8th Annual
BERRY PRODUCTION & MARKETING CONFERENCE

March 13, 2015 • 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Gateway Dining Hall • Virginia State University

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CONFERENCE AGENDA*

8:30  Welcome  Dr. F. Jackson  Virginia State University
8:35  Market Trends for Berry Crops  Dr. Kim Morgan, Virginia Tech
8:45  Blackberry Research and New Varieties from the University of Arkansas  Dr. Alejandra Salgado  University of Arkansas
9:30  Blackberry Production, Different Trellises, and Marketing in Hays Farm  Robert Hays, Hays Farm  Dumas, MS
10:15  Blackberry Production and Marketing in Agriberry Farm  Pierson Gyer, Agriberry Farm  Hanover, VA
10:45  Break
11:00  Blueberry Production and Potential Varieties from University of Georgia  Dr. Erick Smith  University of Georgia
11:45  Blueberry and Blackberry Disease Management  Dr. Phil Brannen  University of Georgia
12:30  Managing Pests of Berry Crops with Emphasis on Spotted Wing Drosophila (SWD)  Dr. Doug Pfeiffer, Virginia Tech
1:00  Lunch
Grower Round Table Discussion
Moderator: Johnathan Bobby
Joey and Jeff Cole, Pierson Gyer, Rick Crawford, Warren Howell, and Mike Drewery
2:30  Growing Blueberry in Georgia  Alex Cornelius, Cornelius Farm
3:15  High Tunnel Raspberry Production in Virginia – Results from a Two-Harvests Study  Dr. Reza Rafie  Virginia State University
3:30  Adjourn

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