12:30 pm — Corn seeding rates in variable environments

Dr. Mark Licht, Iowa State University

New technologies have enabled the ability to implement variable rate more reliably and easily than ever before. This session will explore how variable rate seeding plays out in fields with soil variability and year-to year weather variability. It identifies insights into factors that should be considered and how to field test weather variable rate seeding is the right option for you and your farm.

Concurrent Session IV Thursday, Dec. 14th

Starting at 8:00 am Room 200 AB

8:00 & 11:10 am — Cover crops, nutrients, and water quality – What we know and what needs work *Dr. Melissa Wilson, University of Minnesota* Cover crops are gaining popularity as a way to conserve nutrients over the winter. What exactly do we know about managing nutrients with cover crops? What needs more work? Current and pending research will be discussed.

8:55 am & 1:25 pm — Perennial living mulches – An option for maintaining production in buffers and other sensitive areas

Dr. John Baker, USDA-ARS & University of Minnesota Perennial living mulches are companion crop systems in which a long-lived perennial species is maintained for multiple years and row crops such as corn and soybeans are planted annually into the perennial cover. We have conducted research on these systems since 2006, focusing on corn and soybean planted into kura clover. Kura is a cold and drought tolerant legume that spreads by rhizomes. Though it can be challenging to establish initially, once in place it can persist for many years. In the system we have developed, zone tillage is used to establish rows each spring, into which corn or soybeans are planted. We have developed management practices to minimize competition between the clover and the cash row crop. and have shown that this system can produce yields nearly equivalent to conventional corn/soybean systems, with large improvements in key environmental variables, including greatly reduced erosion, much higher infiltration rates and greater trafficability. These systmes allow the maintenance of both continuous vegetative cover and crop production in sensitive areas like stream and ditch buffers and steeply sloped portions of fields.

10:15 am & 12:30 pm — Phosphorus management: past, present and beyond - what we know, what we need to know

Dr. Paulo Pagliari, University of Minnesota

In this talk you will revise the basic principles of soil phosphorus, including soil availability, plant uptake, and fertilizer needs based on soil test levels. We will also explain the different philosophies related to P management and whether to build up and maintain or to apply removal. Economics and environmental implications related to P management will also be discussed.

John Baker

Dr. Baker is a native of Ohio who got his BS degree in Agronomy from the Ohio State University, followed by MS and Ph.D. degrees in Soil & Crop Sciences from Texas A&M University, where his research focused on soil and plant water relations. While in graduate school, he developed a gauge for measuring transpiration in plants. He joined the USDA-ARS Soil & Water Management Unit and the University of Minnesota in 1987, and became Research Leader of the USDA group in 2001. His research in Minnesota has covered a variety of topics, including soil moisture measurement, soil carbon storage, measurement and simulation of greenhouse gas exchange, winter cover crops, and perennial living mulch systems. He is a Fellow of the Soil Science Society of America and the American Society of Agronomy.

Lisa Behnken

Lisa M. Behnken, University of Minnesota Extension Educator and Professor, Crops has been with the Extension for 37 years. She earned her M.S. from North Dakota State University in Crop and Weed Sciences, B.S. from University of Minnesota, in Agronomy, and A.A. from Rochester Community College in Conservation. She has been an Extension Educator in Crop Production in Rochester. Minnesota since 2004 and worked in Olmsted and Becker Counties as an Extension Educator since 1980. Behnken is responsible for program development related to cropand weed issues and brings expertise, research, and educational programs to producers and agricultural professionals via seminars, workshops and field schools. Lisa grew up on a dairy farm near Rochester and currently farms with her husband, Bill, on his family farm. They raise corn, soybeans, alfalfa and finish Holstein steers. They have two children, Isaac (10) and Jenny (5).

Matt Birk

Matt Birk attended Harvard University and earned a degree in Economics. While playing for the Harvard Crimson, he received several football honors, including All-Ivy League and Division I-AA All-American. Matt was selected by the Minnesota Vikings in the sixth round of the 1998 draft. Appearing in 228 career games, including 18 playoff contests, Matt spent 11 seasons with Minnesota and 4 more with the Baltimore Ravens. He was named the 2011 Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year for his off-the-field service, as well as his playing excellence. In February 2013, after a 15-year career in the NFL and a Super Bowl XLVII win with the Baltimore Ravens, the sixtime Pro Bowl Center announced his retirement from playing football. He currently is a special advisor, he sits on the Board of Directors of USA Football, the sport's governing body.

Kevin Bradley

Kevin Bradley is a Professor and State Extension Weed Scientist in the Division of Plant Sciences at the University of Missouri. Kevin's faculty appointment includes extension and research responsibilities in the area of applied weed management in corn, soybean, wheat, pastures, and forages. He also teaches a graduate level class in herbicide mechanism of action, and has served as major advisor to 18 graduate or post-graduate students since his arrival at the University of Missouri in 2003. Kevin is a member of the Weed Science Society of America, the North Central Weed Science Society, and the American Society of Agronomy. He has served on numerous committees and in leadership positions in both societies, including serving as the president of the Weed Science Society of America in 2016. In addition to evaluating new herbicides and weed management techniques, Dr. Bradley's applied research program focuses on the development of programs for the prevention and management of herbicide-resistant weeds, on the interaction of herbicides and weeds with other agrochemicals and pests in the agroecosystem, and on the effects of common pasture weeds on forage yield, guality, and grazing preference. By far the largest percentage of Dr. Bradley's research and extension efforts are directed towards the development of strategies for the management of glyphosate- and multiple herbicideresistant weed biotypes.

Jeff Coulter

Jeff Coulter is an extension specialist of corn-based cropping systems at the University of Minnesota. He has a Ph.D. in crop sciences from the University of Illinois. His responsibilities include agronomic extension and research to increase the productivity and efficiency of corn-based cropping systems. His research focuses on addressing current and future challenges through field trials with growers on farms and at university research and outreach centers. Current research is focused on high-yield corn systems and nitrogen management. This serves as the foundation for educational programs for agricultural professionals and growers.

Adam Davis

Dr. Adam Davis is a Research Ecologist and Lead Scientist with the USDA-ARS Global Change and Photosynthesis Research Unit in Urbana, IL, where he also serves as a Professor in the University of Illinois Crop Sciences Department. He received an M.S. in Ecology and Environmental Sciences from University of Maine, and a Ph.D. in Crop Production and Physiology (Weed Science) from Iowa State University, followed by a postdoctoral fellowship at Michigan State University. Adam's research makes use of both experimental and modeling approaches to solve applied weed ecology problems in field crop production systems. Recent research areas include modeling the evolution and spread of herbicide resistant weeds, developing multitactic integrated weed management systems for organic and low-external-input farms, predicting changing distributions of weedy and invasive plant species under global change and conducting risk analysis of bioenergy crop invasion potential.

Fabián Fernández

Dr. Fabián G. Fernández is an Associate Professor in the Department of Soil, Water, and Climate at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. He earned his Ph.D. degree from Purdue University and M.S. and B.S. degrees from Brigham Young University. Before joining the University of Minnesota, he was an Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois. The research and extension education programs of Dr. Fernández are focused primarily on crop production and environmental issues related to nutrient management in corn cropping systems. He seeks to identify and implement nitrogen management practices that are sustainable both in terms of minimizing environmental impacts, specifically water quality, and in terms of improving crop yields.

George Heimpel

George E. Heimpel was born in Germany and grew up mainly in California. He received his B.S. at the University of California, Berkeley, M.S. at the University of Delaware, and Ph.D. at the University California, Davis in 1995, where Jay Rosenheim advised him. He then spent two years as a USDA post-doctoral fellow at the University of Wisconsin in Mike Strand's lab. He is currently a professor of Entomology at the University of Minnesota. His research emphases lie in the fields of biological control and parasitoid ecology. Most of this work has been done in agricultural settings, and has included investigations of sugar feeding by parasitoids in the field and implications for conservation biological control, biological control of soybean aphid, and the genetics of sex determination in parasitic hymenoptera. Projects that are more recent have incorporated a conservation focus however. including investigations of an invasive fly species in the Galapagos Islands. Dr. Heimpel teaches Biological Control and Insect Behavior and is the author, with Dr. N.J. Mills, of the book, 'Biological Control: Ecology and Applications', published by Cambridge University Press.

Tamra Jackson-Ziems

Tamra Jackson-Ziems, Extension Specialist and Professor, joined the faculty of the Department of Plant Pathology at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) in April 2005 after completing her graduate degrees at the University of Arkansas and University of Illinois-Urbana. Her appointment is split between extension, research, and teaching 80/10/10%, respectively, with statewide responsibility for diseases of corn and grain sorghum. Her extension programming activities encompass educating clientele about disease identification, prevention, and management. Moreover, her research projects focus on a broad range of topics, including bacterial leaf streak, Goss's bacterial wilt and blight, use of fungicides for disease control, and plant parasitic nematodes of corn. During her time at UNL, she has delivered more than 180 invited presentations in 16 states and is the 2016 recipient of both the Nebraska Cooperative Extension Association's Award for Outstanding Creative Programming (for an individual) and the Nebraska Ag Business Association's Education and Research Person of 2016 Award.

Keri Jacobs

Dr. Keri L. Jacobs is an assistant professor and extension economist in the Department of Economics at Iowa State University and holds the Iowa Institute for Cooperatives Endowed Economics Professorship. She earned a B.A. in economics and business administration from Coe College in 1996 and a Ph.D. in economics from North Carolina State University in 2010. In her role at ISU, she is an undergraduate educator, researcher, and extension specialist with a focus on cooperatives. Her current research efforts are in the areas of financial and equity conditions of agricultural cooperatives. agribusiness consolidation, biomass production for biofuels, and farm level production decisions under uncertainty. In her extension capacity, Dr. Jacobs provides education and content to cooperative boards, management and other co-op stakeholders. Her extension programming is designed to enhance the effectiveness of cooperative organizations and support their efforts in managing sustainable organizations by building capacity in human capital and providing sector financial analysis.

Daniel Kaiser

Daniel Kaiser in an associate professor in the department of Soil, Water, and Climate is the current state extension specialist in soil and plant nutrient management at the University of Minnesota. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. degree from Iowa State University. His current research in Minnesota focuses on developing research and extension programming related to soil testing and fertilizer management for the development of fertilizer guidelines for major field crops in Minnesota. Current research focuses on soil test correlation/calibration research for phosphorus, potassium, and sulfur, nutrient cycling in corn, soybean, and wheat cropping systems, starter fertilizer utilization and placement options for corn and soybean production, and utilization of remote sensing technology for detection of nutrient stress.

Drew Kessler

Drew Kessler is lead scientist with Houston Engineering, Inc. and served at the University of Minnesota, Department of Soil, Water, and Climate from 2009-2014. He received a PhD in Water Resources Science, Geospatial Technologies from the University of Minnesota, and an MS in Natural Resource Science, Geospatial Information from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Robert Koch

Dr. Robert (Bob) Koch is an Assistant Professor and Extension Entomologist at the University of Minnesota. His research and extension responsibilities focus on applied ecology and integrated pest management of insects associated with soybean. Currently, his research program focuses on IPM for the soybean aphid and brown marmorated stinkbug. Dr. Koch received a Ph.D. in entomology from the University of Minnesota and Bachelor's degree in biology from St. John's University. Prior to this position at the University of Minnesota, he worked for six years with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

Mark Licht

Dr. Mark Licht is an Assistant Professor and Extension Cropping Systems Specialist in the Department of Agronomy at Iowa State University. He holds a Ph.D. in crop production and physiology and a M.S. in soil management and conservation. His extension, research and teaching program is focused on how to holistically manage Iowa cropping systems to achieve productivity, profitability and environmental goals. Research is centered on varied aspects of soybean, corn and cover crop management as well as agronomic implications of precision technologies.

Dean Malvick

Dr. Dean Malvick is an Extension Specialist and Professor of Plant Pathology at the University of Minnesota in St. Paul. His responsibilities are divided between developing and delivering extension education programs, and conducting problem-solving and discovery research focused on the biology and management of soybean and corn diseases. Previously, he was a faculty member with similar responsibilities at the University of Illinois in Urbana, and he worked for several years as a research pathologist for a seed company. Dr. Malvick received an MS degree in Botany and Plant Pathology from Oregon State University, and a PhD in Plant Pathology from the University of Minnesota.

Ryan Miller

Ryan Miller received a M.S. in Agronomy from the University of Minnesota and is a Certified Professional Agronomist in Minnesota. He has been a crops educator with the University of Minnesota Extension since 2004. His program focuses on the row crop agriculture of Southern Minnesota. He has over seventeen years of agronomic experience planning and implementing applied research, summarizing results, and conducting educational outreach activities for farmers and agricultural professionals. His agronomic research and outreach experiences encompass tillage and crop systems, pest management, variety selection, crop development, precision agriculture, and soil fertility. His outreach activities include newsletters, electronic communications, individual consultations, group presentations, in-field demonstration, and professional meetings.

Seth Naeve

Dr. Seth Naeve is a Soybean Agronomist with the University of Minnesota and is an Associate Professor in the Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics. Dr. Naeve's research program focuses on development of novel strategies for the efficient production of high quality soybean. His research efforts are split between analyzing genetic, environmental, and cultural effects on soybean seed quality (oil, protein, fatty acid, amino acid, and carbohydrate composition) and researching management strategies to maximize production efficiencies. Seth was raised on a corn and soybean farm in Iowa, and received his Bachelor's degree in Biology and PhD in Agronomy (Crop Production and Physiology) from Iowa State University.

Emerson Nafziger

Dr. Emerson Nafziger grew up on a farm in northwestern Ohio, and earned degrees in agronomy from The Ohio State University, Purdue University, and the University of Illinois. He has been Professor of Crop Sciences and Extension Agronomist at the University of Illinois since 1928, conducting research and Extension programs on management of corn, soybeans, and wheat, including crop rotations, tillage, and N management.

Matt O'Neal

Dr. Matt O'Neal is an associate professor of entomology at Iowa State University, where he oversees research related to the management of insect pests of annual crops, with a focus on soybeans. His overall goal is the development of pest management programs that are economically and environmentally sustainable. To achieve this goal, he explores the ecology of pests with their host-plant and natural enemies, often within a landscape context. This research has contributed to the management of soybean aphids in Iowa and throughout the Midwest US. More recently, his lab is exploring how conservation methods may improve the abundance and diversity of beneficial insects that contribute to aphid mortality and crop pollination. This later topic includes study of the pollinator community that resides within corn and soybean fields. O'Neal has published 47 scientific papers, reviews and book chapters on insect pest management and ecology. He teaches two classes within the department of Entomology and a course as a member of the Graduate Program in Sustainable Agriculture.

Paulo Pagliari

In his role as Extension Nutrient Management Specialist, research focus is on understanding the relationship between soil fertility and microbial activity, and how their interaction affects nutrient availability. He has particular interest in phosphorus fertility and behavior in soils. Throughout the past

six years, he has studied the effects of P addition at different times during the growing season on plant growth and yield. In addition, he has studied P behavior in many soils collected throughout MN with the goal to developed improved P management strategies.

Mark Seeley

In his role as Extension Climatologist and Meteorologist Dr. Seeley has managed the Weather and Climate Education Program, as well as conducted research and teaching since 1978. He will retire after 40 years on January 3, 2018. He has served as a weekly commentator on Minnesota Public Radio's "Morning Edition" news program and written the weekly newsletter (blog) "Minnesota WeatherTalk" since 1992. Dr. Seeley has helped Twin Cities Public Television (TPT) produce documentaries on Minnesota's most memorable historical weather events, and on how climate change is affecting the state's infrastructure and natural resources. He is author of Minnesota Weather Almanac (1st edition published by the Minnesota Historical Society Press in 2006 and second edition published in 2015), and co-author (with Don Breneman) of Voyageur Skies: Weather and the Wilderness in Minnesota's National Park (Afton Press, 2011), an award-winning book about the state's only national park.

Robert Stupar

Robert Stupar is an associate professor in the Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics at the University of Minnesota. He received his PhD in Plant Breeding and Plant Genetics from the University of Wisconsin in 2005 and joined the University of Minnesota faculty in 2008. He holds a 25% teaching appointment and a 75% research appointment in the area of legume functional and biochemical genomics. His primary research interests are in soybean genomics, with an emphasis on genome variation and translating genome engineering technologies into crop plants.

Kelley Tilmon

Dr. Kelley Tilmon is a field crop entomologist and State Extension Specialist at Ohio State University. Prior to joining the faculty of the Department of Entomology at Ohio State in 2016, she was on the faculty at South Dakota State University as the soybean entomologist, from 2005 to 2015. Dr. Tilmon provides research and extension on pest and beneficial insects in various field crops.

M. Scott Wells

Dr. Wells directs applied and field ordinated research that provides research-based technologies addressing the sustainable intensification of agriculture in MN. Such technologies includes the integration of cover crops into corn, soybean, sugar beet cropping systems, developing agronomic management of new winter oilseed cash cover crop systems, evaluating optimal management strategies for alfalfa production systems, and assessing the fate of nitrogen in annual and perennial cropping systems. He supports the University of Minnesota alfalfa and corn silage variety-testing programs. In conjunction with his research program efforts, he provides graduate student mentorship and statewide educational leadership for both the University of Minnesota Forage Extension and Cover Crop Teams.

Matt Wiebers

Matt Wiebers is an independent agronomy consultant and the owner of CropCentric LLC. He has 20 years of agricultural experience working with growers and fertilizer retailers around the world with a focus on precision Ag support. His current business services focused on improved nitrogen management, design of replicated on-farm research trials, providing soil testing services, and sensor-based irrigation scheduling.

Melissa Wilson

Melissa is the new manure management specialist at the University of Minnesota with appointments in both research and extension. She came to Minnesota from the University of Maryland where she worked in the Agricultural Nutrient Management program. She is a graduate of the University of Minnesota with her M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Water Resources Science and her graduate research covered a range of nutrient management topics from enhanced efficiency fertilizers to cover crops. Currently, she plans to work on developing best management practices for side dressing manure in corn and establishing cover crops with fall manure management.

Bob Wolf

Robert E. Wolf retired as Professor Emeritus from Kansas State University where he was a Professor and Extension Specialist in Application Technology in the Biological and Agricultural Engineering Department. Prior to that, Bob was in a similar position at the University of Illinois, which also included Pesticide Applicator Training responsibilities. Bob began his career as a Vocational Ag Teacher at Paris, IL over forty-seven years ago. Bob's main responsibility at Kansas State was to conduct an extension and research program in all areas of chemical/pesticide application with a particular emphasis on nozzle technology. His research focus has been to evaluate nozzle types for improved efficacy while minimizing spray drift. He is considered renowned for his work in training pesticide applicators worldwide.

Bob formed a consulting company to continue his work with the application industry. Bob conducts training workshops for grower and commercial applicators and on occasion, helps conduct aerial application workshops. In addition, Bob currently contracts with BASF to conduct the On Target Application Academy.

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	PESTICIDE APPLICATOR RECERTIFICATION ROOM 200 CDE	TECHNICAL SERVICE PROVIDER TRAINING ROOM 200 AB	MCPR PLENARY SESSION ROOM 101 FGH	TRADE SHOW EXHIBIT HALL B
10:00		New NRCS Nutrient Management, IPM Guidance, and CSP Enhancements Carissa Spencer , USDA-NRCS Jeff King , USDA-NRCS Lance Smith , USDA-NRCS Shannon Carpenter - USDA-NRCS	Dicamba Update Monsanto, BASF, DuPont & MDA	
12:00		LUNCH New NRCS Nutrient Management, IPM Guidance, and CSP Enhancements Continued CEU=NM, SW, PM		
1:00			Engaging in Land Stewardship: Opportunities to Support Farmers Drew Kessler Houston Engineering, Inc CEU=SW	
2:00	MDA - C&T, MDA Staff		Up to the Challenge!	
2:05	Seed Treatment and Farmer Safety Liz Stahl University of Minnesota		Matt Birk Former MN Viking	
2:30	Treating Seed		CEU=PD	
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4:30				MCPR Annual Meeting
5:00				Ice Breaker Reception
6:30				Exhibit Hall Closes

Schedule at a Glance Wednesday, December 13, 2017

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Application Equipment (Accessories)

360 Yield Center Ag Spray Equipment Arnold's C & R Supply, Inc. Wilger, Inc Willmar Fabrications, LLC

Application Equipment (Dry)

Ag Spray Equipment Arnold's Davis Equipment Corporation John Deere - MN Commercial Application Dealers RBR Simonsen Mfg. Co.

Application Equipment (Liquid)

Abner Sales Ag Spray Equipment Arnold's Brokaw Supply Company Davis Equipment Corporation John Deere - MN Commercial Application Dealers Raven Industries Inc. Willmar Fabrications, LLC

Application Equipment (NH3)

Brokaw Supply Company Continental NH3 Products Davis Equipment Corporation Raven Industries Inc. Squibb-Taylor Verdesian Life Sciences

Augers

Simonsen Mfg. Co.

Blending Equipment

Davis Equipment Corporation Murray Equipment Inc. Ranco Fertiservice, Inc. Sackett Waconia SOILMAP Yargus Manufacturing, Inc.

Computer Equipment

EFC Systems Inc. FieldReveal SST Software

Construction - Diking

Greystone Construction J&D Construction Inc. J.C. Ramsdell Enviro Services, Inc. Mathiowetz Construction Precision Tank Rogers Wagley Inc. Stueve Construction LLC

<u>Conveyors</u> FarmChem

FarmCnem Ranco Fertiservice, Inc. Sackett Waconia Yargus Manufacturing, Inc.

Crop / Soil Amendments

Advanced Biological Marketing AgXplore International, Inc. Alltech Crop Sciences FieldReveal Gypsoil Brand Gypsum Midwestern BioAg, Inc. MN Dept of Agr - Pest. & Fert. Mgmt. Division SOILMAP

Distributor / Wholesaler (Chemicals)

AgraSyst CPS Wholesale Helena Chemical Rosen's Inc. Syngenta Van Diest Supply Company West Central Distribution, LLC WinField United

Distributor / Wholesaler (Fertilizer)

ADM Fertilizer CHS Agronomy DASCO, Inc. Gypsoil Brand Gypsum Helena Chemical Koch Fertilizer, LLC microSource Midwestern BioAg, Inc. Stueve Construction LLC Van Diest Supply Company West Central Distribution, LLC

<u> Distributor / Wholesaler (Micronutrients)</u>

CPS Wholesale Helena Chemical microSource Midwestern BioAg, Inc. Rosen's Inc. Van Diest Supply Company West Central Distribution, LLC WinField United

Environmental (Consultants & Eng)

Mathiowetz Construction MN Ag Water Resources Center

Environmental Assessments

MN Ag Water Resources Center MN Dept of Agriculture - Pest. & Fert. Mgmt. Division

Government

MN Dept. of Ag - Plant Protection Division

Handling Equipment

Abner Sales C & R Supply, Inc. FarmChem Hanson Silo J&D Construction Inc. Ranco Fertiservice, Inc. RD Mechanical LLC Sackett Waconia Yargus Manufacturing, Inc.

Hoses

Squibb-Taylor

Laboratory / Testing Services

Agvise Laboratories Midwest Laboratories, Inc. MVTL Laboratories, Inc.

Manufacturer (Chemicals)

AgraSyst Arysta Life Science BASF Corp. Bayer CropScience DowDupont FMC Helena Chemical Monsanto Precision Laboratories, Inc. Valent USA LLC Van Diest Supply Company Verdesian Life Sciences Vive Crop Protections

Manufacturer (Equipment)

Ag Spray Equipment Hanson Silo John Deere - MN Commercial Application Dealers Murray Equipment Inc. Ranco Fertiservice, Inc. Sackett Waconia Simonsen Mfg. Co. Wilger, Inc Willmar Fabrications, LLC Yargus Manufacturing, Inc.

Manufacturer (Fertilizer)

Agrium, U.S. Inc. Calcium Products Compass Minerals Koch Fertilizer, LLC microSource Mosaic Company NACHURS Potash Corp Stueve Construction LLC The Andersons Plant Nutrients Verdesian Life Sciences

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Manufacturer (Micronutrients)

Alltech Crop Sciences microSource Midwestern BioAg, Inc. Mosaic Company Verdesian Life Sciences

Meters

FarmChem Kahler Automation Murray Equipment Inc. RD Mechanical LLC

Other - Nitrogen Additives AgXplore International, Inc.

Other - Ag Storage Solutions Hanson Silo

<u>Other - Components for Sprayers</u> Wilger, Inc

Other - Construction - Buildings Stueve Construction LLC

Other - Construction - Storage Facilities Marcus Construction

Other - Design-Build General Contractor Greystone Construction

Other - Education Ridgewater College

Other - Fertilizer Storage Greystone Construction

Other - Grain Storage Greystone Construction

Other - Internal PVC Liners Heartland Tank Companies

Other - Liquid Fertilizer Terminol Construction Precision Tank

Other - Nitrogen Management Tools 360 Yield Center

Other - Secondary Containment J.C. Ramsdell Enviro Services, Inc.

Other - Site Construction Mathiowetz Construction

Other - Software Solutions EFC Systems Inc.

Government Agency

MN Dept of Agriculture - Pest. & Fert. Mgmt. Division

Other - Tank Liners Agra Liners, LLC

Other - University Outreach & Education of MN U of M Extension

Precision Ag

Agvise Laboratories Arnold's Brokaw Supply Company C & R Supply, Inc. Capstan Ag Systems EFC Systems Inc. FieldReveal John Deere - MN Commercial Application Dealers Midwest Laboratories, Inc. Monsanto Raven Industries Inc. SOILMAP SST Software WinField United

<u>Pumps</u> Abner Sales C & R Supply, Inc. FarmChem Kahler Automation Murray Equipment Inc. Rogers Wagley Inc.

Safety Equipment Squibb-Taylor

<u>Scales</u> Kahler Automation North Star Scale, Inc.

Seed Advanced Biological Marketing Bayer CropScience Brokaw Supply Company CPS Wholesale Deer Creek Seed MN Dept. of Ag - Plant Protection Division Monsanto Syngenta WinField United

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<u>Tanks</u>

Abner Sales Agra Liners, LLC Heartland Tank Companies J.C. Ramsdell Enviro Services, Inc. Novid Inc. Precision Tank RD Mechanical LLC Rogers Wagley Inc.

<u>Tenders</u> Simonsen Mfg. Co. SOILMAP Willmar Fabrications, LLC

Training and Software

EFC Systems Inc. FieldReveal Midwest Laboratories, Inc. Software Solutions Integrated, LLC SST Software

<u>Valves</u>

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