



NEWS RELEASE

West Ohio Agronomy Day will be held on Monday, January 12th at St. Michael's Hall, 33 Elm Street, Fort Loramie. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.; breakfast sandwiches, donuts, orange juice, and coffee will be available. A Grain Market update from Jerry Meyer (Cargill) and John Leighty (Trupointe) will be held at 8:30 a.m. The programs dealing with Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification Credits for farmers, Continuing Education Units for Certified Crop Advisors, and Fertilizer Certification Training for those with Pesticide Applicator Licenses then begin at 9:00 a.m.

Once again, Purdue's Dr. Fred Whitford (AKA "Fred from Purdue") will be with us, this time talking about "Adjuvants and the Power of the Water Droplet." This year's line-up will also see Dr. Andy Michel from OSU talking about "Insects in Soybeans and Corn – What, When, Controls;" OSU's Soil Scientist Dr. Steve Culman presenting on "Soils, Soil Testing, Interpreting a Soil Test; How Phosphorus Reacts in the Soil;" and OSU Corn Specialist Dr. Peter Thomison talking about "Corn: An Overview of Crop Inputs and their Relative Importance."

Additional topics to be addressed include weed management, fumigation, managing pests of livestock and forages, and on-farm solar energy development. Private Pesticide Recertification Credits are available in CORE and Categories 1, 2, and 6. Up to five (5) CCA credits are also available.

The same program/same categories (except for the solar energy discussion) will be held that evening beginning at 5:30p for those not able to attend during the day. A light supper and the marketing update begin at 5p.

Farmers who want to recertify their private pesticide applicator's license should go online at <http://pested.osu.edu> either to register with a credit card or to download the form to pay by check. Forms may also be picked up at any Ohio Extension office. If not registered online, the completed form can be submitted with the \$35 fee on January 12. However, pre-registration is needed by January 2nd in order to ensure enough food.

For those just wanting to attend for the information (and the fellowship!), the cost is \$10 if signed up by January 2nd, to be paid at the door on January 12 (\$15 for "walk-ins"). A single call to 937-498-7239 or email to brown.1522@osu.edu saves you Five Bucks!

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