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Vision: A multidisciplinary Society that advocates the protection, enhancement, and wise use of soil, water and related natural resources in Oklahoma and beyond.

Mission: To promote through education and example, an ethic that recognizes the interdependence of people and the environment.

Welcome New Members:

2013 No-Till Oklahoma Conference

The 2013 No-Till Oklahoma Conference is February 19 & 20th, 2013 at the National Center for Employee Development, 2801 State Highway 9 East, Norman, Oklahoma. No-till in Oklahoma continues to grow in popularity among producers that want to increase soil quality, conserve soil moisture, and decrease fuel and labor costs. The benefits of no-till are well documented and we hope the information available at the conference and through the website <http://notill.okstate.edu/> will help you in managing your no-till cropping system or adopting no-till into your current cropping system. No-till is not an answer for everything but should be considered an important part of your cropping system.



Please visit our website www.notill.okstate.edu for program updates, or call Janelle Malone at 405-744-3669 if you need any further information. Early registration discount is available prior to February 4th.

Society for Range Management

The Society for Range Management 66th Annual International Meeting, Technical Training and Trade Show will be held, **Feb. 2-8, 2013**, in the heart of Oklahoma City, specifically in Bricktown, a progressive, culturally diverse part of Oklahoma City. The slogan for OKC is: "Native America, Native Rangelands," with the theme being "The Future of Rangeland Fire in a Changing World." check out the web site for more information: http://rangelands.org/oklahoma_city2013/

Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts Annual Meeting

The Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts Annual Meeting will be February 24-26, 2013, at Midwest City, Reed Conference Center http://www.ok.gov/conservation/News/OACD_State_Meeting_2013_tentative_agenda.html



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SAVE THE DATE!

Grazinglands Research Laboratory Field Day 2013

Friday, May 10, 2013

From 9 am to 3:30pm

Tours, Research Information to include:

Remote Sensing, Canola, Red Cedar, Grass Cultivars, Rotational Grazing, Conservation Practices and No-Till, Exhibits and Free lunch!

Proper management of pecans leads to improved production

ARDMORE, Okla. — With a combined 320,000 acres of orchards in production, Texas and Oklahoma are two of the six leading pecan producing states in the United States, and more orchards are being planted every year.

To assist this ever-growing agricultural sector, The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation will host a Basic AG Pecan Planting and Pruning Workshop from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 12, at the Noble Foundation's McMillan Farm.

This hands-on workshop will provide participants the opportunity to hone their skills by pruning young pecan trees with the experts. There will also be time for individuals to interact with the Noble Foundation's horticulture consultants to ask questions one-on-one.

"The vibrant pecan industry is providing agricultural producers in Oklahoma, Texas and across the Southern Great Plains with a new investment alternative," said Charles Rohla, Ph.D., assistant professor. "The attention to detail in the establishment years improves the possibility of early and enhanced production in a new pecan orchard."

This workshop is offered at no charge, but pre-registration is required. For more information or to preregister, please visit www.noble.org/agevents or contact Jackie Kelley at 580.224.6360.

February is the month of meetings in Oklahoma. We hope that you are able to take advantage of some of these opportunities to network with our conservation partners and learn the latest advancements in technical and scientific conservation applications.