



WHO IS MISSY BAUER?

Missy Bauer is an independent crop consultant and field agronomist with B&M Consulting of Coldwater, Michigan. Her many activities include serving as an agronomist for Farm Journal and for Corn College

TV. She has extensive on-farm test plot experience. She currently coordinates Farm Journal test plots across the eastern Corn Belt. Her previous experience includes coordinating private agronomy research farms in Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio used to educate customers and evaluate new agronomic products and systems. Bauer holds degrees in agronomy from both Michigan State and Purdue Universities. Bauer was raised on a Michigan cash crop and cattle farm alongside nine brothers and sisters. Her husband is also an independent crop consultant with B&M Consulting.



WHO IS JOEL GRUVER?

Dr. Gruver grew up on a small farm in Maryland. He currently teaches at Western Illinois University, where he manages an 80 acre research farm. His focus is cover crops and their value in suppressing weeds, alleviating compaction, and improving soils. Gruver earned a B.S. in chemistry as well as advanced degrees in agronomy and soil science from the University of Maryland and North Carolina State University.

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DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Franklin Center (February 6)

50 Claiborne Ave, Rocky Mount, VA

From Roanoke take US 220 South to first Rocky Mount exit. This exit puts you on North Main Street. Go 3-4 miles. You will come to a light that crosses old RR tracks and onto a bridge. Drive straight ahead (go past The Hub Restaurant), look for Claiborne Ave. on right (between Red Clay Cafe and Rocky Mount UMC). Turn right onto Claiborne Ave., go ½ mile to The Franklin Center on left.

Rockingham Fairgrounds (February 7)

4808 S. Valley Pike, Harrisonburg, VA

From I-81, take exit 243. Turn left on Rt. 11 South. The Fairgrounds will be 1.5 miles ahead on right.

Keystone Tractor & Truck Museum (February 8)

880 W. Roslyn Rd, Colonial Heights, VA

Take I-95 to the South Park Blvd exit (EXIT 53). The Museum is on the west side of I-95 about 1/2 mile north on Roslyn Road.

In case of extreme weather, call phone numbers in this document to hear of any changes to schedule.

DON'T FORGET TO PRE-REGISTER!



VIRGINIA NO-TILL ALLIANCE 2012 WINTER CONFERENCES

February 6 - Rocky Mount

February 7- Harrisonburg

February 8 - Colonial Heights

FEATURING:



• Missy Bauer
Top field agronomist and
Corn Belt on-farm test
plot specialist

(see inside for more on this speaker)



• Dr. Joel Gruver
Illinois soils & cover crop expert

(see inside for more on this speaker)

plus

- Dr. Wade Thomason, VA Tech
- Farmer Speakers & Panelists
- Trade Shows
- CCA/NMP Certification Credits
- And More!

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Agenda for February 6, 2012

The Franklin Center
Rocky Mount, VA

Cost to attend: FREE

Please pre-register by January 30

Call Franklin Co. Extension at 540-483-5161

“Making No-Till Work on Your Dairy”

- 8:30 a.m. Registration/Visit with Exhibitors
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome
Daniel Austin, Green Sprig Ag
- 9:10 a.m. Crop Roots– Why they Matter, What They Need
Joel Gruver, W. Illinois Univ.
- 10:10 a.m. Making No-Till Work on my 300 Cow Virginia Dairy
Anthony Beery, Beery Farms
- 11:00 a.m. Making No-Till Work on our Virginia Dairies
Panel of Virginia dairy farmers
- 11:45 Lunch & Trade Show & Movie
- 1:20 p.m. Building Crop Diversity-Why It Matters, How to Do It
Joel Gruver, W. Illinois Univ.
- 2:00 p.m. Managing Soil Compaction-Fundamental Principles
Chris Lawrence, NRCS
- 2:30 p.m. Managing Soil Compaction-How We Do It
Panel of Virginia dairy farmers
- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn

Agenda for February 7, 2012

Rockingham County Fairgrounds
Harrisonburg, VA

Cost to attend: \$10 at the door

Please pre-register by January 30

Call Rockingham Co. Extension at 540-564-3080

- 8:30 a.m. Registration/Visit with Exhibitors
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome
- 9:10 a.m. Top 5 Things to Help Increase Corn Yields
Missy Bauer, B&M Consulting
- 10:15 a.m. The Science & Management of Soil Biology
Joel Gruver, W. Illinois Univ.
- 11:15 a.m. Making the No-Till Transition
Farmer Panel
- Noon Lunch & Trade Show & Movie
- 1:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (choose one)
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| Rotation Pays: A Fresh Look at an Old Idea
<i>Richard Fitzgerald, NRCS</i> | Tips for No-Tilling Wheat & Barley
<i>Wade Thomason, VA Tech</i> |
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- 2:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (choose one)
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| Beating Slugs in High Residue Systems
<i>Bobby Clark, VA Tech</i> | Cutting Through the Spin on Micronutrients
<i>Joel Gruver, W. IL.Univ.</i> |
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- 3:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (choose one)
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| Corn Establishment: Getting a Great Stand
<i>Missy Bauer, B&M Consult.</i> | Nitrogen Management in Simple Terms
<i>Wade Thomason, VA Tech</i> |
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- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn

Agenda for February 8, 2012

Keystone Tractor & Truck Museum
Colonial Heights, VA

Cost to attend: \$10 at the door

Please pre-register by January 30

Call Dinwiddie Co. Extension at 804-469-4514

- 8:30 a.m. Registration/Visit with Exhibitors
- 9:00 a.m. A Systems Approach to Understanding Soil Density
Missy Bauer, B&M Consulting
- 9:45 a.m. Deep Tillage for Corn Production: Yes, No, Maybe?
Wade Thomason, VA Tech
- 10:45 a.m. Critical Steps for Optimum Soil Fertility
Mark Reiter, VA Tech
- 11:20 a.m. Corn Establishment: Getting a Great Stand
Missy Bauer, B&M Consulting
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch & Trade Show & Movie
- 1:15 p.m. Museum Tour
- 2:30 p.m. Adjourn

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