

## 2013 Outstanding Conservationist



The Blue Earth County Soil and Water Conservation District has chosen to recognize Wingen Farms as their Conservationist of the Year. Tyler Wingen and his family are proactive in conservation when considering the future of their farming production. Most recently, Wingen Farms completed the construction of a four-bin animal mortality composter on a hog site. The Wingens have consistently worked with our USDA partners by applying for EQIP for cover crops and nutrient management. Currently, they are planning the construction of one terrace and six water and sediment control basins to help alleviate erosion issues on their cropland. On behalf of Wingen Farms, Tyler expresses his deep gratitude for being selected for this honor. He looks forward to continuing conservation efforts with the SWCD in the future.