Passing along a few announcements for the RMCD scholarship & internship opening as well as a couple of seminars/conferences that might be of some interest.



An eNewsletter by the Rich Mountain Conservation District

# **RMCD Scholarship Information**

### SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED BY RICH MOUNTAIN CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Do you know someone who could use some extra money at college next year? Thinking about studying agriculture, environmental science, or conservation? Then listen up!

As part of a statewide education program, Rich Mountain Conservation District is offering a first place \$1000 scholarship and a \$500 second place scholarship for a local high school senior according to James Watkins, Chairman of the district. As well as receiving the local district scholarship, the winner will be eligible to compete at both the area and state level. The Arkansas Association of Conservation Districts awards two scholarships (\$1,000 and \$500) based on student's essay.

The rules are simple, and the contest is open to all high school seniors with a minimum 2.5 grade point average who are Polk County residents and will follow a conservation or agriculture related course of study. **Contest entries must be submitted by March 29, 2024 to the Rich Mountain Conservation District at 508 7<sup>th</sup> Street Mena, AR 71953.** 

High school counselors and FFA sponsors have entry forms and rules. Those interested should call the Rich Mountain Conservation District office at 479-437-6054 or come by 508 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Mena. Please see attachment for more information.

## "To be a successful farmer one must first know the nature of the soil." — Xenophon, Oeconomicus, 400 B.C.

**RMCD Taking Resumes** - Ideal for a local college student interested in conservation, agriculture, or forestry.

Rich Mountain Conservation District (Polk County) is taking resumes for a part-time Conservation Technician Assistant position.

Work duties include but not limited to: assisting landowners with installation of conservation practices & programs, working knowledge of agriculture, and working with GPS equipment & computers.

Flexible hours of work will be between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Work involves various outside jobs and some office duties.

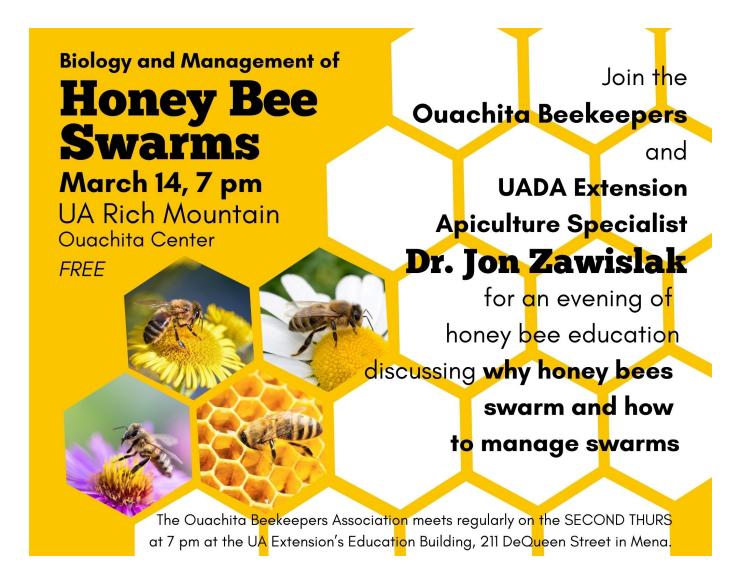
Contact us at 479-394-6054. Bring resume to 508 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Mena between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. or email to <u>rmcdistrict2023@gmail.com</u> as soon as possible.



Upcoming Events (please see attachments):

 Ouachita Beekeepers Association -Honey Bee Swarms Seminar

7pm on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at University of Arkansas Rich Mtn



# AGLC 2024 Arkansas Grazing Conference 9am on March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at Hope



March 28 - University of Arkansas Community College | 2500 S Main St, Hope, AR 71801 March 29 - Durand Center, Harrison, AR | 303 N Main St, Harrison, AR 72601 | Doors Open at 8:00 AM

Multi-Species Grazing - Adding Sheep and/or Goats to a Beef Operation Mark Kennedy Owner Kennedy Grassland Services, LLC

Precision Agriculture in Cattle and Forage Production - Technology and Applications Dr. Jason Davis Assistant Professor of Remote Sensing and Pesticide Application University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture

Maximizing Profits: Introducing Grass-Finished Beef to Your Cow/Calf Operation Brent Fry President Osage Creek Farm, LLC

Cattle Grazing Management: A Systems Approach to Putting It All Together for a Successful Operation Jeremy Huff State Grazing Land Specialist NRCS

Building Grassland Soil Health Stan Boltz Regional Soil Health Specialist USDA



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Sent on behalf of the Rich Mountain Conservation District. Thanks for your interest in grazing management and conservation,

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