

Early NCWC logos



62 Years of North Central Weed Science Society History

1989-1998 logo



1999 - ??? logo



This weed caused the NCWCC to be created:



The Father of the NCWCC -- Ted Yost



1946 Mission Statement of the NCWCC

The purpose is to exchange ideas, experiences, opinions and information, and discuss and plan means of securing more adequate weed control through more and better correlated and coordinated effort on weed research and control by Federal, Provincial, State, local, public and private agencies.

2005 Mission Statement of the NCWSS

The purpose is to facilitate the exchange of ideas, experience, opinions, and information and discuss and plan means of securing more adequate weed control through correlated and coordinated effort on weed research, education, and control of weeds by Federal, Dominion, State, Provincial, and public and private agencies.

History of Firsts

- 1944: First Proceedings published
- 1948: First Honorary Member: L. W. Kephart
- 1953: First National meeting of the Regional Weed Control Conferences in Omaha, NE; Hosted by the NCWCC, Dec. 8-10
- 1959: 1st Canadian President: J. Roe Foster, Can. Dept. Ag, Saskatchewan
- 1961: First NCWSS Rep the WSSA Board: Delbert Hemphill, Univ. Missouri
- 1967: First President from Industry: Robert Warden, Dow Chemical Co.
- 1977: First NCWSS representative to the CAST Board: Larry Binning
- 1984: NCWCC Newsletter printed
- 1989: Our 1st history book: Bob Andersen, "NCWCC-Origin and Evolution"
- 1990: Created the Distinguished Achievement Awards
- 1995: First Fellows of the NCWSS honored
- 1999: NCWSS web site created

How We Began

Group of 90 people gathered in Omaha, Nebraska in 1944 to discuss weed issues.

Decided on future meetings, possibly annually, to be held around the region: thus the NCWCC was born!

Incorporated in 1945 with 13 member states:

- Illinois Michigan North Dakota
- Indiana Minnesota Ohio
- Iowa Missouri Oklahoma
- Kansas Nebraska South Dakota Wisconsin

New province and state members joined:

- 1947: Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan
- 1948: Ontario
- 1949: Kentucky
- 1991: Colorado, Wyoming
- 2005: 1 province (Ontario) and 16 state members

Constitution adopted in 1948

Bylaws adopted in 1959

Manual of Operating Procedures developed in 1969

History of Student Contests

1955: Student essay contest created for students 12 to 18 years of age

- First winner: Jeanne Kievet of Alberta Canada who wrote on "How We Control Weeds on Our Farm"
- Might she be the our "weed-woman"??

1972: Student paper contest created (winner Jim Ladlie)

1981: Summer Weed Science Contest born (winner Univ. Illinois)

1984: Student poster contest created (winner Beverly Durgan)

Our Presidents We Met In:

1944	none	Omaha, NE
1945	Ted F. Yost	St. Paul, MN
1946	Ted F. Yost	Des Moines, IA
1947	Noel S. Hanson	Topeka, KS
1948	C. J. Willard	Springfield, IL
1949	R. S. Dunham	Sioux Falls, SD
1950	W. W. Worzella	Milwaukee, WI
1951	E. P. Slywester	Okalahoma City, OK
1952	Kenneth P. Buchholz	Winnipeg, Manitoba
1953	C J. Gilbert	Kansas City, MO
1954	O. C. Lee	Fargo, ND
1955	Buford H. Grigsby	Omaha, NE
1956	Earl A. Helgeson	Chicago, IL
1957	Fred W. Slife	Des Moines, IA
1958	Lyle A. Derscheid	Cincinnati, OH
1959	J. Roe Foster	Winnipeg, Manitoba
1960	LeRoy G. Holm	Milwaukee, WI
1961	E. K. Alban	St. Louis, MO
1962	Sig Bjerken	St. Paul, MN
1963	Delbert D. Hemphill	no meeting
1964	Delbert D. Hemphill	East Lansing, MI
1965	John D. Furrer	no meeting
1966	John D. Furrer	Wichita, KS
1967	Robert L. Warden	Fargo, ND
1968	O. Hale Fletchall	Indianapolis, IN
1969	T. V. Beck	Sioux Falls, SD
1970	Larry H. Hannah	Lexington, KY
1971	Ellery L. Knake	Kansas City, MO
1972	James L. Williams, Jr.	Winnipeg, Manitoba
1973	William F. Meggitt	St. Louis, MO
1974	Kenneth Bradfield	St. Paul, MN
1975	Orvin C. Burnside	Milwaukee, WI
1976	Rodney J. Fink	Omaha, NE
1977	Will D. Carpenter	St. Louis, MO
1978	Ron E. Doersch	St. Paul, MN
1979	John D. Nalewaja	Milwaukee, WI
1980	Edward W. Stroube	Omaha, NE
1981	James W. Herron	Des Moines, IA
1982	Robert L. Henson	Indianapolis, IN
1983	James W. DiVall	Columbus, OH
1984	Gerald R. Miller	Winnipeg, Manitoba
1985	Calvin G. Messersmith	St. Louis, MO
1986	Loyd M. Wax	Milwaukee, WI
1987	Earl W. Chamberlain	Kansas City, MO
1988	R. Gordon Harvey, Jr.	Minneapolis, MN
1989	James P. Worthington	Lexington, KY
1990	Alex R. Martin	Des Moines, IA
1991	T. Don Taylor	Indianapolis, IN
1992	Edward W. Stoller	Chicago, IL
1993	Ted R. Warfield	Kansas City, MO
1994	Thomas T. Bauman	Grand Rapids, MI
1995	LeRoy R. Cobia	Omaha, NE
1996	Alan G. Dexter	St. Louis, MO
1997	Bill Miller	Louisville, KY
1998	Douglas D. Buhler	St. Paul, MN
1999	Philip L. Orwick	Columbus, OH
2000	James J. Kells	Kansas City, MO
2001	Duane P. Rathmann	Milwaukee, WI
2002	Dallas E. Peterson	St. Louis, MO
2003	Michael J. Horak	Louisville, KY
2004	Jerry D. Doll	Columbus, OH
2005	Thomas J. Peters	Kansas City, MO
2006	Stephen D. Miller	Milwaukee, WI
2007	Adrian J. Moses	St. Louis, MO
2008	William G. Johnson	Indianapolis, IN



First NCWSS President (l) James Worthington, 1989
Last NCWSS President (r) R. Gordon Harvey, 1988

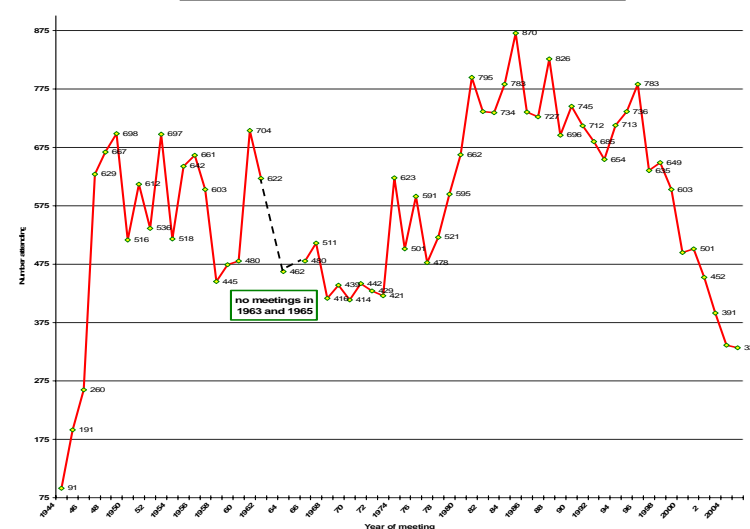


2003: Karen Renner The First NCWSS Woman Fellow



President's Chair
Conceived and created by Ellery Knake
Presented to James Williams, Jr. in 1971

Annual Meeting Attendance 1944-2005



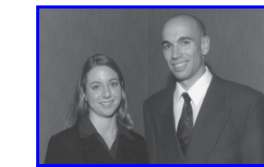
1st Student Paper Contest 1972
1997 Winners 1st row & 1st place: Chad Lee, Bryan Young, Kelly Nelson, Jed Colquhoun, Christy Sprague
2nd row & 2nd place: Brad Ramsdale, Jason R. Maschoff, Rebecca Franey, Jim Wait, Anthony Cortlet, Brent Tharp



1st Summer Contest 1981
Photo of 2005 Contestants At Kansas State University



Student Poster Contest Started in 1984



2001 - First Undergraduate Student Poster Contest Winners
Sarah R. Hans and Hank Mager