



# Soil Scoop!

## Spencer County Soil and Water Conservation District

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.” - Margaret Mead

### Upcoming Events

February 16<sup>th</sup> - USDA Service Center closed

February 18<sup>th</sup> - Early Registration for the Southern Indiana Grazing Conference

March 12<sup>th</sup> - CROP Day at St. Meinrad Community Center at 6pm.

April 1<sup>st</sup> - SpringTime on the Farm at Chrisney 4-H Community Building sponsored by Farm Bureau for all 3<sup>rd</sup> graders.

CRP re-enrolls will be checked in the upcoming months. You will be notified if your conservation practice is ready to be checked.

### Spencer County SWCD Board

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### Annual Conference Notes

The Spencer County SWCD joined other Districts and Conservation organizations from all over the State of Indiana in Indianapolis on the 12th and 13th of January. All five Supervisors and two associate Supervisors were joined by the District Administrator, Courtney. At the conference, awards were given to outstanding Districts, Conservationists and other groups throughout the state.

On the 13th, State Legislators were able to join the Districts to discuss important conservation issues within their jurisdiction. Spencer County



### Thank you for the donated items for our Annual Meeting held on January 26, 2015!

Family Roots Nursery  
Farm Credit Services  
Grandview Aluminum  
Journal Democrat  
Indiana Caverns  
Oakland City University - Rockport Campus  
NRCS Earth Team Volunteer Program  
Randall L. Haaff  
Spencer County Leader  
Squire Boone Caverns  
Steckler Grassfed  
Top Auto Center  
White Squirrel Donuts - Rockport, IN  
Valley Springs Resorts - Big Splash Adventures

### Southern Indiana Grazing Conference

This conference will be located at the West Gate Academy located at IN-558 & E County Road 1650 N in Odon. Registration online at <https://sigc.eventbrite.com>. \$35 if register before 2/18 after deadline and at the door is \$45. Checks can be mailed to Toni Allison by 2/18 at Daviess County SWCD 2526 E. National Hwy Washington, IN 47501.

The cost of the conference will include lunch and refreshments. Topics include, “Make Grazing Your Business”, “Animal Indicators for Insight”, “Filling in the Voids with Forages for Energy” and “Selecting the Right Animals for Grass.”

The Spencer County SWCD is offering a \$20 cost-share for each individual that attends and returns their receipt to the SWCD.



Amy Sims, Courtney Hall, Jamen Frederick, Betsy Wilkinson, and Rita Becker Forler completed the tillage transect on Dec 8, 2014. This was completed under the Indiana Conservation Partnership agreement.