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CWMI Update – October 2017

Call for Papers

[6th International Symposium on Animal Mortality Management](#), Amarillo, TX June 3-7, 2018. Call for papers and posters is now open at <http://animalmortmgmt.org/symposium/papers-and-posters/>. Proposal deadline is 11:59 pm, January 15, 2018. Catastrophic losses of poultry and livestock caused by disease, fire, or weather-related stresses, and routine losses associated with large-scale production operations, are significant environmental, bio-secure waste management concerns around the globe. The 6th International Symposium on Animal Mortality Management will highlight new research, current and emerging disposal methodologies, and critical assessments of public policy, with the intent to capture and disseminate new information on these topics, and to stimulate development of additional research, policy development, and educational programs.

Educational Events

- November 7-9, 2017 – [New York State Association for Reduction, Reuse and Recycling Annual Conference](#), Cooperstown, NY. **Keeping Cool in the Age of Climate Change: Impacts of Materials Management** Here is what you will be missing if you aren't registered for this great conference:
 - A great conference agenda - <http://www.nysar3.org/page/conference-agenda-42.html>
 - Tuesday night movie night which will be showing **"Bag It – Is Your Life Too Plastic?"** This 2010 documentary received several pest picture awards. See an entertaining movie with **free beer and popcorn!**
 - Meet our **College representatives** at 5:15 pm on Wednesday to discuss their projects and view their informative posters.
 - Meet our special vendors and sponsors at 6:00 pm on Wednesday during the vendor show reception and enjoy great food.
 - Also during the vendor reception, see first-hand how a **Repair Café** works. If you have any of the following items in need of repair, bring them with you and let nysar3@gmail.com know what you are bringing so the repair crew can be prepared:
 - Lamp repair – John Wackman and Dave West
 - Watch and jewelry repair – Ed Schmitt
 - Truing bicycle wheels – Dave Harter
 - Afghan, sweater and other knit/crochet item repair (please bring yarn in the same color if possible) – Mary Schwarz
 - Repairs on clothing – Jean Bonhotal
 - Community film plastic and textile collection event Wednesday

Educational Materials

- [Compost Use for Improved Soil Poster Series](#)– These 7 posters describe how compost can be used in different applications to improve the chemical, physical, and biological characteristics of soils. There are multiple uses for compost including in agricultural production; on athletic fields; in gardening; for turf establishment and/or maintenance; in landscaping and tree planting; and in nurseries. Compost is a perfect medium for reclamation and remediation; for slope stabilization, erosion control and storm water management; and for roadsides, street trees and medians. Compost made in urban environments can and should be used locally to revitalize the urban environment. Please make use of these posters in your educational programs concerning compost use. Poster files are size to be 32” wide by 40” high when printed as a full size poster. **Please contact CWMI if you’d like full size posters printed for your use.**
 - [Compost Use for Improved Soil Agricultural Applications](#)
 - [Compost Use for Improved Soil General Highway Use](#)
 - [Compost Use for Improved Soil General Use](#)
 - [Compost Use for Improved Soil Reclamation and Remediation](#)
 - [Compost Use for Improved Soil Roadsides, Street Trees and Medians](#)
 - [Compost Use for Improved Soil Slope Stabilization, Erosion Control and Stormwater Management](#)
 - [Compost Use for Improved Soil: Make it Use it Urban Applications](#)
- [School Composting – Let’s Get Growing](#) A downloadable 16 page guide for student leaders and teachers. As educators, we have an important task ahead. The next generation of decision-makers is being educated in your classroom. How can you help? By starting this generation off with information and habits that emphasize reducing the amount of waste we produce, reusing, recycling and composting whatever we can, and incinerating, landfilling, and finding other technologies to dispose of the rest. This document provides you with: (1) Ideas for incorporating composting into the curriculum. (2) Steps to take to start a school composting/diversion program. (3) Descriptions of successful school composting programs. **CWMI has printed copies of this fact sheet. Please contact us if you’d like some mailed to you.**

News

- As many of you may know, Lauri Wellin, CWMI’s long time Program Aide has retired. Congratulations to Lauri! As a result, there is not always someone in the office to answer 607-255-1187. You are welcome to leave a message on that phone, but the best way to contact us follows:
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 - Mary Schwarz – e-mail msp5@cornell.edu or call 607-206-5955
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