



Barber County Conservation District

2011

A Year At A Glance

2011 Annual Meeting

- **Heritage Center, Medicine Lodge, KS**
- **Election of Supervisors:**
 - **Ted Alexander & Matt Cantrell**
- **Poster Winners**
- **Conservation Winners**



Conservation Tree Planting Program

District Cooperates with Kansas Forest Service to Offer Low-Cost Tree and Shrub Seedlings for Use in Conservation Plantings. Orders are Taken From Early December Through May 1, but Order Early to Insure Species Availability.

One Successful EQIP & WHIP Sign-Up

- **November Application Deadline**
- **Assisted NRCS with Clerical Support**
 - **18 Approved EQIP Contracts for 14,000.9 acres**
 - **6 Approved WHIP Contracts for 2,388.5 acres**

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EQIP & WHIP

- **Funded 6 Applications in the Amount of \$54,348 for Soil & Water Quality Conservation**
- **Funded 18 Applications in the Amount of \$718,581 for Improving Grasslands Health, Vigor, Providing Livestock Water, & Improving Wildlife Habitat (Brush Management, Prescribed Burning, Livestock Water Pipelines, Wells, Tanks, Prescribed Grazing Incentives, & Cross-Fencing)**

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5th Grade Conservation Field Day 2010-2011 School Year

The Conservation District Sponsored A Field Day For The 5th Graders of Barber County. 7 Different Rotations Including A Rainfall Simulator, Stream Flow Trailer, Envirascap, A Nature Walk, Recycling, Snakes, and Edible Soil Along With A Sack Lunch Provided By Corona Hoch & Farm Bureau Filled The Day With Fun For Everyone.



2011 Stewardship Week

April – May

- **Theme –
Forests For People: More Than You Can
Imagine!**
- **Churches and Educators Take
Advantage of the Free Stewardship
Materials Offered by the Conservation
District.**

Spring Wildflower Tour

May 9

A Beautiful Spring Morning Welcomed 53 Wildflower Buffs to a Treasure Trove of Wildflowers on the Prairies of Barber County.



Wildflower Tour

**Professional,
Knowledgeable Tour
Guides Share Some
Well Known and Not-
So-Well-Known Facts
About the Native
Plants. Try Finding
“Meadow Muffin” in
Your Plant ID Books.**



Wildflower Tour

Two Identification Sites Boasted an Abundance of Varied Species, Rivalled Only by a Hearty Lunch and Scenic Drive Through the Gyp Hills.



CoCoRaHS

**Community Collaborative
Rain, Hail and Snow
Network**

**Recognizing the Importance
of Accurate Data
Collection and Reporting,
the District Acts as
County Coordinator for
CoCoRaHS.**



Water Resources Cost Share Program

- **Sign-up - April 1 – April 30**
- **Funds Received July 1 - \$24,539.00**
- **December Reallocation of Funds - \$1,750.00**

WRCSP Allocations

- **Terraces - \$4,337.90**
- **Grassed Waterways - \$4,432.99**
- **Critical Area Planting - \$1,047.13**
- **Livestock Water Developments - \$15,619.11**
- **Dry Hydrant – \$840.00**

Non-Point Source Pollution Control Program (NPS)

- **Fund Allocation - \$15,254.00**
- **Livestock Water Developments – \$12,287.00**
- **On Site Waste System - \$3,500.00**
- **Abandoned Water Well - \$488.25**

Information & Education Funds

In The Past, The NPSPCP In Addition to Landowner Cost-Share Funds, Also Provided Funds For

- Coordination
- Technical Assistance
- Information and Education Activities

AS OF FY 2011 THE NPSPCP NO LONGER HAS THE FUNDING AVAILABLE TO ASSIST WITH THESE ITEMS. ALL INFORMATION & EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES ARE NOW FUNDED THROUGH THE ENTERPRISE FUND AS FUNDING ALLOWS.

www.barbercountyconservationdistrict.com

The Conservation District is on the Web!

**Lots of Information Available on Everything
From the Wildflower Tour – Cost Share –
Products for Sale – the Newsletter – NRCS
Programs – Contractors List – Youth &
Education Activities and Winners.**

Check Us Out @

www.barbercountyconservationdistrict.com



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Barber County Fair

July 22-24

**This Year's Booth
Highlighted the
Youth & Education
Activities the
District is Involved
With in Barber
County.**



Fair

**Information
Available to**

Fair-goers Included:

- Wildflower Tour
- Poster Contest
- Pipe

**This Year's Booth
Also Included A
Cotton Candy
Machine For Youth
Of All Ages!!**



Poster Contest

- **Theme**

Forests For People: More Than You Can Imagine!

- **283 Entries**

- **Placed At The State Level**

- **Received Honorable Mention At The State Level**

Thanks Kids! You Did A Great Job!

5th Grade Conservation Field Day 2011-2012 School Year

This Year We Decided To Change The Format Of Our Field Day A Little. We Moved The Field Day To October And To The Z Bar Ranch. An Incredible Ranch Tour That Included A Visit To The Pens, The Buffalo, & A Prairie Dog Town Filled The Morning. After A Sack Lunch Sponsored By Corona Hoch & Farm Bureau, Everyone Headed Off On A Nature Hike To The Salt Fork For A Sand Art Competition. Digging For Water Was The Choice Of The Day!!! To Everyone's Delight, Charlie Swank Brought His Snakes Again And We Finished The Day With Edible Soil. Special Thanks To The Z Bar Ranch For Hosting Our Event!!!



Eva Yearout Describes The Different Types of Ear Tags They Use On The Buffalo.

CSP

- **November Signup**
- **3 Applications Received for 3,999.4 acres**
- **3 Applications Funded for Approximately \$167,995**

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Kansas Association of Conservation Districts Annual Meeting November 20-22

- Barber County was Well Represented.**
- 4 Board Members in Attendance.**
- Ted Alexander, Sam Baier, & Cheryl Davis Serve on Grasslands Committee.**
- Bonnie Baier serves on Education & Youth Committee.**

New Shed

**The District Had A
30 X 60 Metal
Shed Constructed
For Extra Storage
This Year. The
Allows The
District To Keep
The Drills And
Tree Spade In The
Shed.**



Products For Sale

- **Grass Seed**
- **Corrugated Plastic Pipe**
- **Corrugated Metal Pipe**
- **Cable Fencing**



Services

Available for Rent

- **Tree Spade**
- **Grass Drill**
- **No Till Drill**
- **Drip Torches**
- **Water Backpacks**

Door Prize Contributors

MIKE'S SERVICE & ALIGNMENT

FARMERS COOP COMPANY

THE PLUM THICKETT INN

THE LITTLE STORE

SIMPLE SIMONS/TACO TICO

RICKE SERVICE

FARMER'S COOP EQUITY

HWY 160 CAFÉ

OK COOP

THE SIDE LINE

SIMPSON'S

HOMETOWN MARKET

MEDICINE RIVER TRUCK STOP & INDIAN GRILL

ALCO

WHITE'S

TO HAAS

HOME LUMBER

BURGER SHACK

SUBWAY

PAT'S FLORAL

SHIRTS & MORE

RAYKIES

FARM BUREAU

WILLIAMS AG

KIOWA LOCKER

