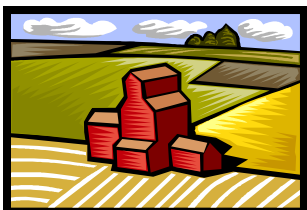


Upcoming Meeting Dates

- December 6, 2007 Comprehensive Core Pesticide Training Seminar, Winding Brook Conference Center, Shepherd, 8:30 - 4:30 pm
Eight (8) Core RUP Credits, Commercial or Private Core
- December 7 & 8, 2007 Farm it Forward Program, Hampton Inn, Birch Run
(1st of 2 part series) - See information enclosed.
- December 13, 2007 Winter RUP Meeting, Winding Brook Conference Center
Shepherd, Two (2) RUP Credits, Private & 1A, Cost: \$10.00
- December 18, 2007 Agri-Business Update, MSU Livestock Pavilion
- January 7, 2008 Annual IPM Meeting, Shifter's Restaurant, Alma
9:00 am to 3:00 pm, More details to be determined.
- January 11 & 12, 2008 Farm it Forward Program, Hampton Inn, Birch Run
(2nd of 2 part series)
- January 14, 2008 Grain Storage and Fumigation, MSU Livestock Pavilion
- January 12, 2008 Michigan Forage Council Annual, Smith Hall, St Johns
- January 25, 2008 Clare County RUP Review and Test, Mid-Michigan
Community College, Harrison, Review: 9:00 am;
Test: 1:00 pm
- February 6, 2008 Managing Alfalfa, Winding Brook Conference Center, Shepherd
- February 14, 2008 Isabella County RUP Review and Test, Isabella County
Bldg, Room 320. Review: 9:00 am; Test: 1:00 pm
- March 3, 2008 Midland RUP Review and Test, Law Enforcement Center



Comprehensive Core Pesticide Training Seminar

December 6, 2007

Winding Brook Conference Center, Shepherd

Cost: \$85.00 (lunch is on your own)

Do you need most or all of your core recertification credits before the end of the year??

In response to State of Michigan regulations, MDA and MSU Extension have developed a comprehensive core seminar that offers up-to-date information and a chance to renew core credentials in one day. The seminar consists of commercial core information and updates on federal and state pesticide laws and regulations and pesticide application methods. Topics include pest management, federal and state pesticide laws, labels, formulations, hazards, personal protective equipment, pesticides in the environment, transportation, storage and security, emergency response, pesticide application planning and procedures, professional conduct, drift management plans and managing excess pesticides.

At the end of the seminar, a short twenty question recertification exam based on information covered in the seminar will be administered by MDA. After completing the exam, applicators will receive 8 credits in commercial or private core.

For registration information, go to the website listed below.

<http://www.pested.msu.edu/Training/Core/Shepherd07.htm>

You may also contact Paul Gross at the Isabella County MSU Extension Office at 772-0911, ext. 302. **Mail registration form & fees by**

November 30th, to:

MSU Isabella County

200 N. Main

Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.

If after that date, please call the MSU Extension Office to ensure there is still room.

Farm it Forward

December 7 & 8, 2007

January 11 & 12, 2008

Cost: \$350 (4 people/2 generations)

Additional participants: \$150 each



Comfort Inn, Birch Run

A four-day workshop to help you pass the farm on to the next generation

Passing the family farm on to a child or business partner can be a difficult and complicated affair. Business planning, structure, management and legal issues are all important to consider, but where do you start?

This four-day workshop, set in two sessions, addresses these issues and provides information and resources to help you find answers. You can your business partners or family members can work together to develop a plan and make decisions about the future of your farming operation.

Some topics to be discussed:

- Is there enough room for all of us?
- Twenty years from now we will...
 - Can't we all just get along?
- What do we want, need, expect and fear?
 - Analyzing the Possibilities
 - Strategic Business Planning
 - Financial Planning
 - Estate Planning
 - Building a plan of action

For a registration brochure or more information please contact the MSU Extension office at 772-0911, ext. 302, or call Dennis Stein at 989-672-3870.

A registration brochure can be downloaded from our website at <http://www.msu.edu/user/steind/farm%20it%20forward.html>

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Do you need just a couple of RUP recertification credits before the end of the year?

If so, the Isabella County MSU Extension office is hosting a meeting **December 13, 2007** at Winding Brook Conference Center where you will receive 2 recertification credits for Private or Commercial 1A recertification.

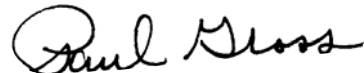
For more information contact Paul Gross at 772-0911, ext. 302.

Cost of this meeting will be \$10.00/person.

Dear Friend of Extension:

The Isabella County/MSU Extension Service is pleased to send you the enclosed material. The purpose of the Extension Service of Michigan State University is to provide educational services in Agriculture and Marketing, Home Economics, 4-H Youth Development and Natural Resources/Public Policy. These services are financed jointly by County, State and Federal funds, and are available to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status or family status.

If our staff can be of further assistance, we invite you to contact us by mail, phone or visit us at the office.



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