



CONSERVATION TRAILS

“Follow the Trail of Natural Resource Conservation”

Wayne Soil & Water Conservation District

Awards Presented at 67th Annual Meeting

The 2014 Conservation Farm Award was presented to Esselburn Grain & Cattle Farm LLC. The farm is operated by Tom and Kelly Esselburn along with their son Justin and daughter Katie. The farm is located in Plain Township and consists of 475 acres of cropland and



Katie, Tom, Kelly, Justin & Andrea Esselburn
Esselburn Grain & Cattle Farm LLC

100 beef cattle. Conservation practices used on the farm are graded waterways, subsurface drains, grade stabilization structure, cover crops, rotational grazing, fence, waterline, access road, heavy use pad, spring development, water tank, and pest management. Crops include corn, soybeans, and wheat with all crops planted no-till to protect the soil.



Fred Myers (R) presents award to Jeff Harmon

Jeff Harmon, Wayne County Fair Board, received the Conservation Education Award. He has been the key person and leader on the Recycling Committee for the Wayne County Fair. The fair began recycling in 2009 and recycled 10,728 pounds of plastic, cardboard and aluminum. This past year the Wayne County Fair recycled 16,240 pounds and started a new type of recycling with the food vendors.

Fred Myers & Matt Peart were presented with the 20 year and 5 year respectively as Wayne County Supervisors.



Fred Myers & Matt Peart

Ken Duran, ODNR Wildlife Division, was the guest speaker for the evening. He presented a program on “Barn Owls”. Ken spoke and showed slides on the owls habitat and gave information on the number of owls in the different parts of the state.

Thank You to Annual Meeting Donors

The Wayne SWCD would like to thank the following donors for their contribution to our Annual Meeting.

Donors

Apple Creek Banking Company - Farm Credit Service
First National Bank - Lowe & Young Inc. - Steiner Excavating

Door Prizes

Applebee’s - Broken Rocks Bakery & Café - Cinemark - Everything Rubbermaid - Green Thumb - Jimmy John’s
JM Smucker - Longhorn - Pat Catan’s - Pine Tree Barn
The Faithful Little Cupcake - The Spoon Market
Today’s Kitchen Store - Wal-Mart

Inside This Issue	Winter 2014-15
2015 Annual Tree Sale - Order Form	2
Kitty Litter for Hazardous Waste? <i>by Kelly Riley</i>	3
Litter Cleanup 2014	3
EQIP Signup - Reminder Plat Books Available Receive Your Newsletter by Email Calendar	3
2015 Annual Fish Sale - Order Form	4

2015 Nature Packet Order Form

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
DAYTIME PHONE _____ EVENING _____
EMAIL _____



Packet Name	Price per packet	Number of packets	Total	Packet Name	Price Per packet	Number of packets	Total
A. 25 Colorado Blue 4 yrs. 10-24"	\$16.00			G. 10 Colorado Blue 4 yrs. 10-24"	\$8.00		
B. 25 Eastern White Pine 4 yrs. 12-24"	\$16.00			H. 10 Eastern White Pine 4 yrs. 12-24"	\$8.00		
C. 25 Norway Spruce 4 yrs. 15-30"	\$16.00			I. 10 Norway Spruce 4 yrs. 15-30"	\$8.00		
D. 25 American Arborvitae 4 yrs. 10-24"	\$16.00			J. 10 American Arborvitae 4 yrs. 10-24"	\$8.00		
E. Shade Pack (Native) bundle of 10 See bundle info below 6-12"	\$18.00			K. Pollinator Pack bundle of 10 See bundle info below 6-12"	\$18.00		
F. Wildlife Pack (Native) bundle of 10 See bundle info below 6-12"	\$18.00			L. Marking Flags each	\$.15		
				Total			

----- Clip Here -----

Pre-bundled Pack Description

Shade Pack ~ 3 each of Red Maple & Red Oak; 2 each of Tulip Poplar & River Birch

Wildlife Pack ~ 2 each of Swamp White Oak, American Hazelnut, Ninebark, American Plum & Red Osier Dogwood

Pollinator Pack ~ 2 each of Basswood, Tulip Poplar, Common Chokecherry, Black Gum & Persimmon

Plant descriptions available on our website: <http://www.wayneswcd.org>

Ordering Instructions

Please fill out the order form above and return with check before **February 20, 2015**

Make check payable to the **Wayne SWCD**, 428 W. Liberty Street, Wooster, OH 44691.

Packets must be picked up on **Wednesday, April 15th between 1:30– 6:00 p.m.** at the Wayne County Fairgrounds, Sheep Building Location (signs will be posted). Orders not picked up on this date will be considered a donation to The SWCD office. Call 330-262-2836 if there is a problem.

No Pickup notices will be sent out.

- Packets available on a first come, first serve basis.
- Seedlings come bare root and can be carried in a grocery bag. Planting instructions available at pickup time.
- We are not responsible for packets not picked up on time.
- Payment must accompany the order.
- We reserve the right to make reasonable substitutions based on availability of certain species.



Kitty Litter for Hazardous Waste?

By Kelly Riley

Are you struggling for a gift idea for the holidays? How about a useful and inexpensive gift that can also be good for the environment? What if I told you that present is simply kitty litter? YES...regular kitty litter is a great thing to have around in any shop or house for the simple reason of hazardous wastes. All of us have household hazardous wastes. Paints, motor oils, gasoline's, antifreeze's, detergents, and cleaning supplies are examples of hazardous materials that may get spilled or left around your house or garage. So what good is the kitty litter? This simple and cheap product is highly absorbent, and if you have a chemical or oil spill on the garage or shop floor, you can sprinkle the kitty litter on it, and then sweep it up and put it in the trash. The best option of course, for motor oil and antifreeze is to take



those products to an auto store, service station or a business that recycles those products. But for paints, detergents or other hazardous wastes the kitty litter also comes in handy.

If you can't reuse the product or give it away, then you should properly dispose of it. Open the container in a well-ventilated area, and simply add the kitty litter until the materials are solid. When completely dry, discard with regular trash (leave the lid off so the trash company can see the paint/product is hardened). This is much better than dumping chemicals that could contaminate our waters or harm our animals.

It's a safer and cheaper alternative if you can't recycle...so go out and buy a Merry Bag of Kitty Litter! For more information about recycling and "green" tips go to www.timetorecycle.org



Litter Cleanup 2014

Nine students from Chippewa High School's Leo Club collected litter on Saturday, October 11th. The back of the Wayne SWCD Explorer was filled with bags of trash, including a large television tossed to the side of road (not pictured), collected by the club in only two hours! Litter was collected along Shank Road, near Chippewa Golf Course, and Hametown Road, north of Edwards Road, totaling 2.5 miles of roadway ditches. Storm water from these ditches discharge to the Silver Creek, which flows into the Chippewa Creek south of Doylestown. Litter thrown into roadway ditches contribute debris and pollutants to the creeks and streams. Thank you to the Chippewa Township Fire Department for disposing of the trash, Leo Club Advisor T. J. Lindeman for getting the word out to his group and the kids for taking time out on a busy weekend to help keep our local waterways clean!



Receive Your Newsletter by Email

If you would like to switch from the mailed newsletter to the emailed newsletter, email us at info@wayneswcd.org
We will email the next Newsletter to you. Thanks for helping us conserve!

Plat Books Available

Plat Books are still available in our office.
They are \$25.00 each and will make great Christmas gifts!

Calendar

Jan. 13 **Board Meeting** 1:00 pm
Feb. 10 **Board Meeting** 7:00 pm
Feb. 20 **Deadline for Tree Sales**

EQIP Signup

**REMINDER – EQIP SIGNUP
DEADLINE JANUARY 15, 2015**

Natural Resources Conservation Service
 John Knapp, District Conservationist
 Jeff Lefever, Civil Engineering Technician
 Ray Rummell, Conservation Specialist

Wayne SWCD Staff
 Sarah Beck, Administrative Assistant
 Mark Duncan, Nutrient Management Specialist
 Steve Grimes, No-Till Specialist
 Stacey Hiller, Permit Administrative Assistant
 Rob Kastner, Water Management Engineer
 Adam Liston, District Engineering Technician
 Kelly Riley, Education Specialist
 Duane Wood, District Program Administrator

Tree Order Form Inside

SWCD Sponsors Annual Fish Sale



The Wayne Soil & Water Conservation District will begin taking orders for our annual fish sale. The fish will be purchased from Fender's Fish Hatchery in Baltic. The types of fish which are available include fingerling size largemouth bass, channel catfish, white amur, perch, minnow, bluegill, crappie and redear shellcracker. White amur (grass carp) are an excellent alternative to chemical control of weeds in ponds.

Orders for the fish will be taken until **Friday, April 10th**. Pickup date will be **Tuesday, April 14th from 9:00-10:00 a.m. at the Wayne County Fairgrounds**. Orders must be picked up at the specified time. At the pickup, you will need to bring a container filled with your own pond water, 5 to 10 gallons of water per 100 fish is required. Line the container with a new plastic liner before adding water. The White Amur must be placed in a container with a lid or a liner large enough to be tied at the top. Only 2 Amur to each 5 gallons of water. If you have any questions concerning stocking rates, please contact our office at 330-262-2836. Send order to Wayne SWCD, 428 W. Liberty St., Wooster, OH 44691.

Keep this section for reference

----- Clip Here -----

Return this section with payment

	No.	Species	Size	Price	Total
Name _____	_____	Largemouth Bass	2-3"	.85	_____
	_____	Bluegill	2-4"	.75	_____
Address _____	_____	Channel Catfish	4-5"	.75	_____
	_____	White Amur	8-10"	13.00	_____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____	_____	Perch	2-3"	.80	_____
	_____	Minnow	1-2"	.07	_____
Daytime Phone _____	_____	Redear Shellcracker	2-4"	.85	_____
	_____	Black Crappie	2-4"	.85	_____
Email _____	_____	Total			_____

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs and/or employment activities.)

Wayne Soil & Water Conservation District

428 W. Liberty Street
 Wooster, OH 44691
 330-262-2836
<http://www.wayneswcd.org>
 e-mail - info@wayneswcd.org

Non-Profit Org.
 US Postage Paid
 Permit No. 150
 Wooster, OH 44691

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Board of Supervisors
 Matt Peart, Chairman
 Fred Myers, Fiscal Agent
 John Redick, V. Chair
 Scott Stoller, Secretary
 Parry Cochran, Public Relations Chair.