

SERVICE

ARCSE members contributed in many career disciplines, at all levels of conservation programs. Some offered leadership or support roles in one location during their careers, while others moved their commitment and their families a number of times.

In retirement, many of these men and women continue to give volunteer or paid service to state or local agencies, private groups and businesses, schools, churches or other faith-based groups, even to other nations.

ARCSE also helps its members find other opportunities to serve. Our bimonthly newsletter is full of examples of ways that our members make a real difference in their community or in a wider venue. The newsletter also covers many examples of just plain fun!

The ARCSE Distinguished Service Award given from time to time recognizes the quality of sustained service provided by a member to ARCSE itself.

The ARCSE President's Award honors the exemplary service provided by members to their community and beyond, after their careers ended.

We invite YOU to serve with us!

JUST PLAIN FUN

ARCSE members spent many years providing new ideas, improving programs, blending the talents and approaches of public agencies and private citizens, and working with people to accomplish their own aims.

In retirement, we bring the same commitment, talents, and vision to other activities and service -- and to having lots of fun together while cutting back on all that other stuff!

It is such a joy just to see and hear from each other and to learn about families, activities and future plans. But there's more! In your home area or wherever you may travel, you also are welcome to share in a wide range of ARCSE events -- Golf, fishing, bowling, tours, lunches, picnics, cruises, and many more types of activities.

You can learn about the events and schedules by reading the newsletter or viewing the ARCSE web-site, or by contacting the ARCSE representative or another member in an area where you will be visiting. Check the ARCSE Directory for the contact information you need. As one member said, "This is a well-traveled bunch with an ever-increasing range of interests."

We appreciate YOUR interests, and invite you to share in ours!

YES, Sign Me Up!

Name _____

Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____

State/ZIP _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Date of birth _____

Title at retirement _____

Career discipline _____

Date of retirement _____

Type of membership (check one) –

- Complimentary (1 yr.)** – for anyone retiring after Jan. 1, 2003, and joining ARCSE the first time.
- Active** – for retired SCS/NRCS employees. Dues \$18/year.
- Affiliate (non-voting)** – for current NRCS employees or others who are interested in the aims of ARCSE. Dues \$18/year.
- Life** – for retired SCS/NRCS employees who make a one-time dues payment as follows:

<u>Age</u>	<u>One Time Payment</u>
64 or younger	\$250
65 - 74	\$200
75 or older	\$125

(New members may pay for quarters of year remaining @ \$4.50 per quarter.)

Make checks payable to ARCSE

Place
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Association of Retired Conservation
Service Employees
P.O. Box 7454
Fairfax Station, VA 22039-7454

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Share In Our Conservation Family –

Join ARCSE today!

ARCSE offers many kinds of fun gatherings throughout the U.S. and throughout the year. We enjoyed our agency while working – and we still treasure each other! From individual contacts and visits to events and meals as a group, we keep relationships and find new friends.

The ARCSE bimonthly newsletter also keeps you up to date on what’s happening in Washington, DC, and in every state. We also alert you to any legislation and programs that affect Federal retirees. An annual luncheon each summer is a highlight event that may be held in an area of the U.S. or Canada where YOU will enjoy visiting.



An Organization for Retired SCS
And NRCS Employees

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CONTINUITY

Since ARCSE was founded in 1974, we have enjoyed the collective heritage and participation of thousands of resource conservation professionals and support staff -- reaching all the way *back* to the 1930’s founding of the Soil Conservation Service and the Civilian Conservation Corps, and *forward* to the cutting edge of today’s programs.

ARCSE members are together to celebrate that continuity and diversity. We remain committed to the future of resource conservation and to the people who make it happen. We feel blessed to have worked for an agency in which people truly care about each other, and where friends continue to stay in touch as the years pass.

ARCSE helps its members keep up to date with each other and with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, its progress and its partners. Events planned by ARCSE representatives are a strong and active part of our network.

Our great “Senior Conservationists” program highlights the career and life accomplishments of hundreds of our members and others who are 83 years of age or more.

We invite YOU to be part of our enjoyable network!