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Livestock Predator Workshop

We did one of these programs a few years ago in Adams County. It was well attended and full of good information. If you missed this event, here is another opportunity in Scioto County. Predators continue to be a problem for several livestock producers. Understanding the strategies and laws are important parts of eliminating the problem.

The USDA-Wildlife Services, the Scioto County Soil and Water Conservation District, and The Ohio State University Extension will be hosting a Livestock Predator Workshop on February 17, 2018 at The Ohio State University South Centers in Piketon, OH. Intended for livestock producers.

This will be an all-inclusive workshop where attendees will learn how to use lethal and non-lethal wildlife damage techniques to manage black vultures and coyotes, appropriate laws, the migratory bird depredation permit process (black vultures), as well as various demonstrations. See the attached "Save the Date" and distribute as you see fit. Registration is limited to the first 100 people with instructions on the flyer.

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 This workshop is limited to the first 100 people. You can register at 740-259-9231 ext. 4. The registration deadline is February 9.

Brown Co. Cattlemen Banquet

The 2018 Brown Co. Cattlemen have set the date for their annual banquet. The banquet will be held at the Brown Co. Fairgrounds in Rhonemus Hall on Saturday, February 24. Contact Susan Smith if you plan to attend. Call Susan at 937-213-0316.

Ohio River Valley Agronomy Day Feb. 7

The Ohio River Valley Agronomy Day will be held, as always, on the first Wednesday in February. This year the event will be on February 7 and will start at 9:00 a.m. Please let the Mason Co. Extension Office know if you plan to attend by calling 606-564-6808.

The program will consist of topics on weed control, insect control, pond management, and more. This program is offered free of charge, including lunch. Please call so a lunch count can be made.

Registration for Pesticide and Fertilizer Re-certs

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.

Dates to Remember

- Feb. 6 Southwest Agronomy Day in Wilmington at Clinton County Fairgrounds. Contact the Clinton Co. OSU Extension at 937-382-0901.
- Feb. 6 Southwest Specialty Crop Conference at the Oasis in Loveland. Contact the Warren County Extension Office at 513-695-1311. Register by February 4 online or by phone by Feb. 2.
- Feb. 7 Ohio River Valley Agronomy Day in Maysville at the Mason County Extension Office. Call 606-564-6808.
- Feb. 12 Pesticide Testing at the Old Y Restaurant at noon. Pre-register by calling ODA at 800-282-1955 or online at <http://pested.osu.edu>
- 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.
- 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.