

The Venango Conservation District would like to invite you to the 2014 Venango County Agricultural Field Day hosted by Mike and Sandy Ohler, owners of Sandy Valley Farms in Polk, PA. Sandy Valley Farms has been a long time contributor to the Venango Conservation District. Together they have worked to implement different conservation practices around the farm. They continue to work together to reestablish an interactive field day for the local rural and agricultural community. The goal of the field day is to teach people the importance of implementing conservation practices on agricultural operations, and the benefits, financially and environmentally.



"We All Live Downstream"

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Venango Conservation District
1793 Cherrytree Road
Franklin, PA 16323



2014 Venango County Agricultural Field Day



July 25th, 2014
9:00am-3:30pm
Sandy Valley Farms-
Polk, PA

*Hosted by Mike and Sandy Ohler of
Sandy Valley Farms*

Agenda

- 8:00-8:55.....Registration
- 8:55-9:00.....Welcome
- 9:00-9:40.....Evolution of No-Till
Mike Ohler-Sandy Valley Farms
- 9:40-9:50.....Travel to field site
- 9:50-10:20.....Streambank/Ag Compliance
Lance Bowes-VCD District Manager
Joel Semke-REAP Coordinator-SCC
- 10:20-10:50.....Hybrid Selection in No-Till
Kevin Fry-Field Agronomist-Dupont Pioneer
- 10:50-11:00.....Travel back to farm
- 11:00-11:30.....REAP
Joel Semke-REAP Coordinator-SCC
- 11:30-11:45.....NRCS Programs
Jared Shippey-District Conservationist-NRCS
- 11:45-1:00.....Lunch/"Ask the Experts"
- 1:00-1:10.....Travel to field site
- 1:10-2:10.....Soil profile modification with permanent no-tillage: how no-tillage changes the soil from the top to the bottom.
Joel Myers-No-Till Specialist and Sjoerd Duiker-Penn State
- 2:10-2:40.....Corn Root Worm Population Study
Kevin Fry-Field Agronomist-Dupont Pioneer
- 2:40-2:50.....Travel back to farm
- 2:50-3:30.....Closing Remarks/"Ask the Experts"

Tentative schedule. Subject to change.







GPS System Overview

An optional presentation will be offered at the end of the field day for anyone who is interested, from about 3:30pm-4:15pm back at Sandy Valley Farms.

This portion of the day will cover GPS systems in an agricultural setting and an overview of how to interpret and apply collected data and coverage maps.

Please indicate on the registration form if you plan to attend this portion of the field day.

Directions

-  Sandy Valley Farms is located on Valley Road 3.5 miles west of Polk
-  From Franklin take State Route 62 South and turn right onto Valley Road
-  From Mercer take State Route 62 North and turn left on to Valley Road
-  Follow the field day signs. For more detailed directions call 814-676-2832

2.00 NM CEC credits available

Lunch is co-sponsored by
Jone's Pioneer Seed Sales-
Don Jones of Stoneboro, PA
&
Elder's Sales and Service-
of Stoneboro, PA
provided by Stewart's Premier
Catering of Titusville, PA

Registration Form

*Registration Due by **July 15th***

Please mail your registration and \$10.00 registration fee to:

Venango Conservation District
1793 Cherrytree Road
Franklin, PA 16323

Checks made payable to: **Venango Conservation District**

If you have any questions, please contact Becky Deeter at the Venango Conservation District at 814-676-2832 or bdeeter@usachoice.net

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

County _____

of people attending ____ X \$10.00

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

____ Yes, I plan to attend the optional presentation

-Registration fee includes lunch and materials-