

CONSERVATION MATTERS



Scioto Soil and Water Conservation District Newsletter

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Conservation School

Attention all homesteaders, farming enthusiasts, and anyone wanting to learn more about some of our great rural traditions. Join Scioto SWCD and Scioto County Farm Bureau for the 2019 Conservation School event on February 20th at the SOMC Friends Center. Dinner is served at 6:00.

Attendees will have the opportunity to sit in on two sessions that night and can win some great tools to get them started. Topics include: Small Farm Livestock, Introduction to Greenhouses, Soap Making, Black Vulture Management, Scioto Brush Creek, and Alternative Woodland Crop: Ginseng. Tickets are available through online registration ([here](#)) or by calling 740-286-0498. Adults are \$10 or \$5 for Farm Bureau members. Kids 12 and under are free and may join in our Kids Zone activities.



Tree Seedling Sale Underway

Scioto Conservation District is pleased to continue our tradition of offering a tree seedling sale to the general public. We offer a variety of tree species as well as some other great items like bat houses, wildflower seed, and native groundcover.

Start dreaming of spring today and get your order in by February 20. The orders will be ready for pickup in April. The tree sale order form is available on our website, or you may pick one up in our office. For your convenience this year we are offering online ordering with payment through Paypal. See our website for details and pricing: www.sciotoswcd.org



DON'T GUESS—TEST IT!

Scioto SWCD offers a variety of testing services for area residents. Want to know if the hay you bought was worth it? We can test hay, forage, and manure. So you know what is going in and what is going out of your livestock.

Prepping for a successful summer garden or planning your spring planting season? Get a soil test! It is recommended every two to three years. Save time and money with a simple soil test. Tests prices vary, but your typical soils test is around \$20.

Call us at 740-259-9231 or visit our [website](http://www.sciotoswcd.org) for information

Winter is for planning on the farm. Get a competitive edge and ensure you are being a good steward of the land with a Conservation Plan. This plan is a free service offered by the district in conjunction with our partners are USDA's Natural Resource Conservation Service. Call today to get started! 740-259-9231

Conservation Planning

Save The DATE! Tree City Celebration

Kick off the spring with a Saturday in the park! April 13, 2019 marks the date for the 2019 Tree City Celebration at Tracy Park in Portsmouth, Ohio.

This free family fun event is hosted by the Portsmouth Shade Tree Committee and the Conservation District. Make plans to join in the live music, and local vendors and activities.

To sign up to be a vendor or to get involved email Kate Sowards: katesowards@sciotoswcd.org

STAY CONNECTED

Be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#) to keep up with doings and events.

Also you can find some great information on our website www.sciotoswcd.org

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