

NAPGA E•NEWS

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President's Patch

This issue is the last issue that should have been published in 2018. I have attached a copy of the registration form for the 2019 annual meeting in case you missed the recent issue of the NAPGA E•News Vol. 6, Issue 1. As soon as I get these two issues e-mailed, I will be working on the fall issue of Pawpaw Pickin's. The fall 2018 issue of Pawpaw Pickin's will feature the article about the Blackspot disease that was identified last year on the foliage of the NA pawpaw trees. This fungus was identified by the plant pathology staff at The Ohio State University C Wayne Ellett Plant and Pest Diagnostic Clinic.

The annual meeting last year was quite successful with over 80 individuals in attendance. I did not give adequate coverage of the annual meeting or the Ohio festival in Athens, so, I'll do it in this issue. Ms. Susan Preston of NC was the featured speaker at last year's OPGA annual meeting.

The Ohio Pawpaw Festival (Trade Mark owner, Chris Chmiel) was also a success as the weather was perfect during the festival.

At our farm we started construction on a rock wall along the driveway back to the cabin to control erosion and it was completed late in December 2018.

Be sure to share your pawpaw pictures with other pawpaw enthusiasts. We are always looking for NA pawpaw pictures to share.

Annual OPGA meeting. A few pictures from the 2018 annual meeting are shown on the next page. The picture on the top left shows part of the patio that we use for grafting with Mark Stadler and Marc Boone shown in the photo. 2nd down is John Harrell with Gene Pouly and Susan Preston. 3rd down is Mark Stadler and last is Russ Benz. Top right is Marc Boone with the Richardson family. The second picture from the right top is the Channing & Amy Richardson family and the bottom photo on the right is Susan Preston and Ron Powell.

Ohio Pawpaw Festival. The third page contains pictures of the Ohio Pawpaw Festival. The top left picture is of Terry and our grandson, Wesley. The bottom picture is of Maria Coyle, a student at Ohio University who agreed to do a poster of the NA pawpaw tree in its various stages of growth. Maria is posing with the final results of her work. I had a number printed to sell and she agreed to sign posters at the festival.

Page 4 contains a picture of the festival crowd at the pawpaw tent. The next picture shows Maria Coyle, Ron and Vicki White working at the NA pawpaw festival tent. The picture at the bottom of the page shows Susan and Greg Hoertt in the pawpaw education tent.

Wall. Page 5 contains pictures of the wall construction at our farm over a period of one year, beginning work to the finished wall.

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2019 OPGA Workshop Registration Form

The 2019 Annual Meeting will be held at Wilmington College on May 18th Center for Sciences and Agriculture on College Ave, Wilmington, OH

By Mail: Complete the information section below and return with the registration fee to: NAPGA/OPGA, Ron Powell, 6549 Amelia Dr, Cincinnati, OH 45241

or

Email Ron at botrytis@fuse.net

513-777-8367

\$12.00 — each for NAPGA/OPGA members and \$15.00— each for non-members

The registration fee includes coffee and bagels at registration, and a box lunch. A small NA pawpaw seedling and NA pawpaw scion wood to take home with you will be provided. A grafting demonstration will be presented by NAPGA/OPGA members. A visit to the Wilmington College farm NA pawpaw planting will take place in the afternoon, if weather and time permits.

Completed registrations by May 13h or earlier are appreciated.

Let us know if you are on a special diet

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