

**2016
IOWA FARM
ENVIRONMENTAL LEADER AWARD
PROGRAM**



Awards Ceremony

Iowa State Fair

Penningroth Media Center

Wednesday, August 17th, 2016

10:00am

AWARDEES

Dwaine and Twyla Evans
Pat and Amy Evans
Lucas and Wayne Counties

Mike and Gerald Fangman
Buchanan County

Dean Fehl, Ben Fehl, Brandt Fehl
Benton and Black Hawk Counties

Jerry Feurstenau
Feurstenau Farms
Palo Alto County

Chris Gaesser
Gaesser Farms
Adams, Union and Taylor Counties

Dave and Kathie Gerber
Kossuth County

Kevin and Sandy Glanz
Glanz Farms
Delaware County

Dennie J. Gould, Jaret J. Gould and
Joshua J. Gould
Gould Farms LLC
Marshall County

Dale and Karen Green, Tom and Jeni Melcher
Spring Valley Farm
Winneshiek County

Robert and Ruth Harvey
Guthrie County

Paul Hathaway
Mills County

Michael Helland and Charles Helland
Polk, Story, Boone and Dallas Counties

Beth Henning
Henning Sisters Partnership
Calhoun, Greene and Guthrie Counties

Dwight Hobson
Pottawattamie County

Dallas and Ardis Huebner
Sioux County

Wayne and Sherry Humphreys
Louisa County

Doug and Coleen Imming
Pocahontas and Buena Vista Counties

Darrell Dean Jamison
Madison County

Will and Daniel Johnson,
Bruce and Marlene Johnson
Double J Farms
Dickinson and Clay Counties

Allen and Debra Kadolph
Hardin County

Arlyn Kauffman
Decatur County

Ben and Carolyn Kern
Warren County

Glenn and Dixie Knipfer
Iowa and Keokuk Counties

Jim and Margaret Koch
Madison and Dallas Counties

2017 Iowa Farm Environmental Leader Awards



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Jay Harmon
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Sheila Larson
Iowa Turkey Federation

Sean McMahon
Iowa Agriculture Water Alliance

Katie Olthoff
Iowa Cattlemen's Association

Jeff Pape
Iowa Farm Bureau

Bruce Trautman
Iowa Department of Natural
Resources

Dan Wetherell
Iowa Pork Producers
Association

Awardees

Robert and Marilyn Arndorfer

Clarke County

Elgin-Ayers Farm

Warren, Clarke and Adair Counties

Paul and Linda Beckman

Des Moines County

Alan and LuAnn Bennett

Ida County

David and Darren Boot

Marion County

James and Melody Bourn

Montgomery County

Denny L. Busch

Madison County

Brian Caves

Van Buren County

**Austin, Angela, Harley,
and Lea Charlson**

Wright County

John Clayton and Kyle Clayton

Shelby, Cass and Pottawattamie Counties

Croghan Family Farm

Jerry and Nancy Croghan

Shelby County

Ricky and Mary Davis

Wayne County

Russ and Liz Davis

Sac and Calhoun Counties

Wayne Dillard Family Farms

Warren County

Wendell and Becky Dimmitt

Wapello County

John Dingman

Lee County

Bob Downing

Warren County

Ro-Sie View Farm

Roger and Susie Edwards

Louisa County

David and Jennifer Felt

Dallas County

Arcola Farms

Bo and Mali Fox

Monona County

Jim Goodhue and Family

Warren County

Dave and Sharee Green

Dickinson County

Griffieon Family Farm

Polk County

Larry Haren

Hamilton County

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Awardees

Mark Henderson

Davis and Appanoose Counties

Hoeger Family Farms

Joe and Lori Hoeger

Delaware County

Ingels Farms

Chad Ingels

Fayette County

Joe and Mary Jardon

Fremont and Montgomery Counties

Jellum Farm

Eric and Annette Jellum

Mark and Chris Jellum

Mitchell County

Bruce and Lisa Johnson

Mitchell County

Patrick and Nancy Jones

Dickinson County

Karin Jordahl, Sharon Jordahl,

Jerry Jordahl, Leif Jordahl,

HF Holdings LLC, Longevity Foundation

Rod and Shannan Potts

Potts Organic Farms

Hancock and Webster Counties

Gene Kaldenberg

Jasper County

Wayne and Lisa Koehler

Floyd County

Paul and Avriel Koester

Tama County

Dalla Terra Ranch

Sharon Krause

Dallas County

Peter and Darlene Keuning

Marion and Jasper County

Lampe Farms Company

Ron Lampe and Tom Lampe

Pocahontas County

Jim and Laurie Legvold

Humboldt, Wright and Webster Counties

Lehman Farms

Polk County

Mike G. and Rhonda J. Leonard

Harrison County

Mallams Inc.

Steve and Ann Mallams

Henry County

Eric Marchand

Hancock County

Frederick W. Martens

Madison County

Duane Martin Family Inc.

Duane and Karen Martin

Brian and Jamie Martin

Fayette County

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Awardees

Cinnamon Ridge Farms

John and Joan Maxwell

Scott County

Mike and Jon McClure

Dallas County

Keith and Sharon Mensing

Adair County

Harlan Miller

Henry and Lee Counties

Donald Millikin

Harlan and Joyce Millikin

Joel and Jenell Millikin

Keokuk County

Rick and Page Mitteness

Wayne County

Moffitt Stock Farms

Warren County

Todd, Anne, and Andrew Nielsen

Wright County

Jim and Mike Penick

Warren County

Joe and Shirley Pitsor

Franklin County

Prevo Farms Inc.

Mark and Cindy Prevo

Kevin and Angela Prevo

Jason and Amanda Prevo

Kyle and Clarrissa Prevo

Davis County

J3B Partnership

Hancock County

Ron and Marilyn Reis

Brandon and Jessica Reis

Howard County

Donald W. and Betty J. Richardson

Bruce and Deborah Richardson

Matthew and Megan Richardson

Buena Vista County

Randy and Karla Rupalo

Appanoose County

Julius and Cynthia Schaaf

Fremont County

Mark and Melissa Schleisman

(M&M Farms)

Colby and Brandy Winter

Matthew Schleisman

Calhoun, Carroll and Sac Counties

Dave and Karen Schwaller

Dickinson and Clay Counties

Sheets Farms

Leon Sheets

Chickasaw County

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Awardees

Henry and Meri Kay Shepard

Black Hawk and Benton Counties

Kenneth Sieren

Washington and Keokuk Counties

Loran and Brenda Steinlage

Fayette County

Randall and Barbara Stewart

Wayne and Jasper Counties

Westshore Farms, INC.

Palo Alto County

C&S Sylvester

Brad and Debbie Sylvester

Wapello County

Alan Tiefenthaler

Sac and Carroll Counties

Tim and Ellen Tusha

Hancock and Emmet Counties

Upchurch Feeders

Susan and Kendall Upchurch

Melissa and Seth Upchurch

Story County

Craig Voss

Wright County

Nathan Voss

Kossuth County

Walton Farms

Dave, Paula, Brad, and Alex Walton

Albert and Carole Walton

Cedar and Scott Counties

Weber Brother's Dairy Inc.

Virgil and Rhonda Weber

Dan and Sal Weber

Dubuque County

Weller Farms

Chase and Jess Weller

Taylor County

Wellik and Sons

Hancock County

Wieben Farms

Benton and Tama Counties

Dave and Dorothy Winter

Carl and Kathleen Winter

Guthrie County

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*Increasing the pace and scale of farmer-led efforts
to improve water quality.*

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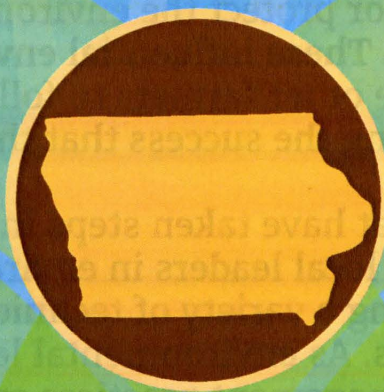


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Clayton County

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Sioux County

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Howard County

Dale & Lois Kraft
Wright County

Keith and Lorena Lain
Appanoose County

Lamis Farms Inc.
Mark and Nancy Lamis
Wapello County

Lee Family Farms
Polk County

Maas Farms
Stewart and Debra Maas
Jared and Abby Maas
Iowa and Poweshiek Counties

Applications available for low interest loan program

The landowners in Louisa County are encouraged to apply for the new Local Water Protection Program (LWPP), a low interest loan program for conservation projects. The new program assists landowners with the installation of water protection practices including terrace systems, grade stabilization structures, water and sediment control basins, ponds, buffer practices, grazing systems, waste treatment projects,

forestry practices, wetlands, or other practices that improve water of the state of Iowa.

Landowners may use the low interest loan program as a stand-alone funding source, or use LWPP funds in conjunction with other funding sources, such as EQIP, IFIP, REAP or other state or federal cost-share programs, LWPP funding is available for up to 100 percent of the project's cost. Loans may range from a minimum of

\$5,000.00 up to \$50,000.00 each with an interest rate to the landowners not to exceed 3 percent. Loans must be repaid in 10 years. Landowners may elect to participate in multiple LWPP loans.

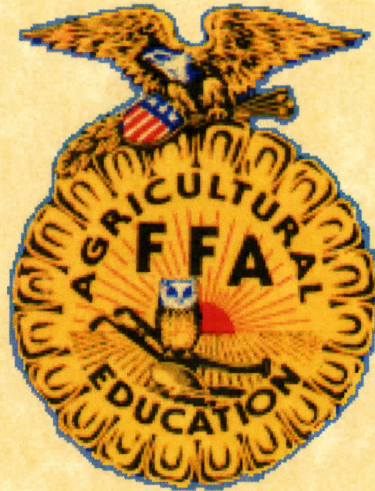
The Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District office in Wapello is accepting applications now for 2005. Iowa has approximately \$3 million available this year through the Clean Water State Revolving

Fund allowed by Title VI of the Clean Water Act. Applications from landowners will be considered by IDALS-DSC on a first come, first served basis, in 2005.

Applicants must be the owner of the land in which the practice is to be implemented.

Applications are available at the USDA Service Center through the Louisa Co. Soil & Water Conservation District at 514 Isett, Wapello, Iowa.

Wapello



Chapter

Certificate of Appreciation

This certificate is presented to the Louisa **County SWCD** as a token of appreciation for help rendered the chapter and its members. We especially want to thank you for **arranging the county and sub-district soils competition.**

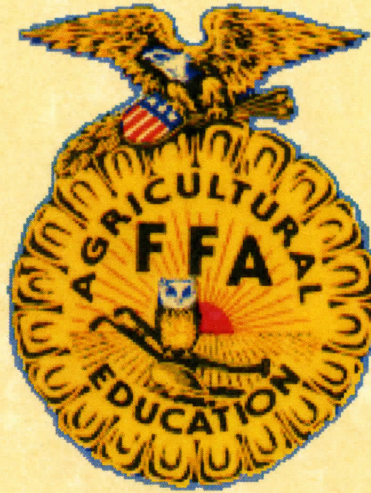
A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Penny McEddy', written over a horizontal line.

President

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Advisor

Wapello



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This certificate is presented to **Louisa County Soil Conservation Commission** as a token of appreciation for help rendered the chapter and its members. We especially want to thank you for **the financing the South Sub-District Soil's Contest.**

Steven C. Ken

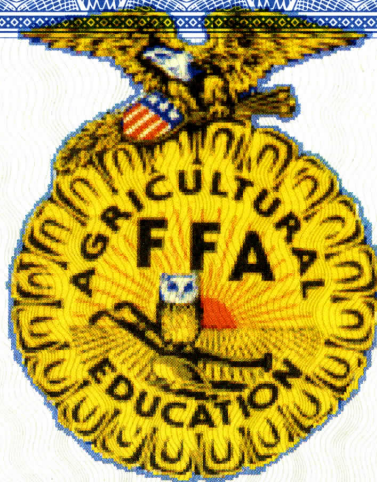
President

Levin Meier

Advisor

Wapello

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We especially want to thank you for all the assistance given to the Sub-District Soils Competition.

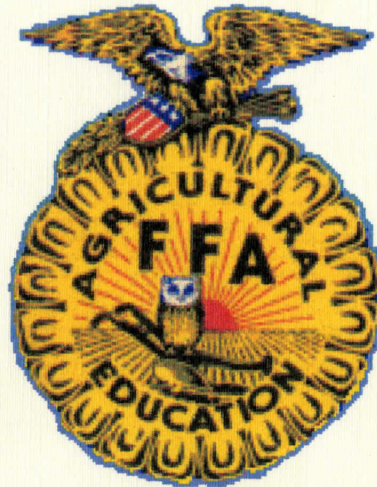
Cary L. Dowell

President

Sharon M. Hart

Secretary

Wapello



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Jenny Ball

President

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Mr. Irvin Meier

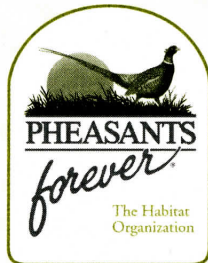
Advisor

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Louisa Stord

*has been recognized with the
President's Commendation for
leadership in support of
wildlife habitat conservation.*

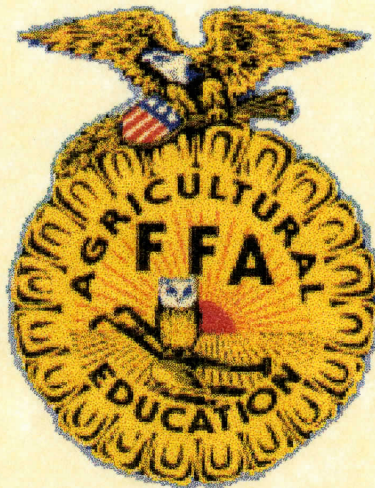


Approved by the Pheasants Forever
National Board of Directors

2017
Conservation
Supporter

Howard K. Vincent
President and Chief Executive Officer

Wapello



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This certificate is presented to **Louisa County NRCS Staff** as a token of appreciation for help rendered the chapter and its members. We especially want to thank you for **conducting the Louisa County Soil Contest**.

Dick A. McCulley
President

Jeanie Meier
Advisor

Community Foundation of Louisa County

January 18, 2010

- *Continental Breakfast*
- *Welcome & Introductions*
- *Award Presentations*
- *Wrap-up*

2010 BOARD

Ken Purdy - President

Vivan Jennings

Nancy McGill - Vice Pres.

Gary Todd

Jim Crawford

Rondalyn Weyrick

Jim Everett

Kent Wollenhaupt

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New Contact information

Address: Community Foundation of Louisa County

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Morning Sun, Iowa 52640

Email: CFLC@louisacomm.net (same)

Web: www.communityfoundationlouisacounty.org

Phone: 319-868-4240

The Community Foundation of Louisa County (CFLC) is an affiliate of the Community Foundation of the Great River Bend and a member of the Iowa Council of Foundations. CFLC was established in 2005 as an entity to receive a share of the revenue from the state gambling profits for the purpose of establishing a Louisa County endowment fund and for providing grants to local non-profit organizations. This is the fifth granting period in which 75% of the funds received from the state have been granted to Louisa County non-profit organizations, schools, and local governmental agencies. 195 grants totaling \$346,914 have been distributed.

Mission To better our community by connecting people who care with causes that matter.

Vision The Community Foundation's vision for the region is that every person is encouraged to create a legacy. Our vision for the Community Foundation is to be a philanthropic pacesetter, providing planned giving for donors and matching community needs to solutions for all generations

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Community Foundation of Louisa County 2010 Grants

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Amount</u>
American Red Cross - Louisa Muscatine	Louisa Co Youth Health & Safety Workshop:	\$ 1,368
City of Columbus City	Park Project-Upgrade basketball court	\$ 1,600
Columbus Community Development Center	Hispanic Heritage Month	\$ 2,500
Columbus Community Development Center	Marketing for tourism	\$ 2,000
Columbus Farmers Market	Marketing 2010	\$ 1,500
Columbus High School Athletic Booster Club	Youth Cross Country/Track & Field Camp	\$ 750
Louisa County Ambulance	PortO2Vent CPAP	\$ 3,500
Louisa County Ambulance	Toughbook HI Computer	\$ 1,266
Grandview Township Fire Dept	Books for Success	\$ 1,000
Hays-Scott Legion Post 112	Hayes-Scott Post Building Heater Project	\$ 2,000
Izaak Walton League, Louisa Co Chapter	Ikes Clubhouse - Air Conditioning Project	\$ 1,000
L&M Busy Hands Preschool	Fence Enclosure for New Preschool	\$ 3,311
L&M PTO	L&M Playground Equipment	\$ 3,500
L&M School "Parents as Teachers"	Early Childhood Parent Education	\$ 1,000
Letts Community Fire Dept	Ready for Fire Program	\$ 1,700
Letts Community Park Board	Upgrade Playground Equipment	\$ 1,500
Louisa Co Conservation	AmeriCorps NOCC Program	\$ 2,075
Louisa Co Conservation	Louisa Co Outdoor Adventure Club	\$ 1,000
Louisa Co Emergency Management	CodeRED	\$ 1,500
Louisa Co Habitat for Humanity	Habitat Home #12	\$ 3,500
Louisa Co Historical Society	Display Cases	\$ 2,800
Louisa Co Public Health	Portable Vaccination Trailer	\$ 3,500
Louisa Co Soil & Water Conservation Dist.	Water Quality Improvement Education	\$ 1,200
Lutheran Services in Iowa	HOPES New Parent Program	\$ 500
Morning Sun Community Ambulance	Seating for the Station	\$ 500
Morning Sun Community Betterment	Lora Rock Art Gallery Display Materials	\$ 1,000
Morning Sun Community Betterment	Veterans Memorial at Sun Sunshine Garden	\$ 2,100
Morning Sun Development Corp	Audio Visual Equipment	\$ 3,500
Morning Sun Elementary School	Everyone Reads!	\$ 1,284
Morning Sun Fire Dept.	Rescue Air Bags	\$ 3,500
Morning Sun PTO	Playground Resurface Project	\$ 2,500
Morning Sun Melling Memorial Library	Digitalization Project	\$ 2,000
City of Oakville	Oakville Cemetery	\$ 1,200
SE Iowa Symphony Association	Educational Concert for Schools	\$ 1,500
Stork's Nest of Louisa County	Stork's Nest programming	\$ 3,500
Tri Rivers Conservation Foundation	Langwood Challenge Course Mini Grants	\$ 1,500
Chief Wapello Days Committee	Celebration Iowa Singers & Jazz Band	\$ 3,500
Keck Memorial Library	Library Building Expansion	\$ 3,500
Friends of Wapello Keck Library	Encourage & Challenge Young Readers	\$ 1,000
City of Wapello	Swimming Pool Repairs	\$ 3,500
Wapello Community Ambulance Service	Purchase of LifePak 15 Defibrillator	\$ 2,000
Wapello High School Library	Book Repairs and Purchases	\$ 1,000
Wapello Preschool	Improving Health & Technology	\$ 2,000
Wapello School TAG Program	Gas for summer Enrichment Programs	\$ 500
Wapello Park Board	Park Improvements, Fountain & Benches	\$ 3,500
YWCA Domestic Violence Shelter	YWCA Shelter Rural Outreach Program	\$ 3,000
		\$ 93,154

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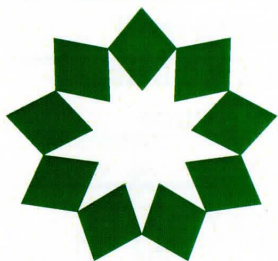
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13th Awards Breakfast
Morning Sun Community Center
January 15, 2018**

- ❖ **Invocation & Breakfast**
- ❖ **Welcome & Introductions – Jill Hoben**
- ❖ **What's new - Steven Sents, Paula Buckman, Lindsey Ford**
- ❖ **Community Caring Award Presentation – Kathy Vance**
- ❖ **Grant Awards Presentations – CFLC Board**
- ❖ **Group Picture**

2018 Board Members

Jill Hoben – Chairman

Barb Dotson – Vice Chair

Mary Boysen	Bill Kemp
Barb Dotson	Margaret Samuels
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**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF LOUISA COUNTY
ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

CFLC Endow Iowa County Endowment
CFLC Impact Endowment Fund
Friends of the Community Foundation of Louisa County
1 st United Presbyterian Church of Morning Sun Endowment Fund
Hal Cross Wapello Music Endowment
Lisa Ostrem Memorial Fund (For the Columbus Library)
Lisle "Doc" and Jeanette Luithly Scholarship Fund
Louisa County 4-H Foundation Endowment
Louisa County Fair Endowment Fund
Louisa County Historical Society
Louisa County Trails Association Endowment Fund
Morning Sun Community Center Endowment Fund
Presbyterian Church of Columbus Junction Endowment Fund
Ray & Evelyn Werner Scholarship Fund
Tri-Rivers Conservation Foundation Endowment Fund
United Methodist Church of Columbus Junction
Wapello Alumni Association Endowment Fund
William J. Paris Conservation Scholarship Fund

Total CFLC Endowment Funds \$725,700

An edowment fund is a way to provide contining support for causes you care about. A fund can be started for less but must have a balance of \$10,000 to make annual distributions of 5%. The Community Foundation is offering a \$1000 grant to non-profit organizations that start a fund of \$9,000 in 2018. Individuals who give to a community foundation endowment fund may be eligible for a 25% Endow Iowa Tax credit.

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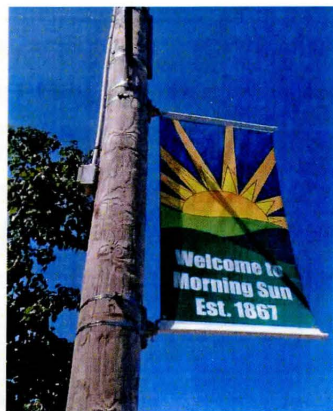
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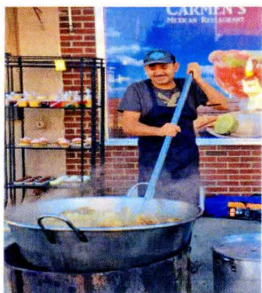
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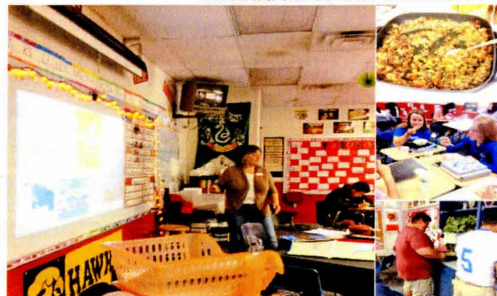
The Wapello Hometown Pride Committee put in a walking trail at the North End Park



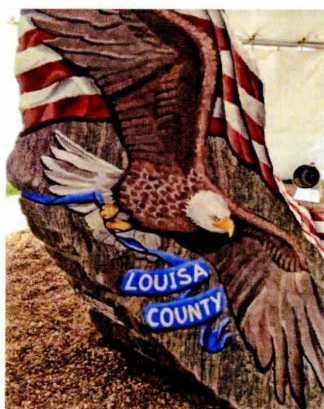
The City of Morning Sun 150 Year Celebration included street banners



Columbus Community Club funded activities for Columbus Days & Swinging Bridge Festival



LULAC Council 317 sponsored educational activities and events during Hispanic Heritage Month



The Veterans & Patriotic Citizens of Louisa County acquired and set the Freedom Rock painted by Ray "Bubba" Sorenson

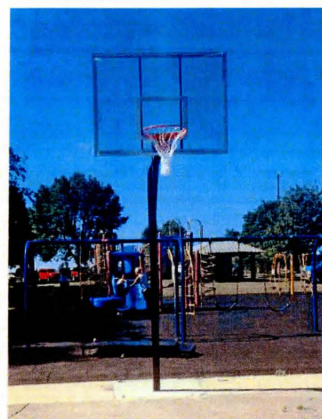


2018 COMMUNITY CARING AWARD

Brain Cummings

The 2017 award winner will receive an engraved garden rock by artist, Chris Weyrick, of "Rock Crazy" and a \$500 grant to the non-profit organization of their choice.

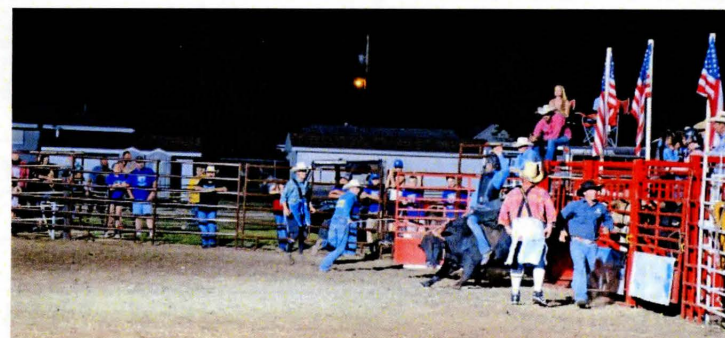
Prior award winners include: Kathy Vance, Tonya Lanz, Connie Lewis, Bob & Marilyn Schlutz, Connie Malone, Ed Bayne, Hoyt Griffin, Joan Delzell, Marsha Gerot, and Karen Koppe.



Morning Sun PTO upgraded the elementary basketball court.



Morning Sun Hometown Pride Committee included students in their community garden project.



The Wapello FFA made improvements to the rodeo arena. The group manages the only student run rodeo in the country

2018 COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANTS

ORGANIZATION	PROJECT
City of Columbus City	City Improvements (Signage, Plantings, Historic Pictures)
City of Letts	Community Building Landscaping & Extra Parking
Fredonia Hometown Pride	Street Sign Replacement
Letts Hometown Pride	Mommy-Baby Swing Project
Morning Sun Hometown Pride	Sidewalk North of Locust Park
Wapello Hometown Pride	North Park Walking Trail
Louisa County HPT Steering Committee	Louisa County Art Festival
Columbus Community Club	Community Events
Columbus Junction Community Development Ctr	Community Development & Marketing
Morning Sun Community Betterment	Restoration in Lora Rock Gallery
Oakville Volunteer Foundation	Oakville Long Term Recovery
Wapello Community Club	Chief Wapello Days Entertainment
Columbus Junction Fire & Rescue Assoc.	Technology & Computer Equipment
Grandview Township Fire & Rescue	AED Pro Defibrillator
ISU Extension and Outreach in Louisa County	Safety Education Materials
Louisa County Ambulance	Uniforms for Ambulance Crew
Wapello Community Ambulance Service	Scoop Stretchers for EMS
Louisa County Public Health	Durable Medical Equipment for Loan Closet
Letts United Methodist Church	Backpack Program
Lutheran services	New Parent & Nest of Louisa County Programs
Great Beginnings Preschool	Updating curriculum and outdoor equipment
Bridge the Gap	Summer Camp for Elementary Students
Columbus Community School District	Columbus Music Dept-Trip to New York 3/18
Iowa College Access Network	Future Ready Iowa - Louisa County

2018 COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANTS

ORGANIZATION	PROJECT
Louisa-Muscatine CSD 8th Grade	8th Grade College Visit Day
Morning Sun Elementary School	Curriculum Improvement
Morning Sun PTO	Digital Signage & Technology Project
Mellinger Memorial Library	School Supplies & Summer Reading Program
Muscatine Community Y	L&M High School Mentoring Program
Wapello Elementary School	Making Better Student Readers
Wapello FFA - WCSD	Rodeo Ground Improvements
Wapello Jr/Sr Highschool Library	Project "Save our Pants" (Chair Replacement)
Columbus Softball Corp	Equipment for Youth Sports
Morning Sun Tiger Pride Foundation	Frisbee Golf Course
Friends of Port Louisa Nat'l Wildlife Refuge	Bike Repair & Bathroom Stops on the Great River Rd
Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District	Conservation Education
Louisa County Conservation	Langwood Promotional Video and WOW-Women's Outdoor Workshop
Louisa County Fair	Racetrack Sound Upgrade
Louisa County Historic Preservation Commission	Marketing
Louisa County Historical Society	Repair of the North Wall of the Museum
LULAC Council 317	Multi-Cultural Community Outreach

Total 2017 Grants Awarded \$93,237



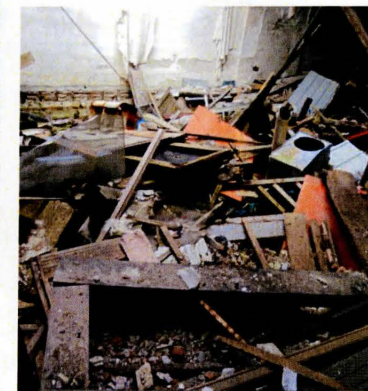
Great Beginnings Preschool installed a swing set and fencing that met state standards



Lutheran Services provided education programs and safety equipment for new parents.



The City of Letts removed an abandoned building that had become a safety hazard



The Columbus Music Dept. repaired instruments through an "adopt an instrument" program.



Wapello Music Boosters purchased and repaired instruments so all students could have access to an instrument.



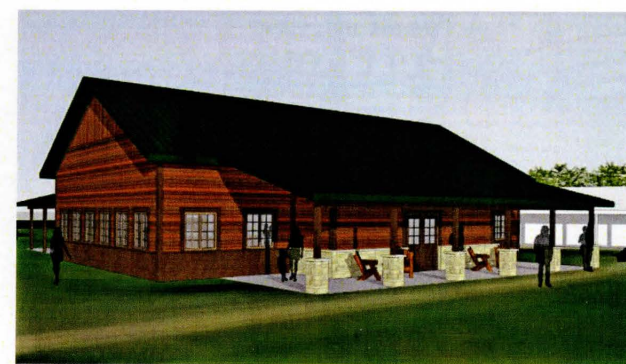
The Oakville Volunteer Foundation built and sold a house as part of Oakville's long-term recovery



The Friends of Keck Memorial Library purchased books for young readers.



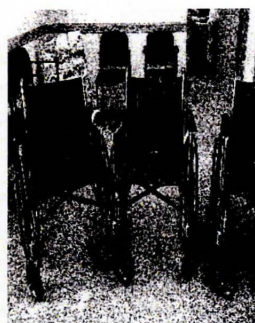
The Letts Methodist Church's Backpack Program provided weekend meals for 18 students.



Louisa Conservation invested in a master plan for the Langwood Education Center



Morning Sun Volunteer Fire Department purchased an ATV



Louisa County Public Health purchased wheel chairs for loaning



Louisa County Ambulance purchased portable radios



L&M Community School sponsored a Legotronics Team



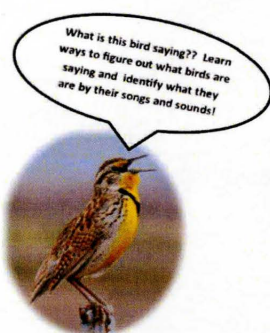
Mellinger Library provided a summer reading and school supply program



The Oakville Volunteer Fire Department purchased emergency stabilization struts



The Letts Library held fun-filled summer events for children



The 2017 Bird Festival: "We're Talkin' Birds!"

Friends of **Port Louisa**
National Wildlife Refuge

Date & Time:

Saturday, May 20th 7-11am

Location:

Port Louisa National Wildlife Refuge—10728 X61, Wapello, Iowa

Cost:

ABSOLUTELY FREE!!



Louisa County Conservation gave educational programs about birds and raptors



ISU Extension purchased STEM Learning Kits for after school and summer programs



Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation held educational programs and soil judging contests



Louisa County Historical Society replaced two doors



The 1st United Methodist Church of Wapello hosted monthly fellowship meals



Marshall Township cleaned and mapped the township cemetery



Old Keck Theater Players purchased wireless headsets for the actors



The Carson Chin Baptist Church put in a soccer field in the south end of Columbus Junction and Columbus Softball Corp put in a soccer field at West Field Complex.

Conservation award winners

Conservation Farmer of the Year: Bob and Lori Davis

Conservation is business as usual for Bob Davis on his 1,100 acres in northern Louisa County. "It's the only way to go on steep ground," he says.

Davis employs a conservation system that includes grassed waterways, terraces, buffers and filters while no-till farming on a contour. He sees the upfront investment as cheaper than paying to fix a problem later or hassle with being called out of compliance.

"Besides saving soil, it takes less time, labor and fuel," he said while checking a soybean inoculation strip test. "I just wish I'd started no-till sooner."

Davis has continued the land stewardship practices his dad and uncle began and added no-till farming to the operation in 1985. The land shows it.

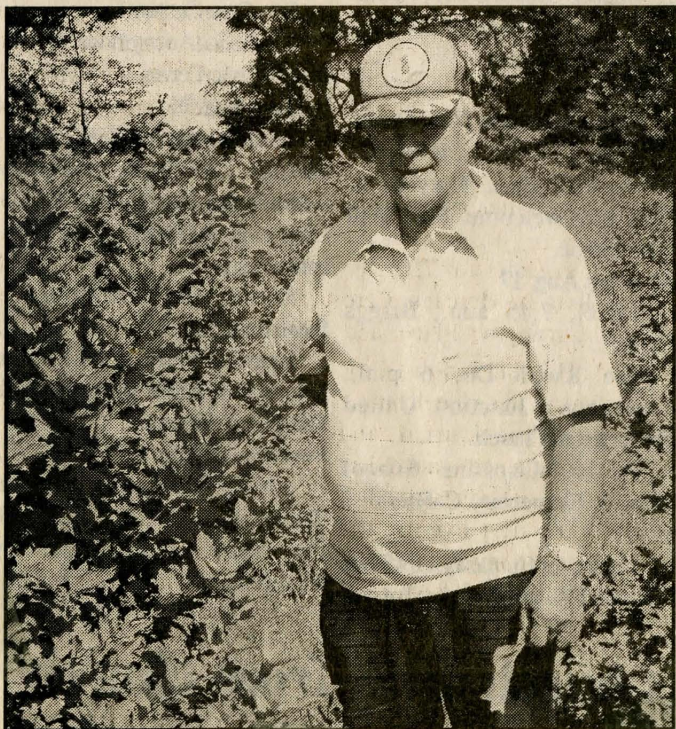
In regards to the early, heavy rains this spring, he noted, "Farming has been tough this year. You don't have to go far to see how much worse it would be if you weren't doing these practices. This no-till ground has better tilth and keeps soil from washing away."

"I've no-tilled flat ground for a long time. You don't have to have soil like a garden for the crops to grow."

He keeps up on the maintenance of terraces and grassed waterways and is planning conservation work on rented ground.



Bob Davis



Charles Shellarger

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**Woodland Owner of the Year:
Tom & Becky Wilson**

It's no surprise to see deer, turkey, rabbits, raccoons, coyotes, mink, squirrels, wood ducks, moles and skunks at Tom and Becky Wilson's farm north of Columbus Junction.

"This place is a zoo!" Tom proudly says of his 35 acres. Becky pulls out a 20-year-old aerial photo of the farm. "We need to have this retaken."

"We moved into our place in December and started planting trees the next April," she says. The photo shows row after row of newly planted walnuts, oaks, white pines and ninebark shrubs. In fact, over 3,000 trees were planted.

"And we didn't tube any of our trees back then; there weren't nearly as many deer. You can't do that now," Tom said.

Besides providing quality wildlife habitat, the trees act as a windbreak and save the Wilsons energy costs. The trees are also an outdoor classroom for their grandchildren to explore and learn about nature.

Tom and Becky continue to plant about 50-75 trees each year.

Farmstead Windbreak Owner of the Year: Maurine and the late Maurice Schmeiser

"We never thought it would grow as fast as it did," Maurine said, looking back on her and her late husband's windbreak. "It really turned out nice."

The Schmeisers planted a 3-row farmstead windbreak to protect their house, save energy and provide for a more aesthetically pleasing landscape. Maurine adds, "Besides blocking wind and snow in the winter and dust, it added order to our yard."

One row of arborvitae and 2 rows of white pine were planted in the spring of 1990 at their former residence west of Wapello. The trees planted were bare root stock.

Each tree was planted by hand and was a lot of work. "It was a job, but very rewarding," recalls Maurine. "We had to water a lot that first summer and we bought a push mower so we could get close to the trees. We sold it once they were big."

Now the new owners, Jim and Janet Williams, are enjoying the benefits of the Schmeisers' labor. Janet says, "It really is a nice windbreak!"



Milt and Carol Hayes

**Wetland Owner of the Year:
Milt and Carol Hayes**

Milt Hayes of rural Wapello likes his odds now. "When farming this ground and one out of four years didn't work, this program was a no-brainer. It's a sure thing," he said.

Milt has nearly 250 acres restored to wetlands and the wildlife has come back. Carol adds "Our grandson loves to come out here and explore. He and a friend deer hunt in winter."

Canada geese, ducks, beavers and muskrat can also be found using the area.

Having begun farming in 1960 and acquiring this piece in 1969, Milt has seen the river flood more than a few times. He says, "It came up to here last summer," pointing to a spot on the side of the road as it starts to climb the bluff. "And they say it could get worse in the future."

Wetlands protect other

farmland from flooding and can minimize damage downstream.

Wildlife Habitat Owner of the Year: Charles and Carla Shellabarger

The Shellabarger family owns 240 acres about 4 miles east of Columbus Junction. Their diverse farm consists of row crops, trees and some hay land.

In 2003, Charles decided to improve the farm for wildlife. He enrolled part of the farm into the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) wetlands. Once the wetlands were constructed, native grasses were planted. A five-row field windbreak was added as well, providing quality habitat for songbirds, pheasant, deer and other species.

The Shellabarger Family has noticed a significant increase in wildlife on the farm. Fire is used to promote diversity in the native grasses and improve wildlife value.

Conservation district taking cost share assistance apps

The Hawk Eye

WAPELLO — The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District encourages those wanting to plant cover crops in the fall of 2017 to plan ahead and stop in the office prior to June 30 to sign up for cost share. Funding is limited.

In 2016, there were about 6,000 acres of cover crops planted in Louisa County with cost share assistance.

Planting cover crops reduces soil erosion, limits nitrogen leaching, suppresses weeds, increases soil organic matter, improves overall soil health, reduces pests and soil compaction, improves yield potential over time, increases water filtration and adds grazing potential.

Common cover crops used in the county include winter hardy plants like rye. Most cover crops are seeded with a drill after harvest, but a few have been applied aerially during the late summer. To submit an application, visit the Natural Resources Conservation Service, 260 Mulberry St. Suite 2, Wapello.



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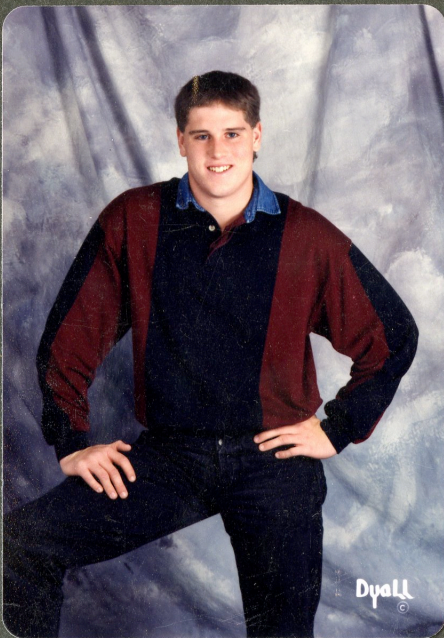




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Holly Shutt new Wildlife Biologist in SE Iowa

Holly Shutt is the new Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist in Southeast Iowa. She will be covering Louisa, Des Moines, Lee, and Van Buren counties. Holly originates from Fruitland, Iowa and graduated from Iowa State University. She spent the last seven years working for Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever in Northeast Kansas as a Private Lands

Conservationist, where she worked with landowners and producers to enhance wildlife habitat around the counties she covered. She is an avid outdoorswoman who enjoys hunting, fishing, and spending time outside. Currently, Holly and her husband, Matt, are residing in Wapello. They are excited to be back home in Southeast Iowa where they grew up to start a family. Holly can be reached at 785-294-2004 or hshutt@pheasantsforever.org. Holly is looking forward to hitting the ground running, working with local landowners and producers to enhance the wildlife habitat in

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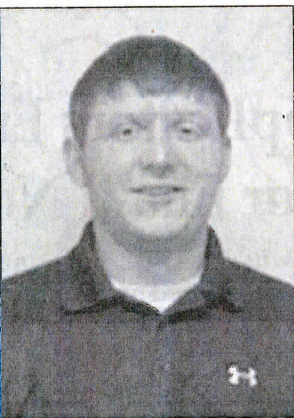
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Past, Present and Future of Lake Geode Watershed program at Dover Museum September 16

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Caleb Waters

By Virginia Ekstrand

On Sunday, September 16 at 1:30 p.m. at Dover Museum in New London, Caleb Waters will present the Past, Present and Future of the Lake Geode watershed project. Caleb is the Lake Geode Watershed Coordinator and fits the role of Coordinator in a unique way. Caleb graduated from Mount Pleasant HS. He has lived and farmed with his father in Henry County all his life. After majoring in Agriculture and Natural Resources at Indian Hills Community College, he transferred to Upper Iowa University in Fayette where he completed a degree in Conservation Management. His practical experience in farming plus his conservation studies have greatly contributed to the success of the Watershed project. The goals of the project are: 1. Improve the overall water quality and to restore the lake's health

to make it enjoyable for recreational purposes; 2. Reduce the bacteria and phosphorus levels as well as remove the sediment.

The DNR has estimated that Lake Geode State Park attracts approximately 180,000 visitors annually. Camping, hiking, fishing and boating in the lake are favorite pastimes. The lake and park was placed on the 303d impaired waters list. Without playing alphabet soup, the 303d impaired waters list is an Environmental Protection Agency requirement. This list determines the severity of the pollution of a body of water and a plan is then developed to return the water quality is restored. Swimming became unsafe and the aquatic life community declined severely. The size of the lake was even reduced significantly.

Caleb will tell about his work with landowners to reduce nutrient and sediment input to the lake as well as the number of projects underway to improve wildlife, recreational opportunities and new trail construction. Additionally the DNR rangers within Geode work with Caleb to help curb the severe gully erosion at the lakeside. The campground will be modernized to meet the standards of today's campers. An exciting addition to the lake will be



Removing silt from west side of the beach area at Lake Geode.

jetties built so more people to have the opportunity to fish. In the past the topology of the lake edges has made it difficult for people to fish from shore.

For fun, Caleb is bringing his water table. A little known part of his job is helping educate students about watersheds, pollution and appropriate conservation practices. Parents, grandparents and adults will be invited to participate (maybe even get a bit damp) as they learn what students do in science class these days.

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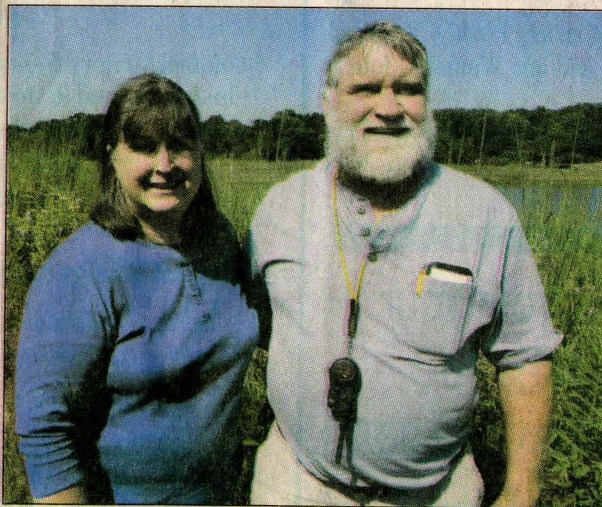
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Dan and Sue Vogeler among area landowners honored for their conservation accomplishments

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District recognized local landowners for their conservation accomplishments at the Louisa County Fair on July 20.

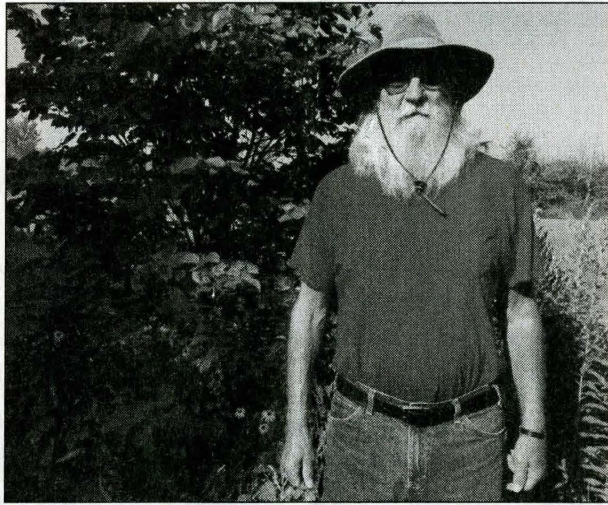
Dan and Sue Vogeler were chosen the winners of the Wildlife Habitat Owner Award. The Vogeler's 130-acre farm is located approximately five



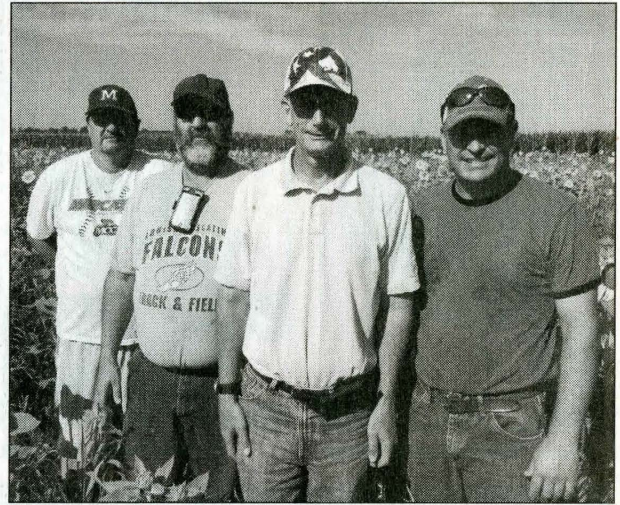
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Sue and Dan Vogeler - Wildlife Habitat Owner's Award

Conesville Fun Day - Satur



Dennis Longhurst - Woodland Owner of the Year



Stan Hunt, John Murray, Tim Knutson, Jason Hinson,
Indian Creek Pork - Conservation Farmer of the Year

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miles west of Columbus Junction. Conservation practices installed include Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), timber stand improvement, tree planting, farm ponds, wetlands, shelterbelts, food plots, and wildflower and native grass plots. Dan and Sue also have bird nesting boxes around their property for martins, bluebirds, wood ducks, goose and osprey. Approximately 75% of their acres filter through a pond or wetland before entering Long Creek. Additionally, Dan and Sue mentor many youth and adults in the appreciation and conservation of natural resources. Most recently, they have taken some of the Iowa Women's Basketball

team under their wing.

Woodland Owner of the Year was presented to Dennis Longhurst of Grandview. Dennis and his wife Carol purchased their 106-acre farm in 1992. At that time, it was a working apple orchard and they continued to operate it as such until 2011. Today, their farm consists of 50 acres of existing hardwood timber. Dennis has worked hard the past 10 years to improve the timber including implementing the conservation practices of tree planting, timber stand improvement, and food plots. The Longhursts have also had two select harvests done on their timber. Dennis feels wildlife is equally important as

economics when it comes to timber management. Dennis works closely with DNR District Forester Lisa Louck in developing a forest stewardship plan and utilizes REAP cost share to assist in making the improvements to his timber.

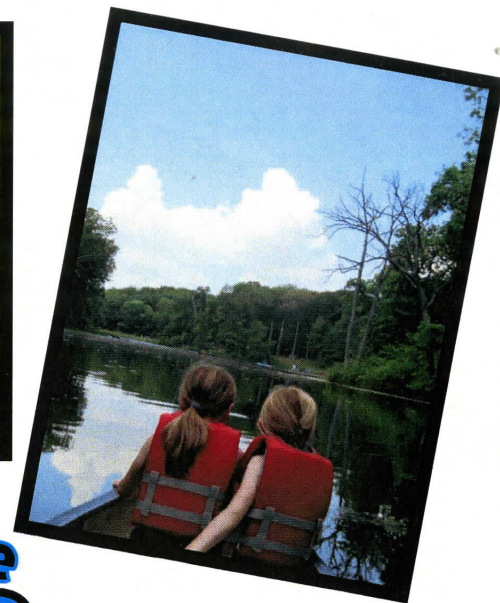
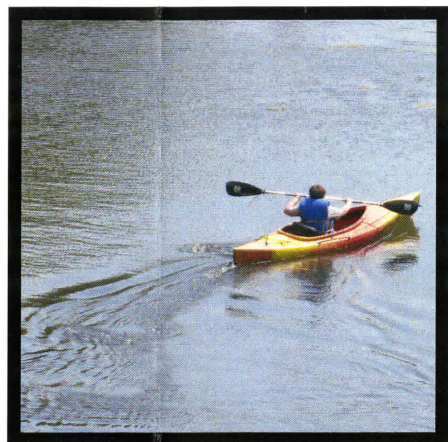
The Conservation Farmer of the Year was awarded to Indian Creek Pork which includes Stan Hunt, John Murray, Tim Knutson, Jason Hinson. Indian Creek Pork farms 1000 acres northwest of Wapello. The farm includes 600 acres of continuous corn and 400 acres of corn-beans. They also have a 5,500-head sow operation. Indian Creek Pork utilizes many conservation practices including strip till, no-till and cover crops on all the

cropped acres and began using all three practices in 2011. Other conservation practices include irrigation of 600 acres, spring manure injection on irrigated acres, variable rate nitrogen application as well as split application, fertigation, side dress in variable rate, and nitrogen stabilization with all manure. They have also enrolled acres into the Wetland Reserve Program (WRP) and the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) as quail strips and pollinator habitat. Indian Creek Pork also harvest 25 acres of cereal rye for cover crop seed each year.

Congratulations to these winners and thanks for your dedication to leave your land in better shape for the next generation!



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Louisa County Conservation Dept. offering trees for sale

The Hawk Eye

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District is offering trees and shrubs for sale for planting this spring.

Bare root tree seedlings available this season include Quaking Aspen, Pin Oak, Red Oak, White Swamp

Oak, Hackberry, Sugar Maple, Black Walnut, White Pine, Red Cedar, Black Hills Spruce and White Spruce.

Shrubs available for purchase are Red Osier Dogwood, Rose of Sharon, Rosa Rugosa, and Common Lilac. Trees and shrubs are sold in bundles of 10.

The SWCD is also offering high quality, locally grown, bare-rooted Chinese Chestnut trees, tree shelters, stakes and tree mats.

Other items available include native grass and forbs, tree shelters, stakes, and tree mats.

Profits from the sales are

used for conservation education, scholarships and promotion of natural resources in Louisa County.

Orders will be taken until Feb. 28, and trees will arrive in April.

For pricing and more information or to order trees call the SWCD at (319) 523-6411.

Louisa County SWCD honors local landowners at County Fair

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Lone Oak Farms Corp. - The Cutkomp Family

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District recognized local landowners for their conservation accomplishments at the Louisa County Fair on July 25.

Lone Oak Farms Corp. - The Cutkomp Family was chosen the winner of the Wildlife Habitat Owner Award. The farm consists of approximately 256 acres, which includes acres enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). On these acres, they have native grasses and wildflowers plantings, tree and shrub plantings, and a farm pond. Wildlife is abundant on the Lone Oak Farm because of all the good conservation that is being done.

Chosen for the Wetland Owners of the Year were the Wester Family. The Wester Family Farm is located east of Wapello approximately one mile. Their farm is enrolled in the Wetland Reserve Program (WRP). This farm has a mix of native grasses and wildflowers, existing timber areas, tree planting and several wetlands on the farm. Their farm is abundant with wildlife. The Wester's are doing an excellent job of using prescribed fire on the property to improve wildlife habitat.

Richard and Maria Edle were the Woodland Owners of the Year. The Edle's farm is located approximately five miles west of Wapello. They planted their entire farm to mixed hardwoods in the spring of 2011. Richard and Maria are doing an excellent job of maintaining the tree planting and controlling weeds. Since planting, they have noticed a significant increase in wildlife on the farm.

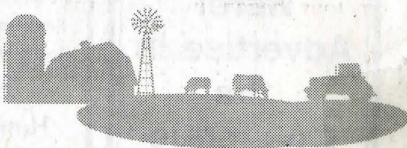
The Soil Conservation Farmers of the Year were awarded to Darrell and Glenda Egli. The Egli farm is located 2 ½ miles north of Wyman. The original 240 acres was purchased in 1967. The Egli's currently farm 1,300 acres. Some of the conservation practices they have installed on the property include terraces, water and sediment control basins, grassed waterways, no-till, cover crops, nutrient management, alternate energy with wind, and he is in the process of installing a pond.



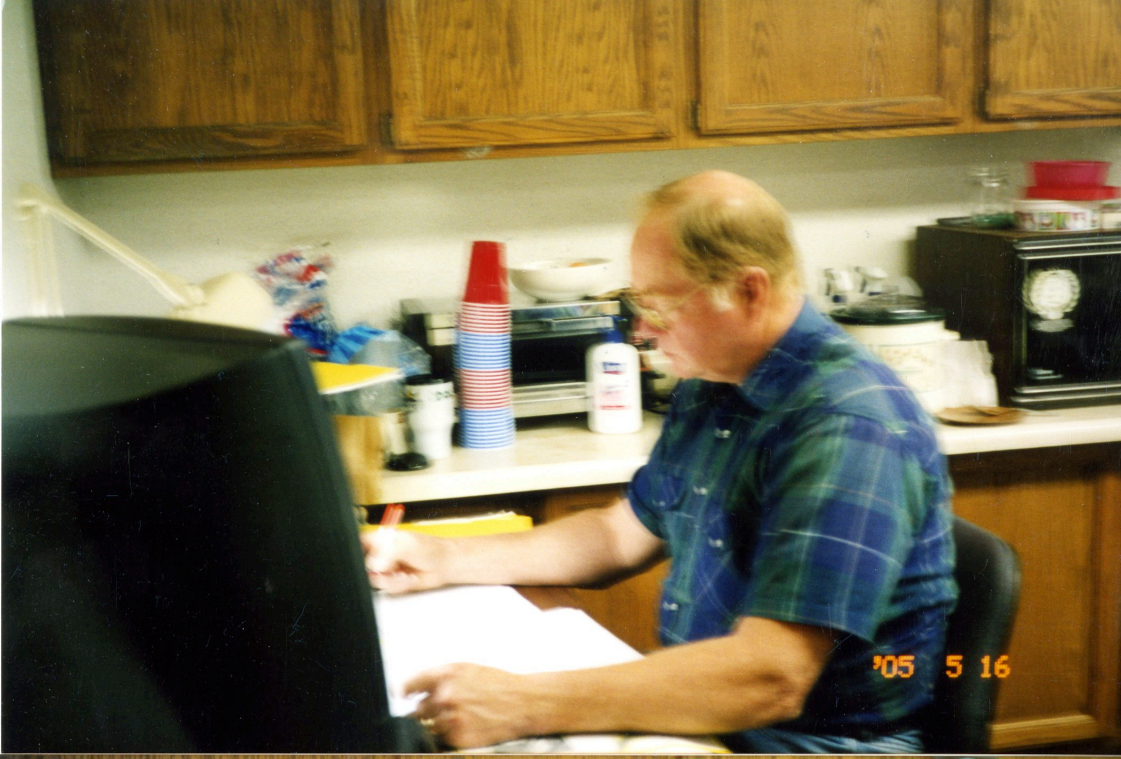
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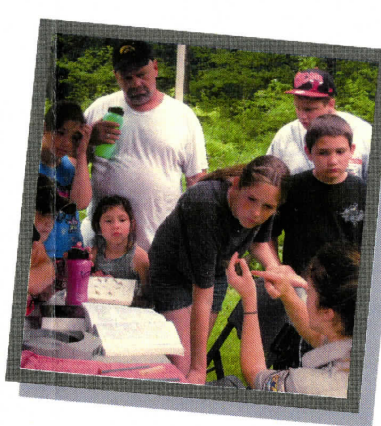


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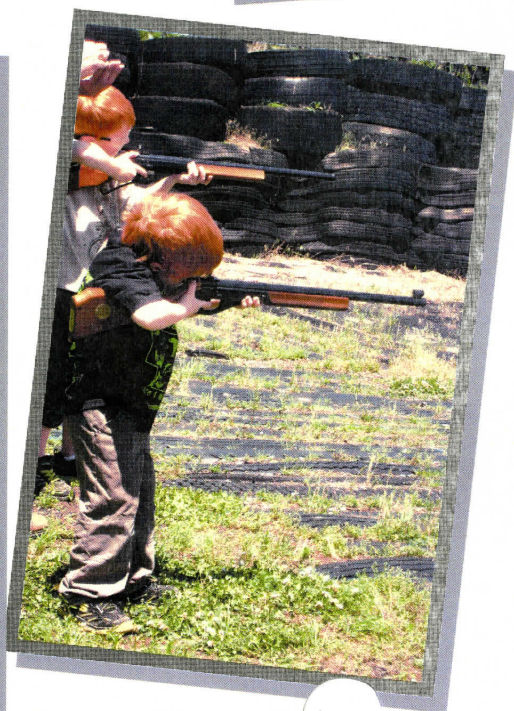








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Louisa SWCD recognizes Edwards couple

The Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District recognized Farm Bureau members Roger and Susie Edwards as the Conservation Farmers of the Year at the Louisa County Fair on July 27.

The Edwards' Farm is a diversified farm of row crops, hay, pasture, hogs and purebred Angus operations. The Edwards' have incorporated many conservation practices over the years including terraces, grassed waterways, ponds, no-till, nutrient and manure management, cover crops and rotation grazing while utilizing programs such as Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), CRP



Roger and Susie Edwards were named Conservation Farmers of the Year at the Louisa County Fair on July 27.

and state cost share. Roger is a huge proponent of improving soil health and has been practicing

this for 20 plus years. The Edwards farm is located Northwest of Columbus Junction.

Louisa SWCD honors area landowners

LOUISA COUNTY – The Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District recognized local landowners for their conservation accomplishments at the Louisa County Fair on July 26.

Lyle, Deb and Luke Massner were awarded the Farmstead Windbreak Award. The Massner's planted an eight row windbreak on their farmstead north of Morning Sun in 2003. The windbreak consists of shrubs, conifers and mixed oaks. They continue to maintain the windbreak by spraying and mowing to control weeds and have noticed wildlife is enjoying the windbreak as much as them.

Pat and the late Jack Parsons were given the Wildlife Habitat Award for the many wildlife practices they have implemented on their farm over the years. They have restored wetlands, planted native prairies, and constructed numerous ponds for wildlife and erosion control. They also have installed wood duck boxes and

goose nesting structures due to Jack's fondness of Canada Geese.

Mark and Margaret Grimm received the Wetland Owner Award. Mark and Margaret own 300 acres of bottom ground along the Iowa River that is enrolled in the Wetland Reserve Program (WRP) that has been developed for wetland wildlife habitat. Native grasses and wildflowers have been planted on most of their acres and several farm ponds built for erosion control and recreational purposes.

Stan and Tonny Tate were awarded the Woodland Owner of the Year. Their farm consists of mostly timber ground and is managed for woodland health and diversity as well as wildlife habitat. The Tate's have been very active in woodland improvements with numerous acres of timber stand improvement, tree planting, and conversion of marginal cropland to native tree plantings, Rx burning and invasive species removal for many

years. They are active in the woodland owners' community in Iowa and have hosted forestry field days to showcase their work and results.

The Soil Conservation Farmers of the Year was awarded to Hoeg Inc. - Randy, Julie, Chris, Kelli, Clair, Jacie and Rachel. The Hoegs farm southeast of Wapello and have a diversified farming operation which includes cattle and hog production as well as corn, soybeans, pasture and hayland. Some of the conservation practices they have implemented include terraces, grassed waterways, contour farming, filterstrips, Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and no-till.



Randy, Julie, Kelly, Chris, Clair, Jacie and Rachel Hoeg.



Tonny and Stan Tate

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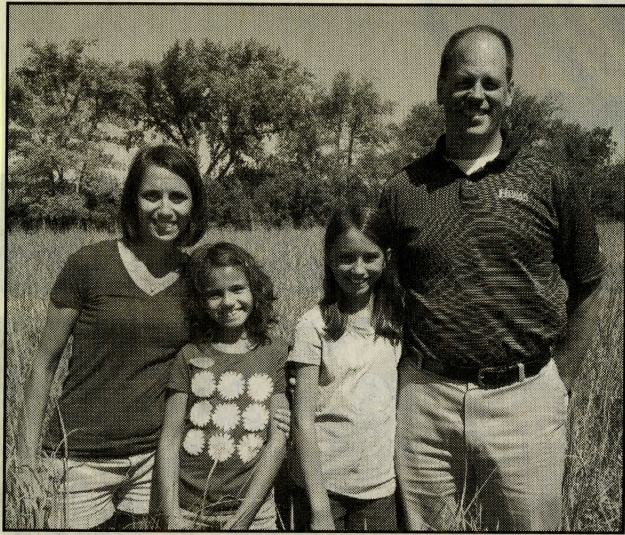
Luke, Deb and Lyle Massner.



Margaret and Mark Grimm.



Pat Parsons.



Horak Family - Wildlife Habitat Owner Award



A.J. Boysen - Woodland Owner of the Year



**The Howells (Jim, Tom and Cale) -
Conservation Farmers of the Year**

Louisa SWCD Honors Landowners

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District recognized local landowners for their conservation accomplishments at the Louisa County Fair on July 27.

Horak Brothers (Luke, David, Paul and father, Richard) were chosen the winners of the Wildlife Habitat Owner Award. The Horak's 230-acre farm is located approximately three miles west of Columbus Junction. The family purchased the farm in 1972. Only 10 acres are in crop production and the rest is dedicated to wildlife habitat in the form of idled pasture, timber and Conservation Reserve Program. Conservation practices installed include timber stand improvement, tree planting, direct seeding, annual food plots, native grass and wildlife planting, Quail SAFE acres, and a farm pond.

Woodland Owner of the Year was presented to AJ Boysen of Columbus Junction. AJ and his family own approximately 1,000 acres west of Wapello where they have been planting trees and managing the timber for many years. Woodland practices AJ has incorporated include 30 acres of tree planting and 40 acres of timber

stand improvement. Other conservation practices AJ has installed are terraces, grassed waterways, filterstrips, and CRP. AJ has always been and continues to be a big supporter of the Langwood Education Program.

The Conservation Farmers of the Year was awarded to Jim and Tom Howell. Jim and Tom farm west of Columbus City. They have a cow/calf operation, 1,000 acres of row crop, 50 acres of pasture, 40 acres of hay, and 100 acres of CRP. Jim taught vocational Ag at Mediapolis Schools for 33 years and Tom graduated for ISU and worked 8 years in Ag Banking. They started farming together as Howell Farm Inc. in 1998. Conservation practices installed include 36 terraces, 23 acres of grassed waterways, no-till, one farm pond, contour buffer strips, cover crops, and a farmstead windbreak. Jim and Tom also utilize several NRCS programs such as the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP), Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) and state cost share.

Congratulations to these winners and thanks for your dedication to leave your land in better shape for the next generation!

Megan Mairet wins Soil Conservation District Scholarship

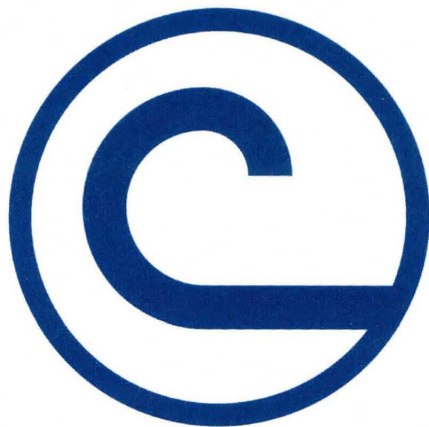
The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District recently selected Wapello High School senior Megan Mairet to receive a \$300 scholarship. Mairet plans to attend Iowa State University where she will pursue a degree in Agriculture Education.

Mairet will now compete at the regional and state level for scholarships from the Iowa Association of Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners.

Funding for the local scholarship and other education projects is made possible through trees sales by the soil and water conservation district.

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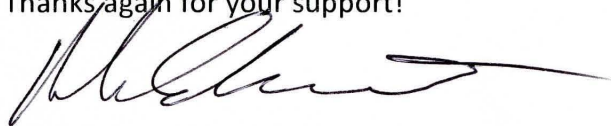
**National Association of
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Dear Louisa County SWCD

Thank you for your fiscal year 2018 membership dues payment. Your support ensures NACD can continue to represent districts' priorities in federal policy making, work to secure funding for conservation programs and districts, and provide tools and guides to help districts accomplish their missions.

Feel free to contact me to hear more or provide feedback on NACD's activities.

Thanks again for your support!

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "M. L. ...", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

IA NACD Board Member

Conservation Fundraisers

It's that time of year! Support your favorite cause and have a fun night out, too.

Izaak Walton League Fish Fries

Dates: Fridays, January 15, February 19 & March 19

Time: Fish served starting at 6:00 pm

Where: Ikes "NEW" Clubhouse, Co Rd X61, Wapello

Cost: \$9 all you can eat fish plus a beverage and sides

Check out the new clubhouse with *indoor* restrooms!

Louisa County Chapter of Pheasants Forever

Date: Saturday, February 6

Time: Doors open at 4:30 pm; Dinner at 6:00 pm

Where: Circle of Pride Rodeo Grounds, Conesville

Cost: \$40 membership/dinner; \$15 for spouse dinner

Get tickets: Louisa Vet Clinic or call 319-850-1550

Tri-Rivers Conservation Foundation

Date: Saturday, February 27

Time: Doors open at 6:30 pm

Where: Delzell Brothers, Morning Sun

Cost: \$15/person; \$25/couple

Get tickets: Tri-Rivers, 319-527-4530

Louisa Longbeards Chapter of NWTF

Date: Saturday, March 6

Time: Doors open at 5:00 pm; Dinner at 6:00 pm

Where: Briggs Civic Center, Wapello

Cost: \$45 membership/dinner; \$75 for couples

Get tickets: Call Todd Shutt, 319-572-1522

Odessa Chapter of Ducks Unlimited

Date: Saturday, April 2

Time: Doors open at 5:00; Dinner at 6:00 pm

Where: Briggs Civic Center, Wapello

Cost: \$45 membership/dinner

Get tickets: Eric Small, 319-759-4223

GPS Program

April 10, 2010, 9:00 am - Noon

Langwood Education Center

Familiarize yourself with the wonderful world of navigation through the Global Positioning System!

Twenty "Garmin Etrex Legend" GPS units will be provided, though participants are welcome to bring their own equipment.

Anyone under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. **Pre-registration requested by April 5.**

Earth Day River Cleanup

Saturday, April 17, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Iowa River, Fredonia to Wapello



Calling all boaters, anglers and river enthusiasts...we need your help to clean up the Iowa River.

We'll need volunteers both on the land and in boats to pick up and sort trash. Watch www.NaturallyLouisaCounty.com and local papers for more details or call 319-523-8381.

If you or your group (church, civic, youth, etc) are interested in helping, let us know!

Looking Ahead . . .

Summer Nature Camp sign-up begins - April 1

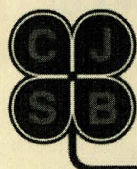
High Ropes Belay Training - April 2

Full Moon Paddle - April 30

Mother's Day on the Marsh - May 9

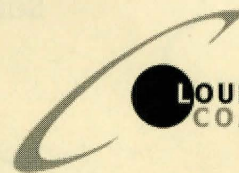
Odessa Water Trail Paddle - June 5

Father's Day on the Ropes - June 20



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Cost Share Available for Windbreaks

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District has cost share available for windbreaks through the Resource Enhancement and Protection Program (REAP).

Windbreaks consist of multiple rows of trees and shrubs established to protect structures from troublesome winds. Windbreaks also can increase aesthetic value, lessen noise, and provide wildlife habitat.

REAP is a cost share program for forestry practices on privately owned land used for agricultural production. Besides windbreaks, REAP can be used for timber stand improvement, tree planting, site preparation for natural regeneration, and riparian forest buffers.

Since 1989, REAP has invested over \$34 million into soil and water enhancement activities throughout Iowa. Locally, the Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District has received \$480,759.



Applications are accepted year round.

Trees for Sale

The SWCD is taking orders for trees to be delivered in April. See the insert in this newsletter for more information. The minimum order is 10. Funds go toward environmental education in Louisa County.

SWCD Scholarship

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District is offering a scholarship for Louisa County high school seniors who will pursue a college education in natural resources or agriculture.

The recipient of the \$500 local award will also be entered into competition for a scholarship at the state level (given by Conservation Districts of Iowa) for amounts up to \$1,800.

Information is available through high school guidance counselors or the Louisa County SWCD office. Applications are due March 3. Students living outside of Louisa County must submit their applications to the soil and water conservation district in which they reside.

The local scholarship is made possible through the district's environmental education program which is funded through tree sales to the public.

Poster Contest

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District is sponsoring a poster contest for all students in Louisa County.

The theme for 2010 is "Conservation Habits = Healthy Habitats". Each of us can be good stewards of our natural resources at our home and in our communities. When we think about protecting and managing our natural resources, we can provide healthy habitats for the ecosystems on our planet.

The deadline to complete the posters is March 31, 2010. For more information, contact the SWCD.



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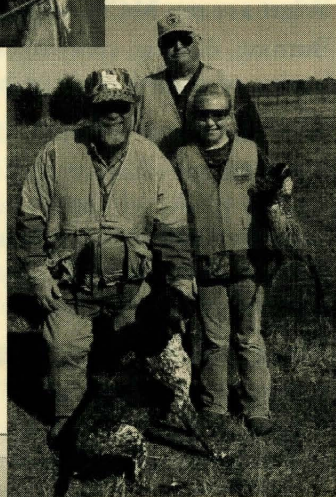
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Environment Education Photos

Summer and fall events at Louisa County Conservation included: (top to bottom): Louisa County Fair Exhibit: Native American Life; Youth Pheasant Hunt and Morning Sun Summer Rec.



Moonlight Paddle

By Nate Quarderer, AmeriCorps member

Under the light of a full moon, LCC naturalist Katie Hammond and I led a group of roughly 40 canoers and kayakers on a tour of the Odessa Wildlife Complex on September 4. The tour began at 9:00 p.m., departing from the boat landing at Shaffer's access. After paddling across the main lake, we headed east through the lateral ditch, before entering Swarms Pond.

But, we weren't the only ones out on the water on that particular night! Paddlers were greeted by beavers leaping off the banks and hitting the water with a huge splash. Many members of the tour were also surprised by all of the carp activity. I'll never forget that feeling of having a big ol' fish swimming under my canoe and swatting at my paddle with its tail.

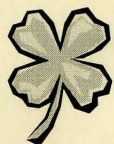
The sounds of geese honking away, while beating their wings against the surface of the water, was another highlight of the trip. While we weren't able to get up close and personal with our feathered friends, listening to them from across the lake was enough to make you feel at home with your surroundings.

After a quick paddle across Swarms Pond, the group was forced to turn around as those busy beavers had constructed a barricade across the entrance into Bebee Pond. As one of my first events as a member of the LCC staff, I couldn't think of a better way to get my feet wet (literally) and prepare me for the next year in Louisa County.

The moonlight paddle was the last of four Louisa County paddles in 2009 but we have six more planned for 2010. We look forward to seeing you on the water!

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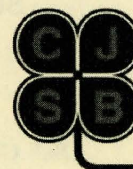
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Wetland Field Day

Louisa County Natural Resource Conservation Service and the Soil & Water Conservation District hosted a Wetland Field Day on September 23, 2009. The Field Day was geared towards the owners of land enrolled in the Wetland Reserve Program (WRP) or land soon to be enrolled in the Emergency Watershed Program – Floodplain Easement (EWP-FPE), a program offered after the flooding of 2008.

Topics included a history of WRP and EWP, funding a wetland easement's restoration plan, native grasses and prescribed fire, tree planting, brush management, water level management and water control structures, and wetland plants.

Thanks to our contributors for helping to make our field day a success: Louisa County Conservation Board; Bill Patterson, private landowner; Randy Robb, NRCS Area Easement Specialist; Kevin Anderson, IDNR Private Lands Biologist; Bill Ohde, IDNR Wildlife Biologist; Lisa Louck, IDNR Forester; Tom Cox, Port Louisa Refuge Manager; and Matt Fisher, The Nature Conservancy.

Mid Contract Management FAQ's

If you have ground enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) you have heard the term Mid Contract Management (MCM). MCM is the disturbance of CRP acres to improve wildlife habitat, help control woody vegetation, and to help provide habitat for declining species.

How does MCM help improve habitat?

Managing plant communities is beneficial if not essential for less mobile animal species such as quail & pheasants. Maintaining an early successional component of your seeding will greatly improve the amount of wildlife that will utilize your CRP acres.

What are my MCM options?

Burning, disking, spraying, interseeding, managed haying or grazing or a combination.

How do I know if I need MCM on my CRP acres?

If you are scheduled to do MCM the Farm Service Agency (FSA) will notify you by letter. Once you have been notified you should stop by the NRCS office to work up a plan. Fall is the perfect time to start preparing for your MCM work.

When should I do my MCM?

It depends on what practice you have chosen. For burning, you should prepare fire breaks (disk or mow) in the fall and burn the following spring. Spraying should be done when the vegetation is actively growing (Aug 2 – Oct 15 or April 1 – May 14).

For more information on how to improve habitat on your property stop by the NRCS office or give us a call at 319-523-6411.



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Louisa SWCD Honors Landowners

The Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District recognized local landowners for their conservation accomplishments at the Louisa County Fair on Thursday, July 24.

Cliff and Pam Skidmore were chosen the winners of the Wildlife Habitat Owner Award. The Skidmore's purchased their farm in 1986 and started the process of converting the farm to wildlife habitat two years later. Conservation practices such as tree and shrub plantings and a pond have been used to enhance the property for

life which is abundant on Skidmore Farm because of all the good conservation that is being done.

Windbreak Owners of the Year were **Larry and Pat Dessner**. The Dessner's purchased their property in 1993 and removed undesired brush in order to plant various oak, evergreen trees, and shrubs over the years. A windbreak was also planted using pines and spruce. In



2012, a second windbreak was planted using shrubs. Larry and Pat's tender loving care is the key to keep these young plants growing and enhancing nature for wildlife and people.

Chosen for the Wetland Owners of the Year was the **Bill Paris Family**. **Bill and Beverly Paris** were each born into an agriculture lifestyle. Living and working on the family farm was not only a full time job but also rewarding for them. Conservation practices that protected the land and provided habitat for wildlife became as important as the crops themselves. Having bottom land flood many times over the years made it an easy decision to enroll some acres into the Wetland Reserve Program (WRP). Now, with shallow wetlands and many native grasses and wildflowers, this area is a great natural preserve.

Tommie Walker was the Woodland Owner of the Year. The Walker farm is located approximately three miles northwest of Morning Sun. Tom's goal for his property is to improve it for wildlife habitat as well as improve the economic value of the property. Some of the forestry practices Tom has implemented on his farm include Timber Stand Improvement, Tree and Shrub Planting, Direct Seeding, Weed Tree Removal, and a Managed Timber Harvest.

The Soil Conservation Farmers of the Year were awarded to Humphreys Family Farm – **Wayne and Justin Humphreys**. The Humphreys farm is located approximately four miles southwest of Columbus Junction and consists of corn, soybeans, hogs, cattle and some hay. They have some of the more sensitive and erodible areas of their farm seeded to hay or the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). Other conservation practices the Humphreys' have implemented include no-till farming, contouring, cover crops, terraces, buffer strips, wetlands, filter strips, pasture and hayland planting, grassed waterways, and more.



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Monsanto Fund Grant

Tri-Rivers has been awarded a grant from the Monsanto Fund in the amount of \$11,402. This grant will fund several improvements and environmental education programs at Snively Campground.

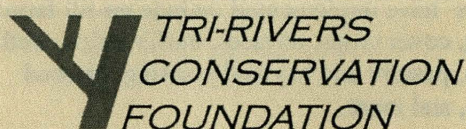
There will be several canoe/kayak loan weekends at Snively where people will be welcome to come and borrow a boat, paddles and lifejackets to use on the Odessa Water Trail. (See page 6-7 for dates/times)

Campground programs will be held throughout the remainder of the camping season featuring frog catching, fishing, aquatic insects, stargazing and more. These will be open to the public as well as campers. (See page 6-7 for dates and times.)

In addition, the dock at Snively has been extended. This will allow it to reach out to deeper water and provide a second bench for people to relax on or fish from. An aluminum gangway was also added to increase safety (the wooden planks got a little slick!)

Participants in the program will be given a short pre and post survey to determine if their knowledge, skills, abilities or attitudes toward natural resources, or a particular species, has changed.

A huge **THANK YOU** goes out to the Muscatine Monsanto Plant, especially Chris Boar for her help in securing this grant. We greatly appreciate Monsanto's continued support of conservation and environmental education in the Louisa Resource Area.



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Ready. Set. Advertise!

By: Katie Hammond, TRCF Ex-Officio

Pick up a copy of the July, August & September issue of the Radish if you get a chance.

It is a free magazine that is published monthly out of the Quad Cities. You can also find an online copy of the publication at radishmagazine.com.



Both the July and August magazines feature an advertisement from Tri-Rivers for the Running Wild trail race to be held Saturday, September 6, 2014 at Port Louisa National Wildlife Refuge.

The advertisement Tri-Rivers placed caught the attention of Radish Editor, Sarah Gardner, which prompted her to check out our website. The Langwood High Ropes Challenge Course caught her attention. A few phone calls later and it was decided that she and photographer, Leah Klafczynski, would travel to Langwood on July 30 to see what it was all about.

They couldn't have chosen a better day! It was cool (for July 30th) with bright sun, puffy white clouds and a terrific group. The group scheduled for that day was a youth camp from, none other than, the Rock Island Arsenal! Radish staff watched, photographed and asked questions while the group worked through a series of challenges and obstacles on the low ropes. They also watched and cheered as the group traversed the high ropes.

When I asked if they had a permission slip filled out so they could try it they were super excited. Both women took a turn on the log and zip line. I wondered if they had this much fun getting all their stories. If so, sign me up!!

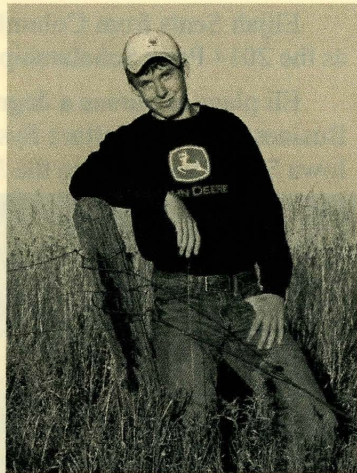
Louisa County Conservation staff are really excited to see the article and the photos they choose (Leah must have taken hundreds). We can't wait to share this little Langwood gem of Louisa County with the 52,000 monthly readers of the Radish magazine.

The Radish contains a variety of articles aimed at improving health, diet and wellness through natural local foods and products. It can be found at farmer's markets, food stores, fitness clubs, libraries and health-care facilities.

SWCD Scholarship Winner

Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District recently honored a local high school senior with a scholarship. This scholarship is sponsored in conjunction with the Conservation Districts of Iowa (CDI).

Elijah Sents, son of Steven and Melissa Sents, will graduate from Columbus Community High School in May. He will be attending Iowa State University in Ames and plans to major in Agriculture Business along with Agriculture System Technology.



In order to be eligible for the scholarship, the student must be planning to attend college to pursue programs of study in any field of agriculture or natural resources. Criteria considered in judging the applications included scholastic achievement, need and leadership, which include service, character and self-motivation.

Free Food Plot Seed Available

Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District has free food plot seed available to anyone interested in planting a food plot for wildlife. This seed is made available by Pheasants Forever. Seed Available: Grain Sorghum, Corn, Soybeans and Sunflower.

Call (319) 523-6411 for more information.

Cost Share Available for Forestry Practices

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District continues to accept Resource Enhancement and Protection Program (REAP) applications.

REAP is a cost share program for forestry practices including windbreaks, timber stand improvement, and tree planting on privately owned land used for agricultural production.

Since 1989, the Resource Enhancement and Protection Program (REAP) has invested \$57 million into soil and water enhancement activities throughout Iowa. Locally, the Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District has received \$536,919.

If you are interested in signing up for REAP or have questions, contact the Louisa County SWCD at 319-523-6411.



NRCS is helping with the 100 Trees in Louisa County Project. Pictured is Duane Lewis with Brownie Girl Scout Troop 9577 at Virginia Grove Park!



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RUSH Auction a Huge Success!

Tri-Rivers would like to extend a very big Thank You to everyone who contributed to this year's RUSH Auction. From Sponsors, to donors to buyers to the behind the scenes crew we couldn't have done it without you!

The Delzell Brothers Showroom was a beautiful setting for the auction and we appreciate them allowing us to turn their business upside down for two days as we transform their showroom into the dinner setting.

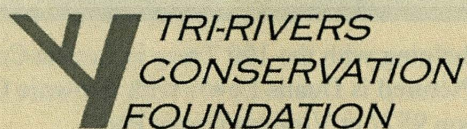
Monte Delzell, the talented auctioneer, worked his magic on the crowd with great humor making the event both memorable and entertaining.

The 2014 RUSH raised just over \$10,000 to fund conservation projects and programs in the Louisa Resource Area.

Next year's RUSH Auction is scheduled for Saturday, March 7, 2015. Save the date - it is sure to be a terrific time!

Endowment Fund Up and Earning

Tri-Rivers took part in a great opportunity offered by the Greater River Bend Community Foundation. If Tri-Rivers raised \$8000, the Community Foundation would add an additional \$2000 to start a Conservation Endowment Fund for Tri-Rivers in the amount of \$10,000. We are happy to say that our goal was met! Thank you to everyone who contributed!



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2014 Paris Scholarship Winner

Elijah Sents from Columbus Junction was as the 2014 Paris Scholarship Winner.

Eli plans to pursue a degree in Agriculture Business and Agriculture System Technology from Iowa State University in the fall.



Pictured: Doug, Rich and Beverly Paris present the \$500 scholarship to Eli Sents.

Tri-Rivers Scholarship Winner

This year there were so many great applications submitted for the Paris Scholarship that Tri-Rivers decided to give out an additional \$500 scholarship.

Nathan Smith from Oakville was awarded this scholarship. Nathan is currently double majoring in Environmental Science and Agronomy at Iowa State University.



Pictured (l-r): Nathan Smith receives the scholarship from TRCF President, Al Bohling and Don Kline.

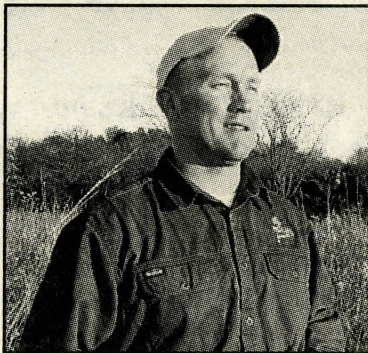


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Pheasants Forever adds a Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist

Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever announce the hiring of a new Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist, Casey Bergthold, to cover Des Moines, Lee, Louisa and Van Buren counties. As a Pheasants Forever Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist, Bergthold works in partnership with USDA-NRCS and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to provide technical assistance to private landowners-through one-on-one consulting-regarding the benefits of conservation programs (such as the Conservation Reserve Program). Landowners in the above counties can call on Bergthold to conduct site visits and develop wildlife management plans free of charge.

Bergthold is a native of Northeast Missouri and holds a BS in Fisheries



CASEY BERGTHOLD

and Wildlife from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a MS in Biology from Tennessee Technological University. As a Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist, Bergthold assists private landowners with improving wildlife habitat on their lands.

“The job of a Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist is to serve as a one-stop-shop for landowners looking for technical, programmatic, or financial assistance with managing wildlife habitat on their private lands,” Bergthold stated. “Some landowners want to improve hunting, others enjoy watching wildlife, and yet others simply want to find a way to earn money from, while protecting, marginal or highly erodible farmland.”

If you are interested in improving your property for wildlife and would like assistance or if you need contact information for a biologist that covers another county, please contact Casey Bergthold at (573) 823-0675 or by email to cbergthold@pheasantsforever.org.







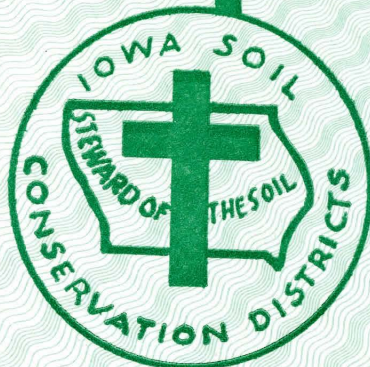


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Spring Tree Sales

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District is offering trees and shrubs for sale now for planting this spring. These trees and shrubs can beautify a home, provide summer shade or winter wind protection, and supply wildlife habitat.

Bare root tree seedlings available this season include Quaking Aspen, Pin Oak, Red Oak, White Swamp Oak, Hackberry, Sugar Maple, Black Walnut, White Pine, Red Cedar, Black Hills Spruce, and White Spruce. Shrubs available for purchase are Red Osier Dogwood, Rose of Sharon, Rosa Rugosa, and Common Lilac. These trees and shrubs are sold in bundles of 10.

The SWCD is also offering high quality, local grown, bare-rooted Chinese Chestnut trees. Other items available include native grass and forbs, tree shelters for your young trees, stakes, and tree mats.

Profits from the sales of trees and seeds go for conservation education, scholarships and promotion of natural resources in Louisa County.

Orders will be taken until February 28 and trees will arrive in April. For pricing and more information or to order your trees call the SWCD at (319) 523-6411 or stop by their office at 260 Mulberry Street in Wapello.







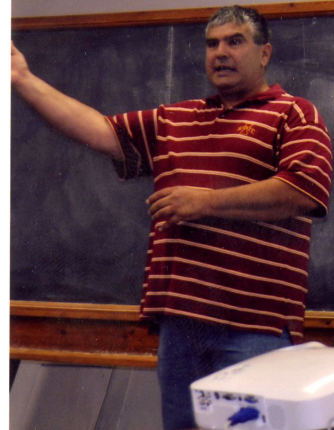
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Dear Louisa SWCD,

Thank you for hosting the soil judging contest and providing snacks, drinks, and medals. We greatly appreciated the refreshments with it being so hot outside. Once again thank you so much for your support to the South Sub District FFA. Thank you!

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Margen Branch	Grange Johnson	Maxwell Stabenstedt	Richard
Jack Minter	Cathy Massner	Eric Marshall	Catie Messer
		Maggie Ingers	

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THANK YOU

To those at the Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District

Thank you for selecting me as the recipient of this year's scholarship. Receiving the scholarship will give me more financial stability as I attend college, and will allow me to devote more time to my studies. I am honored to accept the scholarship and am grateful for your support! I plan to continue my efforts in conservation in the future.

Best wishes,

Eliza L. L.

Thank you so much for
honoring us with Conservation
Farmers of the year. We
work hard to continue to be good
Stewards of the land!
Thanks again
Rupert & Lesie
Edward

Rachad Wyatt Edmonds
Kennedy ~~Edwards~~ ~~Kennedy~~

Katrina

O Y

Chuck Reid

Bryson Heikman
Hillman

Wagenbach

Alex



Winters
Winters

Diewold

Greg
Fausse

Nicole
Schneider

Ellie Gerber

Olivia Modle

Dear Louisa County Soil/Water Conservation District

Thank you for coming to the soil judging contest and providing the awards, pop, water, treats, and all the financial costs. We greatly appreciate your gifts and everything that you provided. Without your generous support, the contest wouldn't be possible.

Sincerely,
Ag 11 Class

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Columbus FFA

1004 Colton Street

Columbus Junction, Iowa 52738

319/728.2231

www.columbus.k12.ia.us/AgEducation/FFA/FFAindex.html

October 1, 2008

Dear Louisa County soil and water Conservation,

Thank you for sponsoring the Sub district Soils judging contest. The pop, candy bars, metals, and plaques were appreciated and very loved. We hope you will continue to support the FFA in the future. We hope to gain leadership skills and a lot of knowledge along the way with your support the FFA will gain more.

Sincerely,

Alissa Conaway

Columbus FFA Secretary

Louisa Co. Soil & Water Conservation District;

Thank you for your recent gift to the Water
Rocks! youth water education program at ISU!
Thanks to generous support from people like
you, I'm pleased to let you know that Water
Rocks! and the Conservation Station trailers
will continue rolling across the state in 2018!

We're so appreciative of your support and
look forward to working together to spread
the water quality / conservation message in
the new year.

Best,

Ann Standt

Water Rocks! Science Director

Dear NRCS,

We want to thank you for all your help with Levee #11 this last flood event. Your efforts helped keep the levee intact so highway 99 could remain open to all traffic. Your efforts were greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Bert Eddy

Chairman, Levee District # 11

Dear Sir or Madame,

Thank you for all your
help during the Sept. 28th
Soil Judging even. Your help
was greatly appreciated!

Central Lee

Dear SIR or Madame
Thank you For all your
help and comenment with
the 2010 Soil Judging. You
help make this year a
great year.

Thank you
Central Lee
FFA

Dear Mr. Stone,

The students in the Central Lee FFA Chapter wanted to say thanks for locating the sites and digging the pits for all of us. We appreciate it very much!

Thanks

Your kindness is special—
and so are you!

Thank you for your time
and effort for helping Southeast
Soils FFA event!

-Regan Shockey
-Central Lee FFA

Dear Dan Vogeler,

I am writing to thank you for your generous \$500 Louisa County Soil and Water Scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative to learn that I was selected as the recipient of your scholarship.

I am going to major in Agronomy at Ellsworth Community College which I also plan to pursue a career in upon graduating college. I am currently a senior at Louisa-Muscatine and I am going to graduate this spring. I would like to eventually be able to hold a job in Agronomy somewhere around my hometown of Muscatine. Thanks to you, I am one step closer to that goal.

By awarding me the Louisa County Soil and Water Scholarship you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Sincerely,

Christian Sturms

Christian Sturms



Columbus FFA

1004 Colton Street
Columbus Junction, Iowa 52738
(319) 728-2231 x 3621
Brooklynjo_12@hotmail.com

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through Agricultural Education.

To: Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District
From: Columbus FFA
Re: Thank you!
Date: September 29, 2013

Dear Soil & Water Conservation District,

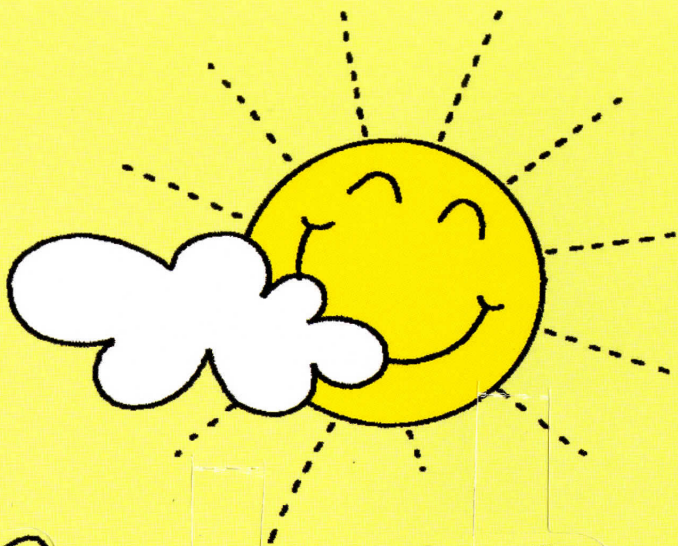
Thank you for being so generous and putting on the Sub-District Soils Judging event on Tuesday September 24, 2013. And providing all the snacks for everyone. It's really appreciated by all participants and their advisors. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Brooklyn Milder
Columbus FFA Secretary

Thank You





Louisa SWCD,

Thank you for all the work
you did and do for soils judging, it
was greatly appreciated.
Thanks,
Columbus FFA

Dear Drew,

Thanks again,

Thank you for helping to make
the 2009 South Sub-District
FFA Soils Judging Contest a
success. We appreciate your
support with this event.

(dumbus FFA

Dear Louisa Soil & Water
Conservation District,

Thank you very much for donating
the medals, pop, candy bars &
water for the sub-district soils
contest. We appreciate your support.

Columbus FFA

Dear Louisa County NRCS Staff,

Thank you for your hard work in helping with FFA Soils Judging Contest! Our team had a great time and learned a lot! We appreciate your support!

Thanks again!

The Columbus FFA
Soils Team

Dear Duane, Kristen, Jon, & Jamie:

Thank you very much for all of your help at the South Sub-District FFA Soils Judging contest. We appreciate all that you do to help the contest to be successful. Thanks again!

Columbus FFA

Dear Louisa SWCD,

Thank you for providing snacks,
drinks, and medal's for our
contest. We really appreciate
your support of the FFA,
hopefully our team will improve for
districts.

Sincerely,

The Columbus
FFA

Louisa SWCD, thank you for hosting, providing snacks, drinks and medals for our soil judging teams. We greatly appreciate everything. It was great practice for us before we go to districts.

-The Columbus FFA

Dear Louisa Soil/Water Conservation Dist
Attn: Drew

10/6/14

Thank you for your support
with the Sub-District Soils Contest.
We learned a lot. We hope to come back
next year with just as much success.
Hopefully you will continue to support
FFA in Southeast Iowa. Thanks again!

Sincerely,
Columbus FFA
Soils Judging Team

Laura Mincks, Sarah Todd, John Rees, Kelli Roush

Louisa Soil/Water Conservation Dist.,

Thank you so much for helping
with the 2017 Sub-District soils.
It was a great learning experience
and we all had a great time!

Thanks again,
Columbus FFA

Louisa Co. Soil & Water
Conservation
District

Thank you for your
help & support of the
South Sub-District
Soils. Event.

- Crooked Creek FFA
@ Winfield

Your kindness is special—
and so are you!

Mrs. Brown — *Suzanne
Pruitt*

*Barb
Lavis*

Col V. Lavin

Louisa SWCD,

Thank you for hosting and providing refreshments for the South Sub-District Soil Judging Contest. Your dedication & assistance to providing fun and educational opportunities for students.

Crooked Creek FFA

Joyce Malone

Valerie Malone

Carrie
Semon

Ms. Burr

Kaua SWCD,

Thank you for evaluating ^{providing} ~~explaining~~
the results for medals as well as snacks &
drinks for the sub-district soil judging
contest. We greatly appreciate your
contribution for providing a positive
learning experience for FFA.

Crooked
Creek
FFA

Talton
Spencer

Jayce Malone

...for being so thoughtful.

Mrs Brown

Karen Harris

Ross
V. Hays

Thank you for everything you do for
the FFA and the Sub District Soil Judging
GO Hawks! Playoff Bound!

Sincerely.

Dakota

Oberman

Louisa County NRCS,

Thank you for helping make
subdistrict soils at Napello
possible. We appreciate your
support!

Sincerely,
Davis County FFA

Louisa Soil/Water Conservation District,

Thank you for helping make
Subdistrict soils at Wapello
possible. We appreciate your
support!

Sincerely,
Davis County
FFA

Dear Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation,
Thank you for selecting me as
one of your Scholarship winners. The
money will go towards my tuition
at Northwest Missouri State University
where I will be majoring in Agriculture
Education & minoring in communications.
Thanks again, Delaney L. Howell

Thank You for awarding me
the Louisa County Soil and Water
Conservation Scholarship. I really
appreciate it.

Thank You

Dexter Bieri

Dear Louisa Co. Soil & Water Conservation
District Board,

I am thrilled to know that you have chosen me to receive the Conservation District's scholarship. I would first like to thank each of you for taking the time to review each applicant and award a scholarship.

I have strived to do the best in everything and your generous support will aid in the success of the next stage of my life. I greatly appreciate your support of me and my dream of becoming an agronomist.

Thank you,

Elyssa
Max Jandmel

Dear SWCD & NRCS Staff,

Thank you so much for
your help with getting the
cover crops seeded! Feel

Free to email ~~the staff~~
elyssamc@turkland@gmail.com if you
would like photos.

Thanks again!

Dear Louisa County
NRCS & Soil Water,

Your generosity of
memorial money was
so appreciated by our
family. People like you
make times like this
more bearable. Thank
you so much for thinking
of us.

*Your kind expression
of sympathy
is deeply appreciated
and gratefully acknowledged*

The family of

Larry Baser

6-19-09

Dear Commissioners,
Thanks to each of
you for all your help
and support over the
years. A special
Thank you for my
retirement meal and
open house. The lawn
stone will be so
nice in our new
yard.

I plan to do some
volunteer work with
VRCS in the future, I
hope to see you when
I am out and about
Janet

Drew, Duane, Kristen,
Lisa and Jamie -



Thanks so much for
The card and The grill
certificates - can't wait to
redeem them, I love
magolia-grill!

It's been great working with
all of you. Hope to still see
you once in awhile!

Julie

Dear Lousia SWCD,

Thank you so
much for providing
us with lunch, drinks, and
medals. They were very
good.

- Katherine
Bandettc

Chapter
Representative

10/7/07

Hi, Janet,

I wanted to send you a note to let you know we made it. It is beautiful here and we are enjoying our volunteer service to the camp. We have a variety of work: mailings, maintenance and 'odd jobs' that are always available after kids' camp.

I want to thank you again for your patience in getting me started in your office. I was very impressed with the friendliness and helpfulness of everyone there. I wish I were younger -- it's a great place to work!

I am looking forward to next spring if you still could use me. Give everyone my greetings and good wishes,
Blessings,
Kay

Dear Louisa County SWCD,

I was very happy to learn that I was the recipient of the Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation Scholarship. I am writing to you to thank you for your generous financial support towards my higher education. By receiving this scholarship I am able to concentrate on my education and it has allowed me to become one step closer to my goal. Thank you again for your tremendous support!

Sincerely,

Kelsey Potts

Dear Drew DeLong,

Thank you so much
for taking the time out
of your busy life
to prepare our tests.

Kendra Terry
Chapter
representative

Dear NRCS,

Thank you for thinking of me. I really appreciate the card and money. It will help me greatly next year at Iowa State.

Sincerely,

Lortney Wagner

Dear Scholarship Committee,

Thank you so much for the
Louisa County Soil and Water
Conservation District Scholarship.
I will use it wisely to further
my future education. I
greatly appreciate the
opportunities presented to me
through this scholarship.

Sincerely,

Kortney Wagner

4/26/16

Dear Louisa County SWCD,

Once again I would like to thank you for the Louisa County SWCD scholarship. I am very grateful to be the recipient!

Mr Vogeler, thank you for coming to the Columbus Community High School Senior Awards Banquet to present the scholarship to me! I really appreciate it.

Thank you so much! If there is ever anything that I can help with, I would be happy to!

Sincerely,
Laura Mincks

Louisa SWCD,

Thanks very much for helping make our forestry field day a success. We had a good turnout of participants and were able to showcase many projects that you all had a hand in. I really appreciate the counties focus on forestry, and the help I recieved from the districts employees. I just cant say enough good things about working in the SWCD, thanks for making it so easy to achieve good forest management for the county. Lisa Louck

Dear Louisa County NRCS,

Thank you so much for taking the time to help form and put on the 2015 Soils judging contest. It was a great experience and the knowledge gained was valuable.

Thanks so much,

Lone Tree FFA

Caleb Schapvel

Alyssa Waldschmidt

Lydia Swanson

Jonathan Kaalberg

Dakota Lamonica

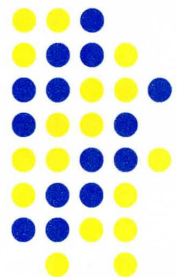
Nate Brad
JJ Hudson
Michael Rogers

Mrs. Crozier

Thank you for providing the meal at
the event and for making the South
Sub-District Soil Judging Contest a
reality and a success!

We appreciate all of your hard work
and dedication!

Thank you!

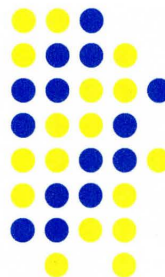


Thank you...

From the

Lone Tree

FFA Chapter



Thank you for providing
us with food on our
trip. We all appreciated
the food ~~and~~ and water.
It was a wonderful
experience!



-leanne @ ~~Tree~~
Lone Tree FFA. ♡

Dear Louisa SWCD,

Thanks for providing snacks, drinks, and the meal at the 2015 soil judging contest! They tasted great and were very much appreciated!

Thanks a lot.

Lone Tree FFA

From the

Lone Tree

FFA Chapter

Louisa SWCD,

Thank you for providing us with
lunch at Sub-District soil judging.
It was very good!

Thanks
Again!

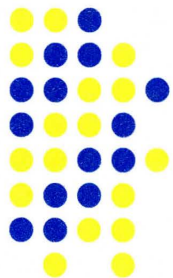
Thank you for making the South Sub-
District Soil Judging Contest a reality
and a success!

We appreciate all of your hard work
and dedication!

Thank you!

Kyle Rute

Courtney Buser *Amanda*
Heitman



Ther 85
Trevor L

Julissa
Battazar

Caleb Feldman

Kyffor ~~Leith~~

David
Hudson

Lousa County Soil & Water,

Thank you so much for
your help with the
South sub district soil
judging contest. We had
a lot of fun and even
learned a lot!

Thanks again!
Lone Tree FFA

Dear Louisa Soil & Water Conservation,

Thank your for hosting the
Soil Judging Contest. We really
enjoyed the new experience. We
really appreciated the opportunity,
thank you!

Thanks Again!
Lone Tree FFA

Sam Fichtmeister

Jensen Swails

Carter Jaque
~~Wright~~ ~~Wright~~

ERIK
Soyan Cortez

Peyton Schmitt

Drake

Levi

Brady

Louisa County NRCS,
Thank you for your
support of sub-district
soil judging by
organizing the event,
preparing the test,
and printing the
judging cards. We
appreciate your support!

Sincerely,
Jaxon Mullinnix
LT FFA President

Dear Louisa County Soil/
water Conservation District,

Thank you for providing
the awards, Pop, water, treats,
and all the financial costs
for the sub-district soil judging
contest.

We truly appreciated the
learning experience. Thank
you for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Lone Tree FFA

Louisa County Fair

April 27, 2012

Louisa County Soil & Water
260 Mulberry Street, Suite 2
Wapello, Iowa 52653

Dear Louisa County Soil & Water,

On behalf of the Louisa County Fair Board we would like to sincerely thank you for your generous donation of \$250.00.

It is only with generous gestures from People like you that our Youth Center will be built. We are planning on having the necessary funds by summer and will plan on building soon after the fair in late July, 2012.

Again thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Bob

Bob Schlutz-Chairman Building Committee
260 Colonel's Drive
Columbus Junction, Iowa 52738
563-299-6916

Dear Louisa County NRCS,

Thank you for all of your help with the soil competition. We appreciate you organizing the event, preparing the test, and printing judging cards.

Sincerely,

Louisa-Muscatine FFA

Dear, Louisa County Soil/Water
Conservation
District

Thank you for all you
Provided for the Soils contest,
it was greatly appreciated!
We appreciate your support
for the FFA Program!

Sincerely, Louisa Muscatine
FFA

Louisa SWCD:

Thank you for providing drinks
& snacks for us at The 2015 South
Subdistrict FFA Soils Contest. It was
a very educational event.

Thank You!

Louisa-Muscataine FFA

Thanks for donating the Food,
drinks and the medals for
the South Sub-District
Soil Judging CDE. Your
Support of the FFA
Organization is greatly
appreciated.

Mediapolis
FFA

Dear Lou
Thank
for locati
judge, al

Thank you for the food and Drinks. Also
for the medals and Plaque.

Thank you
Mediapolis FFA

Dear Louisa County NRCS Staff,

We would like to thank you for helping at the subdistrict soil judging contest. Your time that you put into it was very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

The Mediapolis
FFA Chapter

Thank you for digging all 4 pits and
for organizing the soil judging.

- Mediapolis FFA



April 30, 2013

Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District
260 Mulberry St. Ste. 2
Wapello IA 52653

Dear Scholarship Selection Committee,

Thank you for selecting me as the recipient of the Louisa County SWCD scholarship for 2013. I truly appreciate your support in furthering my college education. By awarding me this scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden, which will allow me to focus on my education.

I'm looking forward to graduation and to starting at Iowa State in the fall. My ultimate goal is to find employment in some field of agriculture because even with all my varied interests and activities, it is my passion. I will strive to make sure your investment in my education is rewarded. Again, thank you for your support and generosity.

Sincerely,

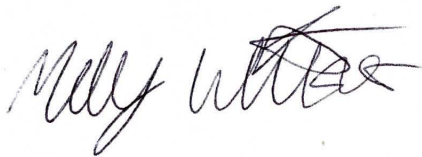
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Megan Pretz". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Megan Pretz

Dear Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District,

The scholarship I received recently from your committee is greatly appreciated. It is an honor to be chosen for your award and I could not be more thankful. Your scholarship award will play a vital part in my education in the near future. Once again, Thank You.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Molly Willson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Molly Willson

Thank you for
helping with the
Southeast South Sub
District Soils Contest.

It was a great day
and we learned lots.

Megan Galt
Chloe Dyer
Mrs. Miller
Jenna Lindner
Destinee Swain

Water Conservation District
Louisia Co Soil & Water
Conservation District
260 Mulberry St. Suite 2
Wapella, IA 52653

Dear Commissioners:

I want to Thank you for your service To The Community. With The current financial situation, your job may become more concerning.

I have greatly appreciated your support of The RFA program and The annual contractor's meeting.

Thank you for your part in my retirement party. I enjoyed The conversation and refreshments.

Also, Thank you for your input ~~on~~ to The Cablas' kitty. All is greatly + deeply appreciated.

Good health to you and your families,
Norm

Thank you for choosing Hoeg Incorporated
as the recipient of the Soil Conservation
Farmer of the Year Award.

Our son Chris is the 4th generation
of Hoeg farmers here in Louisa County,
and we are pleased to be recognized
for our efforts to improve and
conserve our soil for future
generations to carry on.

Sincerely, Randy & Julie Hoeg

Thank you for all you have done
for the FFA Sub-district
Soil judging. Your efforts
have been sincerely appreciated.

-Rick Galle
Chapter Reporter

April 5, 2009

Sandra Dion
13023 M Ave.
Columbus Junction, IA 52738

Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District
260 Mulberry St. STE 2
Wapello, IA 52653

Dear Louisa County SWCD:

I am honored to be chosen as a receipt of the Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District's Scholarship. Thanks to your generous support this scholarship will help pay for my future college education.

As a senior at Louisa Muscatine High School, I am looking forward to attending Iowa State University this fall. My plan of study is Agriculture Business. Iowa State's history of excellence and outstanding agriculture program is what appealed to me when choosing a college.

By awarding me the Louisa County SWCD Scholarship you have lightened my financial burden. This allows me to spend my time now focusing on my studies at Iowa State University. Thank you for your generosity and support. I hope that one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Dion". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid.

Sandra Dion

Dear Drew,

Thank you for a great
location for sub districts.
We really enjoyed it.

Yours truly,
Shelby Steen

Louisa County NRCS

Attn: Drew

206 Mulberry Street, Suite 2

Wapello, IA

52653



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Thank you for sponsoring
the sub district soil
judging.

Yours truly,
Shelby Steen

Louisa Soil/Water
Conservation Dist
Attn: Drew
260 Mulberry Street
Suite 2
Wapello, IA
52653



Dear Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District -

We would like to thank you for the recognition you gave to Winterhaven Farm. In many ways you are the people who deserve the praise and credit for the development on our farm. Your folks have been creative and supportive in our effort to establish a wildlife friendly farm. Thank you for all that you have done in establishing an environment that has been open to our goals. Again, many thanks for the honor.

Sincerely,

The Lentz Family



Foundation Directors

Alfred C. Bohling, Jr
Cindy Klebe
Dan Vogeler
Don Kline
James Rudisill
Jay T. Schweitzer
Jeanne Mott
Karen Minnis
Steve Johnson

May 1, 2017

Dear Louisa County Soil & Water Conservation District,

Thank you so much for your recent donation(s) to the 2017 Tri-Rivers RUSH Auction. The Auction was a great success with over 100 participants and over \$14,500 raised to support conservation efforts in the Louisa Resource Area.

Ex-Officio Members

Andy Robbins
Cathy Henry
Drew DeLang
Katie Hammond

Thank you very much for your continued support. The Pollinator seed was purchased by Al & Dianne Bohling and they are looking forward to adding more wildflowers to their property!

Sincerely,

Karen Minnis, Dianne Bohling & Sue Vogeler

Auction Committee Chairs



Louisa SWCD Staff -

Thanks so much for hosting the sub-districts soil contest and for providing the shucks, drinks, and medals. Wapello ended up placing 1st overall. We really appreciate all the work and effort you put in.

- Wapello FFA soils Team

Dear Louisa County Soil / Water Conservation team,

Thank you very much for supplying
all the drinks, treats and
putting on the Sub-district Soils contest!
We learned a lot and we are
excited to continue learning about
soil & water impacts. The contest was
a great learning experience and we
are excited for districts! Again,
thank you very much! sincerely,
Wapello PFA
&
Wapello Ag
class

Gracie
Mustizon

Erin
Hemphill

Katie
Barn

Leigha
Wetrick

Jagan Steahr Aiden
Hawman

Julietta
Chamberlin
Johnston

Sky
Patrick

Dalton
Mitchell

Jacey
Pool


Amber
Martens

~~Andi~~
Asher

Danielle Wayfalt

Grace
Eddy

dear N R C S office

thank you for the candy
and the soda. They were
yummy in our tummys. You are
nice for giving them to
us.

Love, Washington
FFA

Dear Louisa Soil and Water Conservation District,

Thank you for providing the medals, pop
candy bars, and water at the soil judging contest
this year. We really appreciate your support. We
hope to come back next year

Thanks,
Washington FFA

Joni, Alexis,
Colton Pecher

Dear Louisa County SWCD,

Thank you for sponsoring the FFA soils contest in Wapello. Also thank you for providing refreshments and rewards after the contest.

Sincerely,

Sam Shepherd
Washington FFA

Dear Norman Stone,
Thank you for locating the
pits and digging the
pits. Also thank you for
helping us with our
soil judging skills.

Sincerely,

Washington EFA

Daphni Bell
Jason Crawford

Ally
13000

Evam Board

Sam Reed

Jameson
Bell

Ryan Fries

Ellie
Bell

Jameson
Mallory

Allison
Hamilton

Dear Louisa County Soil/Water Conservation
District,

Thank you so much for
providing the awards, pop, water,
treats, and all financial costs.
Washington FFA appreciates all
you've done for our sub-district.
Even though it was a rainy day,
we still had a great time!
Thanks again, Washington FFA

Alfred

Jameson Bell

Jameson Muller

Yaphie Bell

Sam Reed

Allison Hamilton

Ryan Friese

Ellie Bell

Wendy Horak

Dear Drew,

Thank you for organizing the South, East FFA Soil Judging event. Even though we didn't get to go in the pits it was still fun. We appreciate everything that you do for the future of Agriculture.

Thanks Again,
Washington FFA
Agronomy

Dear Louisa Co. NRCS Staff,

Thank you for putting the
soil judging contest together. We
were glad to participate.

Sincerely,
Washington FFA

Wagenbach

Quinn
Wright
Wyatt
Wheeler
Nicole
Schneider
Wyatt
Edmonds
Kathrina S.
Rachel
Alex
Dewold
Hilma
Hillyard
Ellie
Gerboe
Olivia
Michele
Alan
Sheloff

Dear Drew Delang,

Thank you very much for organizing the event! Me and my fellow classmates appreciate all your help in the soil judging contest. This contest was a great learning experience for all of us. I also thank you for the time you spent helping to create the test. All of us are thankful for your efforts. Thank you Mr. Delang.

Sincerely,
Bryson
Wagenbach

I wish to Thank everyone for The hard work it took to make my last work day memorable. I enjoyed seeing everyone and even though I didn't get to visit very long with anyone, I knew they came as good friends and co-workers.

I also appreciate the donations to "Norm's Cabelas Account." So many many Items on my list, my decision may be difficult.

To all of you, I wish The best to you and your families,

Our door is always open, and you are always welcome.

Take care and be safe

Norm

Louisa SWCD,

Thank you for hosting
the sub-district soils
contest and providing lunch.

We could not have such a
contest without your help!

Thank you for taking
time out of your day
to make it possible.

Dear Louisa County NRCS

Thank you very much
for locating our pits to
judge, also thank you
for preparing the test
for us. Thank you for
running the non-
financial parts of the
contest. We all appreciate
your help to helping
us learn.

Thank you
for your support
of FFA!

Mr. Meier,

Thank you for your help in preparing & conducting the South Sub-District FFA Soils Judging Contest. It provided a great learning opportunity for the FFA members. We appreciate the time & effort needed to make the event a success!

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