NORTH DAKOTA SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

2023 District Annual Meeting

Tuesday, March 7 – Thursday, March 9
Baymont Inn and Suites, 2611 Old Red Trail
Mandan, ND

Agenda

Tuesday, March 7 – *Pier 7*

New Employees – Windbreak Workshop

    12:45 – 2:15 **Site Design Challenges** – District Led

    2:15 – 3:15   **Mentor Program**

    4:00 – 6:00   **Tour**

        Bus leaves at 4PM from hotel

        Area 4 Research Station

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Wednesday, March 8 – *Pier 7*
8:00   Welcome - Breakfast

8:15   **NDSSCC Update** – Jodi Delozier, PhD, NDSU Extension Program Director

9:00   **Health Benefits of Grass-fed Beef** – Kalie Rider, MS, RD

10:00   Break

10:15   **Recruiting and Retaining Staff** – Tom Claeys, State Forester, NDFS

11:00   **Mentor Program**

12:00   **Luncheon**

Trees – *Nautilus Room*

1:15   **Pest and Disease Identification** – Peter Gäg, Forest Health Manager, NDFS

2:15   **Tree Identification** – Dr. Joe Zeleznik, NDSU Ext. Forester

3:15   Break – Ice Cream Social

3:45   **Pruning** – Doug Wiles, City Forester, Bismarck

4:30   **Troubleshooting Fabric Installation** – Chad Thorson, District Technician, Burleigh SCD

Outreach and Resources– *Cutty Sark Room*

1:15   **Education** – Beth Hill, Outreach and Education Manager, NDFS

2:15   **Updating Equipment** – District Led

3:15   Break – Ice Cream Social

3:45   **Unique Services** – District Led

Wednesday Afternoon Ice Cream Social sponsored by NDCDEA

Wednesday Evening Social – 6:00pm – *Sponsored by Agassiz Seed – Pier 7*

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8:00 **NDCDEA Business Meeting** – *Breakfast Meeting*

9:00 Break (Check - Out)

9:30 **Tree Ring Study Along the Red River Valley** – Dr. Joe Zeleznik, NDSU Ext. Forester

10:00 **Dakota Legacy Initiative and Outdoor Heritage Fund** – Sarah Tunge, District Manager, Mercer SCD

10:30 **RIPE and Lincoln Oakes Nursery Update** – Rhonda Kelsch, Lincoln Oakes Nursery

11:00 **Successes and Failures** – Moderating - Jeff Miller, Director, Cass SCD

11:30 **Mentors**

12:00 Adjourn