



# Oklahoma Chapter SWCS

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## Oklahoma Chapter SWCS Fall Council Meeting

The Oklahoma Chapter of Soil and Water Conservation Society council has planned a fall meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup> at the ARS Grazinglands Research Laboratory at Fort Reno. The council meeting and strategic planning workshop will start at 10 am. One of the things the council will consider at the meeting is an annual budget. Following lunch, attendees will be able to take a tour of the ARS facilities and the historic Fort Reno. For more information please contact Larry Wright, President.

## Oklahoma SWCS Scholarships Awarded

The Oklahoma Chapter of Soil and Water Conservation Society recently awarded scholarships to two students attending Oklahoma State University. Scott Clark, Burlington, OK and Tansy Grimmert, Rattan, OK were recently recognized for this award at a reception held in the conference room at the Oklahoma Natural Resources Conservation Service State Office in Stillwater. Representing Oklahoma SWCS was Clark Williams, Scholarship Chairman and Melanie Oliver, Secretary-Treasurer.



Left to Right: Clark Williams, Scott Clark, Tansy Grimmert, and Melanie Oliver.

Contact Clark Williams for information about this year's scholarship applications

## Missouri SWCS Show-Me Chapter Fall Forum

On November 9, 2010 SWCS Show-Me Chapter will be hosting its annual Fall Forum at University of Missouri SW Center in Mt. Vernon, Missouri. The topic is Back to Basics: Historical Perspective and Practical Application in Soil and Water Conservation. In the morning we will take a historical look back at soil and water conservation and in the afternoon we investigate the SW Center grass based dairy as a case study of basic agricultural principles coupled with modern innovations. We would love to see our neighboring SWCS Chapters in attendance.

## Through the Haze - The Role of Fire on the Prairie

The Kansas Natural Resources Conference is set for January 20-21, 2011. The theme is a timely subject: Through the Haze...The Role of Fire on the Prairie.

This is the final call for oral and poster presentations for the Kansas Natural Resources Conference January 20-21, 2011 at the Airport Hilton in Wichita, Kansas. We invite oral and poster presentations by professionals and students on any natural resource-related topic of importance to Kansas and the region. Accepted abstracts will be published in the conference program. The plenary session of the conference will address the theme: **Through the Haze – The Role of Fire on the Prairie.**

Abstracts are due November 1 and must be submitted electronically using the template from the conference webpage: [www.kansasnrc.com](http://www.kansasnrc.com)  
Oral presentations will fit into a 30 minute time slot, with the presentation being 20 minutes in length, followed by 5 minutes of questions and answers, and 5 minutes for the shift to a new presenter. Oral presentations are limited to Microsoft PowerPoint; no other formats will be accepted.

Students giving presentations are eligible for scholarships to help pay for the conference registration on a first come, first serve basis. Please include the request for scholarship in a message with the submitted abstract. Cash awards for best student paper and best student poster on wildlife and fisheries topics are being sponsored by the Wildlife Society and Fisheries Society. Contact the societies for further information.

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Welcome new members: Jason Stegemoller and Malarie Barrett.

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