

# Agenda

## Registration and Vendor Show

9:00 - 9:30

## Welcome and Introductions

Thomas Sierzega

9:30 - 9:40

## “Expect More from Your No Till Equipment Dealer“

David Dum

9:40 - 10:40

## BREAK & VENDOR SHOW

10:40 - 10:55

## “Establish a Comprehensive No Till Management System”

Joel Myers

10:55 - 11:55

## LUNCH and VENDOR SHOW

11:55 - 1:00

### Breakout Sessions

#### Round 1 1:00 - 1:50

a) David Dum

b) Joel Myers

c) Bill Riden

d) Tim Werner & Mike Lawson

#### Round 2 1:50 - 2:40

a) David Dum

b) Joel Myers

c) Bill Riden

d) Tim Werner & Mike Lawson

2:45 p.m. **Wrap up and Door Prizes**

## The Southwest Regional No Till

### Conference is sponsored by:

- Penn's Corner Resource Conservation & Development
- Penn State Cooperative Extension
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Conservation Districts located in the Southwest Region of Pennsylvania

For further information, contact  
**Dan Griffith at 724-837-5271**  
Extension 103

**Nutrient Management credits,  
Conservation Planning Credits,  
4 Core Pesticide credits and  
CCA credits will be available**

### **DIRECTIONS TO Fred Roger's Center, St. Vincent College, Latrobe, PA 15650**

#### **From Pittsburgh, Greensburg, and West**

Follow Route 30 East 5 miles past Westmoreland Mall. At the stop light at Saint Vincent Drive, turn left onto Fraser Purchase Road (unmarked), go 1/2 mile, and turn left onto campus. Stop at the Entrance Booth for parking information and further direction.

#### **From Latrobe, Ligonier, and East**

Follow Route 30 West. After the light at Arnold Palmer International Airport, St. Vincent is on your right.

#### **From Delmont, Murrysville, and North**

Follow Toll 66 to the Route 30 exit. Make a left on Route 30. Follow Route 30 East (directions above).

# 2015 Southwest Regional PA No Till Conference



**Expect more from your equipment dealers to increase profits and improve soil health with reduced inputs, less compaction, more water retention and infiltration!**

**Wednesday,  
January 28, 2015**

**9:00 - 2:45**

Fred Rogers Center

St. Vincent College

Latrobe, PA 15650

Now with dark window blinds!

## Speakers

### EXPECT MORE FROM YOUR NO TILL DEALER

Now that no-tilling accounts for nearly half of the cropland being farmed, you should look for dealers who are getting up to speed and going the extra mile to deliver equipment and advice to help you succeed. No-tillers can choose from a wide range of equipment from both large and small manufacturers.

However, a disconnect between no-tillers and manufacturers is still common at equipment dealerships, where no-till knowledge varies from exceptional to almost non-existent. Dave Dum, a product support specialist for Binkley & Hurst, says a



David Dum,  
Lititz, PA

lot of the education comes from actually working closely with the no-tillers at planting time. "We hang with the crowd that's planting. We're in the field from April to June. We watch what works for the guys, and we talk with them about it," he says. "We're always learning ourselves, determining what works in certain conditions across the state. Our job is to match up accessories to the area and conditions the farmer faces." Dave would like to share with our No Tillers some of his knowledge gained with working "in the fields" that will help farmers post a better profit margin.

### Establish a Comprehensive No Till Management System

Joel Myers, No Till Consultant, was the NRCS State Agronomist for many years, and is well known to many farmers in our area for his presentations. This time he and David Dum are working together at giving presentations that will explain the use of equipment to create a unified system of conservation no-till. Joel will show how the soil health is vitally important for no-till, with tips and techniques for keeping it healthy. Often overlooked is the potential for erosion on Western PA soils, and Joel will speak to the establishment of a management system that will minimize the erosion of valuable topsoil from your land.

Bill Riden, Pesticide Ed Specialist  
224 Special Services Bldg  
University Park, PA 16802 Email: [wmr11@psu.edu](mailto:wmr11@psu.edu)

Bill is happy to provide the pollinators and pesticides presentation, and he is also willing to give a second hour talk on sprayer cleanup. If participants attended both of Bill's presentations, they will receive 4 core pesticide credits. Bill's responsibilities include applicator certification and recertification training, reviewing exam study materials and exam questions, and developing new materials. Bill brings with him a vast amount of experience working in the chemical industry and large garden centers.



## 2015 SW PA No Till Conference January 28, 2015

Register & pay online at  
[www.wcdpa.com](http://www.wcdpa.com)

Or register by mail before Jan. 20th :

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee: \$30 per person**

( \$40 after Jan. 20 ! )

*(morning refreshments, lunch, and materials included)*

Total enclosed if paying by mail:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to:**  
*Westmoreland Conservation District*

**Return registration form and  
payment to:**

Westmoreland Conservation District  
Attn: Christie  
218 Donohoe Road  
Greensburg, PA 15601

Raven Industries and Independent Ag Equipment are precision ag software and application equipment dealers. Company reps Tim Werner and Mike Larson will be presenting information on their products and how they would benefit you in your particular no-till management. As profit margins are squeezed by lower commodity prices, each acre (and even each fraction of an acre) becomes a more important part of your production, and they all need individual attention.