
CONSERVATION NEWS

DEFIANCE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT | SPRING 2021

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2021 VIRTUAL ENVIROTHON TEAMS

This past Spring, Defiance County had 7 teams compete in the 2021 Virtual Envirothon. Participating teams are made up of 5 high school students that are tested on subjects such as forestry, soils, wildlife, and aquatics. Area 1 had 27 teams competing and Aversville High School came in 9th & 24th place. Fairview High School teams placed 3rd, 18th, and 23rd. Tinora High School took 14th & 17th place in the competition. Teams were able to study with the Defiance SWCD Education & Outreach Coordinator through a new online portal. The portal had videos from several natural resource professionals, quizzes to test their knowledge, and other study materials to prepare them for the competition.

Congrats to Aversville High School team members Jacob Stiltner, Daniel Hinojosa,

Allison Engel, Zach Moss, Kiera Bohn, Emma Limber, Aidan Smith, Cade Hanenkraft, Garrett Flory, and Maggie Wakeham. Also, to Fairview High School team members Tori Scantlen, Adrion Davenport, Blake Zeedyk, Dakota Shaffer, Treyvon Hastings, Reed Singer, Anna Ankney, Karrie Smith, Olivia Ricica, Colt Osmun, Katelyn Bergman, Leah Layman, Erin Reineck, Chelsea McCreery, and Elizabeth Puffinberger. Plus, Tinora High School team members Grady Gustwiller, Carter Bernal, Jason DeWyse, Jake Russell, Hayden Hall, Lauren Sattler, Abby Wiemken, London Vandehey, Hailey Schultz, and MaKenna Helmke.

We are so proud of the Defiance County Envirothon teams and can't wait for next year!

HIT THE TRAIL!

PENNEY NATURE CENTER TRAILS

The trails are calling and we must go! Defiance Soil & Water Conservation District provides nature enthusiasts, outdoor recreation lovers, and everyone in-between, 78 acres of natural areas. Hop on the 1.5 miles of trails through wetlands, prairies, and forests. Or bring your family and friends to enjoy our shelter house and observation decks located on the property.

While you visit, you can admire our brand new sign! If you are interested in volunteering for improvements projects or have any questions about PNC, call 419.782.1794 or email dmark-wilson@defiance-county.com

BUCKEYE TRAIL

Ohio's Buckeye Trail in Defiance County is located right on the Maumee River. The trail takes you through the diverse parts of our corner of the state, reflecting the stories of our unique community and landscape. Check out the trail map on buckeyetrail.org

H2OHIO UPDATE

As the H2Ohio program continues to ramp up, Amy Birtcher our H2Ohio Specialist has a few things to remind producers of that are enrolled into the program.

- Verification forms that were emailed out in November 2020 to the producers involved, are not due in the office until the practice is finished. In order to get payments, those will need to be completed, signed, and approved.
- As producers are making fall and spring applications, as-applied maps are a requirement for the program and will need to be turned in to the office.
- Payments for the Voluntary Nutrient Management Plans, fall phosphorus application, and spring phosphorus applications will be in June, once verification forms are turned in and approved.
- Agreement extensions will be tentatively signed in July. More information will be coming out in the future.

The Voluntary Nutrient Management Plans were due on April 1st.

Ohio Agricultural Conservation Initiative farmer profiles were due March 31st.

As the program continues, please do not hesitate to call the office with any questions that you may have.

FISH SALE



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Recommended Stocking Rates per 1- acre pond

UNFORTUNATELY
LARGEMOUTH BASS ARE NOT
AVAILABLE THIS YEAR FOR
SALE, SO NOTE THAT THESE
RECOMMENDED RATES FOR
OF FISH TO STOCK PER
ONE-ACRE POND ALL INCLUDE
INCORPORATING
LARGEMOUTH BASS.

	REDEAR				
BASS	BLUEGILL	SUNFISH	CATFISH	PERCH	
100	500	250	0	0	
100	250	0	0	0	
100	500	0	100	0	
100	0	0	0	100	
100	500	0	0	100	
100	500	0	100	100	

Fish Sale preordered fingerlings pick-up on:

Tuesday, April 27th from 3:30pm to 4:00pm at Defiance Soil & Water Conservation District

Bring own containers filled with pond water close to time of pick-up. Line container with unscented plastic bag. 5-10 gallon container is adequate for 100 fish except for White Amur & Koi which need 5-10 gallon container per 2-3 fish. Fish are guaranteed to be in good condition at the time of delivery, but we cannot guarantee survival after stock is in your pond. Order deadline is Wednesday, April 21st | Mail order & payment to: Defiance SWCD, 06879 Evansport Road, Suite C, Defiance, OH 43512

DETACH BOTTOM HALF AND DROP OFF OR MAIL ORDER FORM.

Species	Size	Price	Quantity	Total Cost
Bluegill	2"- 4"	\$0.90		\$
Redear Sunfish	2"- 4"	\$0.90		\$
Hybrid Bluegill	2"- 4"	\$0.90		\$
Channel Catfish	4"- 5"	\$0.80		\$
Yellow Perch	2"- 3"	\$0.95		\$
Fathead Minnows	1"- 3"	\$0.08		\$
Triploid White Amur	8"- 10"	\$14.00		\$
Koi	6"- 8"	\$12.00		\$

Order Total \$

Name	Daytime Phone #
Address	email
City	State/Zip Code

FISH SALE WORD SEARCH



SOMETHING'S FISHY HERE... TAKE JUST A FEW MINUTES TO COMPLETE THE WORD SEARCH BELOW AND RETURN IT TO OUR OFFICE BY JUNE 25TH. THE RANDOMLY DRAWN WINNER WILL RECEIVE AN ICE CREAM GIFT CARD. GOOD LUCK!

N	I	F	H	B	P	W	O	N	N	I	M	T	F
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- FLOUNDER
- ALGAE
- LAKES
- GILLS
- SCALES
- CATFISH
- BOAT
- TACKLEBOX
- EGGS
- AQUATIC
- MINNOW
- BAIT
- FRESHWATER
- LINCENSE
- PREDATOR
- POND
- MARINE
- FIN
- BLUEGILL
- OCEAN
- PROTEIN
- FILLET
- PERCH
- LINE



NAME: _____

PHONE #: _____

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BRILLION GRASS SEEDER

- 10-FOOT SEEDING WIDTH WITH 2 SEPARATE SEED BOXES
- MUST HAVE GROUND TILLED, LEVEL & LOOSE
- SEED IS DROPPED BETWEEN 2 SETS OF ROLLERS & COVERED WITH LOOSE SOIL
- \$75 MINIMUM OR \$10 PER ACRE



HAYBUSTER ALL-PURPOSE DRILL

- 10-FOOT SEEDING WIDTH WITH A BROAD RANGE OF SEEDING OPTIONS
- DESIGNED TO EFFICIENTLY SEED NO-TILL, MINIMUM TILL OR CONVENTIONALLY TILLED FIELDS
- OFFERS THE FLEXIBILITY OF SEEDING ALONE OR PLANTING MULTIPLE DIFFERENT SEEDS
- \$75 MINIMUM OR \$15 PER ACRE



STRAW MULCHER (BLOWER)

- PULL BEHIND A PICK-UP TRUCK WITH A 2-INCH BALL
- STRAW MULCHER FUEL TANK MUST BE REFILLED
- \$75 MINIMUM OR \$12 PER HOUR IF RUN OVER 6 HOURS



TREE PLANTER PULL-TYPE

- ROAD TRANSPORT BEHIND PICK-UP TRUCK WITH A 2-INCH BALL
 - \$30 MINIMUM OR \$30 PER 1,000 TREES PLANTED

If you're interested in renting through us, then call our office to schedule a time slot to reserve desired equipment.



What do you find beautiful about Defiance County? What do you feel best represents it? We'd love for you to show us! All ages are able to submit a photo for the competition. Photos will be judged by Defiance SWCD staff. Email photo to dmark-wilson@defiance-county.com Entries are due November 30th, 2021

2021 NACD POSTER CONTEST

In 1955, the National Association of Conservation Districts began a national program to encourage Americans to focus on stewardship. The poster contest encourages students to understand the theme each year and promotes it through a contest. If you are interested in participating in this year's Poster Contest, please email our Education & Outreach Coordinator, Dru, at dmark-wilson@defiance-county.com, or call 419.782.1794.



Native Plant Workshop

APRIL 22ND, 2021 @ 4:00-5:00 PM

VIRTUAL EVENT WHERE WE WILL DISCUSS NATIVE PLANTS, NON-NATIVE PLANTS, AND INVASIVE SPECIES. PLUS HOW WE CAN INCORPORATE NATIVE PLANTS INTO OUR YARDS TO BENEFIT WILDLIFE.

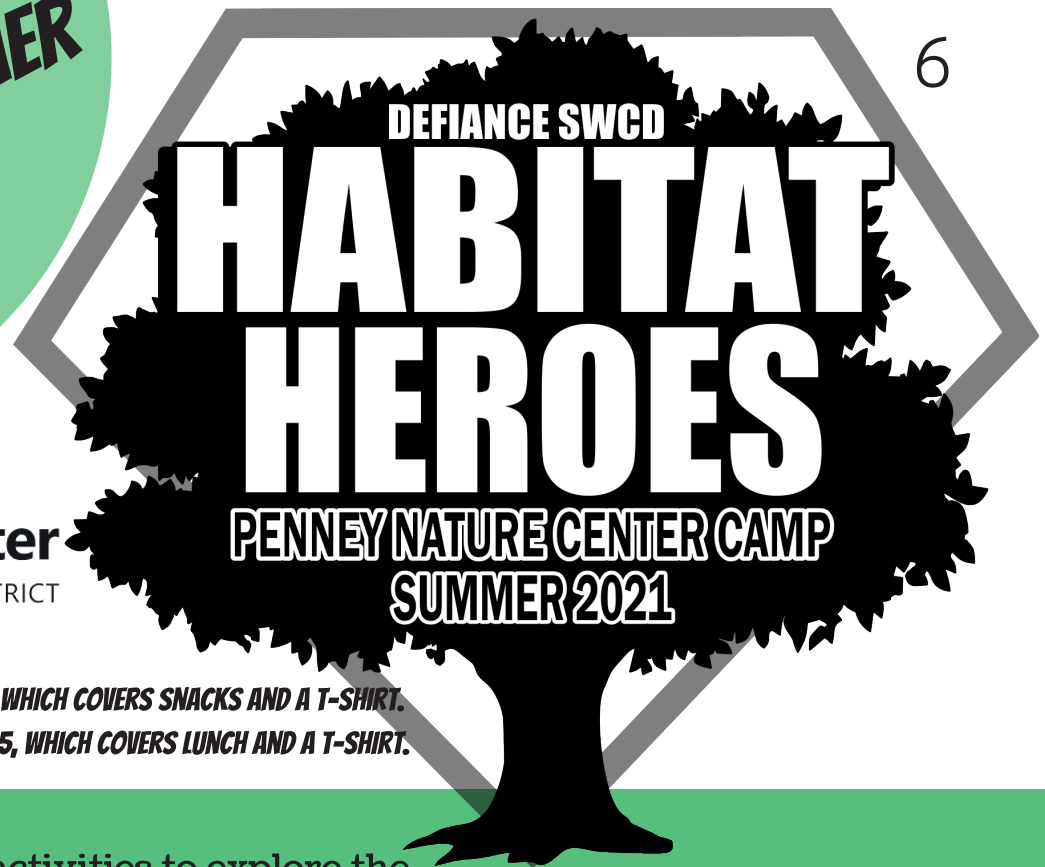
JOIN US ON FACEBOOK LIVE: DEFIANCE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



**SIGN UP FOR SUMMER
CAMP 2021!**



DEFIANCE
Soil & Water
CONSERVATION DISTRICT



DEFIANCE SWCD
**HABITAT
HEROES**
PENNEY NATURE CENTER CAMP
SUMMER 2021

**K-2ND GRADE CAMP: COST FOR THE CAMP IS \$15, WHICH COVERS SNACKS AND A T-SHIRT.
3RD-5TH GRADE CAMP: COST FOR THE CAMP IS \$25, WHICH COVERS LUNCH AND A T-SHIRT.**

Kids will participate in fun activities to explore the woods, creek, meadows, and wetlands at Penney Nature Center. Focus will be on the animals that live in each ecosystem. The camp is taught by Defiance Soil and Water Conservation District staff and other natural resource educators. Questions? Please call or email Dru Mark-Wilson: 419 782-1794, dmark-wilson@defiance-county.com

REGISTER HERE:

<https://www.defianceswcd.org/penney-nature-center-camp.html>



CAMP IS LIMITED TO DEFIANCE COUNTY STUDENTS FINISHING:

KINDERGARTEN - 2ND GRADE

JUNE 8TH-10TH, 8:30AM TO 11:45AM

3RD - 5TH GRADE

JUNE 15TH-17TH, 8:30AM TO 2:00PM

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The SWCD Board of Supervisors typically holds its regular monthly meeting (open to the public) on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 AM. Any changes to this date/time will be posted in the local newspaper.