



Conservation Quarterly

Fall 2016

CLARK COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Dates to Note

- 09/05/16—*Labor Day, SWCD office closed*
- 09/16/16—*BISON-ennial Torch Relay Celebration, 9:30 a.m.-Noon*
- 09/17/16—*Woodland Owner Workshop, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.*
- 10/6/16—*SWCD Monthly Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.*
- 10/10/16—*Columbus Day Holiday, SWCD office closed.*
- 11/03/16—*SWCD Monthly Board meeting, 7:30 p.m.*
- 11/08/16—*Election Day, SWCD office closed*
- 11/11/16—*Veterans Day, SWCD office closed*
- 11/24-25/16—*Thanksgiving Holiday, SWCD office closed*
- 12/01/16—*SWCD Monthly board meeting, 7:30 p.m.*
- 12/23&26/16—*Christmas Holiday, SWCD office closed*

Photo Contest Winners Announced

The Clark County SWCD would like to congratulate the winners in the 10th Annual Photo Contest held during the recent 4H fair. The contest was open to both youth and adult amateur photographers.

National Parks Category—Adults: Bruce Miller, Pekin, IN

Clark County History Category—Adults: Steve Howell, Clarksville, IN

Clark County Farm Views—Adults: Sarah Smith, Memphis, IN

Clark County History Category—Youth: Annie Davis

Clark County Farm Views—Youth: Hannah Bast



Steve Howell



Annie Davis



Hannah Best



Sarah Smith



Bruce Miller

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No-Till Drill - \$8 per acre

**Outback S2 Guidance Systems
- \$10 per day**

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Clark County SWCD Seeks Candidates for Supervisor Position

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District is looking for persons with an interest in natural resources management who would like to serve as a district official. Candidates are being sought for an elected seat on the district's five-member board of supervisors. Term of office runs from January 2017 through January 2020.

Activities of the district are directed by the five supervisors, three who are elected by the local landusers and two appointed by the State Soil Conservation Board. The supervisors plan and oversee the efforts aimed at fulfilling the district's responsibilities, which include: assessing natural resources management needs within the county; developing and implementing policies and programs that address those assessed needs; carrying out program initiative given to SWCDs by state and federal government (e.g., the review of farm conservation plans and construction site erosion/sediment control plans and the inspection of landfills for erosion control); and advising local government on natural resource management issues.

Candidates for Clark County SWCD's elected-supervisor position must be of voting age, must be an occupier of a tract of land located in Clark County and must maintain permanent residence within the county. For more information about Clark County SWCD, its programs, supervisor duties and qualifications, or to register as a candidate, visit the district office at 9608 Highway 62, Charlestown, IN, or call 812-256-2330, ext.3. Deadline to register as a candidate is November 30, 2016.



Southern Indiana Purdue Ag Center (SIPAC) Ag. Field Day

Held at the farm September 10, 2016

11371 East Purdue Farm Road, Dubois, IN 47527

Small Scale Tilapia Production Utilizing Farm Ponds

Presenter: Bob Rode, Purdue Aquaculture Unit Manager

Cattle Handling Systems Demonstrations

Demonstrations by Cow Co. Inc., For-Most, Sioux Steel Co., Priefert

2:00 PM—4:00 PM Tilapia Production

4:30 PM—6:45 PM Cattle Handling Equipment Demonstration

7:00 PM—7:45 PM Meal provided by our sponsors

7:45 PM Cattle Handling Tips, Jason Tower, SIPAC

RSVP for Meal by September 6 to ph. (812)482-1782

Join Us!

For more information:

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SWCD Annual Meeting

The 72nd Annual Meeting of the Clark County Soil & Water Conservation District will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2017, in the Community Building on the Clark County 4-H Fairgrounds.

Following a catered meal there will be a brief presentation and an election of one member on the Board of Supervisors.

Contact the SWCD office at 812-256-2330, ext. 3, to purchase tickets or for more information.



Invasive Species Spotlight

Garlic Mustard

Alliaria petiolata (Bieb.) Cavara & Grande

Synonym: hedge garlic, poor man's mustard, mustard root

Garlic mustard is a biennial herb. It begins as a rosette of kidney-shaped garlic-smelling leaves in the first year. The second-year plants grow a stem up to 4-feet tall with triangular sharp-toothed leaves and small, white, four-petaled flowers in clusters at the top of the stem. The plants die after setting seed. **Garlic mustard** can produce several thousand seeds from one plant, and the seeds can remain viable for seven years or more. **Garlic mustard** can grow in dense stands covering many acres of forest understory. Now found throughout Indiana, it is a particular threat to spring wildflowers, overtopping and shading them out. Compared to the diversity of plants it eliminates, it provides little food for wildlife.



Woodland Owner Workshop

September 17, 2016

8:30 a.m.—1 p.m.

Location: Shelter House, Main Entrance

Clark State Forest, Highway 31, Henryville, IN
47126

Come learn how to make informed decisions regarding the management of your woodland for their best benefit and the benefit of the environment!

Workshop topics: invasive species identification and suggested eradication methods, tree species identification and management, forest management/timber stand improvement, timber harvesting – appraising, selecting, marking trees, financial and technical assistance.

Workshop and lunch provided free of charge, but please RSVP so we can have enough food for all.

For more information or to RSVP, please call (812) 256-2330, ext. 3, by 4 p.m. September 9, 2016
NOTE: Workshop will be outdoors, and will involve walking short distances and/or walking over uneven terrain to view areas related to workshop topics. Please wear appropriate footwear and clothing.

State Nurseries Offering Tree Seedlings

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR)-Division of Forestry, operates two nurseries within the state that grow and distribute to landowners high quality plant materials for conservation plantings. Conservation plantings include plantings for timber, wildlife, windbreaks, soil and water protection, reclamation, carbon sequestering, and education. Individual tree species are available as packets of 100 seedlings; packet mixes of seedlings (10 each) are also available according to planned use (i.e., wildlife, bottomland, etc.).

Orders are accepted October 3, 2016—May 1, 2017 (depending on inventory) for standard spring pickup. Order forms are available at the SWCD office; online orders may be placed beginning October 3rd at www.INForestryX.com. More information on the nurseries and the seedling sale can be found at www.dnr.IN.gov/forestry.

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Clark County Celebrates Indiana's BISON-ennial!

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and Clark County 4H have partnered on a project that is a part of Indiana's Bicentennial celebration. The SWCD/4H have obtained a "BISON-ennial" bison that will be painted for permanent display at the Clark County 4H Fairgrounds. Our bison is one of 92 (or more!) that the Bicentennial Commission and Indiana Association of United Ways hopes to populate the state with before year end.

We'll be celebrating Indiana's Bicentennial, and showcasing our bison, on the morning of September 16, 2016, when the Bicentennial Torch Relay passes through Clark County and by the 4H Fairgrounds. From 9:30 a.m.-Noon that day we will have live music, chainsaw carving demos,

local artisans displaying and selling their work, games for the kids, and more! A lunch of bison burgers will also be served at no cost. Everyone is invited to help us celebrate!

The event will be outdoors on the front lawn of the Clark County 4H Fairgrounds, 9608 Hwy. 62, Charlestown, IN. In the case of inclement weather, we will move into the buildings on the grounds. Please call 812-256-2330, ext. 3, or 812-256-4591 for more information.



District activities and programs will be made available to all citizens, regardless of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, marital status or disability.