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Monthly Grape Grower Social continues at Karma Vista on June 21

This month's social features grower-to-grower discussion on soils, weeds, drones and leaf removal tools at Karma Vista Winery. \$15.00 per person. Register by June 19, call 269-927-5674, or styburs1@msu.edu.

Working with Wetlands Field Day, June 21

On-farm field day to present information on wetlands and program enrollment sponsored by Berrien Conservation District and ANR/TransCanada Pipeline Company. Free; RUP and MAEAP credits. Register before Friday, June 16th. 269-471-9111 x3, or nancy.carpenter@macd.org.

Brown Marmorated Stink Bug Clinic, June 22

In 2016, there were several reports of damage to apples and peaches from the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug. Following a mild winter, the 2017 season is sure be a banner year for this invasive pest. Grand Rapids; pre-registration required.

MSU Small Ruminant Management Series: forages and grazing, June 26-27

Small Ruminant Management Series, a two-day event, on June 26 and 27, will focus on improving forage use through grazing as well as efficient machine harvest. Tips for selecting an optimal forage system, grazing management considerations, forage planning, and developing practical skills. Fee: \$150.

Clean Sweep pesticide collection, June 28

The first Clean Sweep collection for the Berrien, Cass, and Van Buren county area is June 28 in Benton Harbor. Clean Sweep is open to all Michigan farmers, greenhouses, golf courses, pesticide retailers, and individuals. Participants must register by June 21. Registration forms are at www.berriencounty.org/recycle or call Jill Adams in the Berrien County Parks Department at 269-983-7111 x8234. Forms are also at Berrien, Cass, and Van Buren MSU-Extension and Conservation District offices.

Monday fruit IPM meeting, through June 26

Held Mondays at [Fruit Acres Farms 3452 Friday Rd, Coloma](http://www.fruitacres.com), at 5 p.m. Two Michigan RUP applicator recertification credits are available at these meetings.

Post-bloom fungicide choices in blueberries

Controlling different diseases calls for a change in fungicide choice.

Identifying fields and preparation work for pre-sidedress soil nitrate test

Identifying the right fields and some preparation work are critical to achieving the desired results from the pre-sidedress soil nitrate test (PSNT).

New apple combined tools on Enviroweather

View the status of apple crop and four insect pests in Enviroweather's new combined models.

Rainfast characteristics of insecticides on fruit

Precipitation can impact the performance of insecticides on fruit crops, but some compounds resist wash-off.

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