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NEWS RELEASE

The **2018 West Ohio Agronomy Day** will be held on **Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>** at St. Michael's Hall in Fort Loramie. A light breakfast will be available starting at 8 a.m. with a marketing update from Cargill and Sunrise Cooperative at 8:30 a.m. At 9 a.m. the program including Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification (Core and Categories 1, 2, and 6) and the one-hour Fertilizer Applicator Recertification Training for those who are already certified to apply commercial fertilizers will begin. In addition, Certified Crop Advisor CEUs and Commercial Pesticide Applicator Credits (Core and 2C) have been approved.

Once again, Purdue's Dr. Fred Whitford will be there, this time to talk about "Simple Application Techniques and Tactics that Work to Protect Crops and the Environment." Also presenting will be Dr. Mark Loux ("What you Need to Know about Problem Weeds: Marehail, Waterhemp, Palmer Amaranth, etc." and "An Update on Dicamba Products"); Peggy Hall, JD ("When Pesticides Drift: Who's Liable?" and "Five Property Laws Farmers Need to Know"); and Dr. Elizabeth Hawkins and Sam Custer (OSUE Darke County) handling the Fertilizer Applicator Recertification training. Personnel from Precision AgriServices and Farm Credit – Mid America will address other topics.

In addition, Dennis Riethman (OSUE Mercer County) will be presenting on "Forages and Livestock," Amanda Bennett, (OSUE Miami County) will be providing the update on "Fumigation," and Jeff Stachler (OSUE Auglaize County) will lead a question/answer/small group discussion time on weeds and weed control.

The *evening portion* of the 2017 West Ohio Agronomy Day will be held on Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at the VFW Post 4239 (I-75 at CR 25A) in Sidney. This program will begin at 5:00 p.m. with a light supper and a marketing update from Sunrise Cooperative personnel. We will be providing only *Private* Pesticide Applicator Recertification credits (Core and Categories 1, 2, and 6) and the one-hour Fertilizer Applicator Recertification Training; *no* Commercial Pesticide or CCA credits. These trainings will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and will be conducted by OSU Extension personnel.

Those who need credits to recertify their Private Pesticide License and those wanting



Fertilizer Recertification can go online at <https://shelby.osu.edu/program-areas/agriculture-and-natural-resources/west-ohio-agronomy-day-2018> for the registration link.

If you who want the Commercial Pesticide credits; want to come for the Fun, Food, Fellowship, and Lots of Information; or can't do an online registration, please contact the Shelby County Extension office at 937.498.7239 or by emailing Debbie Brown at [brown.1522@osu.edu](mailto:brown.1522@osu.edu) by December 28<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to indicate which program you wish to attend and whether you're coming for Pesticide Applicator Recertification (\$30), Fertilizer Applicator Recertification (\$10), Both (\$40), or just for the **Fun, Food, Fellowship, and Lots of Information!!** (\$10).

Sponsors for the 2018 West Ohio Agronomy Day (to date!) include Fertilizer Dealer Supply (Anna), From the Ground Up Ag Service, LLC (Anna), Bambauer Fertilizer and Seed (Jackson Center), New Ag Horizons (Minster), Lena Ag Center (Conover), Farm Credit Mid-America (Versailles), Ohio Soybean Council, Otte Ag, LLC (Maria Stein), and Shelby County Farm Bureau. Thank You for your support!!