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Grundy County Soil & Water celebrates 50 Years!

We had perfect weather to celebrate 50 years of the Grundy County Soil & Water Conservation District at Barton Campus. John Rice, Board Treasurer, gave the blessing for the amazing meal provided by PW Catering. And you need many options for dessert when you celebrate 50 years, so we had cake, cupcakes and several pies to choose from.

At noon, Kendall Foster, Board Chair, presented a plaque to the 2017 Cooperator of the Year to Tom & Joyce Earl. Then he presented a plaque to the 2017 Soil Health Steward of the Year to John & Linda Urich.

Election ballots were tallied and the results were the continuance of Kendall Foster & David Meservey to serve on the Grundy County SWCD Board of Supervisors.

At the close of the day names were drawn for MDC Books: Cooking Wild in Missouri – Phillip Thomas and Missouri Wild Flowers – Darcy Jermanovich.

Names drawn for the one day free equipment rentals: Mulcher – Ken Bower, Tiller – Damien Little, Cultipacker – Carol Thomas, Brush Cutter – Wes Bland, Tractor – John Urich, 6yd Scraper – Carol Thomas, Box Scraper – Nicholas Jermanovich, Drill – Ben Thomas and Harrow – Damien Little.

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2017 Cooperator of the Year



Photo Courtesy of Diane Lowrey, Trenton Republican Times

Tom and Joyce Earl began farming in 1958. They are the parents of a daughter and 3 sons, 2 step-daughters and a step-son. They are blessed with 19 grandchildren/great grandchildren and 18 step grandchildren/great grandchildren.

Tom and Joyce have installed over 22,839 feet of terraces and 13 grass waterways in the County. A few families farm the Earl ground and are very conservation minded and help use their equipment toward conservation efforts.

The Earl's are thankful for the help received from the SWCD staff, Board of Supervisors, NRCS and their contractors.

2017 Soil Health Steward of the Year



Photo Courtesy of Diane Lowrey, Trenton Republican Times

The Grundy Co. Soil & Water Conservation District Board again wants to recognize a producer who focuses on improving the health of their soils.

This year's Soil Health Award goes to John and Linda Urich.

On their farm, the Urich's have combined the use of cover crops, long term no-till, and crop rotation, to help improve the soil structure and biology, and increase soil carbon content and organic matter. These methods also increase water infiltration, which decreases runoff and erosion and helps keep nutrients from leaving the fields. When combined, these practices help ensure long-term sustainability of crop production and build up the health of their soils.

Because of their efforts in the area of soil health, the Board is pleased to present the 2017 Grundy County Soil Health Award to John and Linda Urich.

Save the Date for State Women In Ag #hookedonag17



Save the date:
Old Kinderhook
Near Camdenton & Lake of the Ozarks
September 11-13

Registration \$80 by August 11, 2017 After August 11th Registration increases to \$100

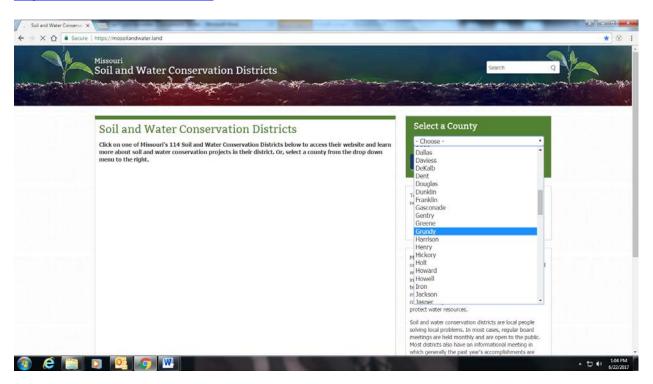
Call 888-346-4949 to reserve your room at Old Kinderhook

Just a reminder to landowners that the maximum cost-share on a DWC-01 Pond was changed from \$10,000 to \$15,000 limit.

New Website for Soils Districts in Missouri

All 114 Districts in Missouri have new websites. To check out what's going on please visit the link below and select your county of interest.

https://mosoilandwater.land/



FY 2018 Monies to be allocated for Grundy County

Grazing Management \$ 13,538.00 Sensitive Areas \$ 1,805.00 Sheet/Rill & Gully Erosion \$334,939.00

Total Allocation \$334,939.00

Kids Corner - Recipe

Campfire Cones



Ingredients

- Waffle Ice Cream Cones
- Topping Ideas: Marshmallows, Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, Chocolate bar pieces, Rolos, Butterscotch Chips, Chocolate Chips, Bananas, Raspberries, Strawberries

Directions

- 1. Fill a cone with desired amounts of marshmallow and toppings.
- 2. Cover cone with foil.
- 3. Place over the campfire for about 3-5 minutes, on a heated grill for 5-6 minutes, or in the oven at 375 degrees for about 5-8 minutes until toppings are melted.
- 4. Then just enjoy the warm and gooey melted deliciousness.

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) is to construct and carry out a complete soil and water conservation program on all lands within Grundy County, Missouri. The district supervisors will work with all individuals, organizations and agencies interested in saving, maintaining and improving soil and water resources within the district.

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2017 Upcoming Events

Holiday Closings

May

29th - Memorial Day

EVENTS

April 26th
State Envirothon
Competition
Bradford Research Farm
Columbia, Mo

SWCD Board Meetings

April 17th – 9:00am

May 15th - 9:00am

June 19th - 9:00am

Board Meetings are held at the USDA Service Center 3415 Oklahoma Avenue

All meetings are open to the public with the exception of executive sessions. If you wish to be on the agenda please notify the District



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Happy Holidays to you from the Staff!







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