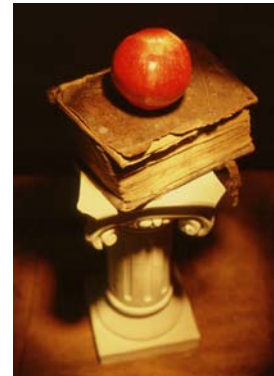


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PROGRAM

8:00–8:30		Continental breakfast
8:30–8:35	Dr. James W. Moyer Dr. Larry F. Grand	Welcome Introduction
8:35–8:55	Heather Olson	Host specificity and aggressiveness of <i>Phytophthora cryptogea</i> and <i>Phytophthora drechsleri</i> isolates in ornamentals.
8:55–9:15	Lee Miller	Identification and distribution of fungi associated with fairy rings on golf putting greens.
9:15–9:35	Lei Cheng	Atmospheric CO ₂ enrichment stimulates mycorrhizally-mediated organic carbon decomposition.
9:35–9:55	Geromy Moore	Climate is driving adaptive evolution in <i>Aspergillus</i> section Flavi.
9:55–10:15	Junhuun Jeon	Mechanisms underlying loss of virulence through serial passage cultures in the rice blast fungus, <i>Magnaporthe oryzae</i> .
10:15–10:45	Break	Visit Posters
10:45–11:05	Faith Bartz	The role of the phenylacetic acid metabolic complex on the disease causing activity of <i>Rhizoctonia solani</i> AG-3.
11:05–11:25	Stan Martin	Viral adventures in the crystal palace.
11:25–11:45	Andrea Dolezal	Internal Colonization of Developing Maize Kernels by the Plant Pathogen <i>Aspergillus flavus</i> .
11:45–12:05	Cary Rivard	An economic analysis of two grafted tomato transplant production systems in the US.
12:05–12:25	Cristiano Nunes	Differential accumulation of small RNAs during <i>Magnaporthe oryzae</i> growth and development.
12:25–1:30	Dr. Larry F. Grand	Lunch / Visit Posters