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Oklahoma Chapter

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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:

Chapter Leader Training Webinars [Click here to watch](#)

2014 Chapter Elections

The 2014 Oklahoma Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society annual elections is upon us. The Nominations/Elections Committee Chairperson, John Mustain, reports that chapter members should expect to receive balloting procedures very soon. An electronic voting method will be used for members to cast their votes if they have provided an email address to be used. This method saves considerable time along with postage. A few members that do not have email addresses on file should expect to receive a ballot by postal mail at their last address on file. Decisions to be made in the election include choosing a President-Elect and three council members. Please take the time to cast your vote for continued leadership in our chapter. The Oklahoma Chapter SWCS has a wonderful history of conservation activities throughout Oklahoma.

National Land and Range Judging Contest

The National Land and Range Judging contest will return to Oklahoma City April 29 to May 1, 2014. Planning preparations are already underway. If you would like to volunteer to help with this great event please contact me by return email. Volunteers are also needed to staff the SWCS tables at the headquarters hotel for sales of T-shirts, caps, and clipboards. This our biggest fundraiser that supports our activities, scholarships, and grants. Your participation is greatly needed and very beneficial. In addition you meet a lot of nice people from all over the U.S. who come to OKC for the contest.

Plan Now to Attend the Annual Oklahoma SWCS Conference Robbers Cave State Park in beautiful southeast Oklahoma on June 6-7 (Friday and Saturday).

The meeting will begin at 10AM on Friday June 6 and be done by noon on the 7th. Josh Ketch, President-Elect and Program Chairperson, has scheduled meeting rooms at the park facilities. He also said that 5 rooms have been reserved at the lodge. "The kicker with the lodge rooms is that you have to stay 2 nights and they didn't have that many available – so people probably need to reserve them pretty soon if they want to stay at the lodge," reports Ketch.

For others not wanting to stay at the lodge or don't want to stay two nights – there are several hotels in Wilburton, which is about 5-10 minutes away and Ketch will probably be reserving a block of rooms at either the Hiway Inn or Traveler's Inn. Ketch also reported that the focus of the meeting will be grazinglands soil health. Registration will be \$40 and more details on when and where to send your registration will be provided soon. Mark your calendars and plan to join your fellow professional and dedicated conservationist at Robbers Cave State Park this June. <http://www.travelok.com/listings/view.profile/id.6415>



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