

WCCOFF Newsletter

Special Interest:

- Vreba-Hoff Dairy, LLC, a Dutch-owned corporation, has purchased 40 acres of farmland in Wood County with the intention of building a factory farm containing approximately 699 head of cows.
- A dairy factory consisting of less than 700 head requires **NO** permits or inspections.

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Wood County Citizens Opposed to Factory Farms
Protecting Our Water, Land and Health

WCCOFF Newsletter — Issue #1

In order to keep the people of Wood County informed about the effects of dairy factory farm operations in Wood County, the Board of Directors of the WCCOFF have created this newsletter.

This newsletter will be distributed to members of WCCOFF and any other interested party.

If you have information or would like to write an

article for an upcoming issue, please contact Nadine Musser - email nmusser@wcnet.org or send information to:

415 S. Main Street
Bowling Green, OH
43402

As WCCOFF begins the long and arduous task of keeping factory farms from coming into Wood County and Ohio, we need your help. If you are interested in helping in

any way please contact Matt or Julie Baumgardner at 669-3727 or any of the Board Members of WCCOFF.

WCCOFF Incorporated as a Nonprofit Organization

WCCOFF has filed and received incorporation as a not for profit corporation by the State of Ohio. This means that articles of incorporation and by-laws were voted on and accepted by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors consists of the following:

Matt Baumgardner —
President

Dan Whitacre — Vice
President

Norm Carpenter —
Secretary/Treasurer

Directors:

John Roller

Robert Hahn

Chad Gambrell

The Board also set up committees. They are:

Publicity — Dan Whitacre,
Chair — 669-3300

Networking/Fund-raising—
Nadine Musser, Chair
352-0431

Letter Writing — Carol
Carpenter, Chair —
669-3402

Fair — John Roller,
Chair — 669-3419

Become A Member of WCCOFF

Many people have expressed interest in being a part of stopping the onslaught of factory farming operations infiltrating Wood County and Ohio, but don't know how they can help.

One way is to become a member of WCCOFF.

Membership levels begin at \$20.

By joining you will receive this newsletter and be an

initial part of protecting our WATER, LAND and HEALTH for generations to come.

Pick up a membership form at any of the meetings held at the Rudolph Civic Center or by calling Norm Carpenter — 669-3402.

"This is the beginning of a new day. You have been given this day to use, as you will. What you do today is important because you are exchanging a day of your life for it. When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone forever; in its place is something you have left... let it be something good."

Keep Writing — Let the Voters Be Heard

To keep the momentum going, please continue to call and write local, state and federal officials about your concerns for the water quality/quantity, the health issues, and the other environmental issues that face Wood County due to dairy corporations.

The following are the names and addresses of your government officials:

Governor Bob Taft
30th Floor
77 South High Street
Columbus, OH 43215
614-466-3555

email:
Governor.Taft@das.state.oh.us

Rep. Robert Latta
1446 Rosewood Drive
Bowling Green, OH
43402
352-1946

Senator Randy Gardner
14900 Mitchell Road
Bowling Green, OH 43402
352-1984

Ohio Department of
Natural Resources
Mr. Paul Houdashelt
1616 E. Wooster Street
Bowling Green, OH 43402
352-5172
Fax: 354-7923

Additional names and addresses can be obtained by calling Carol Carpenter — 669-3402.

Federal EPA to Vote on Proposed Changes

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) is seeking comment for its proposed rule for National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit Regulations and Effluent Limitation Guidelines and

Standards for Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOS).

Comments can be submitted in writing or electronically by July 30th to:

U.S. EPA
Office of Water
Engineering and Analysis
Division (MC-1303)
1200 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, DC 20160
email:
CAFOS.comments@epa.gov