



Specialty Crop Growers' Roundtable

Join fellow commercial fruit, vegetable, and herb growers for discussions, farm-focused presentations, and demonstrations and hands-on trainings coordinated by OSU Extension.

When and Where: Monday February 4, 2019, 8:30 am – 3:30 pm at The OSU-OARDC Fisher Auditorium (South), located at 1680 Madison Avenue, Wooster, OH 44691.

What and Why: Fruit, vegetable, and herb production, especially for local-regional markets, is difficult. Input from other growers and research-extension personnel can help. Come to share, listen, observe, and participate. OSU personnel will “seed” discussion by delivering brief, to-the-point presentations on hot topics/big challenges and being on hand to demonstrate various everyday and emerging practices, tools, and aids that can help now and later.

Who: Pre-registration is required and registration is capped at 50, on a first come-first served basis. Is income from the sale of your fruits, vegetables, and/or herbs – especially in local/regional markets -- very important to you? Do you look for opportunities to increase production, efficiency, and sustainability, including through applying experience- and research-based information? Do you want to see and hear from OSU people and other growers in an informal but focused program? If so, this program may be for you. Grower-vendors with area produce auctions are encouraged to participate.

Participating OSU personnel: Drs. Luis Canas (entomology), Steve Culman (soils and soil fertility), Doug Doohan (weed management), Gary Gao (small fruit production), Melanie Ivey (food safety and fruit disease management), Elizabeth Long (entomology), Diane Miller (tree fruit production), Sally Miller (vegetable disease management). *Program coordinated by* Dr. Matt Kleinhenz (vegetable production) and Chris Smedley (IPM, OSUE-Wayne County).

Specialty Crop Growers' Roundtable Program Registration and Contact Information

Registration Fee: \$20 for first person from a farm or operation, \$10/person for all other members of the same farm or operation

Pre-Registration is REQUIRED. Please complete and return the attached form or call in.

Items included in registration fee:

- ... program admission and agenda (in addition to events at the main meeting area, Fisher Auditorium, a tour of OARDC laboratory, greenhouse, high tunnel, and other facilities may be possible)
- ... speaker/exhibitor handouts
- ... morning and afternoon refreshments
- ... lunch

Who to contact for more information:

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Your First Name: _____

Your Last Name: _____

Name of Your Farm or Operation: _____

Your Address (number and street): _____

Your City and Zip Code: _____

Please check one. I am registering myself only myself AND other members of my arm/operation

If you are registering others in addition to yourself, please give their names below.

Please enclose a check for \$20.00 (you) plus \$10.00/person for all others from the same farm/operation you are registering, if applicable.

Please make checks payable to OSU Extension Wayne County

Please send registration form and check to: OSU Extension-Wayne County, 428 West Liberty Street, Suite #12, Wooster, OH 44691. Or, please register by phone at 330-264-8722.

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