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The University of Tennessee Extension Eastern Regional Tobacco Enterprise Team announces the 2009 TN-VA-NC Tobacco Expo to be held at the Civic Auditorium in Kingsport, TN on Friday, January 23, 2009. The Expo consists of a trade show and seminars related to burley tobacco production and marketing. Registration starts at 8:00 am and the Expo concludes at 1:00 pm.

The seminar topics and speakers for this year include *Variety Selection and Development* by Dr. Bob Miller, University of Tennessee/University of Kentucky; *Pesticide Concerns* by Dr. Paul Denton, University of Tennessee/University of Kentucky; *Insect Control* by Rob Ellis, University of Tennessee; and *Burley Stabilization Update* by a Representative.

The Expo is open to anyone in Eastern Tennessee, Southwest Virginia and Western North Carolina with an interest in burley tobacco production. Lunch will be provided at the Expo. The Civic Auditorium is located at 1550 Fort Henry Drive adjacent to Dobyys-Bennett High School. For more information on the Expo contact your local Extension office or the Washington County Extension office at 423-753-1680.