Meeting Set For Grape Growers

BENTON, ILL.

Grape growers from Illinois and surrounding states are invited to the fifth annual Production Information Meeting sponsored by Southern FS on March 5 at Von Jacob Vineyard, at their Alto Pass, Illinois location. Registration starts at 8 a.m.

The program is provided free of charge to established grape growers and those thinking about starting a new vineyard.

Technical service representatives from BASF, United Phosphorus, Inc, DuPont Crop Protection, and Bayer CropScience will present information on specific agricultural products labeled for use on grapes. Tom Schwartz, Southern FS, will be on hand to discuss spray equipment and calibration.

Following the complimentary lunch, Rick Weinzierl, University of Illinois Extension entomologist, will discuss control options for the major grape insect pests. Elizabeth Wahle, University of Illinois Extension horticulture specialist, will discuss new changes to, and the use of, the 2008 Midwest Commercial Small Fruit and Grape Spray Guide. Jim Shannon, viticulture and horticultural sales for Southern FS, will also be available to discuss commercial products and services available to grape growers.

Von Jacob Vineyard is located three miles north of Alto Pass on Illinois Route 127. If traveling from Murphysboro on Route 127, Von Jacob Vineyard is approximately 12 miles south.

Advance registration by February 27 is needed. To register, contact Jim Shannon at jshannon@southernfs.com, (618)-893-4852 (local), or 1-800-468-0649 (toll free). Δ





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