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#### Greetings from Gary

Dear Ohio Fruit Growers:

What a crazy season it has been so far! I thought we had enough of the bad weather when we were done with spring freezes.

Many strong storms came our way and caused widespread power outages and serious damage to some trees, greenhouses, high tunnels and barns. It was really wild to see large trees were uprooted. Many huge tree limbs were broken off. Some of them were blown quite a distance. I saw one large branch landed on an overhead

road sign. It just did not seem possible for a branch that big to be blown that high and that far! I guess this is what happens when we get wind at 80 plus mph!

The heat wave and dry weather did not help either. Many fruit crops and vegetables were stressed by drought. It was very hard for growers to keep up with the irrigation.

On July 5, we received rain at OSU South Centers in Piketon. I was very happy, well just for 5 minutes. Then hail came. I could not help thinking what the hail could do to our fruit crops.



Dr. Gary Gao, Editor

Fortunately, our blueberries were harvested. However, our wine grapes were not as lucky as they received significant damage. Refer to my article on hail for more information.

Well, enough of the crazy weather. It was really good to see many of you at the OPGMA Summer

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Field Day at Eshleman Orchards in Clyde, Ohio. A group of my colleagues staffed the OSU Diagnostic Table. We received quite a few questions. Drs. Mike Ellis, Celeste Welty, Fulya Baysal-Gurel, Ms. Nancy Taylor, and I were there. I would like to thank Steve Carver, Mike Hirsch, Lisa Schacht, Richard Wander, and others for their help. My appreciation also goes to the fine folks at the Eshelman's Orchards. They did a great job hosting this event. I bought a few plums there. They were delicious! It was a good day!

I would like to thank OPGMA and Ohio Vegetable and Small Fruit Research and Development Program for their support of our research and outreach programs.

These funds help make many of our projects possible. We also thank you for your financial contribution to this important program!

Apple harvest has officially started in many parts of the state. Please let us know, if we can be of any help!

Sincerely,

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Gary Gao, Ph.D. Extension Horticulturist and Associate Professor

### Southeast Strawberry Expo Information

by Gary Gao

November 7-10, 2012. is the Southeast Strawberry Expo at the Hilton Charlotte University Place, Charlotte, NC. This event includes a farm tour, workshops, educational sessions, and trade show.

The Expo is the leading strawberry event in the Southeast. It focuses on commercial plasticulture production and attracts attendees from as far away as Texas, Michigan, Canada, and Massachusetts.

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# Hail Damages Wine Grapes at OSU South Centers in Piketon

A hail storm hit OSU South Centers in Piketon around 5:30 pm on July 5, 2012. I was initially happy to see rain. However, hail came shortly after the storm started.

Most hail that fell that evening were about pea size. However, some of them were marble size. Once a while, I saw a few hail stones that were about cherry size.

This hail storm caused quite a bit of damage to our fruit crops, especially to our wine grapes. There were a lot of damage to fruit clusters, berries,

Hail stones from the hail storm on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Photo by Gary Gao

Hail damage to young shoots. Photo by Gary Gao

leaves and even shoots. Just about every cluster had damaged berries.

I took a few pictures of the damage on July9. It was definitely not a pretty sight. Some of the leaves were shredded while berries were bruised and turned brown. The hail also left marks on the shoots.



Hail damage to grape berries at OSU South Centers in Piketon. Photo by Gary Gao



### Wayne County Trap Reports

By Rory Lewendowski

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Week of June 25:
Codling Moth (4 orchards): 16
Oriental Fruit Moth (peaches, 3 orchards): 3
Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 0
Lesser Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 22
Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (4 traps in black raspberries): 0
2-spotted Drosophila fly: (6 traps: 4 in raspberries and 2 in grapes): 0
Week of July 2:
Codling Moth (4 orchards): 21
Oriental Fruit Moth (peaches, 3 orchards): 15
Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 37
Lesser Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 40
Corn Earworm: 4
Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (4 traps in black raspberries): 0
2-spotted Drosophila fly: (6 traps: 4 in raspberries and 2 in grapes): 0
Week of July 9:
Codling Moth (4 orchards): 94
Oriental Fruit Moth (peaches, 3 orchards): 3
Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 9
Lesser Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 10
Corn Earworm: 20
Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (4 traps in black raspberries): 0
2-spotted Drosophila fly: (6 traps: 4 in raspberries and 2 in grapes): 0
Week of July 16:
Codling Moth (4 orchards): 116
Oriental Fruit Moth (peaches, 3 orchards): 7
Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 0
Lesser Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 12
European Corn Borer: 13
Corn Earworm: 5
Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (4 traps in black raspberries): 0
2-spotted Drosophila fly: (6 traps: 4 in raspberries and 2 in grapes): 0
Apple Maggot (3 orchards): 39
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### Wayne County Trap Reports

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Week of July 23:

Codling Moth (4 orchards): 91

Oriental Fruit Moth (peaches, 3 orchards): 6

Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 0

Lesser Peach Tree Borers (3 orchards): 4

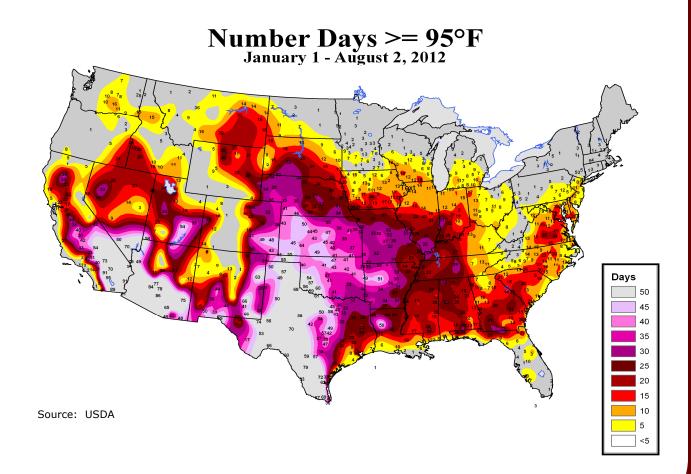
European Corn Borer: 4

Corn Earworm: 3

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (4 traps in black raspberries): 0

2-spotted Drosophila fly: (6 traps: 4 in raspberries and 2 in grapes): 0

Apple Maggot (4 orchards): 1



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