

SWCD Supervisors Beth Mullen - Chairperson Greg Waters - Vice Chair David Lapp - Secretary Kristy Leindecker - Fiscal Agent Jordan Olinger - Treasurer

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Josh Britton - District Conservationist Mathew Hursey - Resource Conservationist Derrick Hill - Natural Resources Specialist SWCD Staff

Ryan Medley - District Administrator Kelsey Saylor - Admin. Assistant Samantha Daugherty - Program Assist. Zach Wallace - District Technician Michaela Savage - District Technician

Mission: Providing leadership to educate and assist landowners in the wise management of our natural resources.

## Plan to Attend SWCD 82nd Annual Meeting and Banquet



We hope you will join us for Coshocton SWCD's 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting & Banquet on October 17 at the Lake Park Pavilion. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. for supervisor election voting and dinner will begin at 7:00 p.m. Theo's Restaurant of Cambridge will serve a delicious buffet dinner featuring italian spaghetti bake, chicken monterey, green beans almondine, waldorf salad, mixed green salad, and assorted homemade pies. Tickets are \$15 per person with children 10 & under \$6. Reservation deadline is October 7.

Andy Vance, Executive Director, Poultry Science Association, will be our featured speaker for the evening. He currently serves 1,800 educators, scientists, extension specialists, industry researchers, administrators, and producers who are committed to advancing the industry. Andy will share his knowledge and perspective he has gained after two decades as an agribusiness journalist. Coshocton SWCD will present a short program with awards for the Outstanding Conservation Farmer, Big Tree Contest, and Jr. Fair Hay Show winners.

Tickets can be ordered with the form below or at the SWCD office, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

82nd Anniversary Annual Meeting & Banquet Ticket Order Form To have your tickets mailed, please remove this portion and send with payment to the Coshocton SWCD Office.	
Address	City/State/Zip
Number of Adult Tickets at \$15 each	
Number of Children's Tickets (age 10 & under) at \$6 each	Total Cost of Tickets: \$
Return to Coshocton SWCD, 724 S. 7th Street Room 120, Coshocton, OH 43812 by October 7, 2024	
Thank You to the Endsley Agency and Home Loan Savings Bank for helping sponsor this year's Annual Meeting and Banquet!	

# **Coshocton SWCD Board of Supervisors**

Five county residents serve as supervisors for the Coshocton SWCD. Supervisors serve a three-year term and may run for re-election at the end of their term. Current board members are: Beth Mullen, Chair; Greg Waters, Vice Chair; David Lapp, Secretary; Kristy Leindecker, Treasurer; and Jordan Olinger, Fiscal Agent.

SWCD Board members are the foundation of the SWCD program. These 5 local leaders are the governing body that formulates policy, prepares workload, develops the information and education programs, and manages the business affairs of the District. Our board members serve our community and give generously of their time and talents to make the SWCD program successful. You do not have to attend the Annual Meeting and Banquet to participate in the Supervisor Election. Voting options are listed in the Election article.



# Meet the Supervisor Candidate

**BETH MULLEN** and her husband, Cole, have 2 daughters and live in Franklin Township. Beth and her family farm with her father, sister, and uncle operating Blair Porteus and Sons, raising corn, soybeans, hay, beef cattle, and contract hog feeding. Conservation practices utilized on the farm include no-till planting, tile drainage, spring developments, contour strips, sod waterways, comprehensive nutrient management plan, and cover crops.

Beth is the Environmental Manager at McWane Ductile. Beth is a Farm Bureau member, FFA Alumni, 4-H Advisor, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church and Ohio Cattlemen's Association.

## **Election of Supervisor**

The Ohio Soil & Water Conservation Commission will cause an election of the Coshocton Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) to be held in accordance with Chapter 940 of the Ohio Revised Code. Anyone that owns land or lives in the City of Coshocton or Coshocton County and are 18 years of age or older may vote for Supervisor. One candidate will be elected to three-year term beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2026.

There are 3 ways an eligible voter can cast a ballot:

- 1. At the SWCD office (724 S. Seventh Street Room 120, Coshocton, OH 43812) during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) starting September 18 and ending at noon on October 17.
- 2. At the SWCD Annual Meeting, which will take place at the Lake Park Pavilion on October 17, with voting from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. You do not have to purchase an Annual Meeting ticket to come and vote for Supervisor.
- 3. Voting absentee from September 18 until October 17 by requesting the ballot application and election ballot from the SWCD office by calling 740-622-8087 ext. 4 or email ryanmedley@coshoctoncounty.net. Absentee ballots must be received by the SWCD office by noon on October 17, 2024.



# 2024 Ohio Tree Farm of the Year Tour

The Reclaimed Tree Farm is the recipient of the 2024 Ohio Tree Farm of the Year. The tour will be Saturday, September 7 at 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. located at 40480 Cadiz-Dennison Road, Cadiz, OH 43907. The property has an active timber harvest, oil/gas pad insight, solar panels, tree planting and food plot management, and invasive plant species control.

There will also be a tour of a restored 1890's home used for Ministry known as "Martha's House" and a pond clinic with Fenders Fish sponsored by Harrison SWCD at 11:00 a.m. Come visit Rob and Pat Davis and Family while enjoying guided wagon tours, and walking tours with displays and seminars along the way. Food will be available for purchase. For additional information, contact (614) 212-3309.

# Conservation Events within the Community First Farm Friday held on Main & 4th Street



This year's event was held on August 2 and lined up along Main and 4th Street with volunteers set up along both sides of the Court Square. This years event featured a Hagie Sprayer owned by WenMar Farms, John Deere Combine owned by Porteus Brothers, John Deere Tractor and Bean Planter owned by Warren Lapp & Son and newly added, DJI T40 Sprayer Drone owned by Eastern Ohio Ag. The event was well attended with an estimated 750 attendees. We would like to thank the many volunteers that make First Farm Friday a success each year!



## June Pasture Walk at Haines Farm

On June 25th, we had 17 fellow livestock producers in attendance for the Pasture Walk at the Rick Haines Farm located in Warsaw, Ohio. Hans Baltzly discussed management changes with installation of heavy use pads (pictured) and pressure pipeline water distribution. Jarrod Hittle and producers had a great discussion about pasture grazing heights as well as increasing grazing acreage by fencing in hay fields. Thank you all for coming!



Farm Tour



Forestry Field Day



Technical Tour Coshocton SWCD Office Staff

## **Coshocton SWCD Board of Supervisors**



Board Supervisors I to r: Greg Waters, Beth Mullen, Kristy Leindecker, David Lapp



Jordan Olinger

We **thank you** for your interest and support of our programs and ask that you continue to work with us to wisely use Coshocton County's natural resources!



Office Staff I to r: Michaela Savage, Zach Wallace, Ryan Medley, Kelsey Saylor

## **Coshocton NRCS Office Staff**

Office Staff I to r: Josh Britton, Derrick Hill, Matt Hursey



# **Conservation Projects within the Community**

#### WHAT WE DO:

- Assistance Is provided for:
  - Site Evaluations
  - Conservation Plan Development
  - Engineering Assistance—including plan and design
- Technical Assistance Provided at Site:
  - Provide technical assistance during construction
  - Answer questions about the construction of the practice
  - Materials—<u>must</u> meet USDA-NRCS Specifications
  - USDA-NRCS Standards & Specifications <u>must</u> be followed, if not technical assistance will be withdrawn
  - Pre-construction meetings to review with landowner and contractor
  - Any changes to plan—needs to be approved by person with the proper job approval authority
  - All USDA-NRCS Safety requirements must be followed and met
  - OUPS must be called 48 hours prior to digging
- Assistance for the installation of Tile Drainage:
  - Site review and soils information

#### WHAT WE DON'T DO:

- Assist with projects that do not follow USDA-NRCS Standards and Specifications
- We do not supply the labor to install the practice or operate equipment for the contractor
- We do not provide assistance with construction of any practice without an approved conservation and engineering plan
- We do not provide assistance if the materials do not meet USDA-NRCS Standards and Specifications



Newly installed pressure pipeline for water distribution

Limestone placed for a winter feeding pad for cattle





Newly installed watering facility and heavy use area protection

Division fencing installed for a grazing system



# **173rd Coshocton County Fair**



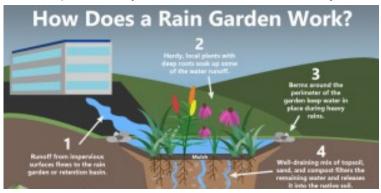
The Coshocton County Fair will be held from **September 27 to October 3, 2024**. General admission is \$15, seniors and veterans are \$7, and season tickets (no rides, 7 admissions) are \$54. Children under 2 years old are free.

The Coshocton SWCD fair booth is in the Commercial Building next to Smokey Bear. This year our education theme is "Rain Garden". Learn how you could start one in your backyard and its benefits to any home!

A highlight of the booth is the 5th Grade Poster Contest. The theme for the contest is "Have You Eaten Any Soil Lately?" Students from Coshocton, Ridgewood, and River View draw posters showing how the foods we eat all start with the soil. Teachers choose one poster to represent each class, and fairgoers vote for their favorite posters. The top three earn a special prize for the student and their class.

Another highlight of the SWCD fair booth is the Mystery Photo Contest. During the year, the District Technicians take photos all over the county. They choose one photo to serve as the Mystery Photo, and it's always a challenge for fairgoers to recognize the location of the property shown. Generally there are only a few correct entries and a lot of wild guesses! The winner of this contest will receive two tickets to our 82nd Annual Meeting on October 17.

We hope to see you at the Coshocton County Fair!





Coshocton SWCD Rain Garden located at the north-east corner of the Agricultural Building

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# 2024 Affiliate Members

<u>Diamond</u> Coshocton County Beacon Coshocton Grain Company Eastern Ohio Ag Judge Tim & Daphne France

## <u>Platinum</u>

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Gerber & Sons, Inc. Heritage Cooperative Home Loan Savings Bank McWane Ductile - Ohio Millwood Lumber Pony Field Farm LLC

## <u>Gold</u>

Cosh. Co. Chamber of Commerce Coshocton County Farm Bureau

**Coshocton Foundation** Dr. Rob & Sheri Stout and Family Endsley Insurance Agency Gottlieb, Johnston, Beam & Dal Ponte Harold's Equipment, Inc. Hidden Spring Farm - Tim Rogers Jim & Gail Piper Larry A. Frye Farms Lynn Wells - In Memory of Ray Griffith McCoy Homestead Owens & Manning, Attorneys People's Bank Seed Consultants - Lance Weaver Sheriff James A. & Lisa Crawford Sturtz Farm - Larry & Maureen Sturtz The Garden Patch Greenhouse **Thousand Oaks Farms** TMK Bakersville Tumblin Farms - David Tumblin Family WenMar Farms, Inc.

William Albert, Inc. Wills Transport & Excavating

## <u>Silver</u>

Baird Concrete Charlie & Ruby Helmick Cosh. Clerk of Courts Camila Graham Cosh. Co. Engineer Fred Wachtel Coshocton Co. Sportsmen Association Deb Bigelow Dane & Amy Shryock Garber Brothers Farms LLC Jacobs Vanaman Agency, Inc. Knotty Nuff Acres Scheetz Marketing Steven Oster

## **Bronze**

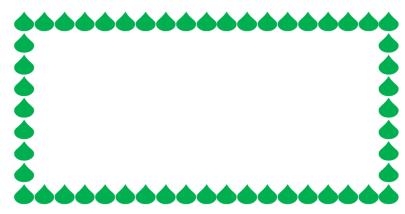
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## **RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



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# **Coshocton County Fall Foliage and Farm Tour**



The 53rd Fall Foliage and Farm Tour will be held on the weekend of **October 19 and 20, 2024**. This year's tour will focus on the northcentral area of Coshocton County. This drive-it-yourself tour is a great way to enjoy Coshocton's scenery and fall colors; the tour also showcases Coshocton's agricultural industry and local attractions.

Last year's tour had over 1,700 attendees that represented 29 counties in Ohio and 7 other states. It was held in the northwest townships of the county, featuring Jefferson, Bedford, Newcastle, and Tiverton.

Stops will be open **10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. on Saturday** and **12:00-5:00 p.m. on Sunday**. To pick up a tour map, stop at the Coshocton County Fairgrounds on Saturday from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00-3:00 p.m. We ask all participants to stop there first so we can track the number of tour participants. The tour is free but donations are appreciated.

The Fall Foliage and Farm Tour is sponsored by OSU Extension, Coshocton Soil & Water Conservation District, and USDA Farm Service Agency. These agencies would like to thank all the tour hosts and volunteers who make the tour possible! Calendar of Events

**September 11** SWCD Board Mtg, 8:00 p.m.

> **September 17-19** Farm Science Review

Sept. 27-Oct. 3 Coshocton County Fair

October 7 Annual Meeting Reservation Deadline

**October 9** SWCD Board Mtg, 8:00 p.m.

October 17 Coshocton SWCD's 82nd Annual Meeting & Banquet, 7:00 p.m.

> **October 19-20** Coshocton County Fall Foliage Tour

**November 13** SWCD Board Mtg, 8:00 p.m.