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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR...



Since the beginning of 2010, the numbers attending meetings, conventions, and conferences exceed 60,787 with over 400 separate events. We can see the dream evolving and the vision for the UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center becoming the destination not only for south-west Georgia but for all the Southeastern United States.

In the past three weeks, we have hosted two major meetings: The 89th Annual State Convention of the Lions of Georgia with approximately 500 in attendance and The South Georgia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church with an estimated 1400 plus in attendance.

With the facility, the service, the location at the crossroads of South Georgia, the expertise of renowned scientists and community involvement of

“service before self” individuals living and working here, why not Tifton? It is indeed a secret no more that here in Tifton the place to meet is the UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center.

The next major event, the **5th Annual Southeast Bioenergy Conference 2010, August 3-5**, promises a wide range of provocative thinking leading to learning experiences, new technology, new opportunities, and inspiration for doing and being better.

5TH ANNUAL SOUTHEAST BIOENERGY CONFERENCE 2010



Director of the Southeast Bioenergy Conference, Dr. Craig Kvien and his planning committee have put together another outstanding conference. This year's theme is “Building a Vibrant Renewable Energy Market for the Southeast.” Who better to lead this outstanding conference than a renowned scientist from the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences? Dr. Kvien has a long illustrious career focused on the discovery and use of technologies that will improve agricultural efficiencies. Some of the results from his team of researchers include tools that save water, energy, and increase production; small autonomous tractors that are capable of simple tasks without supervision; and the use of wireless Internet systems to

monitor and control many farm operations.

Jill Euken, Deputy Director, Industry and Outreach, Bioeconomy Institute of Iowa State University will kick off the conference. Iowa is the leading bioenergy state and she will share tips on outreach, education, economics and marketing that SE experts translate into how Iowa's success will work in the Southeast.

The keynote speaker brings another provocative presentation to the bioenergy field. Author **Christopher Steiner**, intrigued by rising gasoline prices in spring 2008, conceived of the concept for *\$20 Per Gallon: How the Inevitable Rise in the Price of Gasoline Will Change Our Lives for the Better* when he wondered, simply, how will our lives change in a future of higher gas prices? This presentation is a not-to-be-

missed exploration of his journey as a civil engineer and staff writer at Forbes who regularly reports on energy, technology and innovative entrepreneurs, to research his question. His journey led him to roam Manhattan tunnels, desert plane graveyards to organic farm fields. His book breaks down our future and its coming changes in terms of dollars per gallon.

There is no end to the line up of outstanding speakers at this Conference: Congressman Jack Kingston, Phil Coffin (J. Stewart Assoc.), Murray Campbell (FUEL), Scott Weishaar (POET), Kevin Biehle (Range Fuels), Mike Cotta (USDA) and 2007 Nobel Peace Prize Co-Recipient Marilyn Brown (GA Tech).

Breakout sessions provide outstanding choices in topics and other speakers. For a complete agenda and list of speakers, visit the website: www.sebioenergy.org

www.ugatiftonconference.org

SOUTHEAST BIOENERGY CONFERENCE 2010 (continued)**Breakout Sessions - Terrific Choices****August 3**

- A:** Your Next Job Could Be In Clean Energy Technology
- B:** Wood Pellets—The Southeast's Hottest New Export
- C:** Waste Saving Energy Strategies
- D:** Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP)—Implementing the Next Phase
- E:** Aviation Biofuels
- F:** Solar, Geothermal & Energy Efficiency—The Other Piece of the Renewable Energy Equation

August 4

- G:** Promising Energy Crops for the Southeast
- H:** Investing in Bioenergy
- I:** New Developments in Bioenergy Products & Processes
- J:** The Bio Economy – State by State
- K:** Extension's Role in Expanding Bioenergy Use & Application
- L:** Green Cities for a Green Future

August 5

- M:** Webinars by Strategic Biomass Solutions
- N:** Ag Energy in Action—Success Stories from the Southeast

SOUTHEAST BIOENERGY CONFERENCE 2010 (continued)**EXTENSION AGENTS**

Special to this year's conference registration, County Extension Agents will receive free Conference registration, thanks to the efforts of Dr. Kvien who recently was awarded an educational grant. Of particular interest to attendees of this Conference is Extension's role in expanding bioenergy use and application.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Our group of global and local renewable energy experts and businesses will share with you what is happening now, what is possible and what is promising for the Southeast. The information you hear will help you advance your business agenda and prepare you to take advantage of opportunities coming down the pike.

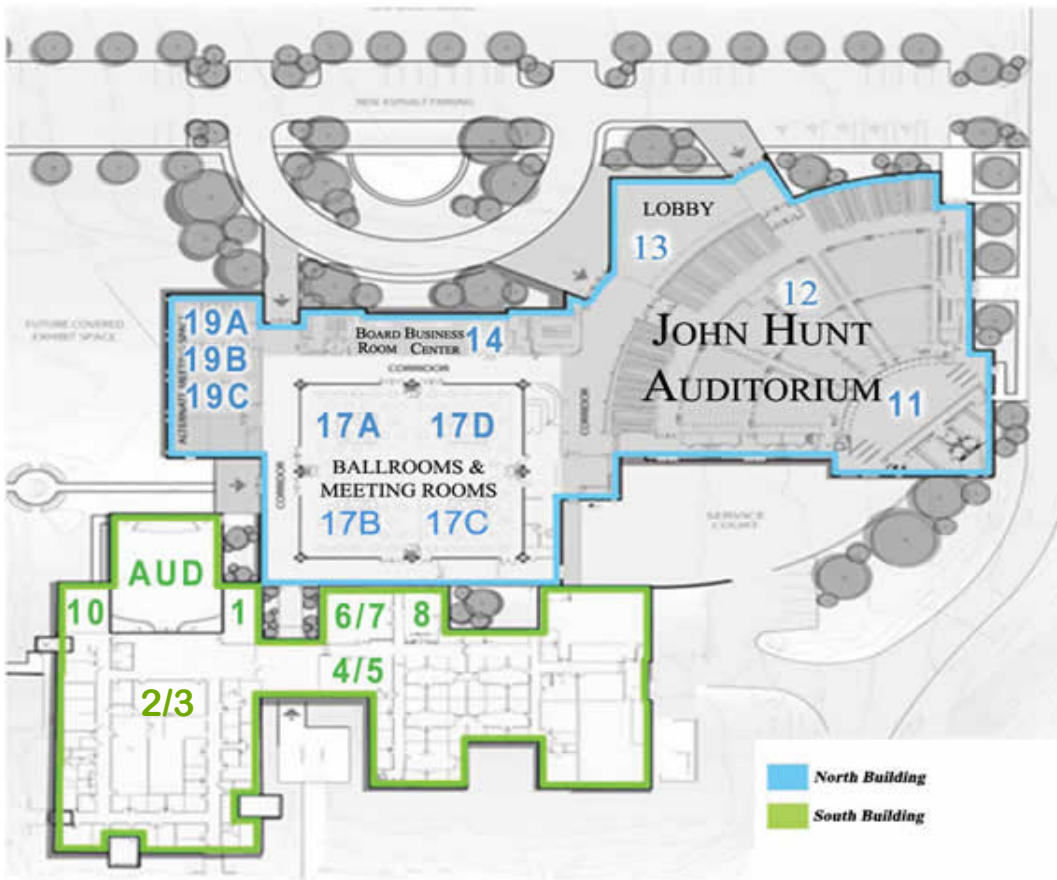
INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE

The SEBC is valued for creating interactive dialogue between its 500+ attendees who are actively involved in bioenergy businesses ranging from biofuels to power generation to energy efficiency. You can count on meeting with attendees from executive branches of government involved with developing bioenergy business; state and federal legislators; companies that are producing or have plans to produce; industry vendors; banks and investors; and educators ranging from high school programs to college professors.

Southeast Bioenergy Conference
 Building a Vibrant Renewable
 Energy Market for the Southeast
 August 3-5, 2010 - Tifton, Georgia



THE RIGHT FACILITIES



South Building	Max. Capacity
Auditorium (AUD)	350
Room 1	60
Room 2	24
Room 2/3	54
Room 3	27
Room 4	27
Room 4/5	54
Room 5	27
Room 6	28
Room 6/7	72
Room 7	28
Room 8	15
Room 10	60
North Building	Max. Capacity
Auditorium Area 12	2,000
Area 11	Stage, Dressing Rooms, Green Room
Area 13	200
Room 14	54
Business Center	--
Boardroom	15
Ballroom	1,000
Room 17A	240
Room 17B	240
Room 17C	240
Room 17D	240
Room 19A	60
Room 19B	72
Room 19C	72

TIFT REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER MEN'S & WOMEN'S EVENTS



Kick-Off to Men's Health

Attention all men: enhance your health while getting a sneak peek of the upcoming 2010 high school football season.

Tift Regional Medical Center's "Kick-off to Men's Health" is free to all men and offers health screenings, exhibit booths, great give-aways and a complimentary meal. Radio personality Chris Beckham will facilitate a special panel for regional high school football coaches to preview their upcoming seasons. All men are invited to attend. No registration is required.

For more Information, call 229-353-6318.

Saturday, July 31, 2010, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center



12th Annual Women's Event

TRMC has a fabulous day planned for women of all ages to re-focus some energy on themselves. It's all about good health and living well.

During the 12th Annual Women's Event, TRMC will provide a motivational speaker, health screenings and a complimentary brunch. Numerous area businesses, health resources and associations will also have information booths and displays on hand. No registration is required.

For more information, call 229-353-6318

Saturday, August 28, 2010, 9:00 am - Noon
UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center



HELP US HELP YOU MEET WITH SUCCESS

Ten Easy Steps to a Successful Conference, Meeting or Event

1. Determine the specific need(s) of the group to be served.
(Probable number of attendees?)
2. Write a specific objective statement indicating what the conference/program will achieve and for whom.
3. Establish date and secure facilities
4. Contact a UGA TCCC Conference Coordinator to initiate planning for your event and begin to answer the key planning questions
5. Build an initial budget document
6. Explore alternative methods of offsetting conference costs and lowering the conference registration fee
7. Coordinate your conference plan
8. Communicate with participants, speaker/presenters.
9. Execute your plan - be flexible
10. Conduct an after-action review of your event.

Contact an event coordinator for a "Programming Guide" to help with your planning.



Conference Center to Host Georgia Farm Bureau's Annual Farm Commodity

July 29

The UGA Conference Center is honored to host the Farm Commodity's leading farmers from Georgia's largest farm organization.

The meeting will take place Thursday, July 29.

This large group will require 3 buses for visits to agricultural research plots in the area to learn, experience, and be stimulated to try new, better, and more efficient ways of producing.



The Tifton-Tift County Public Library Foundation

Presents...

Mac Frampton

"... an immensely talented pianist, at home in a wide variety of musical settings."

**Coming to the UGA TCCC on
October 2, 2010**

**Tickets - \$75.00 per person
Includes Dinner & Concert
For More Info Call: 229-386-2237**

UPCOMING EVENTS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT THE UGA TCCC

JULY 20 & 21, 2010

PRESCRIBED BURN

Sponsor: GA Forestry Commission
229-386-3416

JULY 29, 2010

GEORGIA FARM BUREAU COMMODITY

Sponsor: GA Farm Bureau
229-386-3416

JULY 31, 2010

TRMC MEN'S EVENT

Sponsor: Tift Regional Medical center
229-353-6318

AUGUST 3 - 5, 2010

SE BIOENERGY CONFERENCE
229-386-3416

AUGUST 28, 2010

TRMC WOMEN'S EVENT

Sponsor: Tift Regional Medical Center
229-353-6318

OCTOBER 2, 2010

MAC FRAMPTON

Sponsor: Tifton-Tift County
Library Board Foundation
229-382-6001

NOVEMBER 2, 2010

TASTE OF HOME COOKING SHOW

Sponsor: Tifton Gazette
229-382-4321

PRIVATE EVENTS ALSO BOOKED



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