

79th Annual OACD State Meeting Agenda February 26, 27, and 28

Sunday February 26, 2017

- 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. – Registration, Trade Show set-up, silent auction set-up
- 1:00 p.m. - OACDE Executive Board Meeting
- 1:30 p.m. - State Speech Contest Divisions I & II
- 2:00 p.m. - OACD Resolutions Committee Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. - OACD Nominations Committee Meeting
- 4:00 p.m. - OACD & OACDE Youth Awards Program
- 5:00 p.m. - Inspiration Hour with Greg Scott and music by Jimmy & Larry Ford and Jimmy Emmons
- 7:30 p.m. – Social Game Night with OACDE

Monday February 27, 2017

- 7:00 a.m. - OACDE Program with Sean Wallace from the Oklahoma Public Employees Association
- 7:00 a.m. - Registration for trade show and conference
- 8:00 a.m. - Trade show opens & silent auction
- 9:00 a.m. - 1st General Session with Mike Brown, Executive Director of the National Association of State Conservation Agencies
“Why Conservation Districts Matter”
- 10:00 a.m. - Break
- 10:15 a.m. - Concurrent Sessions with track options for employees, NRCS and directors
 - “What you need to know about being a district director” with Mike Brown, Executive Director of NASCA
 - “Accomplished Stars – Higher Goals – District Employee Training: watershed PDM3 Forms, OK Maps, IT Phone Training and more!”
 - “Conservation Planning in 2017” with Gary O’Neill, OK State Conservationist
- 10:30 a.m. – Auxiliary Program “Making a Succulent Dish Garden” with Casey Hentges, host of Oklahoma Gardening
- 12:00 a.m. – Lunch with Dr. Jim Chamberlain, Co-Director of the WaTER Center at OU
- 1:00 p.m. – NRCS Partnership Awards, Director & Employee Service Awards, OK Prescribed Fire Association Awards and Auxiliary Scholarship
- 1:45 p.m. – Auxiliary departs for Governor’s Mansion tour

- 2:45 p.m. - Concurrent Sessions of Business Meetings
 - Natural Resources Conservation Services
 - Oklahoma Association of Conservation District – presentation of the 2017 Legislative Agenda, Awards Discussion
 - Oklahoma Association of Conservation District Employees – presentation of the 2017 Legislative Agenda, Awards Discussion
- 6:00 p.m. - Legislative Reception
- 7:00 p.m. - Legislative Banquet & Awards
 - Employee of the Year
 - Hall of Fame Awards
 - President's Award
 - 2016 Demonstration Farm Awardees
 - The 2nd Annual "Mike Thralls Memorial Scholarship" Awardees
 - Outstanding Cooperator, Director and District
- 8:00 p.m. - Live Auction

Tuesday February 28, 2017

7:30 a.m. - OACD Past President's Breakfast

8:00 a.m. - Tradeshow opens

8:00 a.m. - Pesticide Applicators Workshop

8:30 a.m. - 2nd General Session "*Blue River Water Quality Project*" with Jona Tucker, Preserve Director for the Nature Conservancy
Announcement of 2016 OACD Executive Board Members

9:30 a.m. – Concurrent Sessions

“From No-Till to Higher Functioning Agro-Ecological Systems” Adam Daughtery, Coffee County, TN District
Conservationist

“Educational Focus for Districts”

10:15 a.m. – Concurrent Sessions

“Utilizing Soil Health Practices to Increase Farm Profits” Russell Hedrick, JRH Grain Farms

“How Districts can become involved with OK Monarch Efforts” Katie Hawk, Coordinator for Monarch Summit

“District Conservationist Training” Gary O’Neill, OK State Conservationist

11:00 a.m. – Break

11:15 a.m. – Concurrent Sessions

“Managing Weeds with a Population-Based Approach” Dr. Randy Anderson, Agriculture Research Services, South
Dakota

“District Conservationist Training” Gary O’Neill, OK State Conservationist

Noon – Lunch*

*District employees and district directors can purchase Tuesday lunch tickets at cost for \$30.00; lunch is included in the \$40 Tuesday daily registration fee. NRCS employee’s lunch is handled by state office.

1:00 p.m. “How Healthy Soils can help your Operation Weather Climate Change” Dr. Cait Rottler, Agriculture Research Services,
Oklahoma

1:30 p.m. – “Soil Testing for Soil Health” Dr. Rick Haney, ARS, Texas via Live Webinar

2:00 p.m. – “OSU Soil Health Assessment Tool” Dr. Jason Warren, Oklahoma State University

2:30 p.m. – “Applying Soil Health Principles on Grazing Lands” Steve Glasgow, USDA-NRCS

3:00 p.m. – Producer Network Concurrent Breakouts