

40TH ANNUAL REPORT

Iowa Soil Conservation District

Williamsburg, Iowa



District & Assistant District Commissioners
From left (first row) are commissioner Larry Wetjen, Marengo; commissioner Robert Faber, Parnell; commissioner Greg Misbach, Marengo; assistant commissioner Andy Rowe, Marengo; (back row) assistant commissioner John Parsons, Ladora; commissioner Fred White, Parnell; commissioner David McCartney, North English; and assistant commissioner Doris McCartney, North English.



ESSAY WON STATE AWARD — Rick Maas, a Williamsburg high school freshman, has won the county, district and state awards for his soil conservation essay. Rick, the son of the Marvin Maas', South Amana, presented the essay at the annual Soil Conservation Service awards banquet, Tuesday, Nov. 19, at Seven Villages restaurant.



Field Office Personnel
From left (front row) are soil conservationist Gene Backhaus; district conservationist Harry Bryant; district clerk Julie (Mrs. Dennis) Hocker; (back row) WAE Millen Sandersfeld, Williamsburg; and conservation technician Ted Oswald, North English.

DISTRICT OFFICERS
Robert Faber, Chairman
Greg Misbach, Vice-Chairman
Julie A. Hocker, Secretary-Treasurer

AREA OFFICE PERSONNEL
A. Keith Glandon, Area Conservationist
John W. Pringry, Resource Conservationist
David L. Nelson, Civil Engineer
Catherine N. Kaspar, Agricultural Engineer
Francis W. Vos, Civil Engineering Technician
Keith L. Hunt, Civil Engineering Technician
Jerome Mall, Civil Engineering Technician
Kathi Ohnemus, Area Clerk

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Victor
Wellman Savings Bank,
Wellman
Citizens Bank & Trust,
Belle Plaine

First Interstate Bank,
Marengo
First Trust Savings Bank,
Oxford
Security Savings Bank,
Williamsburg
Farmers Trust Savings Bank,
Williamsburg
Farmers Savings Bank,
North English

DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

The Iowa County Soil Conservation District Commissioners meet the third Tuesday of each month. In addition, a District Organizational Meeting is held the first working day in January to elect district officers. National and state dues are also paid.

JANUARY - Commissioners Annual Short Course; County Conservation Quiz Contest; Eastern Iowa Tillage Show; Assist with Adult Education Class at Marengo.

FEBRUARY - Commissioners met with farmers and distributed 68 "Soil 2000" folders, covering 18,433 acres.

MARCH - Contractors Meeting; Commissioners Spring Regional Meeting; No-Till Meeting - Award of \$50 to Ken Davis for winning state no-till yield of 207 bu/acre; Two meetings with County Supervisors; Soil Stewardship Material for area churches ordered; Distribution of Essay Contest material to area schools; Distributed to public libraries the book "Iowa Soil Conservation, 1939-1979"

APRIL - Kinze Manufacturing and Stanerson Implement donated no-till planter with tractor for rent to farmers interested in no-till. District helped schedule use of equipment.

MAY - Presented program to New Century Club; Soil Stewardship Week - distributed material to churches; Presented program to 6th graders at Lake Iowa; Presented program to Ruritans.

JUNE - Judging for 1985 District Essay Contest; Presented program to Farm Bureau Women; No-till Tour.

JULY - Conservation Awards Tour; Met with ASCS to develop cost-share program.

AUGUST - Commissioners Family Picnic; Sponsored 4-H Conservation Photo Contest at Iowa Co. Fair; Purchased Conservation Education Booklets for Williamsburg Schools.

SEPTEMBER - Commissioners Fall Regional Meeting; Presentation of District Essay Contest Awards; Tri-County Soil Judging Contest; Presented two programs to Kiwanis; Wheat As An Alternative Crop Meeting.

OCTOBER - Meeting with D.O.T. on Highway 149 work.

NOVEMBER - Annual Awards Banquet honoring award winners: Koehn Land, Inc., Mary Lacina, Loretta White, Mr. and Mrs. John Cox, Scott and Anne Zavis, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Stutzman, Rick Maas, Millen Sandersfeld.

DECEMBER - Annual Conference for Soil Conservation District Commissioners.

(Fiscal Year 10/1/84 thru 9/30/85)
DISTRICT COOPERATOR AGREEMENTS
6,879 acres

Leonard Steele
Ed Ficken
Kenneth Smith
Glen Meeks
Don Cronbaugh
Martha Huffman
Steven Schwiebert
Ralph Albert, Jr.
Dale Ranfeld
Blanche Dermody
Leo Haack

George Werner
Charles Dietrich
Stan Schmidt
FHA - Dickel Farm
FHA - Hartgrave Farm
J.P. Cunningham
Ken Davis
Don Rohrer
Tom Brown
Vena Dane
William Foubert

Gary Chipman
Dennis Hocker
Harland Muller
Frank DeBrower
Raymond Axmear
John Sturtz
Emma Baack
Laurel Haas
Dean DeBrower
O'Rourke Brothers
John O'Rourke
Ted Miller

ASSISTANCE GIVEN IN CONSERVATION
PLANNING - 9,897 acres

Harley Carter
Lucy Smith
Mrs. Art Schwiebert
Steve Schwiebert
Fern Steffen
Eddie O'Brien
Don Goodman
Hertha Maschmann
J.P. Cunningham
Larry Dellamuth
Vilhauer/Hummer
George McCallister
Don Cronbaugh
Leo Haack
Elmer Eggert
Farmers Home
Administration

Dale Ranfeld
Mike Bot
William Rauch
Gail Steffen
Ed Ficken
Dave Williams
Tom Brown
Eldon Doehman
Don Teggatz
Dave Bastian
William Foubert
Ray Blomme
Jon Kinzenbaw
Gary Chipman
Frank DeBrower
Vernon Fisher

Charles Pope
Dean DeBrower
Stan Schmidt
Clarence Hagen
O'Rourke Brothers
Dennis Hocker
John O'Rourke
Laurel Haas
Rebecca Disterhoff
F.E. Lyle
A.L. Garringer
Glen Meeks
Ralph Albert
Tom Hotchkiss
George Werner
Ken Davis
Vena Dane

LAND BENEFITED BY APPLICATION OF
CONSERVATION PRACTICES
11,343 acres, saving 81,206 tons of soil

DISTRICT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Major Practices:	Unit	1985
Terraces	Feet	57,750
Farm & Feed Windbreak	Acres	8
Conservation Tillage System	Acres	9,042
Contour Farming	Acres	1,172
Grass Waterway	Acres	4
Sediment - Control Basins	Number	15
Other Services:		
Individuals & Groups Assisted	Number	306
Individuals & Groups Applying Practices	Number	212

FINANCIAL REPORT

	Receipts	Disbursements
IM Budget (FY 1984-85)		
Allocation	\$2,700.00	
Commissioners Expense		\$984.05
Office Supplies		1,293.94
Printing		423.36
Total Expended		2,701.35
Additional Allocation	1.35	
Released to State (6-30-85)		-0-
Cost-Sharing (1-1-86)		
3M Budget (1983-84)		
Allocation	59,452.00	
Additional Allocations	56,250.00	
Disbursed to Farmers		114,113.53
Unobligated Balance		1,588.47
(Released to State 12-31-85)		\$115,702.00
3M Budget (1984-85)		
Allocation	\$63,527.00	
Disbursed to Farmers		51,405.07
Funds Obligated to Farmers		9,725.00
Unobligated Balance		2,396.93
(Released to State 12-31-85)		63,527.00
3M Budget (1985-86)		
Allocation	64,821.00	
Additional Allocation	28,775.00	
Disbursed to Farmers		13,864.07
Obligated for No-Till		9,359.60
Obligated to Farmers		45,517.50
Unobligated Balance		24,854.83
		93,596.00
County Funds (1983-1986)		
Total Allocations	40,000.00	
Disbursed to Farmers		38,344.17
Obligated to Farmers		1,500.00
Unobligated Balance		155.83
		40,000.00
Revolving Funds		
Balance on Hand (1-1-85)	192.60	
Transfer from Savings	200.00	
Receipts - Contributions	1,620.16	
Receipts - Reimbursements	1,888.73	
Receipts - Interseeder Rental	75.00	
Disbursements		3,566.42
Balance on Hand (12-31-85)	410.07	
Savings Account		
Balance on Hand (1-1-85)	1,398.53	
Interest on Balance	79.12	
Interest on Time Cert.	378.92	
Disbursement		200.00
Refund	2.13	
Balance on Hand (12-31-85)	1,658.70	
Time Certificates		
4 at \$1,000.00	4,000.00	
1 at \$1,517.45	1,517.45	