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Artificial Insemination Class

COBA/Select Sires will again offer an Artificial Insemination Class for cattle in Hillsboro at the United Producers Stockyards this fall. The class will be offered in the evenings on November 3, 4 and 5 starting at 6:00 p.m.

Information about the class and how to register can be found at <http://cobaselect.com> or you can call 800-837-2621. Tammy Jenkins is the direct contact and her direct number is 614-878-5333. The charge for the class is \$700 and it requires a \$100 non-refundable deposit which will go toward the \$700 fee. Once the class is completed you will be given \$700 worth of certificates that can be used to purchase Select Sires semen.

Harvest Season Safety

Much of the corn has dropped and most of the soybeans have turned. The dry month of September has made much of the crop dry down a little faster, so the big equipment will be on the roads for the next few weeks. This is just a reminder to all to be safe on the roads.

Keep in mind that the combines wide and slow. They were not made to run 65 mph. Yes, I said 65, because it seems that 55 mph with a trailer is never fast enough. Cars just seem to not want to follow a truck and trailer or farm equipment even when they run 55 mph.

In reality, most farm equipment will not travel over 25 mph, thus the slow moving vehicle (SMV) sign. Motorists, please be patient and not take unnecessary chances to pass this large equipment regardless if it highway department or farm equipment. Also, if you the person operating the slow moving equipment, please be courteous and pull over when the opportunity is available to allow motorist to pass and keep traffic flowing. EVERYONE just be SAFE.

Brown Co. Tire Collections

There are several dates planned to collect used tires in Brown Co. The dates that I am aware of are all in October. There will be more details on the number of tires and exact locations in the coming weeks, however here are some dates to put on your calendar.

The collection in Ripley and Aberdeen will be on October 10, Fayetteville will be on Oct. 17, and Georgetown on October 24.



Master Gardener Training

If you have ever thought you would like to become a Master Gardener Volunteer, the opportunity for training is upon you. The classes will be offered during the day from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays starting October 7 and running through November 19 (14 sessions offered, you must attend 13 to obtain the 50 hours of training required). The Wednesday sessions will be in the Mt. Orab Library and the Thursday sessions will be at Southern State Community College in Hillsboro. There will also be an opportunity for evening training using distance learning. The evening classes will begin on October 6 and be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting at 6:00 p.m. Note: if you miss a day or evening session you have the opportunity to make it up in the opposite time slot.

Charge for the course will be \$150 on or before Oct. 2, after that it is \$160. Once trained and if you complete the 50 hours of volunteer time within a year, \$100 will be refunded. To sign up for the day classes call the Brown Co. Extension Office at 378-6716 and for the evening class contact the Ross Co. Extension Office (classes will be offered locally depending on participation) at 740 702-3200.

PQA Certification Scheduled

Pork Quality Assurance certification for adults will be offered in Wilmington on Oct. 20. This is one of three sites that it will be offered this fall. Contact Tony at the Clinton County OSU Extension Office (937-382-0901), 111 S. Nelson Avenue, Wilmington, Oh 45177

Dates to Remember

Sept. 28- Oct. 3	Brown Co. Fair
Oct. 7	First Day of Master Gardener Training Class.