

# The Hillsider

Conservation News in Lawrence County

SUMMER/FALL 2019

## LAWRENCE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

5459 State Route 217 • P.O. Box 144 • Willow Wood, Ohio 45696  
740-867-4737 • Fax only: 867-5513  
HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

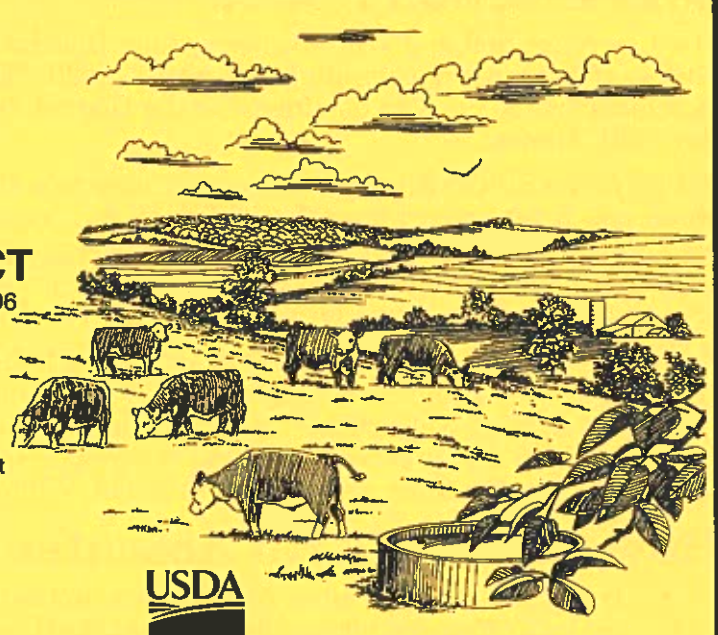
David Kline  
Larry Bare  
Steve Lambert  
Terry Porter  
William Flannery

### DISTRICT PERSONNEL:

Matthew A. Capper, Office Manager  
Kim Carrico, Urban/Education Specialist  
Peggy Reynolds, Administrative Assistant  
Allen Cook, District Technician

### NRCS PERSONNEL:

Ralph Crawford,  
District Conservationist



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## 72nd Annual Meeting and Banquet

It's that time of year again! So, mark your calendar and come join us. The Lawrence Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Meeting and Banquet is coming up.

- When:** Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.  
(SWCD Board of Supervisors Voting from 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.)
- Where:** Collins Career Technical Center, 11627 St. Rt. 243, Chesapeake, OH 45619.
- Cost:** \$12.00 for Adults \$6.00 for children 5-12 years old  
Free for children 4 and under
- Menu:** Roast Beef, Turkey, Ham, Mashed Potatoes / Gravy, Dressing,  
Green Beans, Corn, Rolls / Butter, Drinks and Desserts

The agenda for the event is as follows:

- 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Voting open for SWCD Board of Supervisors
- 6:00 p.m. Welcome / Pledge of Allegiance / Invocation
- 6:05 p.m. Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Introductions
- 7:15 p.m. Presentation of Awards / Certificates / Outstanding Cooperator of the Year
- 7:45 p.m. Lawrence SWCD Supervisor Election Results
- 7:50 p.m. Closing Remarks / Distribution of Door Prizes

It is **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** that you RSVP for the event. You may RSVP by calling the Lawrence SWCD at 1-740-867-4737. Also, by filling out the attached reservation form and mailing it to P.O. Box 144, Willow Wood, OH 45696. You may include your payment with your reservation or pay at the door.

### RESERVATION FORM

2019 Lawrence SWCD Annual Meeting and Banquet

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Reservations:

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults at \$12.00 per person      \_\_\_\_\_ Children (5-12) at \$6.00 per person      \_\_\_\_\_ Four and under FREE

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to and return this form to: Lawrence SWCD; P.O. Box 144, Willow Wood, Ohio 45696

## 2019 Election Notice

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The Lawrence Soil and Water Conservation District will hold an election for two (2) Supervisors to serve a three (3) year term beginning January 1, 2020. The terms of Larry Bare and David Kline will end on December 31, 2019. The nominees for the District Board of Supervisors are Larry Bare, David Kline and Roy "Bill" Nance.

Voting for an SWCD Supervisor is very similar to voting in a general election. Residents, landowners, land occupiers, firms/corporations, limited liability companies and trusts may vote for a Supervisor. A non-resident landowner, non-resident occupier, firm/corporation, LLC and trust must provide an affidavit of eligibility, which includes designation of a voting representative, prior to casting a ballot. You can obtain an affidavit from the Soil and Water Conservation District Office.

There are three ways an eligible voter can cast a ballot:

1. At the Annual Meeting and Banquet (Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. until 5:45 p.m.)
2. At the SWCD Office until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 18, 2019, or
3. Vote absentee by requesting the proper absentee ballot request forms from the SWCD Office at 5459 State Route 217, P.O. Box 144, Willow Wood, Ohio 45696. Phone: (740) 867-4737

## How to Request an Absentee Ballot

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- In writing, no more than 21 days prior to the election (September 28, 2019) and no less than 3 days (date of office receipt, not date postmarked) prior to the election.
- In person, no more the 21 days prior to the election (September 28, 2019) and no later then 4:00 p.m. on the day prior to the election (Friday, October 18, 2019).
- Persons shall limit requests to their own personal ballot and registration form, except that written requests signed by other qualified electors in the same household may be mailed in one envelope.

Absentee ballot requests cannot be faxed or done electronically as it must contain an original signature. The absentee ballot must be returned before the election on October 19, 2019.

## Meet the Candidates

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Larry Bare and his wife Sherry live on a 30 acre farm in Elizabeth Township where they raise black angus cattle and hay. They have two sons: Brian and Jason. Larry retired six years ago from the Lawrence County Juvenile Court. He also worked 26 years at Armco. Larry is a member of the Hecla Water Association Board and the Lawrence County Cattlemen's Association. Larry is a current District Supervisor of 4 years.



*Larry Bare*



*David Kline*

David Kline and his wife Theresa live in Elizabeth Township. They have four children: Ben, Mark, Susie and Joe. David and his brother Jerry own and operate about 900 acres where they raise 360 acres of corn, soybeans and hay. They have a cow/calf operation plus a cattle feed lot. David is a current District Supervisor of 30 years.



*Roy "Bill" Nance*

Roy "Bill" Nance, a lifetime resident of Lawrence County, lives on Wolf Creek. He is a 2013 graduate of Symmes Valley High School and is employed by Kroger. Bill is a member of the Windsor Volunteer Fire Department where he is the Deputy Chief.

## Board Meeting Notice

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The Lawrence Soil and Water Conservation District will hold its regular monthly meetings on the last Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at the District office in Willow Wood.

## Planning Commission Meeting Notice

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The Lawrence County Regional Planning Commission meets the third Thursday of every month (except December – there is no meeting) at 11:00 a.m. at the Giovanni's in Chesapeake. Not only does the planning commission regulate the development of subdivisions but also the splitting of lots. If you have any questions, please call the office at 740-867-4737 or come to a meeting.

## Storm Water Task Force Meeting Notice

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The Lawrence County Storm Water Task Force has quarterly meetings that are held on the second Tuesday of March, June, September and December.

## Arbor Day Presentations

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In observance of Arbor Day, the Lawrence Soil and Water Conservation District handed out white pine seedlings to second grade students, preschools and several Headstart programs throughout the County. Over 1,300 white pine seedlings were individually packaged and distributed the week of April 29th. Students were given a 30 minute presentation on the importance of trees and celebrating the environment. We would like to thank Judge David Payne's Juvenile Community Service Program for bagging, sorting and packaging the trees. The trees were donated by TransCanada.



## 2019 Area 5 Envirothon

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The Envirothon is a competitive, outdoor academic team event, which tests students' knowledge of soils, forestry, wildlife and aquatics. The competition, hosted by the Lawrence and Gallia SWCD, was held at O.O. McIntyre Park in Gallia County on April 30, 2019. Forty-two teams from 12 counties in Southeast Ohio participated. Lawrence County was represented by three teams. One team from Collins Career and Technical Center, 29th place, and Two from Rock Hill High School that placed 28th and 30th. The top four teams received a plaque, individual gift cards for team members and \$100 to participate in the State Envirothon that was held in June.

## Storm Water Drain Stenciling/Markers Notice for the Urbanized Areas of Rome, Union, Perry and Fayette Townships

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The Lawrence Soil & Water Conservation District - Phase II Storm Water Program is providing you notice that District Staff and/or Representatives will be out placing storm drain markers on drainage inlets in the MS4 Urbanized Areas. Staff began placing the markers in July and will continue to do so through the end of the year. This is to meet the requirements of the County's Phase II Storm Water Program as set forth by the Ohio EPA.



District Staff may need to access your property to place markers. All work will be conducted outside, with no need to enter the home. Each person involved in this work will make every effort to minimize the impact, if any, to your property. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office at 740-867-4737.

## Rake It... or Leave It

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Here's what to do with your yardful of leaves.....

**Rake it!** Follow the guidelines in your community for curb-side pick-up. If you're asked to put leaves in the street wait until just before collection day. Never rake them into or near storm drains, ditches, creeks or the river. Decaying leaves use up the water's oxygen, harming aquatic inhabitants.

**Leave it!** Mulch leaves by running over them with your lawn mower at next cutting. Leaves and grass clippings are the best fertilizer for your lawn.

Or..... **rake it and leave it!** Rake leaves into a compost pile for a nutrient-rich fertilizer to use on your garden next spring.

Rake it.....or leave it. It's that easy.

## Tips to Keep Soil on Land and Out of Water

- Carefully plan any activity that will expose soil. Plan to limit areas of exposed soil by working on small sections, reseeding, and then work on the next section.
- Seed and mulch bare areas of soil as soon as possible.
- Cove piles of dirt (or mulch) being used in landscaping projects.
- When possible, use equipment that limits soil disturbance, such as no-till.
- Don't mow all the way up to streambanks and other areas near waterways (referred to as riparian areas), because grass and other vegetation helps to hold soil in place. Its also filters pollutants and provides shade that keeps waterway temperatures cooler.
- Plant trees and shrubs along shorelines that aren't already covered with vegetation.
- Slow and reroute storm water away from disturbed or exposed areas of soil using water bars and ditches.
- Minimize driving equipment through wet areas or construct stream/wet-area crossing to limit erosion and physical damage to waterways,
- Become familiar with any storm drains, ditches, or bodies of water located on or near your property. Once they are located, you can take measures to protect these waterways from sediment anytime construction or other dirt work is happening on your property. Hay bales can also be used as sediment barriers and filters near waterways, and specialized materials, like a product called silt fencing, can also be purchased and installed

**On Sale Now!**  
**The New 2019 Plat Book**

SmartMaps available online at: [www.lawrencefairgrounds.com](http://www.lawrencefairgrounds.com)



View your location on a map using the built-in GPS device

Measure distances and areas

Add points of interest, photos, labels, notes and location info

Featuring 3D LiDAR aerial maps

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mapping solutions

Books are \$25.00 each.

## Bringing the Farm to You

FREE ADMISSION!

Lawrence County Fairgrounds

September 28, 2019

10a.m. - 3p.m.



Enjoy events such as:

cow milking demo, wool spinning demo, canning demo, maple syrup demo, raising honey bees, play with farm animals, eat beans and cornbread, see tractors and other farm equipment, kids games and activities and much more!

Presentations from:

4-H, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, ODNR Division of Forestry, FFA, Ohio Soy Bean Council, Lawrence County Homemakers, Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District

