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Agriculture is Everyone's Business

Six years ago this event kicked off in Hillsboro, and I had several people tell me it happened and they didn't know about it. If you missed this event, you have another chance this year.

On Friday, March 16 will be the next "Ag is Everyone's Business." The event will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Patriot Center on the campus of Southern State Community College in Hillsboro. Tickets are required and available by contacting the Highland Co. Chamber of Commerce online at: <http://thehighlandchamber.com> or by phone at (937) 393-1111.

Farm and Family Night is March 5

Hard to believe, but this will be the ninth year for the Farm and Family Night at Maysville Community and Technical College in Maysville. This event has something for everyone in the family. The doors open at 4:30 p.m. Dinner will be served from 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. or until it is all gone. The opening session begins at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are free, but required for dinner. Tickets are available at your local OSU Extension office in Adams, Brown, Clermont or Highland County. Also in Mason, Bracken, Robertson, Fleming and Lewis in Kentucky.

There will be door prizes and events going on with the trade show, plus sessions on a number of topics on production agriculture with crops and livestock, new agricultural ideas, food processing and preservation, preparation and youth activities. Some of the sponsors for this event include Farm Credit, Riverside Tractor in Augusta, Hinton Mills, Cahall Bros. John Deere, McFarland Chevrolet, Ripley Federal Bank and more. For more information, and a look at the sponsors go to <http://Adams.osu.edu>

Registration for Pesticide and Fertilizer Re-certs

Please check your status for your private applicator pesticide license. There appears to be some issues with the system and some people may not have been notified to renew the past couple of months. No one is sure what has happened, but to be safe, everyone should check their status. Remember the renewal is due on March 31 if 2018 is the year you need to renew. You can go online at <http://pested.osu.edu> and go to the Private Applicator tab, then click on Recertification. You will need your license number and last name. If you do not have the number, we have them at the OSU Extension Office, so call, e-mail me or stop by. My email is dugan.46@osu.edu

Registration is open for Pesticide and Fertilizer re-certifications that I have listed below. Please call the office for the location you wish to attend. The Adams County office is Barbie at 544-2339; Brown County office is Cindy at 378-6716; and Highland County is Tammy at 393-1918.



For those still needing GAP there are two opportunities on February 22 in the area. The first one is in West Union at Frisch's at 1:00 p.m. You must call Barbie to register by February 21 at 544-2339. Space is limited to 50 at this session.

The second session is at Maysville Community and Technical College at 6:00 p.m. on February 22. No pre-registration on this one.

I have a later one scheduled in Georgetown at the Southern Hills Career and Technical Center on Hamer Road. This one will be at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20. You will need to call Cindy at the Brown Co. OSU Extension Office to register for this one by Monday, March 19, at 378-6716.

Other GAP opportunities can be found online at www.gapconnections.com

Dates to Remember

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| Feb. 20 | Adams Co. Pesticide Re-certification at Frisch's starting at 5:00 p.m. 3 hours of Pesticide and 1 hour of Fertilizer Re-certification. Must Pre-register. |
| Feb. 22 | GAP for Tobacco producers at Frisch's in West Union starting at 1:00 p.m. Registration is required by February 21. Space is limited so register early with Barbie at 544-2339. |
| Feb. 22 | GAP for Tobacco producers at Maysville Community and Technical College in the evening. No pre-registration and it begins at 6:00 p.m. |
| Feb. 24 | Brown Co. Cattlemen Annual Banquet. |
| Feb. 28 | Brown Co. Pesticide and Fertilizer Re-cert at Southern Hills Board Office at 11:00 a.m. Must Pre-register. |
| Mar. 2 | Highland Co. Pesticide and Fertilizer Re-cert at Southern State Community College in Hillsboro at 11:00 a.m. Must Pre-register. |
| Mar. 5 | Farm and Family Night at Maysville Community and Technical College. |
| Mar. 20 | GAP for Tobacco at Southern Hills CTC in Georgetown at 7:00 p.m. Call Cindy at 378-6716 to register by March 19. |