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Message from the Chapter President— (2016-2017)  
Amanda Brandt

North Dakota Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society and Professional Soil Classifiers Association of North Dakota… 2016 North Dakota Soil and Water Summit

"Finding Environmental Synergy in the Oil Field: Strategies and Lessons Learned"

June 14 and 15, 2016 in Medora, North Dakota

The Professional Soil Classifiers Association of North Dakota (PSCAND) and the North Dakota Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society (NDSWCS) are hosting the 2016 Soil and Water Summit being held June 14-15, 2016, in Medora, ND. The focus of this Summit is to present and discuss the impacts of energy development on soils and waters of North Dakota as well as strategies and lessons learned by neighboring states and Canada. The goal of this Summit is to provide a science-based agenda to facilitate further discussion and education about the environmental synergy in the oil field.

The first day of the conference, June 14, 2016, will have presentations by soil scientists, regulatory officials, consultants, and others. The second day, June 15, 2016, includes a bus tour of reclaimed sites. Sites visited will include a focus of the before and after reclamation on the soils impacted.

Registration will begin at 8:00AM (MST) on June 14, 2016 at the Roughrider Hotel Conference Center in Medora, ND. The conference will begin at 8:45AM and end by 4:30PM. For those who wish to attend the Pitchfork Steak Fondue and the Medora Musical, information about purchasing tickets for these events is included on the registration form.

Registration deadline is June 1, 2016. See the NDSWCS website for registration form and agenda

Amanda Brandt

ND SWCS Chapter President

Wade Bott

PSCAND President
SOIL SUMMIT
BACK TO MEDORA
June 14-15, 2016

http://www.ndswcs.org/2016%20soil%20summit.htm
NEW OFFICER SPOTLIGHT— Larry Cihacek
Secretary—Treasurer 2016 –2017

I’d like to introduce myself as your new Secretary-Treasurer. I’m Larry Cihacek from the Soil Science Department at NDSU working in soil fertility, soil chemistry and soil management since 1986. I’ve also taught courses in soil salinity and sodicity, soil fertility, soil and waste disposal soil chemistry and soil and plant analysis. Several of my former graduate students are currently or have been employed by NRCS or other agencies in North and South Dakota. I have also been involved in developing nutrient management guidelines for North Dakota and have assisted the NRCS and NDSU Extension in providing training in various aspects of nutrient management. I have been a member of SWCS and the ND Chapter since the early 1990’s. I am originally from a small farm in eastern Nebraska and still am involved in managing the family farm.

I attended the University of Nebraska where I received a couple of degrees and finished my education at Iowa State University. I also spent several years with New Mexico State University as a research and extension soil specialist. I am looking forward to serving the ND Chapter and its membership in my new role in the coming years.

Registration IS NOW Open!

71st International Annual Conference - Kentucky

2016 - North Dakota SWCS is awarded the.. { Outstanding Chapter Award }
A Soil Owner’s Manual: Restoring and Maintaining Soil Health, is about restoring the capacity of your soil to perform all the functions it was intended to perform. This book is not another fanciful guide on how to continuously manipulate and amend your soil to try and keep it productive. This book will change the way you think about and manage your soil. It may even change your life. If you are interested in solving the problem of dysfunctional soil and successfully addressing the symptoms of soil erosion, water runoff, nutrient deficiencies, compaction, soil crusting, weeds, insect pests, plant diseases, and water pollution, or simply wish to grow healthy vegetables in your family garden, then this book is for you. Soil health pioneer Jon Stika, describes in simple terms how you can bring your soil back to its full productive potential by understanding and applying the principles that built your soil in the first place. Understanding how the soil functions is critical to reducing the reliance on expensive inputs to maintain yields. Working with, instead of against, the processes that naturally govern the soil can increase profitability and restore the soil to health. Restoring soil health can proactively solve natural resource issues before regulations are imposed that will merely address the symptoms. This book will lead you through the basic biology and guiding principles that will allow you to assess and restore your soil. It is part of a movement currently underway in agriculture that is working to restore what has been lost. A Soil Owner’s Manual: Restoring and Maintaining Soil Health will give you the opportunity to be part of this movement. Restoring soil health is restoring hope in the future of agriculture, from large farm fields and pastures, down to your own vegetable or flower garden.

UPCOMING MEETING’S

“BuG’s are NOT all BAD”
Insects & Pollinator Conservation Planning & Design
July __, 2017
Minot, North Dakota

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SWCS Membership Form

Instructions: Please complete, print, and return with payment to SWCS, 945 SW Ankeny Rd, Ankeny, IA 50023.

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Questions about membership? Call membership services 515-289-2331 ext 118 or email memberservices@swcs.org
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If we are bold in our thinking, courageous in accepting new ideas, and willing to work with instead of against our land, we shall find in conservation farming an avenue to the greatest food production the world has ever known - not only for the war, but for the peace that is to follow.

Hugh Hammond Bennett
UPCOMING MEETING’S

Farming for Sustainability
Back to The Roots
Going Back to the Roots of SOIL HEALTH

November 28, 29, 30 - 2016

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2015 – Chapter Awards
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- **PROFESSIONAL AWARD:**
  - Hal Weiser

- **SERVICE AWARD:**
  - Mouse River Soil Conservation District

- **HORIZON AWARD:**
  - Marko Davinic

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