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### FROM THE DESK OF KEN MARTIN, AD / COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**CD meeting during Annual Conference:** Annual Conference is just a few months away. This year we will be having our CD meeting during the time scheduled for concurrent sessions. This will allow all those with a joint appointment with another program area to not have to choose between programs. While this will not remove a potential conflict with a concurrent session that may be of particular interest to you, it should result in better attendance for our meeting. We plan on presenting several CD awards during this meeting as well as having a CD program update. Please forward any agenda items you would like to see on the agenda to Shirley Cook at [cook.22@osu.edu](mailto:cook.22@osu.edu).

**Administrative Staffing:** A committee is reviewing the Associate Director and Department Chair positions to look at how these responsibilities will be addressed within the organizational structure. These two positions, Associate Director for Programs and Associate Director/Chair of Extension, were previously held by Nikki Conklin and Barb Ludwig. If you have thoughts or suggestions to offer, please contact committee chair, Steve Baertsche at [Baertsche.1@osu.edu](mailto:Baertsche.1@osu.edu).

**Farm Science Review:** If you attend Farm Science Review September 19-21, be sure to stop by and visit our CD program display. Greg Davis worked on the display highlighting our major program areas and we unveiled it at County Commissioners' Days last month. Bill Grunkemeyer and Myra Moss put together a display for the *Go Big Network* program for entrepreneurial development which will be highlighted along with a related program hosted by Jerry Nelson, *Purdue New Ventures Team and INVenture*, a business planning tool.

**CD in-service modules:** Greg Davis is working with a group to develop a video-based podcast of the economic development module for our CD in-service initiative. Working with Ken Kulka of Communications and Technology, the group will be creating this educational resource using streaming video technology. Our plans are to create a series of these in-service modules and make them available through streaming video technology as an educational resource for educators to learn about available CD program resources to use in their community.

I encourage you to highlight your program and team successes in future months through our CD e-newsletter. Our editors are always looking for good material to include in the newsletter. Remember too that one of our organizational goals is to showcase the contributions that our work is making to further our commitment to our seven themes and two initiatives as a way of making a difference for the communities and clients we serve.

### SEPTEMBER 7TH IN-SERVICE RECAP

More than 50 Extension professionals gained a better understanding of how Extension programming strengthens community capacity at the *Building Community through Multi-Disciplinary Approaches: an All Extension Conference* held on September 7, 2006. Dr. Scott Peters (Cornell Cooperative

Extension) set the tone for the day with his presentation: "Building Community into Extension Programs." A panel of Extension personnel from Ag/NR, FCS, and 4-H program areas provided reactions to Scott's presentation and bridged the transition to more than two dozen roundtable sessions held in the afternoon. Participants gained a nuts and bolts approach to how a wide variety of programs work and how they can be integrated into existing efforts to enhance local Extension programming while strengthening community capacity.

Under the guidance of a planning team comprised of Pat Brinkman, Chris Bruynis, John Conglose, Nancy Kukay, Joe Konen, and Brian Raison, the program was targeted to recent Extension hires as well as more-seasoned professionals interested in learning more about how to incorporate a cross-programmatic approach into their Extension work. Roundtable presentation materials will be posted to the CD website soon.

### **APPALACHIAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE - CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

The 2007 ASA Conference celebrates the 30th Anniversary of the Appalachian Studies Association with the theme "Piecing the Appalachian Experience." The conference will be held March 23-25 at Maryville College in Maryville, Tennessee (near Knoxville). This conference will join together a variety of experiences, presentations, and research to commemorate the ASA and the Appalachian region and to explore over three decades of Appalachian inquiry, activism and service.

You are invited to help "piece the Appalachian experience" by organizing a panel, creating a poster, producing a display table, submitting a research paper or presentation, developing a workshop, or putting together a roundtable discussion. Sessions are encouraged that promote dialogue, interaction, and participation among presenters and audience.

All proposals must be submitted electronically by October 2, 2006. Complete details about the conference (and the online participation form for submitting proposals) may be found on the website, [www.maryvillecollege.edu/asa](http://www.maryvillecollege.edu/asa).

### **CENTER FOR FARMLAND POLICY INNOVATION - OHIO LOCAL LEADER ROUNDTABLES**

The OSU Center for Farmland Policy Innovation is hosting several local leader roundtables on focused and current local farmland protection issues (<http://cffpi.osu.edu/roundtables.htm>). The purpose of the roundtables is to give local leaders interested in starting or furthering farmland protection programs the opportunity for small group learning (around 15-20 participants) from experts and peer-to-peer exchanges. Local leaders in farmland protection (county commissioners, township trustees, planning and zoning officials, land trust leaders, etc.) are invited to participate.

Reservations are currently being taken for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> roundtables. The first roundtable, *Farmland Protection Funding Options*, will take place on October 10, 2006, 4-6 PM. This roundtable consists of a short presentation on legally available and potential future funding tools for Ohio local governments followed by a roundtable discussion between experts and participants. Granville Township Trustee Jim Havens will be on hand to share how he and other local officials pioneered the first successful open space levy in Ohio and gained support for a second levy. Tracy Hatmaker, a Prairie Township administrator, will also be present to provide insight on several regional strategies for generation of funds for local land protection. Other experts include Peggy Kirk Hall, director of the OSU Agricultural and Rural Law Program, and Katrina Kuck, Center for Farmland Policy Innovation legal intern.

For the second roundtable, *Experienced Program Experts*, three experts from Massachusetts, Maryland and Pennsylvania representing both state and local farmland protection programs will engage with a small group of local leaders through an open question and answer session. This roundtable follows the 7th Annual Ohio Farmland Preservation Summit on November 2, 2006 from 3:45-5PM ([cffpi.osu.edu/summit.htm](http://cffpi.osu.edu/summit.htm)).

These roundtables are provided at no cost. However, a firm RSVP is required. RSVP now for either or both the *Farmland Protection Funding Options* or the *Experienced Program Experts* roundtables. Only those providing RSVPs will be registered - [cffpi@osu.edu](mailto:cffpi@osu.edu); p: 614.688.4890; f: 614.688.3622. Please distribute to interested parties. Registration will close when the roundtable is filled. All but the "Experienced Program Experts" roundtable will be held at OSU's Agricultural Administration Building, Room 105.

### **7TH ANNUAL OHIO FARMLAND PRESERVATION SUMMIT**

On November 2, 2006, the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA), in cooperation with American Farmland Trust (AFT), The Ohio State University's C. William Swank Program in Rural-Urban Policy and Center for Farmland Policy Innovation, will host the seventh annual Ohio Farmland Preservation Summit. It will take place at the Ohio Department of Agriculture, 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio, from 9 AM – 3:30 PM.

Highlights include a panel of experts from Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts and Ralph Grossi, president of American Farmland Trust, as the keynote speaker. The morning panelists will focus on local success stories from across the state--highlighting a local farmland protection funding technique, a local foods program, a creative annexation agreement and voluntary zoning in support of agriculture. We will also review a number of other initiatives from across Ohio.

Interested farmers, landowners, local officials, land trusts, citizens, and agency personnel are encouraged to participate in professional networking and strategy discussions about how to preserve Ohio's farmland.

A registration form will be posted at: [cffpi.osu.edu/summit.htm](http://cffpi.osu.edu/summit.htm) or contact Kelly Carneal at 614.728.6210; [kcarneal@mail.agri.state.oh.us](mailto:kcarneal@mail.agri.state.oh.us). The cost is \$40 per person.

A roundtable for local leaders follows the Summit from 3:45-5 PM. This roundtable is an opportunity for local leaders to interact with the experts from Maryland, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. For more information on the roundtable, visit <http://cffpi.osu.edu/roundtables.htm>.

### **WATER QUALITY TRADING AS A COMMUNITY TOOL**

A Regional Sustainability Forum will be held on November 30, 2006 9:30 AM to 2 PM at Fisher Auditorium, Wooster, Ohio on the topic of *Water Quality Trading as a Community Tool*. As Ohio's population growth is relatively flat and the cost of services continue to rise, we are faced with important decisions for the future development and sustainability of Ohio. Effective communities provide opportunities for economic growth, social strength, and environmental protection. Water quality trading is one such method to address these three objectives.

Speakers will include Steve Tuckerman, Environmental Specialist, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; Brent Sohngen, Extension Specialist, Ohio State University; and Dusty Hall, Program Development Manager, Miami Conservancy District. This is one event in a series of forums to address the issues of Regional Sustainability. For more information, contact Joe Konen, [konen.2@osu.edu](mailto:konen.2@osu.edu) or Dana Oleskiewicz, [oleskiewicz.1@osu.edu](mailto:oleskiewicz.1@osu.edu)

## **TRI-STATE STUDY TOUR - OHIO HOSTS EXTENSION CD FROM PENNSYLVANIA AND WEST VIRGINIA, DEC. 6-7-8, 2006**

Want to share and learn with colleagues from Extension systems in PA and WV? Plan to attend the three-day study tour scheduled for December 6-7-8, 2006 (note date change). The program committee is still finalizing the details, but the tentative itinerary involves stops in Cuyahoga and Medina Counties on Wednesday (6<sup>th</sup>), a day of program sharing and discussion on potential collaborative efforts Thursday (7<sup>th</sup>), on campus, and stops in Licking County on the third day Friday (8<sup>th</sup>). If you can't attend all 3 days, try to hold the campus-based program scheduled for December 7th. Stay tuned for more details.

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