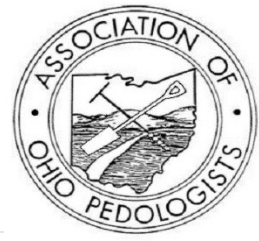


2025 Association of Ohio Pedologists
(AOP) Annual Meeting



Date: **Friday, February 28, 2025**

Location: **Ohio Geologic Survey Horace R. Collins Laboratory and Repository, Classroom, 3307 South Old State Rd, Delaware, OH 43015**

Registration: **\$45, includes coffee, donuts, and lunch Send registration (form on following page) by Feb. 21, 2025 to: Rick Griffin, AOP Treasurer, 937 Laurel Ave., Zanesville, OH 43701 Or register online at AOP website “store”:**

https://www.ohiopedologist.org/store/c1/Featured_Products.html

8:30 - 9:00 AM Registration, Fellowship, and Refreshments

9:00 - 9:05 AM Joe Ringler – Welcome from AOP President

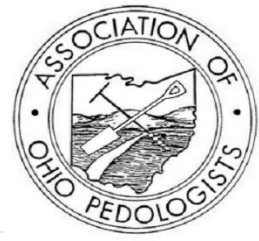


Joe Ringler is a Certified Professional Soil Scientist and is owner of LJ Environmental LLC. Joe currently conducts soil evaluations for proposed construction projects and designs on-site wastewater treatment systems for small flow and residential applications. Joe has experience in manure management planning for livestock operations, and he has experience in environmental inspection for pipeline construction projects. He enjoys gardening and spending time with his family. Joe currently serves as President for AOP and resides in northern Richland County with his wife and daughter. ljenvironmental@gmail.com

9:05 – 9:10 AM Remembering Julie Weatherington-Rice



Julie Weatherington-Rice was born to be a natural scientist as she has been looking at rocks, plants, critters and soil all her life. She held a BS in Earth Science Education, an MS in Geology and a PhD in Soil Science all from The Ohio State University. Julie was semi-retired from Bennett & Williams Environmental Consultants Inc. which specializes in groundwater public water supplies and protecting our soil and water. Moreover, she spent most of her time working with allied professionals and citizen scientists, trying to demystify the fields of geology, soil and water. She lectured, prepared training materials, and coordinated the AOP Education and Scholarship efforts. She also served as the AOP Newsletter editor for the past several years. Julie passed away in her home in Worthington, Ohio on January 26, 2025. We are grateful to her service to AOP and we will miss her.



9:10 – 9:20 AM Anna Defosset – A Walk Through of the Association of Ohio Pedologist Website



Anna DeFosset is a Soil Scientist & Septic System Designer in Southwest Ohio. She is recently certified as a Certified Professional Soil Scientist through the SSSA, with past studies in Geological Sciences at Ohio University, & Soil Science with North Carolina State University & Wilmington College. As the current Digital Information Manager for AOP, Anna posts news, consultant list updates, & store options to the AOP website.
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9:20 – 9:45 AM Mike Angle – Using the Ohio Geology Interactive Map



Mike received his BS and MS in Geology from the University of Akron and later attended Miami University. He worked at ODNR for 37 plus years, split between the Divisions of Geological Survey and Water Resources. He retired in 2021 as the Division Chief and 14th State Geologist of the Ohio Geological Survey. He now works part time for Eagon & Associates, a groundwater consulting firm in Worthington and assists the Geological Survey with grant projects.
mangle56@outlook.com

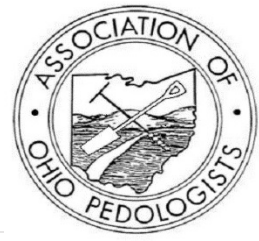
9:45 – 10:00 AM Break

10:00 – 11:00 AM Tom Peak, PS – GPS and How it can Help You



Tom Peak is an Ohio Professional Surveyor. He began surveying in the military conducting both conventional plane and geodetic surveys and then worked as a land surveyor in Ohio where he obtained his license. He then worked for two ENR top 50 contractors as District Surveyor and Director of Surveying, leading conventional and GPS survey operations as well as GPS machine control teams. He has been the Regional Director in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan for 17 years with Carlson Software and has 42 years of experience in land development software and equipment. tpeak@carlsonsw.com

11:00 – 11:10 AM Break



11:10 – 12:05 PM Ethics Series of Soil Science Profession:

11:10 – 11:30 Dr. Ann D. Christy – Digging Deep: Mastering OSHA Safety Standards for Soil Pit Excavation Sites



Dr. Ann D. Christy is a professor of Food, Agricultural, and Biological Engineering; professor of Engineering Education; and Associate Dean and Director for Academic Programs in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences at the Ohio State University. Prior to becoming a faculty member, she worked in the consulting industry, and she continues to collaborate with that industry, serving on the board of directors for a local firm: Bennett and Williams Environmental Consultants. She is a registered Professional Engineer

and has won multiple teaching awards at the college, university, and national levels. She is a fellow of the Ohio Academy of Science, the American Society for Engineering Education, and the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers. christy.14@osu.edu

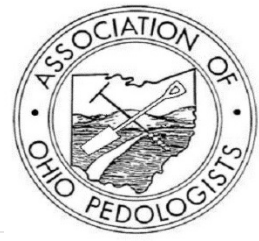
11:30 – 12:05 Joe Ringler, Matt Deaton, Steve Miller, and Dan King – Ethical Approaches to utilizing Employees/Subcontractors

12:05 – 1:00 PM Lunch – City BBQ

1:00 – 2:00 PM Justin Nobel – Petroleum-238: Big Oil’s Dangerous Secret and the Grassroots Fight to Stop It



Justin Nobel writes on science and environment for US magazines, investigative sites, and literary journals. He has been published in Best American Science and Nature Writing and Best American Travel Writing. A book he co-wrote with a death row exoneree, *The Story of Dan Bright*, was published in 2016 by University of New Orleans Press. His 2020 Rolling Stone magazine story, "America's Radioactive Secret," won an award from the National Association of Science Writers and inspired this book. Justin's writing has helped lead to lawsuits, public dialogue, academic research and been taught at Harvard's School of Public Health. justinnobel@gmail.com



2:00 – 2:30 PM Dr. Susan Massick, MD, FAAD - Digging into Skin Health: What You Need to Know About Skin Cancer and How to Prevent It



Dr. Susan Massick, MD, FAAD, is a board-certified dermatologist with expertise in dermatology and diseases of the skin, hair, and nails. She specializes in dermatologic conditions in adult and pediatric populations, including skin cancer, moles, eczema, and psoriasis, and hair disorders. She graduated from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and completed two residencies in Internal Medicine and in Dermatology. She is an Associate Professor Dermatology at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center where she divides her time between clinical care, resident education, and community engagement. Susan.Massick@osumc.edu

2:30 – 2:45 PM Break

2:30 – 4:00 PM Business Meeting

Joe Ringler President – Call the meeting to order

Officer Reports

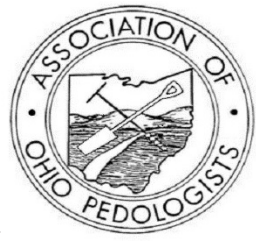
1. Secretary Report 2024 Annual Meeting Minutes
2. Treasurer Report
 - a. Financial Review

Old Business

New Business

1. Executive Council Nominations
 - President - Duane Wood
 - President-Elect - Scott Demyan
 - At Large – Matthew Tucker
 - Katy Serr
 - Treasurer – Open
 - Editor - Open
2. Election of Officers
3. Vote to adopt the Bylaws Changes which includes 501c3 Tax Status

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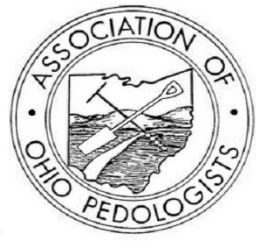


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4. Discuss Education/Scholarship Committee
 5. Updates on Certification Committee – Matt Deaton
 6. Wilmington College Certification Program – Jason Sneed
 7. Updates from Agencies (NRCS, ODNR, County Agencies, Consultants)

Passing the Gavel

Adjourn

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**Registration Form Association of Ohio Pedologists (AOP)
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- Students should register for the meeting so that we have a lunch count, but fees are waived.
- Speakers do not need to register unless they choose to for continuing education or other professional credits. We would appreciate it if speakers register if they intend to be joining us for lunch (no fee).
- Vegetarian and some other options will be available for lunch from City Barbeque. We trust that if you have dietary concerns, you will be able to pick and choose among lunch options, or will take responsibility for your own lunch separately.

Mail this page and payment to: Rick Griffin, AOP Treasurer, 937 Laurel Ave., Zanesville, OH 43701
Questions, call: Rick Griffin 740-273-2426

Or register online at AOP website “store”:

https://www.ohiopedologist.org/store/c1/Featured_Products.html

Name _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

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Affiliation/Employer: _____

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Please Select:

Meeting Fee \$45: _____

I am a speaker: _____

I am a student: _____

Professional Annual Membership for 2025 \$40 _____

Affiliate Annual Membership for 2025 \$20 _____

Student Annual Membership for 2025 \$20 _____

Contribution to the AOP Scholarship Fund (please specify amount) _____

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Amount enclosed (Checks payable to AOP): _____