

## NEWSLETTER

NOBLE COUNTY AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

JANUARY | 2018

*Dear Readers,*

This month's newsletter contains a 2018 calendar of OSU Extension events and programs in the area of Agriculture and Natural Resources. I hope that you will flip through it, mark interesting programs, and place it in a highly visible area. If you have any questions about the programs on the calendar or would like one with larger text, please call 740-732-5681.

The topics covered at these programs are determined by your feedback. If you have not completed the ANR Program Survey yet, please do so that your interests will be addressed in future programs! Or complete it online at: <http://go.osu.edu/nobleanrsurvey17>.

Thank you!

**Noble County ANR Program Survey**

Please circle any topics that pertain to your interests and/or you would be interested in learning more about through Extension programming. Contact information is appreciated, but not required.

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Don't forget to participate in the 2017 US Census of Agriculture. Forms should have arrived in your mailbox in December. If you did not receive the forms from the USDA, you can complete the census online at: [www.agcensus.usda.gov](http://www.agcensus.usda.gov). If you want to be represented in your community and nation, take these opportunities to be counted.

Best wishes to you for a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

*Christine Gelley*

Noble County OSU Extension ANR Educator



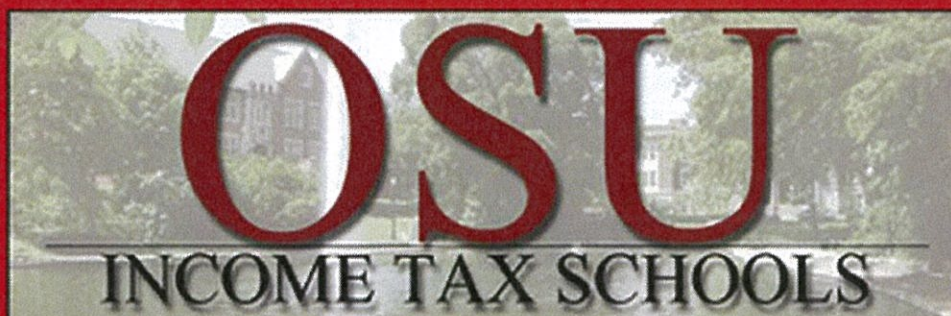
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OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION



## Farmer/Landowner Income Tax Issues Webinar

A two-hour presentation on tax issues important to farmers and farmland owners.

Are you getting the most from your tax return? This two-hour webinar will focus on income tax issues for farmers and farmland owners.

Topics to be covered include:

- New and Proposed Tax Legislation
- Ag Income and Expenses
- Net Operating Losses
- Buying and Selling Farmland
- Rental Property
- Demolition of Structures

Registration opens Dec. 1, 2017

Presenters: Barry Ward, Director, OSU Extension Income Tax Schools  
Chris Bruynis, Extension Educator, Ag & Natural Resources, Ross Co.  
Dave Marrison, Extension Educator, Ag & Natural Resources, Ashtabula Co.



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**Monday**

**January 29, 2018**

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$35

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Contact Julie Moose  
moose.14@osu.edu  
614-292-2433

To register, visit  
[go.osu.edu/taxschools](http://go.osu.edu/taxschools)



# Southeast Ohio Sheep & Goat School

*A six session series throughout 2018 featuring presentations by state specialists and regional experts.*

**Hosted at the Eastern Agricultural Research Station in Caldwell, OH.**

## Sessions:

### 1. Sheep & Goats 101

Thursday, February 15, 2018  
5:30-8:30 p.m.

- Anatomy
- Nutrition
- Reproduction
- Environment
- Behavior

### 2. Keeping Your Calendar

Thursday, March 8, 2018  
5:30-8:30 p.m.

- Calendar Based Management
- Identifying & Fitting Your Market
- Lambing & Kidding

### 3. Safe Systems

Thursday, May 10, 2018  
5:30-8:30 p.m.

- Predator Prevention
- Parasites
- Pathogens
- Wool & Coat Care

### 4. FAMACHA, Facilities, & Forages

Friday, July 13, 2018  
9 a.m.-2 p.m.

- FAMACHA Training-Off Site
- Handling Facilities
- Water Systems & Fencing
- Hay Testing
- Forage Options

### 5. Reproduction

Thursday, September 6, 2018  
5:30-8:30 p.m.

- Synchronization
- Artificial Insemination
- Ram & Buck Semen Testing
- Pregnancy Checking

### 6. Finishing

Thursday, November 8, 2018  
5:30-8:30 p.m.

- Body Condition Scores
- Finishing for Market
- Carcass Evaluation & Meat Grading
- Promoting Lamb & Goat for Dinner

**RSVPs Due: Feb. 1, 2018**

**Cost: \$100 for all six sessions or  
\$25 per single session  
Meal Included**

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Noble County OSU Extension**

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# Beginner's Beekeeping Class

Learn the basics of beekeeping, pollination, & honey collection.

**Instructor:** Don Crock- Noble County Bee Inspector & Past Association President

**Objective:** Learn about the basics of beekeeping, pollination, and honey collection. You will learn what equipment is needed, how to handle honeybees, problems for our bee population and resources from our local bee club to assist you in getting started.

**Sessions:** There will be two sessions in the beginner's beekeeping class; A 5-hour classroom session on Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018 and a 2-hour on-site session at Don Crock's apiary on a later date.

**Cost:** \$35 including a textbook, membership to the Guernsey Noble Beekeepers Association, and class materials. Additional attendees from the same household can be added to the class for \$10.

**Enrollment:** First come, first serve. Contact Don Crock at 740-581-1883 or [doncrock@yahoo.com](mailto:doncrock@yahoo.com) with your name and contact information no later than Jan. 26.

SATURDAY  
**FEBRUARY 17**  
9 A.M. – 2 P.M.

**Location:** OSU Extension SE Region Office  
16714 Wolf Run Road Caldwell, OH 43724

**Cost:** \$35

**Contact:** 740-581-1883 or 740-732-5681

[guernseynoblebeekeepers.com](http://guernseynoblebeekeepers.com)  
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# A-I School

Eastern Ag Research Station, Belle Valley, Ohio

16870 Township Road 126, Caldwell

May 1, 2, 3, 2018

## May 1 9 am - 2:30 pm

Mark Landefeld, Ag/NR Educator, Monroe County

Clif Little, Ag/NR Educator, Guernsey County

Wayne Shriver, EARS Farm Manager

Dan Lima, Ag/NR Educator, Belmont County

Christine Gelley, Ag/NR Educator, Noble County

Chris Penrose, Ag/NR, Morgan County

Carol Wheeler, Extension Emeritus

- Semen Handling
- Basic A.I. Instruction
- Preparing for Calving
- Pasture Management

## May 2 9 am - 2:00 pm

Dr. Garcia Guerra Alvaro, OSU Animal Science Dept.

- Reproductive Tract Anatomy & Physiology
- Estrous Synchronization

## May 3 9 am - 2:00 pm

Dr. John Groah, DVM, McConnelsville, Ohio

Clif Little, Ag/NR Educator, Guernsey County

Carol Wheeler, Extension Emeritus

Kevin Stottsberry, Manager- Animal Herds

- Cattle A.I.

**Cost \$100.00**  
**Includes**  
**Program**  
**materials**  
**& lunch**

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**For more information contact:**  
**Clif Little, OSU Extension,**  
**Guernsey County**  
**at 740-489-5300**

Registrant is accepted for class (if space available) when registration form & check are received.

Registrant will be notified when they are accepted into the class. Pre-Registration Required.  
Registration money is non-refundable.

**Space filled on a first come/first served basis.**  
**Limited to 20 registrants.**

## A-I School

Return this section with fee.

Make checks payable & send to:

OSU Extension

PO Box 300

Old Washington, OH 43768

\_\_\_\_\_ # of participants @ \$100. = \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_





## **January 19- Farm Talk Breakfast at EARS**

January's Farm Talk Breakfast will feature donuts, drinks, and a program reviewing the new regulations regarding livestock emissions reporting to the EPA. The program will run from 8-9:30 a.m. at the Eastern Agricultural Research Station. Register by January 17<sup>th</sup> by calling Noble County OSU Extension at 740-732-5681.

## **January 25 - Private Pesticide & Fertilizer Recertification**

Pesticide and Fertilizer Applicator Recertification Training will be offered for Noble and Guernsey County applicators at Mid-East Career Center in Buffalo. Fertilizer recertification will run from 5-6 p.m. and pesticide recertification will run from 6-9 p.m. Many applicators will need both recertifications and will be notified by the Ohio Department of Agriculture that you need to recertify in 2018. Light dinner will be provided. Cost for the training is \$5. For questions or to register call 740-732-5681.

**Important Surveys:** The following surveys are currently requesting completion by Ohio farmers.

- USDA Census of Agriculture: [www.agcensus.usda.gov](http://www.agcensus.usda.gov)
- Cropland Value & Cash Rent: <http://go.osu.edu/OHCLCR1718>
- Custom Farm Work & Machinery Rental Rate Survey: <http://go.osu.edu/OFCRS18>
- Bumblebee Monitoring Sites: <http://go.osu.edu/bees-in-Ohio>

## **Surrounding County Events:**

- Using New Cattle Reproductive Technology: *Jan. 23, Newark-* Call 740-670-5315
- Annie's Project Women's Retreat: *Jan. 26-28, Salt Fork-* <http://go.osu.edu/APRSF18>
- Belmont Co. Grazing Series: *Feb. 1, 8, & 10, Barnesville-* Call 740-695-1455
- Master Gardener Training: *Starts Feb. 14, McConnelsville-* Call 740-962-4854
- Farm Succession Workshop: *Feb. 23, Roscoe Village-* <http://go.osu.edu/coshfarmfuture>
- Pesticide Applicator Training & Test: *March 5 & 12- Barnesville-* Call 740-695-1455
- Tax Issues & Sudden Wealth: *March 29, Barnesville-* Call 740-695-1455

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