

BUILDING ROADWAYS TO THE FUTURE.....

ISPFMRA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 12, 13, 14, 2014
DECATUR CONVENTION CENTER
DECATUR, IL



JOIN US

.... as we reinforce the foundation levels, lay in the rebar, pour the base and finish-grade our **ROADWAYS TO THE FUTURE....**

Wednesday, February 12

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Education Program -- TBA

4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **Trade Talk**

Come and join representatives from your Commercial Sponsors as they host this wine and cheese celebration. **Trade Talk** displays will continue on Thursday, February 13.

Thursday February 13

7:00 a.m. Registration Opens
Scholarship Auction Check-In
Continental Breakfast with Commercial Sponsors in **Trade Talk**

8:15 a.m. *Greeting and Introductions*
Jim Schroeder, AFM, Hickory Point Bank & Trust, Annual Meeting Chair

8:30 a.m. *The State of U.S. Agriculture -- 2014*
John Phipps, Host, U.S. Farm Report
John writes humor & commentary, appearing monthly in *Farm Journal* and *Top Producer* magazines as a contributing editor. His family farm is now in its sixth generation in Edgar County.



9:15 a.m. *Tax and Estate Issues YOU Need to Know About*
Michael Barton, Bellatti-Barton, et al

Michael received his bachelor's and Master's and Law degrees from the University of Illinois. His practice concentrates in real estate, business, income tax and estate planning, and trust and estate administration for farmers and land owners. He is considered the leading Illinois attorney in agricultural law.



10:00 a.m. Break with **Trade Talk** Exhibitors

10:30 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions

Appraiser Updates

Brian Weaver, II Dept of Financial and Professional
Regulation Appraisal Coordinator



What's Happening with Cellulosic Ethanol

John Pieper, DuPont-Pioneer Hi-Bred International
John Pieper serves as Business Director for DuPont-Pioneer's
Eastern Market. Based in Bloomington, Illinois, he is
responsible for sales, marketing, technical services, product
logistics and administrative support for the region which
includes Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and
Maryland



11:15 a.m.

Midwest Inland Port Intermodal Facility

Mark Schweitzer, director of Intermodal and Container
Freight at ADM. The Midwest Inland Port will have access to
three railroads, five interstate Highways and an airport that can
support wide body aircraft. Schweitzer says the Port will help
the state of Illinois meet its goal of doubling its exports by
2014.



Noon

Lunch with **Trade Talk** Exhibitors

12:45 p.m.

ISPFMRA Awards and Recognition Program
2013 Hall of Fame Presentation
2013 Service to Agriculture Award Presentation
Scholarship Recipient Recognitions

1:30 p.m.

Just What IS the Howard G. Buffett Foundation?

Chad E. Shipmaker, Deputy Director
The Howard G. Buffett Foundation (HGBF) is a private family
foundation working to improve the standard of living and
quality of life for the world's most impoverished and marginal-
ized populations Chad E. Shipmaker is the Foundation's Deputy
Director, supporting the organization's programs and grantmak-
ing in the United States and internationally.



2:30

Final Break with **Trade Talk** Exhibitors

3:00 p.m. *ASFMRA Update*
Jerry Hicks, AFM, ASFMRA Council, Region III Representative

What's New in Washington, D.C.

Stephen Frerichs, ASFMRA Legislative Affairs Chair (invited) Stephen Frerichs is principal at AgVantage LLC in Alexandria, Virginia, a consulting and lobbying firm. Stephen specializes in budget, agricultural and credit issues.



4:00 p.m. *Annual Business Meeting*

5:30 p.m. *Memorial Scholarship Auction and Reception*

Friday February 14

7:00 a.m. Breakfast -- *Because this is a plated breakfast tickets for the meal must be reserved on the Registration form.*

7:30 a.m. Passing of the Gavel Ceremony
Swearing In of 2014 Officers

7:45 a.m. *The State of Illinois Agriculture*

Bob F. Flider, Director Illinois Department of Agriculture Referred to as a “tireless, effective leader for rural farming communities,” Flider was appointed by Governor Pat Quinn as director of the Illinois Department of Agriculture Feb. 15, 2012. The appointment enabled Flider, a former lawmaker and mayor in east central Illinois, to continue a career dedicated to public service.



8:30 a.m. Depart by individual vehicles for caravan to Caterpillar manufacturing

9:00 a.m. Tour Decatur Caterpillar Facility
(NOTE: Tour is limited to first 50 to sign up)



11:00 a.m. Tour ends, meeting activities conclude

Lodging

A block of rooms (**Illinois Society of Professional Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers**) has been reserved at the

Decatur Conference Center and Hotel

4191 US Highway 36 West, Decatur, IL. The room rate is: Business Class Room \$103.00 plus tax per night -- Standard Room \$86.00 plus tax per night. **Rooms may be reserved by calling 217-422-8800. The deadline for making reservations in this room block is January 18, 2014.** Reservations made after that date will be accepted on a space-available basis. Check-in time is 4:00 p.m. and check-out time is 12:00 p.m. A late-departure charge may apply for any room occupied after the checkout time.

2014 ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION

Registration/Fees

Important Note regarding registration process -- You can use this form to register to attend the Annual Meeting or you can register online at www.ispfmra.org/2014-annual-meeting-registration/ If you opt to register online you will be sent an invoice for the fees involved.

(Meeting registration deadline is February 7, to avoid \$45.00 Late Registration Surcharge.)

ASFMRA Members / "Friends" / Spouses	\$125.00	[]
Non-ASFMRA Members	\$140.00	[]
Sponsor	Complimentary	[]

Total _____

Number of Friday Breakfast Tickets Needed (No additional fee required) _____

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Name for Spouse/Guest Badge _____

[] Payment enclosed (Checks should be payable to ISPFMRA)



(Sorry, we cannot accept American Express)

Card No. _____

Expiration Date _____ Security # from back of card _____

**Payment (check or credit card information)
MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION FORM**

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