

Let's Get Strip-Tilling

With a Focused Educational Program Delivering Strip-Till Secrets from Fellow Farmers, Strip-Till Experts

The 2nd annual National Strip-Tillage Conference offers nearly 50 cutting-edge, money-making sessions over 2 days, delivering insightful learning and unlimited networking with the best of the strip-till community.



This can't-miss, one-of-a-kind meeting offers strip-till ideas through several proven learning techniques.
See you August 5 and 6 in Iowa City, Iowa!

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2 Days of Strip-Till Learning...

Complete Immersion, Focus

- ✓ 1 special hands-on workshop focused on strip-row unit setups and systems
- ✓ 5 Strip-Till General Sessions with 7 practice-changing presentations
- ✓ 14 highly practical Strip-Till Classrooms
- ✓ 30 idea-sharing Strip-Till Roundtables
- ✓ Dinner, Breakfast & Lunch with more ways to learn from fellow strip-tillers
- ✓ 32 hours of extremely valuable peer-to-peer networking opportunities

...AND MUCH MORE!

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2nd Annual National Strip-Tillage Conference * August 5 and 6, 2015 * Marriott Hotel, Coralville, IA

Get Hundreds of Useful Strip-Till Tips & Ideas During 2 Info-Packed Days in Iowa City!

Whether you're trying to determine if strip-till is the right system for you or you're looking for ways to improve your strip-till system, you'll get an abundance of valuable field-proven techniques during this highly intensive 2nd annual National Strip-Tillage Conference from August 5 to 6 in Iowa City, Iowa.

WE'VE BEEN COVERING the practice of strip-till for about 30 years within the pages of *No-Till Farmer*. Following our launch of *Strip-Till Strategies* e-newsletter several years ago and the success of the inaugural National Strip-Tillage Conference in 2014, we're expanding the 2nd annual educational event that strip-tillers can call their own.

We're excited to bring you this unique, one-of-a-kind educational experience that brings the best strip-tillers, consultants, agronomists and researchers together in one location to share cutting-edge ideas,

techniques and strategies to raise your level of strip-till profitability, efficiency and efficacy.

The second annual National Strip-Tillage Conference offers 7 general session speakers, 14 Strip-Till Classrooms and 30 invaluable Strip-Till Roundtables. Plus, valuable pesticide recertification credits and Certified Crop Advisor credits are being pursued. Just as important is the chance to profit from unlimited hallway networking with the most innovative, forward-thinking minds in strip-till during this early August event in Iowa City, Iowa.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5...

7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. "Strip-Till Registration Time."

Get registered! Pick up your conference materials, including FREE special strip-till reports and literature valued at \$179.70. (See Page 7.)

8:30 to 11:30 a.m. "Special Members-Only Workshop — Selecting the Right Setup for Your Strip-Till Rig with Kevin Kimberley, Kimberley Ag Consulting."

(This workshop, limited to 60 attendees, costs just \$50 to attend. It is available only to paid registered NSTC attendees.)

Sign up for this workshop using the registration form on Page 8.)

Coulters or shanks? What type of fertilizer placement system should you have on your strip-till bar? How deep should you be building berms? These questions and more will be addressed by Kevin Kimberley, owner of Kimberley Ag Consulting, in Maxwell, Iowa, during this interactive pre-conference strip-till workshop.

Kimberley will lead a hands-on overview of different strip-till row unit options and what to expect from each to help attendees understand the practical benefits and drawbacks of different setups. Participants will be able to take away and apply intimate knowledge of the best system to suit their soils. Come with an open mind and leave with a better understanding of the equipment you're using — or could be using — to improve your strip-till system.

12:50 to 12:55 p.m. Official Start of the 2015 National Strip-Tillage Conference in the Coral Grand Ballroom.

12:55 p.m. to 1:55 p.m. "Building a Strip-Till System from the Ground Up."

Conservation tillage is the only option for Bill Darrington to farm the rolling hills of western Iowa, to maintain soil structure and maximize nutrient uptake in the soil. Since 1987, he's evolved from no-till and strip-till to a hybrid of the two farming practices. This includes deep-banded, multi-level placement of fertilizer during a spring strip-till pass and multiple foliar applications, along with timed insecticide and herbicide applications to provide crops with a robust nutrient package.



Bill Darrington

Darrington considers his management approach as "biologically aware" and proactively looks for the most productive, farm-friendly fertilizers to keep his soils healthy and organically active. Deep-banding nutrients is a valuable component to strip-till, but farmers need to also understand what they are applying and where to avoid potential long-term damage to soil biology.

The Persia, Iowa, farmer will share the evolution of his strip-till system to include fertility management practices that have helped him improve yields and boost soil health.

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1:55 to 3:00 p.m. "Building a Better Berm with the Right Strip-Till Equipment Setup."

Building the perfect berm doesn't happen overnight. Practice makes perfect when setting your fields up for success with good seed-to-soil contact and residue management. For more than 15 years, crop and equipment consultant Kevin Kimberley has worked with strip-tillers to set up their rigs by picking the right row unit setup and troubleshooting problems that arise from an imperfect strip.



Kevin Kimberley

He will share techniques to help build better berms, how to fix faulty strips and potential red flags to look for beneath the soil surface that can impact soil health and crop growth.

3:00 to 3:15 p.m. "Get Deeper into the Think Tank."

If Kevin Kimberley's presentation got your mechanical wheels turning, here's your chance to ask questions and get field-tested answers to unleash the full potential of your strip-till rig.

3:15 to 3:45 p.m. "Networking/Refreshment Break — Courtesy of Spectrum Seed."



You've just begun the two most informative days of the strip-till season. Grab a coffee, lemonade or iced tea while discussing with fellow attendees the things you've learned so far.

3:45 to 4:45 p.m. "Choose from 4 High-Powered Strip-Till Classrooms."

Strip-Till Classroom #1...

"An Evolution of Equipment: One Strip-Tiller's Journey."

Veteran strip-tiller Loran Steinlage built his first strip-till rig in 2006 and isn't afraid to get his hands dirty farming several hundred acres of corn-on-corn near West Union, Iowa. He's always looking to adjust and improve equipment to add an extra bushel, manage residue and improve soil health.



Loran Steinlage

Steinlage will share his ongoing experience building and designing equipment in his strip-till operation to increase serviceability and functionality, along with experimenting with fertilizer-application methods and cover crops to increase yields on rolling ground.

"A couple roundtables saved me a couple thousand dollars and made me some more money."

— Larry Tombaugh, Streator, Ill.

Strip-Till Classroom #2...

"A Rooted Approach to Strip-Till Corn Productivity."

Roots are the somewhat forgotten side of the corn plant, but it's where more than 95% of nutrients are absorbed, stored or transported. Mike Petersen, lead agronomist at Advanced Nutritional Products, dug his first soil pit 34 years ago. Now 1,521 digs later, he has determined that strip-till and accurate nutrient applications can achieve 300-bushel corn without breaking the bank.

Petersen will explore the positive effects of strip-till on progressive corn rooting and explain why placement of nutrients, especially liquid products, make more sense over conventional means.

Strip-Till Classroom #3...

"Strip-Till Flexibility & Taking What Mother Nature Gives You."

Sometimes the best plan in strip-till is to plan for the unexpected. This is a philosophy Jerry Baysinger knows well after almost 20 years of strip-till. Baysinger strip-tills about 3,000 acres of corn and soybeans near Bruning, Neb., and was one of the first farmers to embrace strip-till in his area. One key to his long-term success is adapting to whatever Mother Nature throws at him, and adjusting his strip-till operation to build berms in fall, winter or spring.

Baysinger will share effective nutrient management techniques, seed placement strategies and residue clearing methods that have contributed to yield increases on his operation.



Jerry Baysinger

Strip-Till Classroom #4...

"Using Strip-Till as a Natural Farm Management Tool."

Veteran strip-tiller Rod Sommerfield has been banding fertilizer since 1972 and has long studied the benefits of precisely placing nutrients below the soil surface, rather than a broadcast application. Farming in Mazeppa, Minn., Sommerfield uses strip-till as a natural farm management tool to reduce input costs, save fuel and improve soil health.

He will share his experience-based benefits of banded nutrient applications in strip-tilled corn, and also discuss the concept of "regenerative agriculture" and how this process can help reduce greenhouse gases and make healthy soils less susceptible to weather extremes.



Rod Sommerfield

4:50 to 5:50 p.m. "10 Super Strip-Till Roundtables."

Select from 10 Strip-Till Roundtables where you can ask questions, discuss challenges and contribute practical, field-proven ideas on a specific topic. Send others from your farm to different sessions to capture even more learning from these unique idea swaps.

1. What is Implement Guidance & Do I Need it?
2. Strategies for Minimizing Erosion in Strip-Till
3. How Important is it to Build the Perfect Berm in Fall?
4. Planter Setups, Adjustments, Tools & Tricks
5. Picking the Right Cover Crops for Strip-Till
6. For First-Year Strip-Tillers Only
7. Talking Toolbar Adjustments & Improvements
8. How Can Strip-Till Help Me Adapt to Mother Nature?
9. Taking an Organic Mindset to Strip-Till Fertilization
10. Location. Location. Location. Where to Place the Berm?

6:15 to 7:45 p.m. "The National Strip-Tillage Conference Dinner — Courtesy of Agro-Culture Liquid Fertilizers."

(Included in your strip-till conference registration fee.)

Slow down, relax and enjoy a fabulous dinner at the Marriott. We'll follow dinner with a valuable general session presentation from Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey.



"Applying Science & Technology to Improve Conservation-Tillage Practices."

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey is a fourth-generation farmer from Spirit Lake, Iowa. His priorities as Secretary include advancing science and new technologies to better care for Iowa's air, soil and water.

Northey will be discussing Iowa's leadership role in using science and new technologies to address water quality and conservation issues. He will highlight the state's Nutrient Reduction Strategy that was released in 2012, to better focus the water quality efforts. Northey will also share how Iowa is using a collaborative, non-regulatory framework to achieve the state's aggressive conservation and water quality goals, along with a national perspective on conservation trends and efforts shaping the ag industry.



Bill Northey

8:00 to 9:00 p.m. "Choose from 3 Strip-Till Classrooms Chock-Full Of Learning Opportunities."

Strip-Till Classroom #5...

"Early Lessons Learned from an Evolving Strip-Till System."

When Nick Viney helped form Badgerland Grain Farms in 2006, the Evansville, Wis., operation had just 155 acres. But during the last 9 years, it's grown nearly 2,000 acres, an even split of strip-till corn and no-till soybeans, with about 180 acres of no-till wheat. The expansion of acres and increased adoption of strip-till practices have brought both benefits and challenges to the operation.

Viney will share some of those early strip-till successes that brought better erosion control and increased corn yields, along with early lessons learned moving from no-till to strip-till and building confidence in an evolving system.



Nick Viney

Strip-Till Classroom #6...

"Using Precision Technology & Controlled Traffic to Supercharge Strip-Till."

As a fifth-generation farmer, Dave Delhotal takes pride in producing high-quality crops while caring for the land in an environmentally sustainable way. Through the dual efforts of strip-tilling continuous corn and a controlled-traffic system, he's been able to fight compaction and dramatically increase soil health on the family's West Brooklyn, Ill., operation.

Delhotal will discuss some early strip-till challenges and how their investment in precision technology, to include implement guidance, combined with other conservation-minded practices, have contributed to a double-digit yield increase in corn and substantial annual savings in fuel, labor and machinery costs.



Dave Delhotal

Strip-Till Classroom #7...

"Management Strategies for Strip-Tilling Seed Corn & Soybeans."

With the majority of his farm under center-pivot irrigation, Jason Wykoff relies on more than annual precipitation to successfully strip-till seed corn and soybeans on a 4,500-acre operation in New Carlisle, Ind. Limiting passes through the field and building soil structure are strip-till priorities for the Wykoffs, who have realized 20-30% savings in fuel, with an eye on slashing fuel costs by at least half.

Wykoff will discuss experiments with 20-inch strip-tilled seed corn, fall vs. spring strip-till and a lucrative move to strip-tilled soybeans.



Jason Wykoff

"Phenomenal experience with several great ideas, suggestions and exchanges of advice that will definitely be beneficial in our operation."

— Tryston Beyrer, Colfax, Wis.

9:00 to 10:00 p.m. "10 Even Better Strip-Till Roundtables."

Once you determine which of the following 10 sessions to attend, send others from your farm to other sessions so you can later swap dozens of great ideas that you can add to your 2015 strip-till operation.

11. Maximizing Micronutrients in Your Strip
12. For Fall Strip-Tillers Only
13. For Spring Strip-Tillers Only
14. Succeeding with Twin-Row, Strip-Tilled Corn
15. Perfecting Controlled Traffic in Strip-Till
16. Troubleshooting Strip-Till Mechanical Issues
17. Picking Precision Tools with a Quick Payback

18. Custom Strip-Tilling Tips

19. Help Me Solve Critical Weed, Insect & Disease Issues

20. Safe & Effective Application of Anhydrous Ammonia

8:45 p.m. to Midnight. "The Strip-Tillage Conference Hospitality Event — Courtesy of Environmental Tillage Systems."



(Included in your strip-till conference registration fee.)

This evening hospitality suite offers a way to unwind after a full day of learning and continue strip-till discussions with fellow attendees before calling it a day.

Thursday, August 6...

6:30 a.m. to Noon. "Strip-Till Registration Time."

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6:45 to 8:30 a.m. "Early Bird Breakfast — with Support from Vulcan Equipment & ZoneMaster."



(Included in your strip-till conference registration fee.)

Start your day off right with our buffet-style breakfast. University of Minnesota researcher Fabian Fernandez will then serve up food for thought on getting the most from your soils and crops with targeted fertilizer applications.

"Getting an Accurate Reading on Soil Health with Strip-Till."

University of Minnesota nutrient management specialist Fabian Fernandez understands the nutrient application flexibility that a strip-till system offers. His current research focuses on nutrient management in corn cropping systems and identifying and implementing sustainable nitrogen management practices aimed at minimizing environmental impacts and improving yields.



Fabian Fernandez

Fernandez will compare nutrient management practices for strip-till and no-till and how to properly take soil samples to accurately represent the fertility of a field when banding fertilizer in the strip vs. a broadcast application.

8:45 to 9:45 a.m. "Choose from 4 More Top-Notch Strip-Till Classrooms."

Strip-Till Classroom #8...

"Proper Planter Setups to Maximize Strip-Till Yields."

When it comes to capitalizing on a well-made strip, the right planter setup can turn a good corn crop into a great one. Knowing the right tools and attachments to include on your planter row unit can improve emergence and increase yield.

Known as the "Planter Doctor," Kevin Kimberley has been working with farmers in Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, South Dakota and North Dakota, to increase production and profitability on their operations. He will share his experience-based advice for managing planter down pressure to maximize seed-to-soil contact, implementing different residue management options and avoiding sidewall lift.

Strip-Till Classroom #9...

"Setting Strip-Till Goals to Match Field & Soil Conditions."

Growing up on a small farm in southeastern South Dakota, Joey Hanson struggled with finding the right tillage fit for the operation. Strip-till proved to be the answer to consistent yields and targeted fertilizer placement. Custom strip-tilling several



Joey Hanson

thousand acres into various soil types, topography and crop rotations, the Elk Point, S.D., farmer and consultant with Diversified Agronomy deals with plenty of variability and diversity with strip-tillers within their operations.

He'll discuss practical considerations for setting realistic strip-till goals with the right equipment to match field conditions and environments, along with adapting a fertility plan based on variable-rate options, yield goals, planter setup and more.

Strip-Till Classroom #10...

"Successful Strategies for Strip-Tilling Corn-On-Corn, Weed Control & Residue Management."

Strip-tilling in northcentral Illinois, Cade Bushnell doesn't have the luxury of naturally high organic matter in his primarily sandy clay soils, or a consistent weather pattern he can count on each year to produce a bumper corn crop. He prefers to always have a Plan A and Plan B to manage his 1,300-acre corn and soybean operation. Planning and flexibility are paying off with consistent yields in continuously strip-tilled corn-on-corn fields.



Cade Bushnell

He'll discuss the benefits and challenges of developing a successful corn-on-corn strip-till program to include use of cover crops to promote residue breakdown and nutrient preservation and the value of spreading out nitrogen applications.

Strip-Till Classroom #11...

"Digging into the Long-Term Soil Health Benefits of Strip-Till."

An early adopter of strip-till in his area nearly 20 years ago, Windom, Minn., farmer Tom Muller understands that creating an ideal seedbed and limiting compaction in his silty clay loam soil is only a partial benefit of the practice. Farming 2,600 acres of corn and soybeans, he's been able to virtually "drought proof" his fields through increased water-holding capacity and infiltration.



Tom Muller

Any given clump of Muller's soil is bound to contain evidence of healthy earthworm activity, which is something he says is paying dividends to include consistent strip-tilled corn yields and a reduced threat of insect infestations. Muller will reflect on his long-term philosophy to improve soil structure and health through strip-till and offer tips for improving earthworm populations in your fields.

9:45 to 10:45 a.m. "Another Set of 10 Engaging Strip-Till Roundtables."

The third set of 10 Strip-Till Roundtables gives you a final chance for valuable "one-on-one" learning with your strip-till colleagues. It's also your opportunity to find an answer to a dilemma or be a hero to another strip-tiller by offering your own farm-tested advice.

21. Spread or Inject: Manure Application Options

"You get ideas from other strip-tillers, do's and don'ts, what works and what doesn't."

— Jesse Ranek, Tyndall, S.D.

- 22. Hitting the Sweet Spot with Banded Fertilizer
- 23. Strategies for Strip-Tilling Narrow Rows
- 24. How Can I Improve Soil Biology in the Strip?
- 25. Strip-Tilling Beyond Corn & Soybeans
- 26. Should I Strip-Till Soybeans in 15s or 30s?
- 27. Finding & Fixing Sidewall Compaction Issues
- 28. Better Advice for Corn-On-Corn Residue Management
- 29. Making the Most of Irrigation in Strip-Till
- 30. Leveraging Crop Data to Improve Strip-Till

11:00 to 11:50 a.m. “Why Placing Nutrients in a Smart Fertility Program Works in Strip-Till.”

During the last 75 years that American farmers have used commercially available fertilizers, broadcast application of dry and liquid nutrients have produced mixed results. When strip-till began emerging in the late 1980s, farmers started taking advantage of more targeted applications.

Mike Petersen will present compelling reasons why more precisely placing nutrients with strip-till increases availability of nutrients and actual uptake by corn roots. He will also discuss why, where and when nutrient placement is a vital answer to your corn yield potential with strip-till.



Mike Petersen

11:50 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. “Lunch/Break

Time — Courtesy of ANP Inc.

(Included in your strip-till conference registration fee.)

Grab a sandwich, chips and drink and spend time networking with fellow strip-tillers before we hit the home stretch of the 2015 National Strip-Tillage Conference.



1:00 to 1:50 p.m. “Taking a Continuous Approach to Strip-Tilled Corn.”

For some farmers, their early transition to strip-till conjures up fond memories of higher yields or improved fertilizer placement, while for others, building those first berms serves more as a reminder of how far they've come in their operation. Looking back on a decade of strip-tilling, Mike Shuter recalls both the pains and the gains encountered on 2,500 acres of strip-tilled corn at Shuter Sunset Farms in Frankton, Ind.



Mike Shuter

Shuter has made a conscious effort to more efficiently apply fertilizer and improve soil biology. He will discuss the tangible gains of using crop sensing technology to assess foliar application needs, residue management practices for strip-tilled corn-on-corn and cover crop application using his own design for a 120-foot seeder.

1:50 to 2:00 p.m. “2015 National Strip-Tillage Conference Sponsor Recognition.”

Join us in thanking our 12 Title Sponsors whose generous support of the 2015 National Strip-Tillage Conference makes it possible to bring you the most highly informative strip-till learning event available today.

2:00 to 2:50 p.m. “Choosing & Implementing the Right Cover Crops for a Strip-Till System.”

Since 2007, Dr. Joel Gruver has been a professor of Soil Science and Sustainable Agriculture in the School of Agriculture at Western Illinois University in Macomb, Ill. He's conducted intense research tied to cover crop usage in conservation-tillage systems and organic grain production.



Joel Gruver

Gruver will focus on the integration of cover crops within strip-tillage systems and explore key opportunities and challenges based on recent research results and the experiences of innovative farmers using both strip-till and cover crops. He will also discuss the impact of cover crops on nutrient availability and soil moisture dynamics within strip-tillage systems and also consider

the compatibility of cover crops with current strip-till technology and potential new technologies.

2:50 to 3:20 p.m. “Networking/Refreshment Break — Courtesy of Harvest International.”



Take a break while sharing more strip-till ideas with your colleagues. Then get ready to choose from 3 final Strip-Till Classrooms before heading home with a brain-load of things to consider in your strip-till operation.

3:20 to 4:20 p.m. “Choose from the Final Set of 3 In-Depth Strip-Till Classrooms.”

Strip-Till Classroom #12...

“A Refreshing Approach to Controlling Erosion with Strip-Till.”

Lowpoint, Ill., farmer Todd Mooberry understands that every field is different and one size doesn't fit all with strip-till. Mooberry began strip-tilling corn in 2001 on his 1,800-acre operation and seeking ways to better adapt the practice to the variable soil types and slopes on his farm. He designed several products to improve strip-till efficiency, including a strip-freshener attachment to run through soybean stubble in spring as an alternative to no-till.

Mooberry will offer some tips and equipment strategies to help minimize erosion concerns on rolling ground, better time fertilizer application and utilize cover crops in strip-till.



Todd Mooberry

Strip-Till Classroom #13...

“Tips for Strip-Tilling in Unforgiving Conditions.”

Farming shallow, red clay soils prone to compaction and runoff, southwest Missouri farmer Gary Wolf is especially conscious of preserving nutrients and water in his soil to grow a quality crop. In 2007, Wolf purchased his first strip-till rig to help retain moisture and limit runoff in corn.

As one of the early adopters of strip-till in his area, Wolf has evolved his system to include equipment modifications, adding moles knives to the shank setup on his row units to fracture a deeper hardpan, rigorous soil testing to analyze nutrient uptake and cover crops in 2011. Wolf will share his experience overcoming adverse growing conditions with strip-till to improve soil health and increase production.



Gary Wolf

Strip-Till Classroom #14...

“Thinking Beyond Strip-Tilled Corn with Variable-Rate Technology & Other Precision Tools.”

After nearly a quarter-century of strip-tilling a variety of crops, third-generation farmer Eric Wallendal and his wife, Megan, still view their Grand Marsh, Wis., operation as a work-in-progress. All of their strip-tilled acres are under center-pivot irrigation and in 2014, they spring strip-tilled 2,000 acres of soybeans, forage corn and snap beans.

The Wallendals will share how they've incorporated precision farming practices, including variable-rate irrigation and soil moisture probes to record organic matter, pH levels and water-holding capacity in their sandy topsoils, along with future use of drones, NDVI imagery data and variable-rate spreading/fertigation to boost strip-till productivity.



Eric Wallendal

4:20 to 4:30 p.m. “Get Ready to Put All that Strip-Till Knowledge to Work.”

Say your farewells and collect contact information of successful strip-tillers you'd like to visit with in the future before you head home.

“Excellent program for someone who is learning about strip-till. It has a little bit of everything.”

— Calvin Hartman, Kokomo, Ind.

20 Reasons Why this Strip-Till Event is the Most Valuable Learning Experience You'll Have in 2015!

1. **FEATURING** an extremely valuable mix of 7 general session presenters, 14 Classrooms and 30 "face-to-face" Roundtables, the National Strip-Tillage Conference is poised to earn a "see-it-here-first" reputation unlike any other event in the industry.
2. **RECOGNIZING** that every minute of this intensive, no-nonsense event is geared toward leading you to more effective strip-tilling.
3. **TAPPING** the expertise of leading strip-till researchers and innovators during 2 days of "nonstop" hallway networking.
4. **LEARNING** new ways to make nutrient applications more effective even while trimming your 2015-16 fertilizer costs.
5. **AVOIDING** dozens of costly time- and \$\$\$-wasting mistakes that have already been made by fellow strip-till attendees.
6. **DELIVERING** equipment modification tips and thought-provoking product innovations in a powerful learning environment.
7. **DISCOVERING** new ideas guaranteed to meet your cropping needs in an extraordinary "one-of-a-kind, think-tank" atmosphere.
8. **CAPITALIZING** on the latest field-proven ideas for solving the most critical strip-till problems that you face each day.
9. **PROVIDING** an in-depth, unbiased strip-till program offering state-of-the-art ideas to meet your specific needs without pushing specific system ideas, cropping techniques or government agendas.
10. **STEERING** this event are strip-tillers just like you. The opinions and suggestions of strip-tillers keeps the program directly relevant to your needs and the issues you face each day in the field.
11. **RECEIVING** \$179.70 of extremely valuable Special Strip-Till "Bonus Reports" you'll refer to all during the coming year — more than 1,000 pages as a conference bonus.
12. **BUILDING** a dynamic "This Conference Is For Me" style program that will deliver a healthy shot of adrenaline and valuable ideas for your 2015-16 strip-till cropping season.
13. **OFFERING** three distinct styles of learning spread over 32 hours and 50 sessions that will be hailed as a breath of fresh air for the entire strip-till community.
14. **ATTENDING** a conference that's fully guaranteed to elevate your strip-till skills, knowledge and results in 2015-16.

Reserve Your Room at the Coralville Marriott!

The Coralville Marriott will be the host site for the 2nd annual National Strip-Tillage Conference August 5-6. The hotel, located just a 1/4 mile off I-80 at 300 E 9th St. in Coralville, will provide plenty of down-home comfort and a superb learning environment for 2 days this summer.



You can reserve your hotel rooms at the special National Strip-Tillage Conference rate of \$110 per night by calling 1-800-228-9290. Make sure you mention the National Strip-Tillage Conference to get the special rate. Room availability is limited, so be sure to make your room reservations as soon as possible.

Following are some area attractions you and your party may want to look into while in Iowa City:

- Coralville's Backpocket Brewing is one of Iowa's newest breweries and maker of world class craft beers. Enjoy fresh beers and oven-fried pizza. Tours are also available.
- The Cedar Rapids Kernels minor league baseball team has 6:30 p.m. home games on Aug. 4-6, just 30 minutes away from the National Strip-Tillage Conference.
- Catch the many historical museums and local shopping in the Coralville and Iowa City areas just minutes away.

15. **COMPARING** the newest strip-till products and strip-tilling guidelines offered by 12 leading suppliers who make this event possible by co-sponsoring it with *Strip-Till Farmer*.
16. **REVEALING** dozens of thought-provoking ideas and cost-cutting opportunities you'll put to immediate use once you get home.
17. **DEVELOPING** a network of fellow strip-tillers who can help you solve strip-till challenges at the conference and into the future.
18. **PICKING UP** just one rock-solid idea from 32 hours of education will more than pay for your cost of attending this event.
19. **GATHERING** proven strip-till tactics from hundreds of strip-tillers that you can put to use in your management system in 2015-16!
20. **REAPING** the best return on investment of any single learning activity you'll be a part of during the next year!

We've heard from strip-tillers that they need a high-quality educational event and we're ready to deliver.

This is a no-holds-barred, one-of-a-kind conference set to earn your trust for delivering focused strip-till solutions.

We Fully Guarantee Your Satisfaction!!!

We've written about hundreds of strip-till operations since the 1980s within the pages of *No-Till Farmer*. And we increased our coverage of this innovative conservation-tillage practice the past 5 years with the creation of our twice-a-month e-newsletter — *Strip-Till Strategies* — and *StripTillFarmer.com* Website dedicated to news, insights and grower practices involving strip-till.

Using the proven educational format fine-tuned through 23 years of the National No-Tillage Conference, we're confident this 2nd annual highly intensive, information-filled 2-day conference on strip-tillage will give you dozens of ideas to consider incorporating into your strip-till operation.

That's why if this one-of-a-kind event isn't everything we promised, write me and I'll send you a full 100% refund. Take up to 6 months to decide so that you can measure the return on your investment from this unique learning experience.

For nearly 45 years, farmers have trusted us to deliver unbiased, highly practical, how-to information. Hosting this event is still another way to help you continue your strip-till education, not just through the informative speakers and classroom presenters, but with the valuable networking opportunities that occur through valuable hallway conversations.

This unsurpassed guarantee should convince you that we're worthy of your trust and attendance at the 2nd annual National Strip-Tillage Conference coming up this August 5 and 6, 2015.

See You in Iowa City!



Darrell Bruggink

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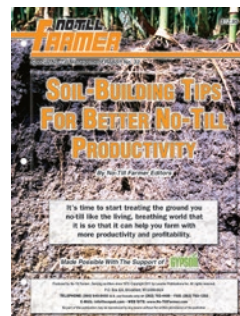


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