

13th Annual Women's Agricultural Leadership

Conference



Agriculture 2011: Telling Our Story

Wednesday, April 13, 2011
Minnesota Landscape Arboretum
3675 Arboretum Drive
Chaska, Minnesota

Agriculture 2011: Telling our Story is an agricultural leadership conference focused on the integral roles women play in agriculture; offering sessions on leadership, current events and issues in agriculture, and skill-building opportunities.

Anyone with an interest in agriculture may attend, but the conference is specifically aimed at women who are actively involved in all forms of agriculture as a career, or who are students with the intent of entering an agriculturally related career.

The conference format includes breakout sessions, where participants may connect with influential and motivated people in agriculture. In addition, there will be ample opportunities for networking during the continental breakfast, lunch and breaks.

During our noon luncheon, recipients of the 8th Annual Ag Mentoring Awards will be honored. The awards will be presented by Lt. Governor Yvonne Prettner Solon.

More information about the conference may be found at www.womensagleadership.org. Sponsorship opportunities are still available--please contact Doris Mold at 715-822-6347 or doris@sunriseag.net.

This conference is being coordinated by District 11 Agri-Women and is supported by a broad range of organizations and businesses.



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Program:

8:00 am	Registration and Networking
8:45 am	Welcome- Ellyn Jennings , President, Collegiate Agri-Women Emcee- Yvonne Simon , Center for Rural Policy and Development
9:00 am	General Session - "Telling Our Story" Panel Discussion Caitlin Kasper , National Collegiate Agricultural Ambassador Sherri Grant , Co-Owner, Grant Ranch and 2011 Rosemary Davis Canadian Women's Agriculture Awardee Sheryl Meshke , Senior Vice President Public Affairs and Corporate Strategy, Associated Milk Producers Incorporated Shannon Seifert , Co-Owner, Orange Patch Dairy
	9:40 Roundtable discussions on "Telling Our Story" at tables
	9:55 Report back by table spokespersons
	10:05 Wrap-up discussions
	10:05-10:25 Break
10:30-11:15	Telling Our Story Mini Sessions at Roundtables
11:20-12:10	Breakout Session I
12:15 pm	Lunch and Networking Welcome- Sarah Dornink , President, Minnesota Agri-Women Remarks- Minnesota Commissioner of Agriculture Dave Frederickson 8th Annual Agricultural Mentoring Awards-Lt. Governor Prettner Solon
1:15-1:30 pm	Speed Networking
1:40-2:30 pm	Breakout Session II
2:35-2:50 pm	Break and Networking
2:55-3:45 pm	Breakout Session III
3:50 pm	Depart: Thank You for Joining Us!

Breakout Sessions:

Farmers Feed US-Consumer Education Campaign: Judy Bode, Farmers Feed US Pork Producer, and Tara Meyer, Minnesota Farm Bureau

How to Tell the Ag Story to Legislators: Staci Martin, Minnesota Farm Bureau, and Thom Peterson, Minnesota Farmers Union

Your Annual Check-Up: Are You Financially Fit?: Bernie Quist, Senior Financial Services Team, AgStar Financial Services

Food and Agriculture in Africa: Paul Porter, Professor, Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, University of Minnesota

Telling My Story as a Woman Veteran: Melisa Gilbertson, Minnesota National Guard Veteran, Gilbertson Farm, and High School Science Teacher

Committed to Sharing Our Story: Shannon Seifert, Co-Owner, Orange Patch Dairy

Agriculture Meets City: Julie Ketterling, Humboldt High School Teacher, and Humboldt High School Students

The Story of Local Foods: Jan Joannides, Senior Fellow, Minnesota Institute for Sustainable Agriculture, University of Minnesota

Global Food:Feast or Famine-The Rose of US Agriculture: Yvonne Erickson, a Past-President of American Agri-Women

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www.womensagleadership.org

Payments made through secure PayPal service.

Register by Mail

Enclose check payable to "District 11 Agri-Women"

Mail to: Agriculture 2011

c/o Sunrise Agricultural Associates

PO Box 8192

Saint Paul, MN 55108

If mailing registration, please cut-out this registration box and mail with your payment. Thank you!

Questions?

Call 715-822-6347 -or- e-mail doris@sunriseag.net

Cancellations received before April 5 are 100% refundable. Cancellations received after are charged the entire conference rate.

Patron, Contributor, and Sponsor levels ensure the continued success of this annual conference:

Patron: fee covers full cost of attendance to the conference

Contributor: fee covers full cost of attendance, plus affords students and others the opportunity to attend

Sponsor: fee covers full cost of attendance, plus furthers the mission of District 11 AgriWomen, whose activities include this conference, a mentoring program and a networking directory.

First Time Attendees and *AgriWomen* members receive a discounted rate. Conference fee **includes** entrance to Arboretum, regularly \$9.

Directions to the Arboretum:

The Minnesota Landscape Arboretum (www.arboretum.umn.edu) is located 4 miles west of Chanhassen on State Hwy 5, 1/4 mile past the intersection of Hwy 5 and 41. Please tell the gatekeeper you are attending the Women's Agricultural Leadership Conference.

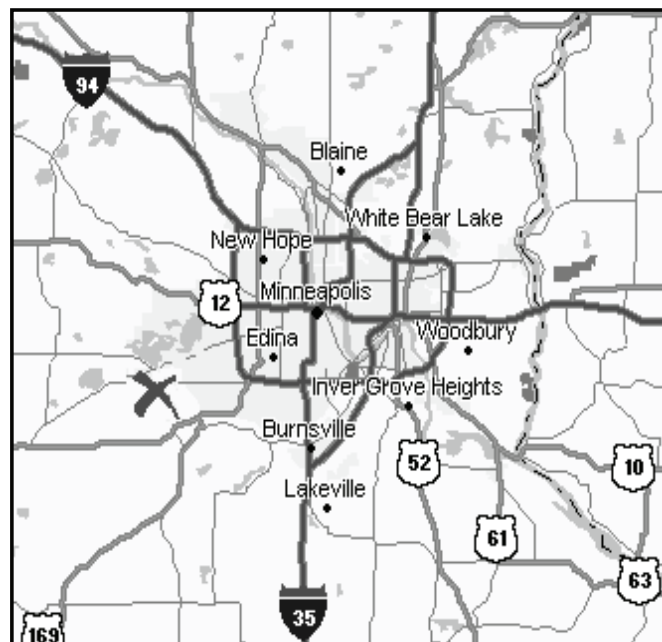
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Take I-494 West to Hwy 5 (exit 11C) -OR-

Take I-35W to Hwy 62; follow signs for Hwy 212, but do not exit the highway; continue west on Hwy 5. Follow Hwy 5 for about 9 miles. Slightly past the intersection of Hwy 41, there will be a small brown sign on the right-hand side of the road just before the Arboretum entrance. On the left, you will see a large entrance sign. Turn left to enter. Please be careful while turning, as there is much traffic on Hwy 5.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

The Arboretum has partnered with Country Inn and Suites in Chanhassen to offer visitors exclusive hotel discounts www.countryinns.com/arboretum.



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