

# *Ohio Grape-Wine Electronic Newsletter*

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# OSU Summer Workshops & Field Day

By *Imed Dami and Dave Scurlock*












1) **Southern Ohio Workshop**-A viticulture workshop focusing on Pre-harvest considerations will be held at 1:00 pm on August 4, 2009 at Harmony Hill Vineyards & Estate Winery. Bill Skvarla, owner of Harmony Hill Vineyards & Estate Winery, is hosting this event. Bill' vineyard and winery is located in Bethel, Ohio and has recently opened his wine cave for wine storage. Topics covered for the workshop will be Crop Estimation, Fruit Sampling and Juice (berry) analysis . OSU personnel Dr Imed Dami, State Viticulture Specialist, Todd Steiner, Enology Outreach Specialist and David Scurlock, Viticulture Outreach Specialist will be the presenters.

Directions to:

***Harmony Hill Vineyards***

***2534 Swings Corner Pt. Isabel Road***

***Bethel, Ohio 45106***

Directions from Cincinnati	1. Head <b>south</b> on <b>OH-127/Plum St/US-127/US-42/US-52</b> toward <b>McFarland St</b>		469 ft
	2. Turn <b>right</b> at <b>W 3rd St/OH-127/US-127/US-27/US-42/US-52</b>		449 ft
	3. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>Central Ave/US-52</b>		0.3 mi
	4. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>W Mehring Way/US-52</b>		0.6 mi
	5. Continue on <b>Main St</b>		0.2 mi
	6. Turn <b>right</b> to merge onto <b>US-50 E</b>		0.6 mi
	7. Take the exit onto <b>I-471 S</b> Entering Kentucky		4.9 mi
	8. Take exit <b>1A</b> on the <b>left</b> to merge onto <b>I-275 E</b> Entering Ohio		9.2 mi
	9. Take exit <b>65</b> for <b>OH-125</b> toward <b>Amelia/Beechmont Ave</b>		0.4 mi
	10. Turn <b>right</b> at <b>OH-125/Ohio Pike</b> (signs for <b>Amelia</b> ) Continue to follow OH-125		12.1 mi
	11. Turn <b>right</b> at <b>Crane Schoolhouse Rd</b>		0.7 mi

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12. Turn **left** at **Swings Corner PT Isab Rd**

 1.5 mi


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2534 PT. Isabel Swings Corner Rd  
Bethel, OH 45106


**Directions from Columbus, Ohio**

1. Head **east** on **E Broad St/US-40**  0.1 mi  
toward **N Pearl St**


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2. Turn **right** at **S 3rd St/US-23/US-33/US-62**  0.6 mi  
Continue to follow S 3rd St/US-23/US-33


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3. Turn **right** to merge onto **I-70 W/I-71 S**  0.8 mi


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4. Take the exit on the **left** onto **I-71 S**  89.0 mi  
toward **Cincinnati**


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5. Take exit **17A** to merge onto **I-275 E** toward **OH-32**  16.7 mi


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6. Take exit **65** for **OH-125** toward **Amelia/Beechmont Ave**  0.4 mi


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7. Turn **left** at **OH-125/Ohio Pike**  12.3 mi  
(signs for **Amelia**)  
Continue to follow OH-125

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8. Turn **right** at **Crane Schoolhouse Rd**  0.7 mi

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9. Turn **left** at **Swings Corner PT Isab Rd**  1.5 mi



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2) **Northern Ohio Workshop**-A viticulture workshop focusing on Pre-harvest considerations will be held at 11:00 am on August 7, 2009 at Quarry Hill Winery and Orchard. Mac Maclelland, owner of Quarry Hill Winery and Orchard, is hosting this event. Mac's vineyard and winery are located in Berlin Heights, Ohio and currently has his new winery expansion under construction. Topics covered for the workshop will be Crop Estimation, Fruit Sampling


and Juice (berry) analysis . OSU personnel Dr Imed Dami, State Viticulture Specialist, Todd Steiner, Enology Outreach Specialist and David Scurlock, Viticulture Outreach Specialist will be the presenters.

Directions to:

***Quarry Hill Winery and Orchard***  
***8403 Mason Road***  
***Berlin Heights, Ohio 44814***

Directions from Columbus, Ohio


1. Head <b>east</b> on <b>E Broad St/US-40</b> toward <b>N Pearl St</b>		1.0 mi
2. Turn <b>left</b> onto the <b>N Innerbelt</b> ramp		0.3 mi
3. Take exit <b>5A</b> to merge onto <b>I-71 N</b> toward <b>Cleveland</b>		77.5 mi
4. Take exit <b>186</b> toward <b>Ashland</b>		0.3 mi
5. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>US-250 E</b>		1.7 mi
6. Turn <b>right</b> to merge onto <b>US-250/US-42</b>		1.0 mi
7. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>US-250</b>		2.2 mi
8. Turn <b>right</b> at <b>Cottage St/OH-60/US-250</b> Continue to follow US-250		16.7 mi
9. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>OH-162/State Route 162 E</b> Continue to follow OH-162		1.0 mi
10. Continue on <b>OH-13/US-250</b>		9.8 mi
11. Slight <b>right</b> to merge onto <b>OH-18 E/US-20 N</b> toward <b>Cleveland</b> Continue to follow US-20 N		2.7 mi
12. Take the exit toward <b>Cleveland</b>		269 ft
13. Merge onto <b>Twp Hwy 245/US-20 E</b> Continue to follow US-20 E		4.2 mi
14. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>Hartland Center Rd</b>		2.5 mi
15. Continue on <b>Ceylon Rd</b>		1.4 mi
16. Slight <b>left</b> at <b>OH-61/State Route 61 E</b> Continue to follow OH-61		1.9 mi
17. Turn <b>right</b> at <b>Mason Rd</b>		2.2 mi

 Quarry Hill Winery and Orchard  
8403 Mason Rd  
Berlin Heights, OH 44814

From Cleveland, Ohio

Cleveland, OH

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| 1. Head <b>southeast</b> on <b>OH-14/OH-43/OH-8/Ontario St/US-20/US-422</b> toward <b>W Superior Ave/US-20/US-42/US-6</b><br>Continue to follow OH-14/OH-43/OH-8/Ontario St/US-422 |  0.3 mi   |
| 2. Turn <b>right</b> to stay on <b>OH-14/OH-43/OH-8/Ontario St/US-422</b><br>Continue to follow OH-14/OH-43/OH-8/US-422  |  0.3 mi   |
| 3. Merge onto <b>I-90 W</b> via the ramp to <b>I-71</b>  |  1.1 mi   |
| 4. Take the exit onto <b>I-90 W</b> toward <b>Toledo</b>   |  26.2 mi  |
| 5. Slight <b>right</b> at <b>OH-2 W</b> (signs for <b>Lorain/OH-58/OH-2/Sandusky</b> )   |  19.3 mi  |
| 6. Take the exit toward <b>Berlin Heights</b>  |  0.3 mi   |
| 7. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>Ceylon Rd/OH-61</b>  |  0.5 mi   |
| 8. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>Smokey Rd</b>  |  2.2 mi |
| 9. Turn <b>right</b> at <b>Frailey Rd</b>  |  0.2 mi |
| 10. Turn <b>left</b> at <b>Mason Rd</b>  |  0.2 mi |

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Berlin Heights, Ohio

3) AARS-Ashtabula Agricultural Research Station in Kingsville, Ohio will host a Field Day and Twilight Tour August 19, 2009. The topics covered will be current research along with a demonstration of crop estimations and fruit sampling techniques. Immediately following will be the Northeast Ohio Twilight Grape Tour and dinner . Watch OGEN for directions and more information.

## ASEV -E Conference – Still Time to register!

By: *Imed Dami, HCS-OARDC*

It is still time to register for the upcoming ASEV-E. I strongly encourage our grape and wine producers to attend this once in a long-time opportunity to hear new research advances on grape growing and wine making. This is not a meeting just for academic people. It is also beneficial to industry members as well. If you are not able to attend the whole thing, try the symposium on July 22, with most practical topics geared toward commercial grape and wine production in eastern US, including Ohio. There are excellent topics in this symposium from renowned researchers and experts in the field of viticulture and enology. At less than \$200, it is an excellent bargain with 15 topics and speakers, and more than 10 wine tastings including a plated lunch matched with a variety of wines from all over the wine regions in eastern US.

Quail Hollow is booked but here is a list of alternate lodging nearby:

[Red Roof Inn Discount Hotel](#) - [more info](#) »

4166 State Route 306, Willoughby, OH - (440) 946-9872

Category: **Hotels & Motels**

rates:\$49-70

5 minutes to Quail Hollow

Baymont Inn & Suites Concord/Mentor

7581 Auburn Road

Rt 44 off I-90

Concord, OH 44077 US

 [Maps & Directions](#)

**Phone:**

440-579-0300

**Fax:**

440-579-0301

rate:\$79

1 minutes to Quail Hollow

[Holiday Inn Exp Stes Mentor](#) , **4.01 miles**

no rating,, from \$99.00, [detail](#)

5785 Heisley Rd,MENTOR, OH 44060

[Map Direction](#), [Cheap Gas](#), [Local Traffic](#), [Local Services](#), [CityGuide](#), [Book Now](#)

5 minutes to Quail Hollow

[Residence Inn By Marriott Cleveland Mentor](#) , **4.01 miles**

3 stars, from \$109.00, [detail](#)

5660 Emerald Ct,MENTOR, OH 44060

[Map Direction](#), [Cheap Gas](#), [Local Traffic](#), [Local Services](#), [CityGuide](#), [Book Now](#)

5 minutes to Quail Hollow

[Best Western Lawnfield Inn](#) , 4.56 miles

2.5 stars, from \$73.00, [detail](#)

8434 Mentor Ave, MENTOR, OH 44060

5 minutes to Quail Hollow

To register for the conference, log on to <http://www.nysaes.cornell.edu/fst/asev/index.php> or contact Nancy Long at 315-787-2288.

We hope to see you there!

## State Budget Impact on Ohio's Grape & Wine Industry

*By Robert J. Boggs, Director, Ohio Department of Agriculture and OGIC Chair*

*(Editor's note – the following statement by Director, Robert Boggs, was released on June 30, 2009. I've included in this issue to keep our OGEN subscribers up to date about the recent budget cuts that will affect marketing and research in this fiscal year. For more information, you may contact Christy Eckstein. For impact on specific programs, you may contact respective researchers.)*

“...Dear Ohio Wineries and Stakeholders:

As you know, the Ohio Grape Industries Committee (OGIC) is strongly committed to keeping our constituents informed about state budget developments and the impact it will have on Ohio's grape and wine industry. Ohio's budget process this year has been long and torturous, and with only two weeks left until the new biennial budget is to be enacted on July 14, it is important that I make you aware of some of the budget proposals and discussions that will impact the industry.

The OGIC approved FY10 marketing and research strategic plans reflective of the fact that Ohio's economy is still being ravaged by the national recession. Although, the revenue OGIC receives from the excise tax on the sale of wine is higher than ever before, state revenues continue to decline, thus contributing to a growing deficit for the next biennium that is projected to be over \$3 billion. In order to help balance the budget, Governor Strickland signed an executive order, in late April, requiring the further reduction of state agency expenditures in response to the continuing impact of the national recession on the state's fiscal situation. The executive order required state agencies to develop spending plans for contracted services and supplies, with a 30 percent overall reduction in such spending for fiscal years 2010-2011. This means that the OGIC, after administrative expenses were deducted, had to reduce the remaining \$657,000 budget to \$460,000, with roughly \$138,000 allocated for marketing and \$322,000 for research. However, it should be noted that although we have a reduction in the amount we are

allowed to spend, the OGIC will not be losing revenue. The revenue brought in, above and beyond, our spending allocation, will be placed in our reserves for future use.

The major changes you may notice within the marketing programs will be a reduction in the amount of wine bags and 6-bottle carriers that each winery will receive throughout the year, fewer industry print ads, and a more competitive cost share marketing and promotion program.

As a result of budget cutbacks and information gathered from the Industry Research & Outreach Prioritization Survey, you will notice an increase in outreach and extension programs from OARDC staffers, including more site visits and monthly issues of the OGEN newsletter, as well as the cancellation of the Ohio Grape & Wine Conference, which will be replaced with four regional conferences across the state. There will also be a reduction in the number of vineyard and variety trials, however, the existing vineyards will continue to be maintained for future research.

I would like to thank each member of Ohio's grape and wine industry for your resolve and dedication during these very difficult times. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Christy Eckstein at (614) 728-6438 or [ceckstein@agri.ohio.gov](mailto:ceckstein@agri.ohio.gov).

Sincerely,

Robert J. Boggs

Director, ODA

Chairman, OGIC..."