

**72nd ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
NC ASSOCIATION OF SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS**

**JANUARY 3-5, 2016
Sheraton Imperial
Research Triangle Park, NC**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016

- 9:30 AM NC SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION WORK
SESSION
John Langdon, Chairperson, Presiding
- NOON DEA EXECUTIVE BOARD
Rick McSwain, DEA President, Presiding
- 2:00-6:00 PM REGISTRATION OPEN
- 2:00-6:00 PM EXPO REGISTRATION & MOVE IN
- 12:30-2:30 PM NCASWCD EXEC. COMMITTEE MEETING
Manly West, NCASWCD President, Presiding
- 1:00-3:00 PM FIRST TIMERS AND NEW SUPERVISOR ORIENTATION
Franklin Williams, Past President, Facilitator
- 2:00-3:00 PM AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
- 3:00-5:00 PM NC SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
John Langdon, Chairperson, Presiding
- 5:30-7:00 PM PRESIDENT'S WELCOME RECEPTION and DINNER
A complimentary full meal will be served; rotating, open seating.
- 7:30 PM MEMORIAL SERVICE
Willis Overby, Chaplain Presiding
Song Leader: David Williams
Inspirational Message: Willis Overby
Special Music: Chancel Choir
Hayes Barton United Methodist Church
Raleigh, NC
Laying the Memorial Wreath: Governor Pat Mc Crory
(invited)

9:00 PM NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING
John Langdon, Immediate Past President, Presiding

9:00 PM INFORMAL MUSIC JAM

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016

6:00 – 7:00 AM EXHIBITOR MOVE IN

6:30 AM – 2:00 PM REGISTRATION OPEN

6:45 AM SUPERVISORS' BREAKFAST
Doors Open 6:30 AM

Ben Knox, First Vice-President, Presiding
Invocation: Marvin Cavanaugh, Assistant Chaplain
Oaths of Office -- New Area Chairs

NACD Report and Update
Franklin Williams, NC NACD Board Member
Speaker: Jeremy Peters (Invited)
Chief Executive Officer
National Association of Conservation Districts

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7:00 AM – 6:00 PM EXPO

7:45 to 9:00 AM AUXILIARY HOSPITALITY
(Food and Coffee Provided: See Separate Agenda for Auxiliary Activities)

8:00 AM GENERAL SESSION
Manly West, President, Presiding

Invocation: Willis Overby, Chaplain
Presentation of Colors: NC Forest Service Color Guard
National Anthem:

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Manly West

Welcome:

Key Note Address:

“Comments From The Top”
 Commissioner Steve Troxler
 NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Featured Speaker:

Dr. Charles Petty
 Family Success Unlimited, Inc.

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM BANQUET SEATING RESERVATIONS

9:30 AM – NOON AUXILIARY INFORMATIONAL SESSION & BUSINESS MEETING

Speaker:

9:45AM BREAK

10:30 AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

SESSION #1 -- Education

SESSION # 2 --2016 Executive Committee Orientation

Ben Knox, Association 1st Vice President, Facilitator

Are you an incoming 2016 Area Chair or a member of the 2015 Executive Committee who will continue serving in 2016? If so, this session is specifically designed with you in mind. You will leave the session better informed about specific duties and responsibilities for the upcoming year. There will be plenty of time for dialogue with incoming President Ben Knox regarding goals and expectations for 2016. Whether you're a first time member of the Executive Committee or a veteran, this session is a must.

SESSION #3 Legislative

SESSION #4 Administrative

SESSION #5 Urban Focus

SESSION #6

SESSION #7

SESSION #8

NOON LEGISLATIVE LUNCH

Charles Davenport, Legislative Committee Chair, Presiding

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1:30 PM COMMITTEE CHAIRS' AND RECORDERS' MEETING

2:00 – 5:00 PM AUXILIARY TOUR –

2:00-5:00 PM RESOURCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Community Conservation Committee

District Operations Committee

Education Committee

Finance Committee

Legislative Committee

Natural Environment Committee

Research and Technology Committee

Water Resources Committee

6:30 PM CONSERVATION EDUCATION DINNER
Pam Stroupe, Education Committee Chair, Presiding

Education Awards: Environmental Educator of the Year
Envirothon Hall of Fame
Food, Land, and People Awards
Special Recognition

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8:00 PM AUXILIARY AUCTION

9:00 PM INFORMAL MUSIC JAM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016

7:45 to 9:00 AM AUXILIARY HOSPITALITY

7:30 to 5:00 PM REGISTRATION OPEN

7:00 to 2:00 PM EXPO OPEN

8:30 AM GENERAL SESSION

Manly West, President, Presiding

Invocation: Marvin Cavanaugh, Assistant Chaplain

8:30 – 9:00 AM Video – “Faces of Agriculture: The Albemarle Region”

9:00 – 9:30 AM AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Length of Service

Urban Conservationist of The Year

Earth Team Awards

9:30 AM ELECTION – 2nd VP and/or Piedmont Commission Seat

9:30 – 10:00 AM BREAK

10:00AM GENERAL SESSION Resumes

Manly West, President, Presiding

Milton Heath Lecture

Speaker: Greg Fishel

Chief Meteorologist, WRAL TV, Raleigh, NC

“Climate Change”

Key Note Address

Ray Starling

General Counsel and Senior Policy Advisor

Staff of US Senator Thom Tillis

9:30 – Noon AUXILIARY INFORMATION SESSION & BUSINESS MEETING

NOON DEA LUNCHEON

Rick McSwain, President, Presiding

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1:30 PM NRCS STAFF MEETING

1:30 PM NCASWCD BUSINESS MEETING

Ben Knox, 1st Vice President, Presiding;

Horace Johnson, Parliamentarian
FFA Eastern Region Agricultural Education Coordinator

REPORTS

District Employee's Association Report Rick McSwain, President

Auxiliary Report Betty Mathews, President

Division Comments Pat Harris, Director

NRCS Comments Tim Beard, State
Conservationist.

Foundation Report Jimmy Gentry, President
Michelle Lovejoy, Exec. Dir.

ACTION ITEMS

Nominating Committee Report John Langdon, Committee
Chair

Rules of Procedure Amendment Manly West

Committee Reports Committee Chairs

6:30 PM BANQUET

Manly West, President, Presiding

Invocation: Willis Overby, Chaplain

OUTSTANDING CONSERVATION FARM FAMILY AWARDS

COASTAL REGION

Ralph and Suzanne Britt
Duplin County

MOUNTAIN REGION –

Circle D Farms – Oscho and Eric Deal
Rowan County

PIEDMONT REGION AND STATE FARM FAMILY

CONSERVATION AWARD – Baker Farms – Robert, Bobby, and Mark
Baker
Rockingham County

Special Appreciation Awards

Quilt Raffle	Betty Mathews, Auxiliary President
Gator Raffle	Rick McSwain DEA President
NC Foundation for Soil and Water Award	Jimmy Gentry President
Outgoing President's Remarks	Manly West, 2015 President
Installation of 2016 NCASWCD President	
Handing Over the Gavel	Manly West, 2015 President
Incoming President's Remarks	J. Ben Knox, 2016 President

9:00 – 11:00 PM INFORMAL MUSIC JAM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2016

8:00 AM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BREAKFAST MEETING

Ben Knox, President, Presiding