



Kentucky Association of Conservation District Employees News & Views

President's Report

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Stephanie Young giving Educational Presentation during MCDEA Workshop



SECDEA Governing Board
(back row) Brian Hacker (KY), Sandy Mitchell (MS), Anna Moore (TN), Mike Pardue (NC), Henrietta Taylor (AL)
(front row) Martha Newby (KY), Mendel Wade (TN), Mamie Caison (NC).



Building a Better Tomorrow



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KACDE's Vision is to promote our natural resources through education and to encourage professionalism of all Conservation District Employees

2009 SECDEA Mid Year Board Meeting

Southeast Regional Officers and Board Members from Kentucky recently attended the SECDEA Mid-Year Board Meeting in Hattiesburg, MS. Held in conjunction with the Mississippi Conservation District Employee Association's annual meeting, these three days were action packed—yet, with a relaxed *Southern* atmosphere.

The SECDEA Board spent a great deal of time preparing for the 2009 SECDEA Conference to be held November 10th-12th in Pigeon Forge, TN. In addition to the regular agenda, this year an environmental and educational tour to historic Cade's Cove will be offered.

Also introduced was this year's fundraiser — a Bose Wave Sound System with a 4 CD Changer will be given away during the SE Regional NACD Meeting this August in Charleston, SC. Tickets will be sold by SECDEA Board Members and Officers in their respective states for \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

After our meeting, we were welcomed by the MCDEA members with open arms. Their meeting included speakers from their state agencies, as well as special projects undertaken by employees from across the state. Our very own Stephanie Young even did an educational presentation on behalf of SECDEA and Kentucky. Once again, we were represented well — thank you, Stephanie!

Thank you for allowing me the experience of representing you during this meeting. I promise to use all that was gained to make our Association stronger!

Brian D. Hacker



Officer Nominations Needed

Have you ever thought about giving back to your Association? Have you ever thought of getting more involved in the development of ideas which will benefit District Employees across KY? If you have, KACDE needs you! Whether you volunteer to serve on a standing committee or you are willing to serve as an officer or board member — your Association needs you!

Please consider serving fellow District Employees by becoming involved in KACDE. If you ARE willing to serve as an officer, please send your letter of intent for officer nomination to Linda Smith, KACDE Past-President and Nominating Committee Chair. Elections occur during our Business Luncheon held during the KACD Convention in Louisville this July.

Become involved — volunteer to serve!

Nomination Committee Report

Two notices have been emailed asking for nominations for KACDE offices that include:

- Vice President -
- Treasurer
- Representatives for Area 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9

An announcement was also submitted in the Kentucky Shines Newsletter and emailed to all district employees.

Nominations have been received for all area reps except 3.

No nominations at this time for Vice President or Treasurer.

Two have acknowledged interest in Treasurer, but have not committed at this time.

Respectively Submitted by
Linda Smith, Committee Chair

**Tentative
KACDE Board
Meeting Schedule**

**July 10th
Woodford County *
July 12th
KACD Convention
KACDE Suite
8:00 PM
July 13th
KACDE Business
Luncheon
August 2009
To Be Announced
September 14th
KACDE Convention
October 2009
To Be Announced
November 10th
SECDEA Conference
December 11th
Jefferson County**

Kentucky Association of Conservation District Employees
Plan of Work for 2008-2009

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Make plans to attend KACDE's Business Luncheon during this year's KACD Convention in Louisville, KY!



Stop by our booth during the 2009 KACD Convention this July to purchase your "phone jewelry". All proceeds will benefit the KACDE Benevolence Fund!

Seasoned District Employee Retires



Miki Silva, District Administrative Secretary for the Powell County SWC District, has recently retired after 15 years of service. Upon learning of her retirement, several of her friends from all across the state joined together to purchase a flat screen TV and satellite service to occupy her time. According to Patricia Bennett (who helped pull all this together), Miki is doing well and is thrilled with this sentiment from her Kentucky Friends and co-workers.

Best wishes to Miki — and thank you to all who chose to participate!

To send a card to Miki Silva:
110 Neal Silva Road * Clay City, KY 40312



Awards Committee Reports

According to Ms. Wanda Gilbert, Awards Committee Chair, we have had the following nominations for Kentucky Shine Awards throughout the entire year.

Congratulations to each award winner!

<u>October</u> — Tom Wagner from Christian Co.	<u>March</u> —Valorie Tipton from Bourbon Co.
<u>November</u> — Shelby Kelly from Todd Co.	<u>April</u> —Jennifer Hardwick from Russell Co.
<u>December</u> — Charlotte Lawson from Meade Co.	<u>May</u> —Sharon Hunt from Fleming Co.
<u>January</u> — Stephanie Young from Boyd Co.	<u>June</u> —To Be Announced (Area 9)
<u>February</u> — Mary Kathryn Dickerson from Boone/Kenton County	<u>July—September</u> —To Be Announced

Congratulations!

Make plans to attend KACDE's Annual Convention September 15-17 in Jabez, KY! May be the best training yet!



Don't forget to pay your dues - get in on winning the gardening basket!

Upcoming KACDE Fundraisers

MEMBERSHIP BASKET:

All who pay their KACDE Membership dues before the KACD Banquet in July will be entered into a drawing to receive a KACDE Gardening Basket — a large hand-made basket completely filled with gardening items from all across the state. Please join today!

WII GAMING SYSTEM & FITNESS PROGRAM:

The KACDE Benevolence Committee will be selling tickets for a Wii Gaming System & Fitness Program to be given away during the Business Luncheon held this July during the 2009 KACD Convention. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. For tickets or more information, contact a KACDE Officer or your Area Rep today!

KENTUCKY GET-AWAY:

Need a quick get-away? Want to slip away for a few days? Why not tour Kentucky? Purchase a chance to win a two night stay at any KY State Park (with a \$50 gift card) to be given away during our 2009 KACDE Convention this September in Jabez. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. For tickets or more information, contact a KACDE Officer or your Area Rep today!

ODDS & ENDS:

Don't forget about our ongoing fundraisers — Phone jewelry (for \$5 each) which will benefit the Benevolence Fund, KACDE Calendars for \$5 (which will run from July 2009 to July 2010),

If you have any question or need to place an order, please contact any KACDE Officer or Area Representative, or Shelley Isenberg, KACDE Special Projects Chair at 270-237-3189 ext. 109 or accd1949@windstream.net.

Still need T-Shirts?
Contact Stephanie Young today!

See more information on our great fundraisers — visit our website www.kacde.org



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KACDE Business Luncheon

Monday, July 13th—Galt House in Louisville, KY

Luncheon Highlights:

- 2008 KACDE Year-In-Review
- New Employee Recognition
- District Employee “Years of Service” Recognition
- “KY Shine Award” Recipients
- 2009 KACDE Convention Update
- 2009 SECDEA Conference Update
- Wii Gaming System Giveaway
- 2009 - 2010 KACDE Officer Elections

Make plans to join us for this informative luncheon!

Bought those tickets yet?

What about your dues?



KACDE Governing Board

Executive Board:

Brian D. Hacker, President

Cindy King, Vice President

Linda Russell, Secretary

Stephanie Young, Treasurer

Martha Newby, Reporter

Linda Smith, Past President

Ruth Pike, Advisor

Area Representatives:

Leslie Fourqurean, Area 1

Debbie Eubank, Area 2

Shelley Isenberg, Area 3

Joy Edwards, Area 4

Tracy Yocum, Area 5

Terri Shaw, Area 6

Wanda Gilbert, Area 7

Stephanie Young, Area 8

Sandy Gay, Area 9