Online Edition of the 1998 Ohio Vegetable Production Guide - Now Available. World Wide Web users can now use this bulletin either through the VegNet website (http://www.ag.ohio-state.edu/~vegnet/) or through OH State Cooperative Extension’s Ohioline (http://www.ag.ohio-state.edu/~ohioline/). Hard copies of this bulletin are available through your local extension office or through Janis Cripe, Publications Office at 614-292-1607. The base price is $6.25 to which you must add taxes and postage. Ask for Bulletin # 672.

More Research Reports Now Available. This is not a complete listing and we will continue to list others as we hear about availability.
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Seasonal Labor Handbook - Now Available
Tom Sachs
The Farm Labor Relations team has developed a Seasonal Labor Handbook to assist farm employers in complying with the many procedures associated with farm employment, especially seasonal employment. This handbook is intended to be a road map for employers beginning at the recruiting stage, to orientation, to supervision, and finally to seasons’ end. The handbook consists of summary information and works well with the Ohio Farm Labor Handbook (Bulletin 833) which has more detailed information about rules and procedures for employers. The ABE Center has copies available.
Francisco Espinoza is currently working on a bilingual Seasonal Employee Handbook and is intended to inform employees about the many rules and responsibilities that impact farm employees. The target date is April 1, 1998. For more information on obtaining a copy, contact:
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Special Meetings  
March 3, Potato Pesticide Update School Village Family Restaurant, 435 N. Warpole St., (SR 199), Upper Sandusky, OH. For program details and more information, contact Dave Kelly at 1-800-421-8199

Tri-State Melon, Pepper and Pumpkin School, March 11-12, 1998 New Albany, IN.  
Vegetable extension specialists from Purdue, Univ. Of Kentucky and Ohio State Univ. will conduct an intensive 2 day vegetable school. The first day will focus on melons. Topics include: variety selection, transplant production, mulch and weed management, cooling facilities, marketing, irrigation, disease and insect management. The second day consists of separate sessions on pumpkins and peppers. Topics in each section include: variety selection, production, weed, insect and disease management and for pumpkins - October marketing. The cost is $40 for the melon session and $20 each for the pepper and pumpkin sessions. The fee includes the cost of the breaks and a notebook.

For information on program content, contact Rick Foster at 765-494-9572.  
email: rick_foster@entm.purdue.edu  
For registration information, contact: Roy Ballard, Floyd County Extension at 812-948-5470 roy_ballard@ces.purdue.edu

March 18, Specialty Crops Production and Marketing School  
6 PM to 8:45 PM, Southern State Community College, Main Campus, Rm 440, just of US 62, north of Hillsboro, OH.  
Call 1-800-860-7232 for registration and details.  
March 26, Trickle Irrigation School  
6 PM to 8:30 PM, Southern State Community College, Main Campus, Rm 436, just of US 62, north of Hillsboro, OH.  
Call 1-800-860-7232 for registration and details  
Dates are Set for Some Upcoming Field Days, Mark Your Calendars Now

June 16 & 17, Farm Market Tour of Outstanding Markets in Southeast Ohio.  
Call Brad Bergefurfd at 1-800-860-7232, or  
or Rob Leeds, Delaware Cty. at 614-368-1925 or  
Julie Witten at 740-984-2059 for complete details or e-mail dama@agvax2.ag.ohio-state.edu  
June 17, Meigs/Washington County Vegetable Tour  
Meet at Karen's Market, 54880 St Rt 124, Portland, OH,  
For complete directions and information, Contact Hal Kneen at 740-992-6696, Fax: 740-992-7932 or
kneen.1@osu.edu
August 5, Processing Tomato and Vegetable Crops Day
(Wednesday) at 3:00 p.m, OARDC Vegetable Crops Branch at
Fremont, (2 miles South of Fremont at SR 53 and CR 43),
Contact Ken Scaife, Branch Manager, 419-332-5142 for more
information.

More Websites
Univ. Of California Vegetable Research and Information
Center http://vric.ucdavis.edu
New Crops and Plant Products
http://www.hort.purdue.edu/newcrop/home
Michigan State Univ. Vegetable Bulletins Online.
http://www.msue.msu.edu/msue/imp/moda/masteraf.html
OSU WebGarden Factsheet Database. Covers 53 sites
http://www.hcs.ohiostate.edu/hcs/webgarden/FactsheetFind.html
National IPM Network
http://www.reeusda.gov/agsys/nipmn/index.htm
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What’s New At The VegNet Web Site
Bee Keeping Links to fact sheets including the new "Protecting Honey Bees from
Pesticides, HYG-2161-97" by Dr. Jim Tew. Visit: "The Library

Vegetable Budgets. Link to Univ. of KY, Ag Economics for vegetable production
budgets.. Visit: "The Library

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