

East Ohio Women in Agriculture Conference



Who should attend:

Women and Young Women (high school age) who are interested, involved, or want to become involved in food, agriculture, natural resources, or small business.

2012 USDA Census data showed that the number of women farm operators was significantly large for our area of the state. Of the nineteen Ohio counties with over 500 women operators, ten are located in eastern Ohio including Ashtabula, Columbiana, Coshocton, Guernsey, Holmes, Medina, Muskingum, Stark, Washington and Wayne counties. Wayne County is largest in the state with over 800 women farm operators.

AGENDA

- 9:00 Registration, Network Fair & Breakfast
- 9:30 Welcome, Kim Davis
- 10:00 Breakout 1
- 11:00 Breakout 2
- 12:00 Buffet Lunch
- 12:45 Key Note: Growing Confidence, Connections and the Next Generation...
Sereana Howard Dresbach, Dresbach Consulting
Megan Dresbach, W.D. Farms, Inc.
- 1:40 Breakout 3
- 2:40 Closing and Door Prizes



THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF FOOD, AGRICULTURAL,
AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Friday

April 1, 2016

9 A.M. – 3 P.M.

R. G. Drage Career Technical Center
2800 Richville Drive SE
Massillon, OH 44646

\$55 adults/ \$30 Students

Registration Deadline: March 18

For more information call 740-622-2265

Register online with credit card at
www.regonline.com/womeninageast or
complete and send this registration form.

Cancellation Policy: *If the R. G. Drage School is closed, for any reason, on April 1, 2016 – this Conference will also be cancelled. The event will not be rescheduled. No registration fees will be refunded. All will be held as registration for the 2017 East Ohio Women in Agriculture Conference.*

Break Out Tracks & Sessions

Track	Finance	Livestock	Special Interest	Food & Family	Partner Agencies	Youth
Session 1	1-A Creating a Business Plan - Holly Bolinger, Ohio Small Business Development Center, Kent State University at Stark <i>Learn the components of a good business plan, the resources available to assist you and how to give the bank what it needs to make a financial decision.</i>	1-B Sheep or Goats? That is the question – Sandy Smith, OSU Extension <i>Raising sheep or goats can be very profitable. Let's explore the two species pros and cons, basic needs and requirements.</i>	1-C Reducing Use of Synthetic Fertilizers and Pesticides – Pam Bennett, <i>Learn how to use organic matter, integrated pest management, companion planting and more!</i>	1-D Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate – Melinda Hill, OSU Extension <i>What happens to all the "stuff" when families downsize? Tips for a process to help you identify and achieve your goal.</i>	1-E USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) and Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCD) <i>Learn about programs and services available to women operators and connect with local NRCS & SWCD professionals.</i>	1-Y Young Women in Agriculture – Michaela Kramer and Mary Buehler, State FFA officers <i>Explore careers in agriculture.</i>
Session 2	2-A An Unhappy Couple: Why Business & Personal Finances Should Never Be Together! – Cheryl Mickley, OSU Extension <i>Strategies for effective record keeping.</i>	2-B Direct Market Well to Bring Home the Bacon – Emily Adams, OSU Extension <i>Learn the ins and outs of regulations and marketing tips for selling eggs, meat, poultry and cottage foods.</i>	2-C Backyard Fruit – Eric Barrett, OSU Extension <i>The basics of fruit production from choosing an orchard to growing berries - produce enough for the household or a profitable enterprise on the farm.</i>	2-D First Aid on the Farm – Kent McGuire, CFAES Safety and Health Coordinator <i>Be prepared – know when to call 911, how to provide basic care and what first aid and safety supplies are needed for the farm.</i>	2-E USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) - <i>Learn about programs and services available to women operators and connect with state and local FSA professionals.</i>	
Session 3	3-A Many Eggs - Many Baskets - Abbe Turner, Lucky Penny Farm & Creamery <i>Explore how to diversify your farm or home business to provide multiple streams of income.</i>	3-B Biosecurity Basics – Heather Neikirk, OSU Extension <i>Learn how to identify, develop, and implement basic small farm biosecurity practices to protect your "little patch of heaven", livestock or backyard flock.</i>	3-C Is Organic for Me? – Eric Pawlowski, Ohio Ecological Food and Farming Association (OEFFA) <i>Learn more about organic agriculture and how to jumpstart your journey through the organic certification process.</i>	3-D Grab & Go Meals – Kate Shumaker, OSU Extension <i>Ideas for fast, easy and healthy meals and snacks – some can even be eaten with one hand!</i>	3-E USDA Rural Development - <i>Learn about programs, grants, and services, and connect with Rural Development professionals.</i>	

Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Breakout Sessions: 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____

Payment Enclosed: \$ _____ for _____ Adult(s) and/or _____ Student(s)

Please register on-line with credit card at www.regonline.com/womeninageast or mail registration and payment to: OSU Extension, Coshocton Co, 724 S. 7th St, Coshocton, OH 43812