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2016 OPGA/NAPGA & Other Pawpaw Related Events

Event	Date	Time	Contact	Location
INFGA Scion wood swap	April 3	11:00	www.nutgrowers.org	John S. Wright Forestry Center, 1007 N 725 West, West Lafayette, Indiana 47906
ONGA Scion wood swap	April 10	12.00 pm	Joe Hieter JoeHietter@yahoo.com	Kingwood Center Mansfield, OH
Grafting Workshop	April 23	?	Lacey Laudick 858-586-6101	Boone County Arboretum, KY
OPGA Annual Meeting	May 21^h	9:30 am – 3 pm	Ron Powell 513-777-8367	Wilmington College Wilmington, OH
Grafting Workshop	May 21	?	Lynn Vogel, SWCD 330-297-7633	Camp Asbury Portage County, OH
Grafting @ Gwynne Center	To be deter- mined	?	Tony Russell ohionativefruits@yahoo.com	Gwynne Conservation Center, London, OH
Grafting @ OSU South Center	To be deter- mined	?	Ron Powell 513-777-8367	OSU South Center, Piketon, OH
Ohio State Fair (ONGA)	July 27 – Aug 7	Must sign up for a shift	Joe Hieter JoeHietter@yahoo.com	State Fair Grounds Columbus, OH
NAFEX	July 28 - 30	Tours, speakers & Dinner meeting	Robert Hamilton lostman_amiga@yahoo.com	Bethel, PA
NNGA	July 31 – Aug 3	Tours, speakers & Dinner meeting	www.Nutgrowing.org	Nebraska City, NE
NC Pawpaw Festival	Aug 27 Saturday	10 am – 2 pm	Derek Morris 336-703-2850	1450 Fairchild Rd Winston-Salem, NC
4th International Paw- paw Conference	Sept 1 - 3	Tours, speakers, & Dinner meetings	Dr. Pomper www.pawpaw.KYSU.edu	KYSU Research Farm, Frankfort, KY
Boone County Arboretum Pawpaw tasting	Sept 8	2 – 4 pm	Lacey Laudick 858-586-6101	Boone County Coop. Extension Office, Boone Co. KY
Ohio Pawpaw Festival	Sept 16th – 18th	Fri – 4 pm/12 am Sat – 10 am/12 am Sun – 10 am/4 pm	Chris Chmiel (Trademark owner) OhioPawpawfest.com	Lake Snowden, OH Near Albany, OH
Farm Science Review (ONGA)	Sept 20 - 22	9:00 am/5:00 pm	Joe Hieter JoeHietter@yahoo.com	Gwynne Conservation London, OH
LOUA Apps Festival	Sept 24	Saturday 10 am – 4 pm	Tony Russell ohionativefruits@yahoo.com	Clintonville, Columbus, OH

If you would like to help at any event in yellow,
please let Ron (513-777-8367) know of your interest.
If you would like to have a pawpaw event listed, contact Ron.

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Pics of the 2015 Ohio Pawpaw Festival



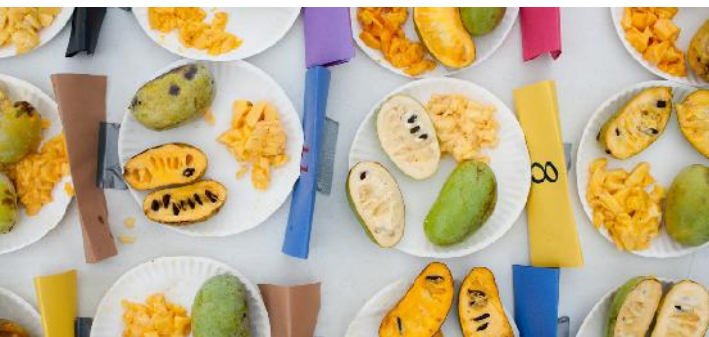
I am working to catch up with the E-Zines and the NAPGA newsletters that I have failed to get out. This past fall was very busy and I had to complete several tasks since I planned to have my knees replaced this spring. The first knee was the right knee on January 4th and the second knee is to be re-

placed on February 29th. Terry and I stained the cabin at the farm and then took another week to pour a new concrete driveway at home. I then spent time with my mom in Delaware, OH to work in her basement. We also had the pawpaw, persimmon and hazel nut crops to deal with.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as I attempt to catch up. I am attaching several pictures taken at the Ohio Pawpaw Festival captured from the web and I do not know who took the pictures, so I can't give credit.



Tony Jo & Steve Ramsey tasting pawpaw at the 2015 Ohio Pawpaw Festival.



The OPGA tent at the Ohio Pawpaw Festival. It was a cold, wet day with blowing rain! Attendance was down on Saturday but picked up on Sunday when the sun came out. CC Hoy and Greg Hoertt are manning the booth at this time.

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North Carolina Pawpaw Festival

Derek Morris founded the NC Festival in 2008 and is the premier promotor of the NC Pawpaw Festival invited Terry and me to have a presence at the 2015 Festival. The Festival is small compared to the Ohio Pawpaw Festival and only lasts for one day. The following pictures show a few of the highlights on the Festival.



Author Andrew Moore is sitting at a table promoting his new book, Pawpaw: In Search of America's forgotten Fruit. Milton Parker, a former Cooperative Extension Agent is now an avid promotor of pawpaws is in the red shirt.



Terry Powell at the NAPGA display at the NC Pawpaw Festival. It was a long hot day on the blacktop! The attendance was great and the interest level was very high.



Long lines at the vendors demonstrated the interest and demand for pawpaw trees and fresh fruit.



Neal Peterson of Peterson Pawpaws also had a table and answered questions of the attendees.



Neal Peterson and Walt, a Master Gardner, discuss the pawpaw planting on the grounds of the Festival.

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A Pawpaw drops from the tree

Our daughter and new grandson, Wesley Alexander Aguilar born on July 24th. Wes in his pawpaw outfit.



News from the East Coast

By Charlie West

Thanks for the update from Ohio. New Jersey, or at least where we live, has been extremely dry this summer. Since the end of March we have only had 4 rains of an inch or more (late April, June 1, and 2 in mid August) Other than that, sporadic 1/4-1/2" showers has been it for the last 5 months. Needless to say I have been watering almost continuously. Most of the older trees (3-4 yr. trees) put on good growth. Most of the ones I planted in Spring of 2014 did not grow much, but that seems to be somewhat normal for me as it seems to take a year for the new transplants to become established before taking off.

I have not seen any signs of the diseases you discussed in the newsletter. We have had a bad year for Japanese beetles, but they don't seem to bother pawpaws much--just an occasional nibble on a leaf or two.

Even though I hand pollinated, fruit set was light in my 2 larger trees. They are about 8 yrs old and were "select seedlings" I purchased for a nursery in Va. Although they are seedlings, I am wondering if they are possibly so closely related that they might not successfully cross pollinate. I have never seen anything published regarding incompatibility with closely related seedlings. I do have some other younger trees with fruit, in some cases so many I thinned.

News from the NW corner of IL

By Oriana K.

Congratulation to your new addition to the family -- future pawpaw grower!

We have a good fruit set up by NW corner of Illinois, but wind storm went thru the orchard and half of green pawpaw down to the ground, and now, we have no rain for a good month, that is mostly need for sizing, fruit are still small and may not able to ripen before the frost comes in the first week of October

How is your fruit crop?

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