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Beekeeping School

If you are in beekeeping or thinking about getting into it as a business or as a hobby, you may want to check this out. Availability is limited and it usually fills up in just a few days. It must be good if it fills up year after year in less than a week. Do not wait to register.

Registration for the Southwestern Ohio Beekeeper School will open on Tuesday, January 15th. The school will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at the Oasis Conference Center in Loveland. The cost is \$35 and includes a continental breakfast and buffet lunch. We offer classes for beginners to moderately experienced beekeepers. Vendors will be onsite to sell equipment. Registration is limited to 350 people and we usually are full within a week. If you have a local bee club that might have any interest in the school, please pass the information along to them. Registration is available online. The registration link and class descriptions can be found on my website at warren.osu.edu or the event page which is http://go.osu.edu/swohbeeschool.

Small Farm College in Adams Co.

The Small Farm College for Adams County, scheduled to start on January 16 has been cancelled. If you have interest in attending a small farm college this year, there are two other locations still available. Call Tony Nye at the Clinton County Extension Office for more information at 937-382-0901 or email him at nye.1@osu.edu

BQA Certification

We have held four BQA certifications for cattle producers during the fall of 2018. We will be doing two more with the first one on January 22 at the Union Stockyards in Hillsboro. Call Janet at 937-393-1958 to sign up for this program. There will be a meal at 5:30 p.m. with the program beginning at 6:30 p.m. Please plan to arrive early so you can be finished eating by 6:30 p.m.

The second will be at United Producers on January 29 at 2:00 p.m. Call 393-3424 to RSVP. Do not pass up these opportunities to attend and get your certification. Contact your local stockyards if you have questions about your need for this certification.

Ohio Tobacco Museum

In 2019 the fundraiser will be held the same as it has been in the past two years. The Scioto Ribber will cater the meal, and you can choose steak, ribs or chicken with the purchase of your ticket. The location will be the Ripley Elementary School Cafeteria and the date will be April 13, 2019. Tickets are now available and remember we only sell 300 tickets. You can contact me for more information at dugan.46@osu.edu or call 937-544-2339.

Dates to Remember

January 22 Beef Quality Assurance Certification. Union Stockyards with the meal beginning at 5:30 p.m. The program will begin



- at 6:30 or once everyone is finished eating, so please do not come at 6:30 to eat. Call Janet at 393-1958 to register.
- January 23 Fertilizer and Pesticide re-certification at Frisch's in West Union. Fertilizer starts at 10:30 a.m. with pesticide beginning at noon. Please pre-register by Jan 16 for this class by calling Barbie at 544-2339.
- January 29 Beef Quality Assurance Certification at United Producers Stockyards starting at 2:00 p.m. Please call 937-393-3424 to RSVP.
- January 31 Fertilizer Certification for commercial and private applicators in Georgetown in the Administration Building on the Brown Co. Fairgrounds from 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. More details to come.
- Feb. 5 2019 Southern Ohio Specialty Crop Conference at the Oasis Conference Center in Loveland, Ohio. Go to the conference website at http://go.osu.edu/swohfvsc or call the Warren County Extension office at 513-695-1311 if you have additional questions. I have registration materials in the Adams Co. Extension Office.
- Feb. 5 Ohio Beef School in Adams Co. will be Frisch's in West Union at 7:00 p.m. RSVP
- Feb. 6 Ohio River Valley Agronomy Day at Mason Co. Extension Office in Maysville. Free program that begins at 9:00 a.m.
- Feb. 7 Fertilizer and Pesticide re-certification at Frisch's in West Union. Fertilizer starts at 5:00 p.m. with pesticide beginning at 6:30 p.m.. Please pre-register by Jan 31 for this class by calling Barbie at 544-2339.
- Feb. 21 Adams County Cattlemen Education meeting at Frisch's at 7:00 p.m. The topic will be meeting nutrient needs with poor hay and plenty of mud, plus the importance of good quality minerals.
- Feb. 28 GAP for Tobacco at Frisch's at 1:00 p.m. Call 544-2339 to RSVP one week prior.
- Feb. 28 GAP for Tobacco at Maysville Comm. College at 6:00 p.m.
- Mar. 5 GAP for Tobacco at Frisch's at 1:00 p.m. Call 544-2339 to RSVP one week prior.
- Mar. 5 GAP for Tobacco at the Brown Co. Fairgrounds at 6:30 p.m. call 378-6716.
- March 12 Farm and Family Night at Maysville Community and Technical College.