DID YOU KNOW??

- Worldwide, approximately 1,000 plants grown for food, beverages, fibers, spices, and medicines need to be pollinated by animals in order to produce the goods on which we depend.
- In the United States, pollination by honeybees and other insects produces $40 billion worth of products annually!

Source: Pollinator Partnership www.pollinator.org

The Perry Soil and Water Conservation District will be sponsoring the annual Conservation Art Poster Contest. The theme for 2015 is “Local Heroes—Your Hardworking Pollinators”. Information has been sent out. If you would like a classroom visit from the education specialist to help explain the poster theme to your students, please give the district office (740) 743-1325 or email Penny at penny.cox@oh.nacdnet.net.
Waste Less ~ Recycle More Education Program Highlights

Perry County Waste Reduction & Recycling will periodically feature Education Programs going on around the county. This quarter’s Education Program Highlight shares activities we are doing with 3rd Grade. To help meet instructional standards we have been working with 3rd grade classes at Glenford, New Lexington and Junction City to learn more about reducing waste, reuse and recycling to help conserve earth’s limited resources! Last fall we did the Trash Suitcase activity where students help sort through typical trash materials, learning that they all come from renewable and non-renewable natural resources. Well over half of our trash can easily be reduced, reused and recycled! Before Christmas we made our own colorful recycled paper ornaments using old pieces of paper!

Junction City 3rd grade students (left to right: J. Seals, Z. Ingram, V. Bethel, J. Goodyear, S. Harris, & J. Looman) work on sorting out the recyclable plastics from the true trash plastics (they know to look for the recycle triangle near bottom with number inside it!) Of the 7 numbers of plastic, we can recycle #1’s (pop & water bottles) and #2’s (milk jugs, detergent bottles).

New Lexington students (from left to right: H. Wells, C. Russell, A. Stumbo, and B. Stevenson) pour colorful recycled paper pulp to form new recycled paper ornaments! On a daily basis we can recycle office paper in Perry County, along with newspaper, magazines and catalogs.

Glenford students (from left to right: J. Woodruff, T. Roark, C. Dunwoody, H. Boyer, B. Daugherty, C. Clippinger (adult volunteer), D. Cayton, Keely Bobb work on drying their recycled paper ornaments using sponges.

Junction City students store their finished recycled Christmas paper ornaments in a safe spot to air dry on reused pasteboard name cards.
KUDOS!

Ben Lowder, custodian for Southern Local Schools, gives a thumbs up for REUSE! Mr. Lowder rides his 3-wheeler bicycle throughout the school using it to transport his tools and other needed items.

He found this bike in a yard sale for a very fair price and modified it for efficient use in all areas of the school. Creative Resourceful Reuse! Kudos to Mr. Ben Lowder for Wasting Less ~ Recycling More!

Photo taken by Mr. John Miller (thanks Mr. Miller!)

Local Author Wants to Visit Perry County Schools!

Primary Grade Teachers! Tom Noll, Perry County native and author of the “Trash to Treasure” Series, Recycling Creatively with L.T., has offered to visit Perry County schools in April to read his newly published book, “Selling Eggs”! Please contact Katrina to find out details for scheduling a date and time! kcarpenter@perrycountyohio.net or 740-342-7881

ATTENTION! High School & Middle School Students!

THE DEADLINE APPROACHES!!

4th Annual 3R RAP Contest!!

Deadline: April 10, 2015

Email or call Katrina Carpenter at kcarpenter@perrycountyohio.net or 342-7881

Express Your 3R Self!
WATER QUALITY EDUCATION TEACHER WORKSHOP
Tuesday, April 28, 2015
9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Workshop will be held at:
The Wilds – Evan S. Blumer Conservation Science Training Center
14000 International Road, Cumberland, Ohio 43732

Workshop will include: Project WET, Project WILD Aquatic, and Healthy Water, Healthy People.

The cost of the workshop is $52.00, which will include all three curriculum guides, all workshop materials, morning refreshments, and lunch. For an additional $175.00, one semester hour of college credit will be available through Ashland College.

The morning will be devoted to the instructed use of the three guides, as well as instructed, hands-on activities from each of the guides. The afternoon will include peer teaching of hands-on activities from each of the guides to prepare you for implementation of these activities in your classrooms. All participants will receive all three curriculum guides and will be certified in all three programs. The training session will be followed by a guided visit to The Wilds Hellbender Conservation Center.

For questions, contact:
Nicole Hafer at 740-454-2027 or nicole.hafer@muskingumswcd.org
Penny Cox at 740-435-0408 or penny.cox@oh.nacdnet.net
Levi Arnold at 740-754-1215 or larnold@guernseycounty.org

Sponsored by:
Muskingum Soil and Water Conservation District, Perry Soil and Water Conservation District, Guernsey Soil and Water Conservation District, Environmental Education Council of Ohio, and Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Education.

The curriculum guides will be provided by the Ohio EPA, Office of Environmental Education.
All activities are correlated to the Ohio Academic Standards in Science and align to standards in English/Language Arts, Technology, Math and Social Studies.

OhioEPA Water Quality Education Teacher Workshop Registration Form

Deadline to Register:

Name ________________________________

Address ________________________________

City ______________________ State ______ Zip ________

Phone ____________________________ Email __________________________

School & Grade or Agency ________________________________

☐ Yes, I will be attending for $52.00 (check enclosed)
☐ Yes, I would like Ashland Grad credit for $175.00 (payable at workshop)

Make check payable to Muskingum SWCD and mail to:
Muskingum SWCD, 225 Underwood St., Suite 100, Zanesville, OH 43701