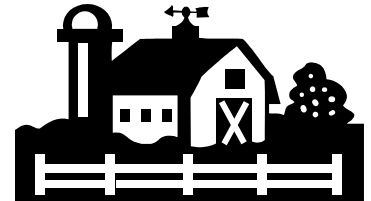




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Pond Tips for the Summer

Never stock finger-
lings over bass.

Never dump bait
buckets into ponds.

Use herbicides only
after identifying your
weed.

Don't be too quick to
stock grass carp-
they aren't a cure all
for weeds and some-
times hurt the quality
of fishing by elimi-
nating beneficial
plants.

Remove small trees
from dams before
they grow large and
cause leaks.

Kingfisher County Wheat Variety Plot Tours

Monday, May 10, 9:00 am

Rodney Mueggenborg Farm
Located just west of the King-
fisher County Fairgrounds

11:00 pm

Danny Struck Farm
Located 4 miles east of King-
fisher to the Bohemian Hall
blacktop and 2 1/2 south

1:00 pm

Tom Glazier Farm
Located 1 1/2 east of Loyal on
the north side of the road

May 11, 6:00 pm

Richard Jacobs Cabin

Lahoma Research Station Wheat Tour

Friday, May 21
Registration begins at 9:00 am,
Tours begin at 9:20 am

- Topics will be:
- Grain Grading
 - Marketing What Wheat Will Do
 - Farmer Saved Wheat Seed
 - Insect Management
 - Weed Management
 - Lime and Nitrogen Interactions
 - Fertilizer Calibration Stamp
 - Grain Sorghum
 - Canola Production

Canola

Canola, a winter annual broad-
leaf, is a crop that could be ro-
tated with wheat. Varieties that
are being developed have win-
ter hardiness and are Roundup
Ready.

Canola is an oil seed crop and
would not be tied to grain mar-
kets like other crops grown in
the area.

Canola utilizes small grains
equipment to plant and harvest
with just a few adjustments.

A rotational crop allows produc-
ers to break weed and disease
cycles associated with wheat
production.

There have been some articles
in the media recently about Ca-
nola production in northwest
and north central Oklahoma.

If you would like copies of cur-
rent OSU and KSU information
on Canola, contact the King-
fisher County OSU Extension
Center at 375-3822.

Musk Thistle Weevil Roundup

Thursday May 13 Enid

Thursday, May 17, Ponca City

Musk thistle is a noxious weed
and state law requires land
owners to control it in such a
way as to not allow it to go to
seed. Releasing musk thistle

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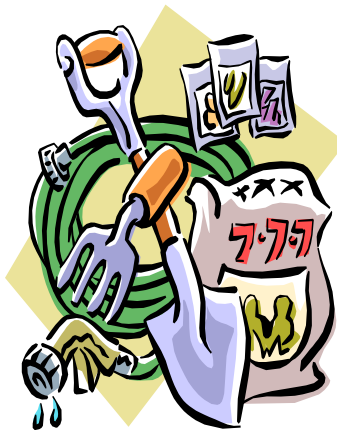
weevil qualifies as a control measure.

Collecting nets, batting sticks, and containers to transport weevils will be provided. A good pair of leather gloves will be a must for the roundup.

If you cannot attend one of the roundups and you would really like to have a container of weevils, contact the Kingfisher County OSU Extension Office and will make every effort to get you a container of weevils to release on musk thistles.

Landscape Maintenance Schedule

- Find someone to water plants in the house and garden while on vacation.
- Mulch ornamentals, vegetables, and annuals to reduce soil crusting and to regulate temperatures and moisture during hot summer months..
- Remain alert for insect damage. Add spider mites to the list. Foliage of most plant become pale and speckled. Shake a branch over white paper and watch for tiny specks that crawl.
- Fertilize warm season grasses at the rate of one pound of actual nitrogen per 1000 square feet. Don't fertilize cool season



grasses.

- Seeding of warm season grasses should be completed by the end of June to reduce winterkill losses.
- Renovate overgrown strawberry beds after the last harvest.
- Vigorous, unwanted limbs should be removed or shortened on new trees. Watch for forks in the main trunk and remove the least desirable trunk as soon as it is noticed.

Oklahoma Agricultural Leadership Program

This is an intensive two year program at Oklahoma State University geared towards the development of leaders in agriculture and agribusiness world.

The goal of the OALP program is to develop well rounded young men and women who are skilled in communications, educated in national and world affairs, familiar with the changing needs of society and prepared to lead the agricultural sector of Oklahoma into the challenges of tomorrow.

Participants in Class VII will be involved in seminars at the state, regional and national level. The end of the two year program will culminate with a trip abroad to learn more about global agriculture.

Information about OALP is available at <http://oklahomaagricultureleadership.org/>

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