



Comprised of conservation professionals, the national Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) provides networking opportunities, social events and technical training through workshops and field days.

SWCS advocates on a national level and the Keystone Chapter advocates on a state level for:

- conservation professionals
- science-based conservation practices
- science-based programs and policies



SWCS strives to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of conservation leaders, improve vocational competencies of its members, and combine the talents and influence of its members to solve problems facing conservation programs.



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The Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS) was formed in 1943 and serves as an advocate for conservation professionals and for science-based conservation practice, programs, and policy. SWCS was formed by a small group of soil conservation leaders who noticed a real need for an organization which conservationists could increase their efficiency and effectiveness as leaders, improve their vocational competencies, and utilize their combined talents and influence in solving the problems facing conservation programs.

Joining the national SWCS automatically provides membership in the Keystone Chapter. Generally, statewide chapters sponsor activities, provide networking for conservation professionals in casual settings, and offer trainings through hands-on demonstrations, projects and workshops. Previously, Keystone Chapter activities have included an annual BBQ, camping trip, technical tours and workshops/field days.

Your membership benefits include:

- Networking and learning from fellow professionals
- Participation in our annual BBQ, camping trip/technical tour, workshops
- Opportunity to attend the SWCS International Annual Conference
- An invitation to present your expertise during the SWCS International Annual Conference
- A subscription to the Journal of Soil and Water Conservation
- Reception of a weekly news-brief of compiled current news and policy updates
- Opportunity to hold statewide or regional officer positions, resume builder



Keystone SWCS members include representatives from USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), state agencies, conservation districts, Stroud Water Research Center, USDA Agricultural Research Service (ARS), students, agricultural consultants and state universities, as well as other interested parties.

The mission of the Keystone Chapter is to foster natural resource conservation in Pennsylvania by seeking ways to advance the science and art of good land and water use. The Chapter is organized for educational, scientific, and charitable purposes. To advance its mission, the Chapter carries out activities and programs for soil and water conservation in professional development, scientific research, education, and public affairs.



An organization's strength lies in its members. We encourage involvement in one of Keystone SWCS's Committees. By serving on a committee that reflects your interests, YOU help decide what activities are most valuable to our membership. Service hones leadership and organizational skills, which benefits all professionals, no matter what stage you are at in your career.

For additional details about Keystone SWCS, visit http://www.swcs.org/en/about_swcs/ for full details.

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