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President's Patch

Thank goodness that 2018 is behind us! 2018 was not a good year for either me or my wife. We both still have some issues but nothing like we were dealing with last year. My first goal is to get out the information regarding the 2019 NAPGA/OPGA annual meeting. Then I will begin to catch up with the news from spring and fall of 2018.

NAPGA/OPGA 2019 annual meeting. We plan a day of grafting on May 18 at Wilmington College. I have attached a tentative agenda, registration form, and directions. I must have your registration forms this year by May 13 or before because we plan to have a box lunch this year and need to have an accurate number for the caterer. We will still provide a plant and scion wood for you to graft and take home with you.

Be sure to mark the date of the annual meeting on your calendar May 18 at Wilmington College. The OPGA is cooperating with The Ohio State University in working together on three grafting workshops this spring. The Wilmington College workshop will begin a series of three grafting workshops. Wilmington College workshop is the first scheduled and an all day grafting workshop. The additional two grafting workshops will be held the week after Wilmington College. I have also attached the information flyer regarding the two additional OSU workshops on Thursday, May 23 and Saturday, May 25.

We will have a number of experienced grafters demonstrating in small groups various techniques of grafts to help individuals with their NA pawpaw seedling grafts.

The registration fee has not increased this year and includes coffee and bagels at registration, a box lunch with a drink, scion wood, and a NA pawpaw seedling.

We are requesting volunteers to help with desert. Please contact Ron (513-777-8367) if you are willing to bring cookies, brownies, or other "finger" food type desserts.

If the weather and time permits, visiting the NA pawpaw planting at the Wilmington College farm is a possibility.

We still would like to encourage you to send in your NA pawpaw comments and observations and pictures to share with other pawpaw enthusiasts. I enjoy reading about your success stories with the pawpaws and helping individuals with their pawpaw concerns. The issue last year with the Blackspot disease was called to my attention by observant pawpaw growers from several states that were further south than me and where the disease had already made its presence known.

Sorry for the delay in getting out the newsletters in a timely manner but could not be helped. I have a number of articles written and ready to be published regarding various aspects on cultivation of the NA pawpaw. Ron

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Ohio Pawpaw Growers Association

Wilmington College, Wilmington, OH Saturday May 18, 2019

8:45 am Registration

9:15 am Introduction and welcome: President Dr. Ronald L. Powell Introduction of guests, officers, and Board of Directors

9:30 am Short Business meeting

Old Business:

- 1. Minutes of 2018 Annual Meeting
- 2. Treasurer's Report Dave Simpson, Treasurer
- 3. Membership Report, Facebook page, Yahoo discussion group
- 6. Other old business

New Business:

Board member Elections

10:00 am Grafting Basics: Dr. Ronald L. Powell

Benefits of grafting

When to graft

Tools for grafting

Collecting and storing scions

Successful grafting

Chip budding discussion

Whip & tongue discussion

Cleft graft discussion

Other grafting techniques

Grafting resources

11:00 am—Early lunch

12:00 pm—3:00 pm? Small group grafting demonstrations & graft your NA paw-paw seedling with the assistance of an experienced grafter.

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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, a box lunch, NA pawpaw scion wood and a small NA pawpaw seedling to take home with you will be provided. A grafting demonstration will be presented by experienced grafters and will assist you with your graft. A visit to the Wilmington College farm NA pawpaw planting may take place in the afternoon, if weather and time permit.

> Completed registrations by May 13th or earlier are appreciated. Let us know if you are on a special diet Please make checks payable to: NAPGA or OPGA.

Name:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Phone:	_Email:

CONTACT OPGA:

Directions to the 2019 OPGA Annual meeting at Wilmington College In the Center for Sciences and Agriculture (CSA)

From the south:

Take I-71 north to State Route 73 (exit 45). Follow 73 east toward Wilmington. There is a new bypass in which Route 73 goes around Wilmington, so you will want to make a right turn onto Mitchell Road at the first stoplight, and then make a left turn onto Old Route 73 (Wayne Road) to continue into town. This will bring you through the business district of the town. Turn right onto College Street. The Center for Sciences and Agriculture is on the left.

From the north:

Take I-71 south to U.S. 68. Follow 68 south into Wilmington. Turn left onto Main Street and follow it through Wilmington to College Street. Turn right onto College Street. The Center for Sciences and Agriculture is on the left.

From the east:

Take State Route 22-3 west through Wilmington. Turn left onto College Street. The Center for Sciences and Agriculture is on the left.

From the west:

Follow State Route 73 east toward Wilmington. There is a new bypass in which Route 73 goes around Wilmington, so you will want to make a right turn onto Mitchell Road at the first stoplight, and then make a left turn onto Old Route 73 (Wayne Road) to continue into town. This will bring you through the business district of the town. Turn right onto College Street.

This year we will be holding the annual meeting in the Center for Sciences and Agriculture (CSA). The CSA is located between Douglas and Elm St. The CSA is on the left side.

Registration will begin at 8:45 on Saturday, May 18. n

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THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

PAPAW GRAFTING WORKSHOPS

2 Days- Thursday, May 23, 2019 & Saturday, March 25, 2019

Dates & Locations:

Thursday, May 23, 2019 OSU South Centers 1864 Shyville Road, Piketon, OH 45661

Saturday, May 25, 2019 OSU Waterman Farm 2490 Carmack Road, Columbus, OH 43210

Details: The Ohio State University and the Ohio PawpawGrowers Association will be having a pawpaw grafting workshop. Learn grafting techniques for pawpaw propagation with Dr. Ron Powell of the Ohio Pawpaw Growers Association.

The workshop will teach participants how to graft pawpaw trees for propagation using rootstock and grafts. In this workshop, we will be using Asimina triloba (aka the Pawpaw) to teach the ancient skill of fruit tree grafting.



Times: South Centers location- 5:00 p.m. — 7:30 p.m. Waterman Farm location- 10:00 a.m. — 12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$15.00 per person (cost is the same at both locations)

Registrations:

Contact Charissa Gardner for both locations at gardner.1148@osu.edu or at 740.289.2071 ext. 132

Note: Space is very limited for both of these workshops.



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