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#### **Pesticide Disposal Site and Date**

From time to time I get calls concerning old pesticides. In many cases someone is cleaning up in preparation of moving or cleaning up prior to selling an estate. If you are looking to dispose of farm pesticides this is for you. This was in a newsletter that I received recently from the OSU Extension Pesticide Safety Education Program and was written by Chrissy Kaminski. The Ross County Fairgrounds location will most likely be the closest opportunity this year.

Leftover pesticides should be disposed of properly to protect both human health and the environment. Pesticides are considered a hazardous waste and should never be poured down the drain or into a sewer, or thrown into the trash. Ideally, any remaining pesticides should be used on an alternative label-approved site. For disposal of remaining product, there are a variety of options often available within a community. Begin by reading the "storage and disposal" statement on the label for specific instructions. Then, locate a facility or event near you that accepts hazardous waste. Listed below are suggestions on how to locate a disposal facility near you.

*Ohio Department of Agriculture Farm Pesticide Disposal Collection*. Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) schedules several collection dates and locations each year for farmers to dispose of unwanted pesticides. This service is free of charge for farm chemicals only. The ODA currently has three disposal events scheduled. For more information, contact the ODA at 614-728-6987.

ODA Pesticide Disposal Collection Events Dates and Locations

August 13, 2015 – Mahoning County Fairgrounds – 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

August 18, 2015 – Ross County Fairgrounds – 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

August 26, 2015 – Crawford County Fairgrounds – 9:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Here is the address for the Ross County Fairgrounds: 344 Fairgrounds Rd. Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

# **Master Gardener Training**

Master Gardener Training will be offered in the coming months. If interested in knowing more about the Master Gardener Program with OSU Extension go to: <a href="http://mastergardener.osu.edu">http://mastergardener.osu.edu</a>

If you are interested in the training this fall, contact me at <u>dugan.46@osu.edu</u> or call (937) 515-2314. The program consists of 50 hours of training.



## **Southwest Corn Growers Field Day**

The Southwest Corn Growers Annual Field Day will be held on August 11 at the Fayette County Airport and Demonstration Farm located just north of Washington Court House on SR 38. The program is free and begins at 9:30 a.m. and will run until about 3:00 p.m.

Presenters during the sessions will include Ohio State Crop Specialists and Industry Specialists from various companies. The topics will include: Nitrogen Uptake, Nutrient Management, Drought Tolerant Varieties, Nutrient Timing, Variable Rates of Nutrients, Cover Crops and much more.

### **Estate Planning**

I posted a few stories in the past weeks concerning Estate Planning. I did that to spark some interest and I have had several calls. I am still working on it, but it is coming together a little slower than I had hoped. I hope to have final details soon. I will have it in this newspaper and on local radio once everything is set.

#### **Dates to Remember**

July 30	Hops Field Night at OSU South Centers in Piketon
August 1	Brown Co. Farm Bureau Family Fun Night and Annual Meeting. Starts at 4:00 p.m. and you must RSVP at 378-2212.
August 10	Pesticide Testing at Old Y Restaurant at Noon. Pre-register at <a href="http://pested.osu.edu">http://pested.osu.edu</a> or call 800-282-1955
August 11	Highland Co. Farm Bureau Annual Meeting
August 25	Adams Co. Soil and Water/ Farm Bureau Annual Meeting
August 27	Beef and Forage Field Night at Jackson Research Farm (OARDC)
Sept. 3	Adams Co. Jr. Fair Beef BBQ
Sept. 5-12	Highland Co. Fair
Sept. 14	Pesticide Testing at Old Y Restaurant at Noon. Pre-register at <a href="http://pested.osu.edu">http://pested.osu.edu</a> or call 800-282-1955
Sept. 22-24	Farm Science Review
Sept. 28- Oct. 3	Brown Co. Fair