

KACD Report

2015 Spring Workshops

March 2015

Topics:

- KACD Executive Director
- Report on 2015 NACD Convention
- Plans for 2015 KACD Convention
- State Fair Booth

KACD Executive Director

- Jim Krueger, former assistant state conservationist at NRCS, has been named KACD executive director effective March 1, 2015
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KACD Executive Director, cont.

- Married to Peggy for 42 years; Peggy retired from county govt.
- Peggy was CD manager in Washington Co. for 7 yrs.
- Three grown children
- Jim farms part-time
- Career path includes farm manager, farmer, electrician/plumber, extension agent, banker, and then NRCS for 28 years
- Retired as assistant state conservationist in 2013
- Served as No-till on the Plains interim program coordinator in 2014
- Honors include Berg fellow of Soil and Water Conservation Society and Organization of Professional Employees of the Department of Agriculture “Professional of the Year”

2015 NACD Convention

- Held February 1-4, 2015, in New Orleans, LA
- Theme was “Conservation: Key to a Healthy Nation”
- More than 900 attendees
- Lee McDaniel of Maryland was installed as new NACD president, replacing Earl Garber of Georgia
- Next year’s convention will be held in Reno, NV, January 30 – February 3, 2016

2015 KACD Convention

- Dates are November 22-24, 2015, at DoubleTree by Hilton Wichita Airport
- Same format and registration process
- Registration and preliminary program will be available on KACD website by August 1st
- Submit ideas for breakout sessions to Jim Krueger at jimkrueger222@gmail.com

2015 State Fair Booth

- Became member of Agriland instead of maintaining multi-partner booth as in the past
- Agriland Conservation Partnership members are KACD, KACD-EO, DOC/SCC, NRCS
- Other Agriland members are Kansas Foundation for Ag in the Classroom, Soybean Association, KS Beef Council, Dairy Association, Sunflower Commission, Wheat Commission, Cotton Growers, Kansas Agri Women

2015 State Fair Booth, cont.

- Display at Agriland by the Kansas Conservation Partnership will be soil tunnel trailer from Rush and Miami CDs (alternate years). Also will contribute educational material for teachers to the red schoolhouse.
- Fair dates: September 11th through 20th
- Volunteers needed! Supervisors, district employees, NRCS employees, and DOC. Stephanie Royer with Rush County will coordinate CD volunteers and Sheila Forrester will coordinate NRCS employees. *Please sign up to help!*

Have questions or comments?

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