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Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

Greetings from the Front Office,

Happy Spring!! Or Ohio's version of it. As usual, much is going on but I call your attention to two items in particular: The Department of Entomology was the lead sponsor for the recent visit of Susan Jacoby, author of *The Age of American Unreason*, to OSU. She gave a lecture to a packed house in 001 Jennings. C-SPAN even showed up to videotape the event. Susan also toured the METRO school the following day and was so impressed with the kids that she gave out her personal email to them. Susan's final stop was Battelle where she held forth in front of a crowd of 100 or so. It was a great event and Entomology was very visible; the second thing of note is our new entomology advertising campaign. We have a new version of the entomology video which the graduate students have crafted into a thing of art. Kudos to Megan, Josh, Phillip, Kate and Josh for their stellar work. Both Gordon Gee and Jim Tressel loved it. Also, our new posters advertising entomology courses will show up in CABS buses next week and copies of the posters have been sent to the secret list of ASC advisers in the hope that they might convince students to give entomology a try. With a little luck, we'll have to add 15 additional sections of Entomology 101. Well, we can dream.

Best to all,
Susan

CALENDAR

April 1st Lecture – Susan Jacoby, author of the *Age of American Unreason*, “Say It Ain’t So, Where Did America’s Rationality Go?” Jennings Hall 001 at 7:00 PM. Followed by Q&A, reception & book-signing.

April 16th Faculty meeting – 2:00-5:00, Aronoff 422 with video link to Wooster.

PRESENTATIONS

Hammond, R. “Slugs: Their Biology and Management.” 2009 Mid-Atlantic Fruit & Vegetable Convention. Hershey, PA. Feb 3, 2009.

Hammond, R. “Slug Management in Continuous No-Tillage Cropping Systems.” 2009 Five County Agriculture Conference. St. Stephens Church, VA. Feb. 4, 2009.

Hammond, R. "Managing Slugs in Corn and Soybean." 2009 Northern Neck Crop Production Conference. Warsaw, VA. Feb. 5, 2009.

Hammond, R. "Management of Field Crop Insects." Conservation Tillage and Technology Conference. Ada, OH. Feb. 27, 2009.

Hammond, R. "Field Crop Insects and Transgenic Corn." Wayne County Agronomy Day. Wooster, OH. March 4, 2009.

Hammond, R. "Field Crop Insect Update." Tri-County Agronomy Day. Carrollton, OH. March 5, 2009

Herms, D.A. "Ohio's forests under siege: the clear and present danger posed by invasive insects." Fireside Garden Club. Wooster, OH. 2 March.

Herms, D.A. "Management options for emerald ash borer: Green Industry professional perspective." OSU Extension Greene County Update, Xenia, OH. 4 March.

Herms, D.A. "Management options for emerald ash borer: private property owner perspective." OSU Extension Greene County Update, Xenia, OH. 4 March.

Herms, D.A. "Management options for emerald ash borer." Northwest Ohio Golf Course Superintendents Association. Sylvania, OH. 11 March.

Herms, D.A. "Confronting a hidden enemy. Managing wood borers in the urban forest." Minnesota Shade Tree Short Course. Minneapolis, MN. 18 March.

Herms, D.A. "Emerald ash borer: the beginning of the end of ash in North America." Entomological Society of America Eastern Branch 80th Annual Meeting. Harrisburg, PA. 22 March.

Herms, D.A. "Stress and tree resistance to wood borers: the role of coevolutionary history (and the lack thereof)." Entomological Society of America Eastern Branch 80th Annual Meeting. Harrisburg, PA. 22 March.

Herms, D.A. "The emerald ash borer invasion: how can a secondary pest threaten the existence of an entire genus?" 60th Western Forest Insect Work Conference. Spokane, WA. 25 March.

Herms, D.A. "Insecticides options for emerald ash borer and their effectiveness." OSU Extension In-Service WebEx Seminar. 30 March.

Horn, D. J. and D. Rhoda. "Some lessons from the monitoring data." 12th Annual Long-term Butterfly Monitoring Workshop. Findlay, OH. March 21, 2009

Horn, D. J. "American burying beetle: still carrion on?" Ohio Wildlife Diversity Conference. Columbus, OH March 4, 2009

Niemczyk, H. D. "Using insecticide "tools" to control Annual Bluegrass Weevil, Grubs, and other insect pests on golf courses." Turf- Links. Hartford, CT. March 12, 2009.

Uppstrom, K. and Klompen, H. "Friend or foe: a study of myrmecophilous mites." Entomological Society of America annual meeting of the North Central Branch. St. Louis, MO. March 16, 2009.

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