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CELEBRATING 86 YEARS

SPRING 2026

SWCD 85th Annual Meeting

The SWCD Annual meeting was moved to Nellie's North for our open house style meeting. We chose not to have a speaker this year and had networking time for all the guests. An election did take place of which Pat Bittner was re-elected. The Oath of Office was given to Pat and Kevin Rexing for his re-appointment to the board.

Seton Harvest is the River Friendly Farmer award winner this year. Darrel Adler was awarded the Conservation Farmer of the Year award.

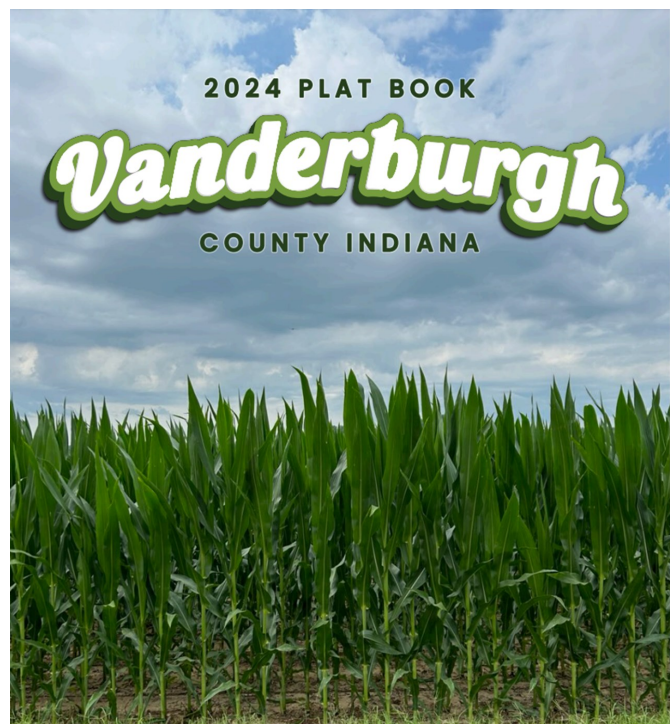
We are looking forward to the 2027 Annual Meeting as it will be our 86th Annual Meeting! Details will be published in the Winter Newsletter later this year. As always be sure to follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/vandswcd or Instagram at Vanderburgh County Soil and Water Conservation



2024 Plat Books are here!

The new 2024 Vanderburgh County Plat Books are at the SWCD office and ready for purchase.

The price of the new books are \$25 and can be paid with cash or check only. Please be sure to call the office at 812-423-4426 x3 before you stop by, as we are frequently out of the office.



MISSION STATEMENT :

OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE
QUALITY CONSERVATION SERVICES
RESULTING IN A HARMONIOUS BALANCE
BETWEEN NATURAL RESOURCES,
SOCIAL CHANGE
AND ECONOMIC HEALTH WITHIN
VANDEBURGH COUNTY
BY FOSTERING INNOVATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

POND WORKSHOP IN POSEY COUNTY

MARCH 12, 2026

5-7PM CST

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- BASIC POND MAINTENANCE
- EFFECTIVE POND WEED MANAGEMENT
- HOW TO INCREASE FISH HABITAT
- HOW TO INCREASE THE QUANTITY/QUALITY OF FISH IN YOUR POND

LOCATION:



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SPEAKERS:

ABBY PAUL & DAVID OSBORNE

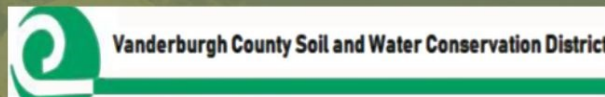
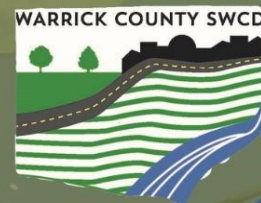
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IF YOU NEED A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION TO ATTEND THIS PROGRAM PLEASE CALL ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE EVENT.

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Extension



Composting WORKSHOP

SAVE THE DATE

APRIL 11TH 2026

9AM-1PM CST REGISTRATION

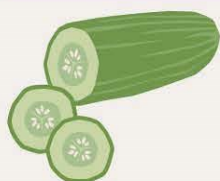
BEGINS AT 8:30

TOPICS WILL BE INCLUSIVE FOR ALL TYPES OF COMPOSTING (BACKYARD, COMMERCIAL, BEGINNERS, VERMICULTURE, TESTING COMPOST)

LOCATION 

WARRICK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

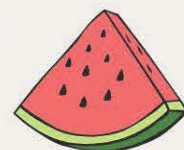
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Free Soil Test & Site Visit



If you have a small garden where you're growing vegetables, fruits, and/or flowers and live in the following counties, you're eligible for a free soil test!



Posey Vanderburgh Spencer
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1. Contact your local Soil & Water Conservation District



2. Schedule a site visit with us to come take the soil sample



3. When your results come in we'll follow up to discuss your soil results and how to better improve your soil health!





Volunteers Needed

Saturday, March 14, 2026 - 9am to 12pm

(Rain Date: Saturday, March 21, 2026)

North Woods at Igleheart Park

Vanderburgh County



CISMA

Please join the Vanderburgh Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (CISMA) and fellow community volunteers to continue removing harmful, invasive species from the park.

- No experience necessary!
- Volunteer shifts range from 1 to 3 hours to fit your schedule
- Learn about invasive species and best management practices
- Location: Igleheart Park, 6101 N First Ave, Evansville, IN 47710
- Dress for the weather, sturdy shoes/boots and work gloves recommended
- Bring loppers if you have them (some tools will be available for use)
- Snacks and refreshments provided for all volunteers

**PLEASE HELP PRESERVE THE PARK'S
NATIVE TREES AND PLANTS!**

Event is coordinated by the Vanderburgh CISMA in partnership with the Vanderburgh County Soil & Water Conservation District and the Department of Parks & Recreation

RSVP to Vanderburgh.CISMA@gmail.com



North Woods is owned by Evansville Parks and Recreation.



Vanderburgh County Soil and Water Conservation District



Spring Break NATURE HUNT



Bring the family and enjoy a walk through beautiful North Woods while looking for nature clues.

Where: North Woods at Igleheart Park
6101 N First Ave
(Meet at the Playground)

When: Friday, March 27th; 11 - 2pm
and
Saturday, March 28th; 11 - 2pm

Please dress for the weather

FREE event for the family
Space is limited - Registration required

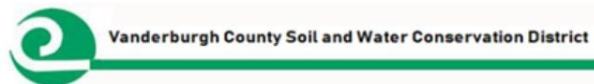


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VANDEBURGH COUNTY SWCD

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 Kevin Rexing, Vice-Chair, Farmer
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 Misty Minar- Botanical Curator, Mesker Park Zoo

ASSOCIATES:

Kay Hoffherr, Retired Teacher, Central High School
 Linda Freeman, County Surveyor
 Heath Hamilton, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Biologist
 Steve Helfrich, Retired USI Facilities Director
 Eldon Maasberg, Retired Farmer

Board Meetings are held on the fourth Monday at 4 p.m. of each month Unless otherwise advertised. The public is invited to attend all meetings

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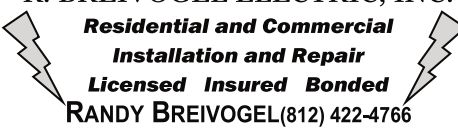
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