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October 16: The Ohio Fruit Growers Society’s (OFGS) 2005 Cider Contest, Easton Town Center, Columbus. See following article for details.

October 20: Raspberry High Tunnel Open House, Cornell’s East Ithaca Farm. See Issue #34 for directions and contact person.

November 15: Ohio Ag and Hort Human Resource ManagersForum, Hilliard, OH. 10:00 am - 2:30 pm. Registration and fee requested by November 8. Contact Mid American Ag and Hort Services at 614-246-8286, maahs@ofbf.org, or visit <www.midamservices.org> and click on Events for registration form and details.

December 6-8, 2005: Great Lakes Fruit, Vegetable, and Farm Market EXPO, DeVos Place Convention Center, Grand Rapids, Michigan. For additional information, visit <www.glexpo.com>.

January 16-18, 2006: Ohio Fruit and Vegetable Congress and Ohio Direct Marketing Conference, Columbus Convention Center. Further details later.

OFGS 2005 Cider Contest Slated for October
The Ohio Fruit Growers Society's (OFGS) 2005 Cider Contest submission deadline is set for October 14, 2005. Every year the OFGS sponsors the Cider Contest to help promote the nutrition and taste advantages of fresh Ohio cider. The contest was originally scheduled to take place in mid November at the Great Big Food Show (GBFS) in Cleveland, Ohio. The GBFS has been canceled by its promoters, and OFGS has found an excellent substitute venue. The contest is scheduled for Sunday, October 16, 2005 at the Ohio Apple Marketing Programs (OAMP) apple promotion at Easton Town Center in Columbus. The OAMP apple promotion is held in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Agriculture's OHIO PROUD annual event that showcases Ohio agricultural products.

The Cider Contest is limited to Ohio producers who are current OFGS members, and each participant may submit a maximum of two cider entries. An application fee of $20.00 is required for each entry. The Cider Contest Grand Award Winner, as well as Blue Ribbon Winners will be determined by a panel of judges and will be judged from 1 to 3 PM on October 16 at Easton. The judging guidelines are as follows: 20% absence of defects (sediment and foreign matter), 20% color, and 60% taste. All winners will be featured in a statewide press release on October 17. This will be just in time for pre-Halloween publicity!

The Cider Contest winners will also be recognized at the January 18, 2006 Awards Breakfast during the Ohio Fruit & Vegetable Growers Congress in Columbus. Last year's winners were:

Grand Award: Kate & Andy Grimm, Grimms Green Acres, Marietta

Blue Ribbon Winners: Laurelville Fruit Farm, Robert Bowers, Laurelville Moreland Fruit Farm, Fred Finney and Sons, Wooster Vogley Enterprises, Gary J. Vogley, East Sparta.

2005 Cider Contest entries must be submitted in FROZEN 1/2 or one gallon containers during a three day window, from October 12 to 14. The entry deadline is noon on Friday, October 14, and all containers must be accompanied by an Entry Form. The 2005 Entry Form will be mailed to all current OFGS members, as well as posted on the OFGS web site at <http://www.ohiofruit.org>. For more information, contact Kathy Lutz or Tom Sachs at 614-246-8292 or email at klutz@ofbf.org or tsachs@ofbf.org.

Degree Day Accumulations for Ohio Sites September 14, 2005

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Mansfield       2617    2503  
Norwalk 2729    2473  
Piketon 3167    3171  
Toledo  2849    2463  
Wooster 2751    2343  
Youngstown      2465    2290  

Fruit Observations and Trap Reports

Site: Waterman Lab, Columbus
Dr. Celeste Welty, OSU Extension Entomologist
Apple: 9/8 to 9/14/05

Redbanded leafroller    2    down from 14  
Spotted tentiform leafminer     103   down from 154  
Codling moth (3 trap mean)      4.7    up from 3.7  
Lesser appleworm     8    up from 7  
Tufted apple budmoth   4    down from 13  
Variegated leafroller    4    same as last week  
Obliquebanded leafroller  3    same as last week  
Apple maggot (sum of 3 traps)   1.7   up from 1.3  

Terminal Market Wholesale Fruit Prices September 15, 2005

Chicago: http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/HX_FV010.txt

Apples; market about steady.
Cartons 12 3-lb film bags MI U.S. ExFcy Golden Delicious 2 1/4" min 14.00  
bushel cartons loose IL U.S. One Gala 2 1/4" min 16.00 Jonathan 2 1/4" min 16.00  
MI U.S. One Golden Delicious 2 1/4" min 14.00 Jonagold 2 1/4" min 14.00 Ginger Gold  
2 1/4" min 14.00 Paula Red 2 1/4" min 14.00 No Grade Marks Gala 2 1/4" min 17.00

Blueberries; market about steady .
Flats 12 1-pt cups with lids MI med 28.00, flats 12 4.4-oz cups with lids MI med 18.00-19.00  
few 20.00 sml-med 15.00-17.00 mostly 16.00

Grapes; market about steady.
Cartons 12 1-qt baskets MI U.S. One Concord 21.00 few 20.00 occas lower.

Nectarines; market about steady.
25 lb cartons loose IL U.S. One Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 2 3/8"min 16.00-16.50
Peaches market about steady;
25 lb cartons loose IL U.S. ExOne Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 2 1/2"up 18.00 U.S.
One Various White Flesh Varieties 2 1/2"min 18.00
MI U.S. One Redhaven 2 1/2"up 16.50 2 1/4"up 14.00
NJ U.S. ExOne Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 2 1/2"up 19.00

Detroit: http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/DU_FV010.txt

Apples; market steady.
Cartons cell pack NY U.S. ExFcy Mcintosh 96s 22.00-22.50. cartons 12 3-lb film bags
MI U.S. ExFcy Red Delicious 2 1/2" min 14.00-14.50 Royal Gala 2 1/2" min 13.50-14.00
few 15.50-17.00 2 1/4" min 13.00-13.50 Mcintosh 2 1/2" min 12.00-13.50 mostly 12.00
few 15.00-16.50 Jonathan 2 1/2" min few 14.50 Ginger Gold 2 1/2" min 13.50-14.50
Gold Supreme 2 1/2" min 12.50-13.00 Paula Red 2 1/2" min 13.00-14.00 mostly 13.00-
13.50 few 14.50-15.00 U.S. Fcy Mcintosh 2 1/4" min 11.50-12.00 Paula Red 2 1/4" min
11.50-12.00
NY U.S. ExFcy Mcintosh 2 1/2" min 16.00-16.50
bushel cartons loose MI No Grade Marks Gala 2 3/4" up 19.50-20.00 2 1/2" up 16.00
Mcintosh 2 3/4" up 14.00-15.00 Ginger Gold 2 3/4" up 13.50 Gold Supreme 2 3/4" up
14.50-15.00 Honeycrisp 2 3/4" up 40.00

Blueberries; market about steady.
Flats 12 4.4-oz cups with lids MI med-lge 18.00-18.50 med 18.00-18.50 occas lower.

Grapes; market steady.
Cartons 12 1-pt containers MI U.S. One Concord med 16.00-18.00

Nectarines; market about steady.
1/2 bushel cartons loose NJ U.S. ExOne Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 2 3/4" up 20.00-
21.00

Peaches; market steady.
1/2 bushel cartons MI No Grade Marks Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 3"up 15.00
NJ U.S. ExOne Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 2 3/4"up 16.00-18.00 2 1/2"up 13.00-
14.00 few 15.00-16.00

Prune plums; market steady.
30 lb cartons MI U.S. One Stanley 1 1/4" min 18.00-20.00

Pittsburgh http://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/PS_FV010.txt

Apples; market about steady.
Cartons cell pack PA U.S. ExFcy Mcintosh 80s 24.00 cartons 12 3-lb film bags
MI U.S. ExFcy Mcintosh 2 1/2" min 15.00
NY U.S. ExFcy Jonamac 2 1/4" up 18.00 2 1/4" min
18.00 PA U.S. ExFcy Mcintosh 2 1/2" min 17.00-18.00
No Grade Marks Golden Delicious 2 1/2" min 16.25 Mcintosh 2 1/2" min 14.50
WV U.S. ExFcy Gala 2 1/2" min 18.50
bushel cartons loose MI No Grade Marks Paula Red No Size Marks 11.50
PA No Grade Marks Mcintosh No Size Marks 14.50

Blueberries; offerings light.
Flats 12 4.4-oz cups with lids MI med-lge 18.00-19.50

Grapes; market steady.
Crates 8 2-qt baskets PA Concord med 12.00-14.00

Nectarines; market steady.
25 lb cartons loose NJ U.S. One Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 2 3/4" up 19.50-21.00 fr cond 15.00
PA Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 23.00

Peaches; market steady.
1/2 bushel crates PA No Grade Marks Various Yellow Flesh Varieties no sz marked 19.00
25 lb cartons loose NJ U.S. ExOne Various Yellow Flesh Varieties 2 1/2"up 15.00-16.00
PA U.S. Fcy Crest Haven 2 1/2"min 17.00

Prune plums; offerings light.
1/2 bushel cartons MI U.S. One Stanley 19.25-22.00

2005 Farm Science Review Features at a Glance

· This is the 43rd Farm Science Review, the 23rd at the Molly Caren Agricultural Center.

· Hundreds of demonstration plots and several million dollars worth of machinery.

· Sixteenth-year inductions into the Farm Science Review Hall of Fame.

· Ohio Farmer Conservation Awards; Thursday at 11:30.

· OSU Central, featuring demonstrations and displays from OSU colleges and departments.

· Lots of farm safety, home safety and health information.
Global Positioning Systems (GPS) hands-on demonstrations in the demonstration fields.

Ohio State Horse Plowing Contest conducted by the Ohio Horse & Mule Group-Thursday, Sept. 22

Expanded programs on conservation practices in the Gwynne Conservation Area.

An arts and crafts exhibit tent.

Permanent washroom facilities with diaper changing stations.

Field Demonstrations

Harvesting, strip-tilling, global positioning, and tillage demonstrations will take place every day. Check the schedule for demonstration times.

New in 2003 and back again for 2005! The Ohio State Horse Plowing Contest, conducted by the Ohio Horse & Mule Group, will be held in conjunction with the 2005 Farm Science Review. The contest will be held on Thursday, September 22nd. The contest is expected to draw thirty participants.

Returning for 2005! Auto-guidance demonstrations. Three different types of guidance systems will be demonstrated this year during the Farm Science Review. Systems include DGPS guidance, DGPS auto-guidance, and RTK auto-guidance. Farmers will be able to see hands-on how these systems could operate on their farm. Demonstrations will take place from 1:00-4:00 on Tuesday and Wednesday and from 1:00-3:00 on Thursday.

Commercial Exhibits

We expect to completely fill the commercial exhibit area this year, with about 600 exhibitors from all over North America in the Central Exhibit Area.

OSU Central

The McCormick, Bailey, Firebaugh buildings and the Utzinger Garden are home to OSU Central, an area where we feature information from OSU colleges and departments. This years displays focus on farm health and safety, cancer prevention, farm management programs, financial and economical information, the environment, and human and community development. Outside in the Utzinger Garden, sessions offer tips about home yards and gardens.

McCormick Building Programs

Concurrent sessions will take place in a gazebo in OSU Central's McCormick Building. There will also be sessions in the Utzinger Garden.
Antique Farm Equipment

The popular antique equipment building, corner of Market and Friday, has overflowed into the William L. George Building at the corner of Friday and Hay. More than 1,600 pieces of farm machinery, garden equipment and kitchen utensils from between 1800 and 1930 are in our collection. Special attractions are the 1805 wooden moldboard plow, antique garden tractors and an 1860 Milwaukee reaper. Look for the newest pieces including a horse-drawn milk wagon and a 1923 Model T milk truck!

Gwynne Conservation Area

At the first shuttle stop on the way to the Field Demonstrations, new exhibitors and information from the natural resource management experts will be available this year. Scheduled programs will also be conducted on a variety of conservation practices. Shuttle tours of the Conservation Area will also be offered.