

# Conservation Districts of Iowa

Informing, educating and leading Iowans through our local soil and water conservation districts to conserve our natural resources

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## Book your hotel room(s) today!

Iowa Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference  
August 29 & 30, 2016 – Prairie Meadows Conference Center, Altoona

Reserve a room at Prairie Meadows by **August 8** to get the \$93 rate. Call **515.957.3000** and ask for the **CONSERVATION DISTRICTS OF IOWA** block, or reserve online at [www.prairiemeadows.com](http://www.prairiemeadows.com) and use the group code **082816CON\_001**.

If your plans change, you **MUST** cancel your room reservation by **4pm prior to the day of check in** or your District will have to pay for your room if you do not cancel the reservation. Be sure and book two nights if you choose to arrive the night prior to the start of conference.

## 2016 Summer Tour in Northwest Iowa

This year, Conservation Districts of Iowa, State Soil Conservation Committee and others toured Northwest Iowa during the Annual Summer Tour, June 21<sup>st</sup>. The tour included Jones Dairy Farm; presentation of Soil Health/Strip-till at Denny Winerboer's Farm; and Arco Dehydration Plant.

The group also enjoyed lunch at Gull Point State Park and the Queen II boat ride at Arnolds Park in Okoboji.



## FarmHer Confirmed as SpeakHer at Conference!

Marji Guyler-Alaniz, Iowa Native, is the Founder and President of FarmHer. After 11 years working at an agricultural insurance company, she started FarmHer to showcase women in agriculture. What started as a photography enterprise has turned into so much more!

FarmHer was founded in 2013 to change the image of agriculture by including women in that image through photographs and stories. Women in agriculture not only appreciated FarmHer, but needed it. Today, FarmHer has grown into not just a gallery of images that are changing the way people perceive a farmer, but also into an online community built just for women in agriculture. This community is a place where women can experience stories about others like them, connect with and learn from others and rise to the forefront of agriculture.



Visit  
<http://www.farmher.com/> for more  
information.

## Dates of Importance

July 1- September 30, 2016

**July 1:** Most Conservation Awards Due

**July 1:** Pre-Conference Resolution Voting  
Ballots Due

**July 15:** Farm Bill XIIIIB and Des Moines  
Lobe Period 3 Reports Due

**July 15 – July 18:** NACD Summer Board  
Meeting, Conservation Forum and  
Conservation Tour, Minneapolis, MN

**August 8:** Reserve your hotel room under  
the “Conservation Districts of Iowa” block  
for the 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference & Business  
Meeting, Prairie Meadows Conference  
Center, Altoona

**August 28 – August 30:** CDI Board  
Meeting & Iowa Soil and Water  
Conservation Districts 70<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Conference & business Meeting, Prairie  
Meadows Conference Center, Altoona

**August 30 – September 1:** Farm  
Progress Show, Boone

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Come for Conference, Stay for the Farm  
Progress Show!



Just a short jaunt northwest following the conference is the Farm Progress Show. As the oldest and largest ag exhibition in the country, the Farm Progress Show showcases all the newest technologies, products and services available to farmers.