

# CONSERVATION NOTES

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## GREENER PASTURES

The Bedford County Conservation District is searching for producers interested in renovating rotational grazing systems. Properly managed rotational grazing systems reduce nutrient and sediment run-off. Farm operation expenses can also be reduced. Farmers who have pasture lands in need of repair,

or producers who wish to establish a rotational grazing system are encouraged to contact the district. Anyone interested in the rental of a no-till, pasture seeder is also urged to contact the district. The Bedford County Conservation District is applying for funding to purchase a small, no-till pasture

seeder and to cost share soil testing, pasture reseeding, and lime applications of degraded pasture lands. Individuals interested in pasture repair, seeder rental, or other assistance may contact the Bedford County Conservation District at 814-623-7900 ext 112.

## DISTRICT EQUIPMENT

The district has added a new 8-ton Stolzhus damp lime spreader to help with the growing rental demand. This addition now gives the District two 8-ton spreaders and one 5-ton

spreader. If you wish to rent a lime spreader the prices are as follows: Less than 80 tons is \$3.00 per ton, from 80 to 100 tons is \$2.75 per ton, and more than 100 tons is \$2.50 per ton;

there is also a \$20 delivery and set up fee. If you are planning on spreading lime please contact Cody Waltemire at 814-623-7900 ext. 128.

## NO-TILL BARN MEETINGS

The Bedford Conservation District is sponsoring two no-till meetings to discuss corn planter attachments and proper adjustments. The district currently has eight no-till corn planters to rent to county farmers.

Sixty to seventy farmers utilize these planters each spring. When district personnel check on planting progress, we frequently find im-

proper adjustments that effect planting depth and plant populations. These adjustments will be explained and demonstrated in detail at the meetings. Wineland Equipment Company has agreed to have a planter representative on hand to further explain how to efficiently operate these planters including other attachments for effective no-till planting. Even if you use your own planter you are welcome to attend.

These are very informal meetings held in the farm shop, so dress for cool conditions. Pizza

and drinks will be provided at the end of the meetings. Call the Conservation District office if you need directions to either meeting. 814-623-8099 or 7900 ext. 3.

- Rick and Chris Bowman farm— New Enterprise, PA Tuesday, February 12, 2008—10:00am—12 noon
- V. Ivan Lehman farm— Friends Cove, Pa Thursday, February 14, 2008 - 10:00am—12 noon.

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

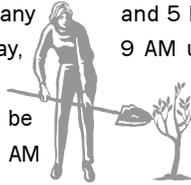
- Tree Seedling Sale Flyer Enclosed
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- District Scholarships Available
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**TREE SEEDLING SALE**

The Conservation District is now taking orders for its 2008 Tree Seedling Sale. Fifteen Species including conifers, shrubs and hardwood trees are offered.

Payment must accompany orders; due by Friday, March 21, 2008. Seedling orders must be picked up between 9 AM



and 5 PM on Friday, April 19 or 9 AM until 12 Noon, Saturday, April 19. An order form is included in this newsletter and addi-

tional copies can be obtained at the Conservation District Office or by calling 814-623-8099.

**ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION FOR THIRD & FOURTH GRADERS**

**The tree seedling sale proceeds sustain valuable youth education programs.**

The Conservation District in partnership with the DCNR State Forester is planning Arbor Day programs for third and fourth grade classes in Bedford County during the week of April 14–April 18, 2008.

During the 45-minute program, students will view a video, “Arbor Day: the Holiday that Makes a Difference,” which provides an entertaining and motivational look at Arbor Day and the importance of trees.

To schedule a program for your classroom, please call the conservation district at 814-623-8099, before March 1.



**CONSERVATION/GLEN BEACH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Bedford County Conservation District (BCCD) is offering a \$500 scholarship in honor of the late Glen Beach, honoring Glen's contributions in conservation tillage. The scholarship is funded by the No-Till Rental Equipment Program. The scholarship is available to a Bedford County undergraduate college

student in the field of agriculture, environmental studies, soils, or natural resources. Applicants should be sophomore, junior or senior status. Applications are to be post-marked no later than May 31, 2008.

Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of academic merit,

curriculum of study, quality of the written essay and career goals that are consistent with the BCCD mission.

Successful recipients will be notified by postal mail shortly after the committee selection; anticipate scholarship availability in September.

For applications please contact:

Bedford County Conservation District Scholarship Committee  
Fairlawn Court, Suite 3  
702 West Pitt Street  
Bedford, PA 15522  
Telephone: 814-623-8099.

**WILLIAM PLANK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The BCCD will be administering the William Plank Memorial Scholarship which will be avail-

able to Bedford County undergraduate college students in the fields of conservation or

environmental studies. Interested individuals should contact BCCD, forthcoming details

will be available in the near future.

**CONSERVATION RECYCLING CENTER**

The Clearville Recycling Center will be operating on regular business hours beginning April 1, 2008. (The 1st and 3rd Saturday and Tuesday of each month. Hours of operation are 9:00 am till 1:00 pm.)

The center is currently open the third Saturday of each month.

Materials Collected at the center must be sorted individually, placed into the correct contain-

ers and should be loose and dry

Acceptable Materials:

- Newspaper
- Office Paper
- Junk Mail
- Magazines (glossy)
- Cardboard, must be flatten
- Plastic (1,2, 3,5 & 7)
- Aluminum (Beverage cans) NO FOIL
- Bi metal cans (soup cans,

coffee cans)

- Clear Glass (bottles, jars)
- Green Glass (bottles, jars)
- Brown Glass (bottles, jars)

Window Glass is NOT Accepted.

- Oil
- Antifreeze

Materials accepted only during site hours. DO Not leave materials unattended at the site!

For more information Please

Contact Regina Miller or Richard Hershberger at:

Phone: (814) 623-8099

**The Conservation District anticipates a weekly Electronics collection, starting this summer!**



Burgmeier's Hauling will begin voluntary curbside recycling pick-up in Bedford County, starting Feb. 1. Burgmeier's Hauling trucks are equipped with a front compartment, which collects recycling materials, and the garbage collection area in the back.



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## *Burgmeier's Hauling introduces voluntary curbside recycling pick-up for Bedford County*

Effective Feb. 1, 2008, Burgmeier's Hauling will begin a new curbside recycling program in Bedford County for current and new customers.

This is the first curbside recycling program offered in Bedford County. And there is no additional charge for this service.

Each week, Burgmeier's Hauling will be picking up recyclable materials along with your garbage. If you're interested in this service, simply separate your recyclable material from your garbage and put it in a separate container near your garbage.

Recycling containers will not be provided for customers. Use marked clear bags, plastic bins or garbage cans for recyclable materials.

Collection dates for co-mingled recycling materials are the first (full week) and third weeks and paper recycling is the second and fourth weeks of each month.

By working together, we hope to help make Bedford County a more eco-friendly community for future generations.

### **CO-MINGLED RECYCLING MATERIALS**

- \* No. 1 and No. 2 plastics bottles and jugs (numbers printed on bottom of containers)
- \* Aluminum/tin food and beverage containers
- \* Glass – brown, green and clear containers. No window glass

### **PAPER RECYCLING MATERIALS INCLUDE:**

- \* Newspaper (tied and bundled separately)
- \* Newspaper inserts
- \* Magazines and catalogs



### **TO BECOME A BURGMEIER'S HAULING CUSTOMER ...**

Call our Bedford office:

(814) 624-2477 or (800) 491-8975, ext. 201.



Non-Profit  
Organization  
Permit Number 100

**TREE SEEDLING  
SALE FLYER  
ENCLOSED!**

## **POINTS OF CONTACT BEDFORD COUNTY CONSERVATION**

702 West Pitt Street Phone: (814) 623-8099  
Suites 3 & 4 Fax: (814) 623-0481

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## **2008 BEDFORD COUNTY ENVIROTHON DATES**

The 2008 Sr. High Envirothon will be held at Shawnee State Park on Thursday, April 24. The Jr. High Envirothon will be held at Shawnee State Park on Tuesday, May 6 and the Elementary Envirothon will be held at Shawnee State Park on Wednesday, May 7. If you have any questions concerning the 2008 event, please call Regina at 623-8099

### **WHO WE ARE:**

Since its inception in 1956, the Bedford County Conservation District has served as the primary local source of information and assistance for natural resource related issues. From its beginnings as an agricultural agency providing soil and water conservation planning on farmland, the District has expanded its services and staff providing additional land use services: watershed management and education in both regulatory and non-regulatory issues in both the farm and non-farm communities.

### **CONSERVATION PLEDGE:**

I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully to defend from waste the natural resources of my country—its air, soil and minerals its forests, waters and wildlife.

### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT:**

The Bedford County Conservation District encourages stewardship and conservation of natural resources for this and future generations.