

# Second Annual **FALL FESTIVAL 2014**

## **FFA DAY**

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23**

**Inviting Southern Illinois FFA students ... be a Saluki for a day at the second annual College of Agricultural Sciences Fall Festival!**

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| 9 a.m.                 | Welcome by Dean Mickey Latour and SIU Men's Basketball Coach Barry Hinson                    |
| 9:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. | Hands-on breakout sessions   |
| 12:10 - 1 p.m.         | Lunch (free lunch served by COAS students – grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, sides and drinks!) |

### **PICK UP YOUR CAMERA – MAKE A VIDEO – SHARE IT TO WIN!!**

Join the fun in the Fall Festival video competition, "A Student for a Day ... A Saluki for Life!" All FFA chapters in attendance are encouraged to film a short video (30 seconds to one minute) about their time on campus during Fall Festival, and how the day will influence them to become a Saluki! The videos can then be dropped off on a flash drive during the national FFA convention in Louisville, Kentucky, at the SIU booth! Those chapters not attending the convention can mail their videos to the College of Agriculture Sciences, with a postmark date no later than October 31. *The winning chapter will receive a pizza party, complete with pizza and drinks, provided by the College of Agriculture Sciences.*

Disclaimer: All videos entered will become the property of the College of Agriculture Sciences and may be used at the discretion of the college.

### **COME JOIN THE FUN AND EXPERIENCE BEING A SALUKI FOR THE DAY!**

Online preregistration is **REQUIRED**. Maximum of five students per school district allowed. Classes will be limited to 30 per class. Register early to secure your first choice of classes!

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, EMAIL [COASEVENTS@SIU.EDU](mailto:COASEVENTS@SIU.EDU) OR CALL 618/453-2469.**

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## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

35-minute sessions (five-minute transition time between every session)

	Class #1	Class #2	Class #3	Class #4	Class #5
9:40-10:15 a.m.	Where's My Gator?	Tree ID	Eating What?	Container/Smile	Pop a Top
10:25-10:55 a.m.	Where's My Gator?	Tree ID	Eating What?	Digging Dirt	Critter Cams
11-11:35 a.m.	Where's My Gator?	Tree ID	Eating What?	Digging Dirt	Critter Cams
11:40 a.m.-12:10 p.m.	Where's My Gator?	Tree ID	Eating What?	Container/Smile	Pop a Top

## SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

**Class #1 - Dude, Where's My Gator?** Explore the interconnected world of agriculture education through this hands-on and interactive lab, involving science, machinery and electronics. (Chris Clemons and the Agriculture Education Students)

**Class #2 - Tree Identification in Southern Illinois Forests.** In this workshop you will learn various ways to identify trees, shrubs and vines in Southern Illinois forests. In addition to the identification characteristics, the discussion will cover the ecological and silvicultural importance of multiple common tree species. We will explore Thompson Woods for a hands-on learning experience. (Dr. Jon Schoonover, Forestry)

**Class #3 - I'm Eating What?** What is actually in the food you eat every day? What do all those crazy words on the ingredients list mean? This interactive nutrition course explores food additives and explains the importance of eating whole foods. Students will be introduced to new foods through food sampling, so bring an appetite for snacking! (Brenda Green and SNAC, Human Nutrition and Dietetics)

**Class #4 - Take a Container, Make a Smile.** Students will have the opportunity to make a mixed container containing either succulent or edible plants. They then can take the arrangement home and give someone else a smile! (Amy Boren, Horticulture)

**Class #4 - Digging in the Dirt.** Students will learn efficient and practical soil sampling methods, while learning about agriculture from the ground up! (Dr. Rachel Cook, Crop, Soils and Environmental Management)

**Class #5\* - Pop a Top to Digestion.** This workshop will explore ruminant digestions and metabolism and discuss various metabolic products released from the rumen for animal utilization. Students will also discuss how digestions of various feedstuffs affects overall animal performance. So please come pop a top with us! (Dr. Rebecca Atkinson, Animal Science)

**Class #5\* - Critter Cams.** Participants will head out in the field to visit a camera study of deer use of attractants on SIU farms. Students will see how cameras can be used to document wildlife use of habitat, and to look out for big bucks! (Dr. Clay Nielson, Forestry)

\*Students who would like to participate in either of Atkinson's or Nielson's workshops are urged to choose both workshops because of time constraints (both sessions will take place at the SIU Beef Center at the University Farms).

