

2007 TOLEDO AREA WINTER GREENHOUSE CONFERENCE

Sponsored by

The Toledo Area Flower and Vegetable Growers Association and the Ohio State University Extension ABE Center

January 11, 2007

Terrace Room, Toledo Botanical Garden
5403 Elmer Drive, Toledo, OH 43615

Schedule of Events

- 8:00 am **Maumee Valley Growers Meeting with continental breakfast (open to all, no charge to attend)**
9:15 **Registration for Winter Conference**
- 9:30 **Welcome...What's in Store for 2007**
Beth Fausey, OSU Extension
- 10:00 **Consumer Panel**
Dean Krauskopf, Maumee Valley Growers
Ever wonder what consumers are thinking? How do they choose where to shop? What catches their attention? What makes them come back for more? Come and join this lively discussion with real-life local consumers!
- 11:00 **OSHA Updates**
Laura Ulczynski, Compliance Assistance Specialist
Keeping your workplace safe protects workers and makes good business sense. An effective safety and health program should consist of four elements: management leadership and employee involvement, workplace analysis, hazard prevention and control, and safety and health training and education.
- 11:30 **Lunch provided**
12:30 **Worker Protection Standard and Regulatory Update****
Joanne Kick-Raack, OSU Extension
Are you ready for a WPS inspection? This session will provide an overview of the key items necessary for compliance and discuss EPA's proposed changes for the Worker Protection Standard in the future. ****Ohio and Michigan participants receive 1 hour of core credit for this session.**
- 1:30 **Energy Issues**
Rick Mazur, CIFT
CIFT will present the practical next steps you can take to become more energy efficient and reduce your costs. Rick will describe improvements to the heating system, reducing the heat loss, the energy audit process and other topics including corn burners. **Local growers heating with corn burners will also be on hand for an informal panel discussion of their experiences.**
- 2:15 **Proven Winners in 2007**
Several representatives from Four Star Greenhouse in Carleton, MI will share new programs and plants from Proven Winners.
- 3:00 **Time Management**
Connie Buhr, Owens Community College
Not enough time to accomplish all your daily tasks? Do you wonder how you could use your time more effectively? Connie will share sure-fire tips on successful time management strategies.

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Registration deadline is Tuesday, January 9, 2007

Company _____ Attendee Names _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Registration Fees (Please indicate the number of people attending)

_____ x \$25 Toledo Area Flower and Vegetable Growers Association Member

_____ x \$40 Nonmember General Admission (Not a member? Join today and save on the registration fee!)

_____ \$ **Total payment to TAFVGA**

Make check payable to TAFVGA and send to: Sandy Wardell, 7031 Heller Rd., Whitehouse, OH 43571-9462 (419)877-2820