2012 Outstanding Conservationist



The Blue Earth County SWCD is recognizing Gary and Faith Borgmeier of rural Good Thunder for their ongoing conservation efforts on their property. Their farmland has been in the family for over 70 years. The Borgmeiers have several Reinvest in Minnesota conservation easements totaling near 100 acres, multiple grassed waterways, and most recently have been working on adding three more conservation easements to their property. They feel that grassed waterways provide an excellent way to catch sediment before it reaches the river and that RIM easements are a great option in the floodplain to compensate for frequent flooding, and are an excellent way to reestablish native woodland for both wildlife and future generations to enjoy.