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Utah's Conservation Districts Plant a Tree in Honor of Late National Leader
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The Utah Association of Conservation District (UACD) is holding a Living Legacy tree planting in honor of the National Association of Conservation Districts' (NACD), late past President Olin Sims, who served as president from February to December, 2007. Conservation districts and partners nationwide are planting trees to help build a living legacy in Sims' memory.

UACD will plant a 25 gallon Douglas Hawthorn at the Utah Botanical Center in Kaysville. The ceremony will be held at 11:30 am near the Wetland Discovery Point building on June 3, 2009.

Sims was raised on a ranch in McFadden, Wyoming, where he his family put a high priority on caring for the land. "Olin was many things to many people, but to conservation districts, he was our President, our leader, our friend and a man who lived what he preached," said current NACD President Steve Robinson. "We all truly miss Olin, but his legacy remains in our lives and hearts. The Living Legacy Tree Plantings across the nation are a lasting reminder of his commitment to conservation."

To learn more about the Living Legacy program or the Utah Association of Conservation Districts please visit www.uacd.org.

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