

Manitoba Conservation Districts Association

Annual Conservation Conference Dec 12-14, 2011 - Keystone Centre, Brandon, MB

Inspiring Change



Tuesday's Keynote Speaker



Joel Salatin is a fulltime, third generation farmer in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley. In 1982 he returned to the farm and has continued refining and adding to his parents' ideas. The family farm, *Polyface Inc* ("The Farm of many Faces") services more than 3,000 families, 10 retail outlets, and 50 restaurants through on-farm sales and metropolitan buying clubs with salad bar beef, pastured poultry, eggmobile eggs, pigator pork, forage-based rabbits, pastured turkey and forestry products using relationship marketing. *Polyface Inc.* has been feature in *Smithsonian Magazine*, *National Geographic* and countless other radio, television and print media.

Joel holds a BA degree in English, he has published 6 books and writes extensively in magazines such as *Stockman Grass Farmer*, *Acres USA* and *American Agriculturalist*.

Joel addresses a wide range of issues, from "creating the farm your children will want" to "making a white collar salary from a pleasant life in the country." A wordsmith, he describes his occupation as "mob-stocking herbivorous solar conversion lignified carbon sequestration fertilization." His humorous and conviction-based speeches are akin to theatrical performances.

Wednesday's Keynote Speaker

Bruce Vincent is a third generation logger from Libby, Montana. During the past 20 years, he has given motivational speeches throughout the United States and the world, has testified on natural resource issues before Congress and has appeared on several news programs such as *60 Minutes*. Bruce has been named Timberman of the Year in Montana, National Forest Activist of the Year, the Agri-Women's 2007 Veritas Award Winner, and in 2004 received the inaugural Presidential Preserve America Award from President Bush. Bruce helped form and is currently serving as President of Communities For A Great Northwest, Executive Director of Provider Pals and is co-owner of Environomics. His current activities represent a family commitment to responsible environmentalism.



Our Program

Tradeshow & Registration – MB Room

Presentations & Banquet- UCT Pavilion

Monday, Dec 12th

4:30pm Trade Show & Registration Opens
5:00pm ACC Presentations & BU Poster Presentations
6:15pm Youth Multimedia Competition

Tuesday, Dec 13th

8:00am Trade Show & Registration Opens
9:00am Welcome / Opening Remarks
9:20am Keynote Address- Joel Salatin
10:30am Networking Break
11:00am Lake Friendly Initiatives
11:30am CD Project Presentation –LSRBCD
12:00pm Lunch
1:10pm Keynote Speaker- Joel Salatin
2:10pm MCDA Address- Priorities & Action from 2010
2:20pm Table Talk Exercise
2:40pm Healthy Watersheds = Healthy People

3:00pm Networking Break
3:30pm CD Presentation
3:50pm 2011 Flooding Impacts
4:20pm Trade Show and Bar opens
5:00pm CD Award Reception (Salon A)
6:30pm Banquet
7:30pm Youth awards presentations

Wednesday, December 14th

8:00am Tradeshow & Registration Opens
8:30am Ministerial session (CD members only)
9:30am Keynote Address- Bruce Vincent
10:30am Networking Break
11:00 am Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation
11:30am Manitoba Water Council
12:00am Lunch

Please note agenda items may be subject to change