

South Carolina Facts

Area: 31,055 square miles

Population: 4,012,012

State Tree: The Palmetto grows in coastal areas of South Carolina and has played an important part in the history of the state.

State Flag: The white silhouette of the crescent moon and palmetto tree stands in sharp contrast to the midnight blue background. The crescent represents the silver emblem worn on the caps of SC's First and Second Continental Regiments in the Revolutionary War. The palmetto tree was added later to honor the June 28, 1776, patriot victory at a palmetto log fort on Sullivan's Island.

State Bird: The Carolina Wren



SC's state bird

State Flower: Yellow Jessamine



SC's state flower

State Animal: Whitetail Deer

State Dog: Boykin Spaniel

State Reptile: Loggerhead turtle

State Beverage: Milk

State Dance: Shag

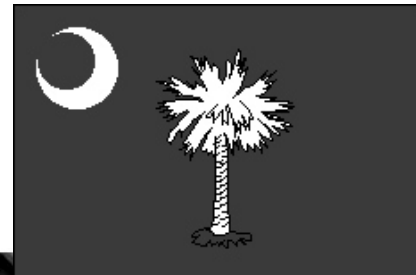
Feature Films Shot in South Carolina



- The Abyss
- Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls
- The Big Chill
- Forrest Gump
- The Patriot

Here's Vanna!

Television game show hostess Vanna White, of *Wheel of Fortune*, was born and raised in North Myrtle Beach, SC!



SC's state flag

Hospitality Suites Open Daily ROOM 402

Come by the suite for some good ole' Southern hospitality. Drop by in the morning for coffee and pastries. In the evening, we'll enjoy finger foods (including speciality Southern items), beer and wine. Ya'll come see us!

Nametags required.

Hospitality Suite Hours:

Sunday: 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Monday: 6:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m.
Tuesday: 6:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Sunday Tides

High: 9:02 a.m. and 9:29 p.m.
Low: 3:06 a.m. and 3:07 p.m.

Soil and Water Conservation Society

*Sunday
August 5, 2001*

SWCS 2001



*Welcome to the
Palmetto State!*

*Annual Meeting 2001
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
Kingston Plantation*

On behalf of the South Carolina Chapter of SWCS, I would like to welcome you all to our state! I hope that you will enjoy Myrtle Beach and Kingston Plantation and take advantage of the many activities, sessions, and special events that we have planned this week. You can't miss our volunteers dressed in orange vests--please feel free to request their assistance should you have questions. They are here to help and will be glad to assist you!

This year's conference focuses on climate change, conservation in coastal regions, and water supply and conservation. Numerous educational sessions are planned on Monday with a variety of subjects including precipitation trends, streambank protection, soil carbon sequestration planning, and wetland restoration. I know these sessions will be excellent and I encourage you to attend, ask questions, and learn something new.

Most importantly, don't forget to have fun! Myrtle Beach is a great place to kick back and relax--hit the beach, take a swim, eat fresh seafood, and enjoy the wonderful fellowship which is present at all SWCS events. See you at tonight's Welcome Reception for dinner and entertainment where you'll be treated to the finest in Southern Hospitality!

*South Carolina SWCS
Chapter President*

Pick up a newsletter everyday at the Burroughs and Chapin INFORMATION table.

Daily Message Board

(schedule changes, daily highlights, important notes, etc.)

- ***VOLUNTEERS!** Please check in at the **VOLUNTEER TABLE** as soon as you arrive!!!!
- ***A list of children's day care facilities in the Myrtle Beach area is available at the registration desk.**
- ***DAILY NEWSLETTER:** Return film/disposable cameras, tour information sheets, and any other newsletter information to the Press Room (Harrow) **NO later than 3:00 p.m. each day!** A daily newsletter will be available for your reading pleasure. Pick them up every morning in the lobby.
- ***TONIGHT!!!! Welcome Reception for adults and kids! Full dinner! Entertainment! You don't want to miss this! 6:30-8:30 p.m.-poolside.** Afterwards, make your way back to the Exhibit Hall for a special Hugh Hammond Bennett program, 8:00-9:30 p.m. The exhibit hall will be open at this time for you to browse all displays.
- ***SWCS Student Member Orientation-Sunday night, 6:00 p.m. in Room 404. We will then attend the Welcome Reception.**

**Name badges must be worn at all times for entrance to events.
There will be a replacement fee for a new badge.**

Chapter Development Workshop

Chapter leaders gathered Saturday for a Chapter Development Workshop. They discussed increasing membership diversity, professional development through chapter activities, improving chapter communications and annual reports.

Outstanding Chapter Awards

Northeast Region: Firman Bear (NJ) Chapter
 Southeastern Region: Virginia Chapter
 South Central Region: Alabama Chapter
 East North Central Region: Hoosier (IN) Chapter
 West North Central Region: Missouri Show-Me Chapter
 Northern Plains Region: South Dakota Chapter
 Southwestern Region: All Oklahoma Chapter
 Western Region: Inland Empire Chapter (ID and WA)
 Canadian Region: Ontario Chapter

Outstanding Student Chapter Award

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

The Society's Most Outstanding Chapter Achievement Award

Hoosier (IN) Chapter for "It All Starts with the Soil!" Workshop

Chapter Achievement Awards

South Carolina Chapter for "Water Quality Symposium—It's Not Business as Usual"
 Iowa Chapter for "Carbon: Exploring the Benefits to Farmers and Society"
 Wisconsin Chapter for "Conservation On the Land Internship Program"
 West Virginia Chapter for "Mountain Top Removal" Presentation
 Arizona Chapter for "Ben Avery/SWCS Scholarship Fund"

Sustained Performance Award

Alabama Chapter



Rodney Goode of the SWCS Alabama Chapter accepted the Sustained Performance Award from Craig Cox (left) and Dana Chapman (right).

Outgoing SWCS Directors



left to right: Craig Cox, (Executive Director), Adrian Achtermann (E.North Central Region), John Bradley (at-large director), Jean Steiner (Southeast Region), Leonard Jordan (West Regional Director), Dana Chapman (President), and Doug Miyamoto (Student Director).



Volunteers at the registration booth welcome conference participants on Saturday.

More important announcements

NOTE: If you are planning to attend Wednesday's awards brunch, you must go by the registration desk by noon on Monday to get a paper ticket.

*Visit the Hoosier Chapter SWCS Booth (host of next year's annual conference) and register for a **FREE raffle to win a signed, framed photograph of Tony Stewart, Indy Racing League (IRL) and NASCAR driver!**

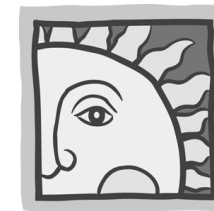
Chapter Photographs

Any SWCS Chapter that would like a group photo taken, please come by the Press Room (Harrow), Monday-Wednesday, between the hours of 12 noon and 2 p.m. Chapter pictures will only be taken between these hours.



Monday Highlights

a day of learning and fun...



Rise and Shine!

We hope everyone will join us for the Opening Session, Monday morning, 8:15 a.m. in the Kensington Ballroom. South Carolina Naturalist Rudy Mancke will present "A Visual Trip to South Carolina's Ecosystem." You don't want to miss this intriguing discussion led by the host of South Carolina Educational Television's internationally acclaimed *NatureScene*.



Rudy Mancke

Other highlights on Monday include a plenary session entitled, "Water Management in the New Millennium," at 1:00 p.m. Concurrent sessions will run throughout most of the day. Monday is also the day for Regional Breakfasts--please refer to the program for your specific chapter breakfast information.

Family Tours and Special Events

Sharks and snakes and gators!!! Oh my!!! Those of you who signed up for **Alligator Adventure and Ripley's Aquarium** should be prepared for a fun-filled day of close encounters with some awesome creatures! Meet at 8:30 a.m. (with your name badge) in the lobby. **Kids and teens must have their picture namebadges issued no later than Sunday (badges will be issued at the Welcome Reception).** We'll walk to the House of Blues for lunch and then head over to Ripley's Aquarium. Buses return to the hotel at 4 p.m. *No eating or drinking on the bus.*



SWCS Student Members Tour

Experience Waites Island (pronounced "wait-eez"). Dress comfortably (wear your walkin' shoes) and have your swimsuit on to take a dip in the ocean and cool off (there are no changing facilities on the island). Meet in the lobby at 12:30.



Family Night!

We're off to **Dolly Parton's Dixie Stampede Dinner & Show** where you'll feast on a mouth watering four-course meal while witnessing a spectacular 32-horse show themed in a friendly North/South rivalry. Buses will leave at 6:15 p.m. Dress is casual. Tickets are available until noon on Monday. If you are handicapped and have any special request regarding travel to this event, contact a representative at the registration desk so arrangements can be made.

Silent Auction-What a deal!

Run--don't walk down to the exhibit hall to view the exciting items donated by SWCS chapters from across the country. All items are up for sale starting Monday, August 6, 2001. All bids must be received by Monday evening, and winning bidders can pick up their items Tuesday morning.



Win a Free Week at the Beach

Tickets are on sale now for a drawing to win a free week at Myrtle Beach. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Money will go towards the SWCS Scholarship Fund. Buy your tickets at the registration desk or the South Carolina SWCS exhibit. Drawing will held at the Wednesday awards luncheon.



Youth and Teens!

Come see us in the **Hospitality Room (Rm. 404)** for video games, snacks, and to meet new friends. Open Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m. and Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m.

