



KENTUCKY SHINES!!

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This is a great way to get to know your co-workers and what is happening in our sister counties.

Who's in the "Limelight"?

Cindy King – Scott County Conservation District



This is my husband, Russell, my son, Adam, and myself at Adam's UK Graduation!!! If any of you have been with the Conservation District for over 5 years, you probably remember seeing Adam at the KACD Conventions with Russell and me, and have watched him grow through the years. He always looked forward to swimming in the pool, watching cartoons on cable and raiding everyone's display for goodies!! Yes,

he's finally graduated and is looking for something in the Natural Resources Conservation field. I am so-o-o-o-o proud, as if you couldn't tell!

I started with the Scott County Conservation District one month after Adam was born, almost 24 years ago. My job has grown with us over the years. I started out part-time, assisting SCS and as our education and conservation programs grew I became full-time. Finally our programs out-grew me and we hired an Educational Coordinator. I have served as District Clerk/Educational Coordinator, District Administrative Secretary, and am now the District Water Quality Program Manager. I manage the District's Local WQ Cost-share Program and the State WQ Cost-share Program, and coordinate educational programs and field days. The Administrative Manager, Diane Napolitano and myself "tag-team" on most projects.

The Scott County Conservation District participates in the Kentucky River Watershed Watch, and I complete the habitat assessment, biological assessment, and field test on four sites throughout the year. I also collect samples to take to UK for analysis on heavy metals, herbicide/pesticides, fecal coli form/e-coli, sedimentation, and low-flow. I have been certified through the state and am re-certified each year.

The District is active with state and local government committees. I sit on the KACD Research Committee. I served as Area 6 Representative for KACDE for “ever”, two years as KACDE President, and Past-Pres. for the past four years. I sit on the Rural Committee for the Scott County Comprehensive Plan and review development site plans for the Technical Review Committee for Planning and Zoning Commission. I am a trustee for the “Yuko-En on the Elkhorn”, KY’s official KY-Japan Friendship Garden, and is the Chairperson for the Georgetown/Scott Co. Trails Committee.

Aside from work, my favorite hobby is my boat, it’s small, but we can go wherever we want to. If you couldn’t tell at Jabez, the Cumberland is THE place to be. In the fall, I love bon-fires, in the winter, I like basket weaving, and I dabble in stained glass & scrap booking. In the spring, I love my flower garden. I mostly have perennials so by the time I get bored with working in the garden and adding a splash of color, I can sit back and enjoy the rest of the year. My family and I farmed tobacco and cattle until about three years ago; Russell has a paying job now, ha, ha! We actively belong to the Great Crossing Baptist Church, the first church built in this area, in 1785. We weren’t married there, but we will be celebrating our 25th wedding anniversary on New Year’s Eve!

My favorite part of my job is the fact that you can see the results of what we do, not only on the ground and in the water, but in the eyes of each student who just planted their first tree, or caught their first crawdad. That’s why I plan to retire *someday* with the Conservation District.

Awards Chairperson Comments: Cindy is a KACDE Member, past president & serves on committee (she wears many hats for the KACDE) and we are proud to have her on our team.

Penny Warwick – Warren County Conservation District



Hello, my name is Penny Jo Warwick. Born and raised in Bowling Green, KY, I ventured off after high school with my horse in tow to attend college at Murray State where I received my degree in

Agriculture Science. While there I participated in the Collegiate Rodeo association, competing in such events as break away roping, goat tying and barrel racing. After college I moved back home, fell in love with my husband, Bobby, and started a family in which the Lord blessed us with a beautiful little girl whom we named Savannah. My hobbies include riding horses, running and spending every spare moment with my family. I am a member of Woodburn Baptist Church and play softball on the Church league in the summers.

I started working for the Farm Service Agency in 2000 as a field assistant and when a position at the District came available in September 2003 I began working as a District Technician. I thoroughly enjoy my job and feel blessed to have a job in which I look forward to coming into work each day. I am fortunate as well to work with some of the finest people in the business and have enjoyed meeting each and everyone in the fellow Conservation Districts.

Awards Chairperson Comments: Penny is a KACDE Member and we are proud to have her on our team.



KACDE TEAMWORK MAKES EVERYONE A “SHINING” STAR

Wanda J. Gilbert — Awards Committee Chairperson