

2022 NACD Executive Directors Conference

Agenda

October 3-5, Lewes, DE

Monday, October 3- Travel Day

- 6:00 pm- Meet at [the Crooked Hammock Brewery](#) for dinner (included in registration) at 36707 Crooked Hammock Way, Lewes, DE. Crooked Hammock is a half indoor/half outdoor bar & restaurant with their locally brewed beer selection. They also have a backyard area with games, fire pits and hammocks to relax from the travel and reconnect.

Tuesday, October 4

- 8:00 – 9:00 am- Breakfast Buffet at the Virden Center
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm- Morning Session
 - Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Presentation with Dr. Thomas Easley (Mind Heart for Diversity Consulting, LLC, virtual presentation)
 - Farm Bill Update- NACD
 - New Climate Smart Agriculture Grant – Strengthening Grassroots Leadership & Capacity to Scale Climate-Smart Production Systems and Facilitate Historically Underserved Producers’ Access to Markets – NACD
 - Introduction to the Ag Container Recycling Council – ACRC
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm- Lunch Buffet at Virden Center
- 1:00 – 5:00 pm- Afternoon Session
 - Welcome to Delaware- DACD
 - Ground Rules Exercise to prepare us for discussion on ED Organization
 - Discuss draft bylaws and creation of a temporary board for NACD ED Organization
- 5:30 pm- [Goat Social at Goat Joy](#), owned by NACD Soil Health Champion Brad Ritter. Hear Brad talk about his soil health management practices on his farm in Lewes and hang out with goats! Located at 22114 Ritter Lane in Harbeson, DE, about 9 miles away from the Virden Center.
- Dinner on your own

Wednesday, October 5

- 8:00 – 9:00 am- Breakfast Buffet at the Virden Center
- 9:00 – 10:30 am- Professional Development Session- tentative topic, “Making Time for the Important Things”
- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm- [Tour of University of Delaware’s marine research complex](#) onsite at the Hugh R. Sharp Campus in Lewes
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm- Lunch Buffet at Virden Center
- 1:00 – 4:00 pm- Self-guided conservation tour of Eastern Sussex County

Thursday, October 6- Travel Day