



NEWSLETTER FOR MG PROGRAM COORDINATORS

AUGUST 2011

Friday Aug 5th Program Coordinators' webinar
Upcoming webinars of interest
Annual WSU MG Conference

AUGUST MG PROGRAM COORDINATORS' MEETING

Friday, Aug 5th, 10-11 am breeze.wsu.edu/mg
use your headset microphones

Agenda:

- Meeting together in Ocean Shores
- Extension "reorganization"
- Collecting data for end-of year reports
- Anything else you want to bring up

UPCOMING WEBINARS OF INTEREST

See attachment for Aug 9th workshops in Prosser

Using Adobe Presenter for Online Extension Education Programs.

August 12, 2011; Webinar, 10:00 am

Presented by Kevin Zobrist, WSU Extension Area Extension Educator, Forest Stewardship. Be ready to develop your on demand educational modules by learning from Kevin's experiences. He has developed many modules and is using them to generate revenue for his program.

http://breeze.wsu.edu/online_extension_program/

Using Facebook in Extension Programming.

October 14, 2011; Webinar, 10:00 am

Learn the steps to create a Facebook page for your program, appropriate and inappropriate uses for Facebook in Extension programming, tips for having success and avoiding pitfalls, and how Facebook compares to other available social media tools. Presented by Kevin Zobrist, WSU Extension Area Extension Educator, Forest Stewardship

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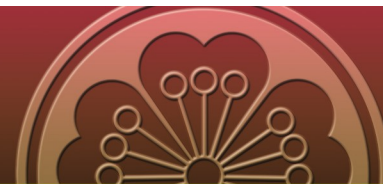
The Western Cherry Fruit Fly webinar created by Paula Dinius is at <http://breeze.wsu.edu/p52095515/>

You and MG volunteers may view this anytime. Good for continuing education credit. Thank you, Paula!

ANNUAL WSU MG CONFERENCE

Register now for the 2011 WSU Master Gardener Advanced-Education Conference and save \$25. The Full Conference Registration Fee will increase from \$175 to \$200 on August 15th. The conference will be held in the Ocean Shores Convention Center, September 22-24. There will be 28 seminars to choose from, all led by experts in their fields. Click the link below for complete information, and register now to take advantage of the current rate.

<http://www.regonline.com/mgfbeach2011>



ADVANCED MG TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY
 EXTENSION

Master Gardener Program

INSECT ID WORKSHOP

August 9th, 2011

9:30-12:00 or 1:00-4:00

WSU Prosser

Bunn Rd. Prosser

OVERVIEW

This hands-on workshop will cover the biology, monitoring, identification and control of two new invasive insect pests. Spotted Wing Drosophila (SWD) was first detected in Eastern Washington in the summer of 2010 and has already been trapped in Pasco this year. SWD is a serious threat to fruit crops such as cherry, peach, nectarine, plum, pluot, raspberry, blackberry, blueberry, and strawberry.

The Brown Marmorated Stinkbug (BMSB) was caught in Western Washington last summer and has the potential of migrating to Eastern Washington. BMSB has since spread down the eastern coast to Virginia and west with detections as far as California, Oregon, and Washington. This pest is known to attack high valued tree fruit crops as well as vegetables and small fruit.

REGISTRATION

This workshop is open to all Master Gardeners. Space is limited to 20 participants in each session. To register for either the morning or the afternoon workshop, call the Benton County Extension Office at 509-735-3551. There is no charge. Carpooling is encouraged.

