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- I would like more information on becoming a member
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Type of Membership:
Conservationist: \$75 US or \$110 Canadian
Student: \$25 US

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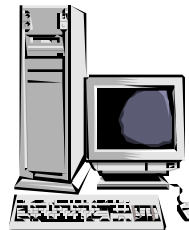


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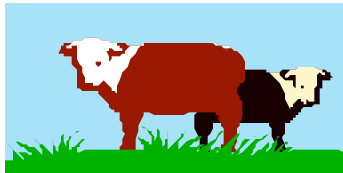


Ontario Chapter



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The Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS), founded in 1945, is an international, non-profit scientific and educational organization dedicated to promoting the conservation of soil and water resources. The Ontario Chapter is a part of the Canadian Region which comprises five chapters nationwide. The Chapter was established in 1951 to give a focus to SWCS members' interest in conservation issues within the Province of Ontario.



Of the nearly 10,000 SWCS members in the over 80 chapters in Canada and the U.S., more than 150 belong to the Ontario Chapter. Our membership includes a broad representation of professional resource managers including foresters, planners, fish and wildlife biologists, agrologists, engineers, geographers, teachers and farmers, together with many interested community members.

Society Mission Statement



The Society fosters the science and art of natural resource conservation by carrying out activities and programs in professional development, conservation science, education, and public affairs.

Towards this goal, the Ontario Chapter organizes a number of **meetings** each year where individuals interested in all resource fields have a chance to learn from one another. There are guest speakers, discussion groups and tours, as well as opportunities to identify, analyze and formulate recommendations on conservation management issues.

- The Chapter hosted the 1997 **Annual Conference**, highlighting the practical and policy concerns involved in managing ecosystems on a Watershed Basis.
- The Chapter produces **Position Statements**, the most recent titled, "Watershed Management in Ontario: Two Steps Forward - One Step Back?"
- The Chapter has an important **Educational Program** for soil and water conservation issues.
- The Chapter offers an **Awards and Scholarships Program** for personal contributions to the field of soil and water conservation.



Membership Benefits

It is the grassroots efforts of SWCS members who help to carry out the Society's mission. Involvement in resource management and planning requires a broad outlook. There are opportunities to network with professionals from many disciplines through local, regional, and international meetings. There is also interaction and education through local chapter membership. Members receive discounts on books and conference or workshop registration fees as well as other benefits!



In addition to receiving interesting and informative **Chapter Newsletters** and the **Conservogram** (via e-mail), each member receives the **Journal of Soil and Water Conservation** six times per year!

You can also earn designation as a **Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control** specialist.