



Award winner

The Kenneth Fischer family admire their dairy herd during feeding time. Fischer, in addition to farming, is a technician for American Breeding Service. He will receive

the Conservation Farmer award for Brown County later this month in St. Paul. (Photo contributed)

Kenneth Fischer is county conservation farmer of the year

The 1976 Outstanding Conservation Farmer of the Year for Brown County is Kenneth J. Fischer, rural New Ulm.

Fischer was cited by the Brown County Conservation Service for his work with the many different soils on his 319 acre dairy farm.

Fischer, his wife and five children live on a dairy farm near the Little Cottonwood River. The Fischers have 35 milk cows and another 35

dry cows. They planted 2,730 young trees in their field and farmstead shelterbelts last spring but feel many died because of the drought. Fischer is optimistic and hopes to replant some trees next year.

Application of the conservation plan on the Fischer farm has also included the following: Cropping system on all 237 acres; two large gully control structures; 7,300 feet of field windbreaks; 750 feet of

diversion terraces; 5,480 feet of tile; 1.2 acres of grassed waterways; one-acre farmstead shelterbelt plus walnut tree pruning and wildlife area protection on 59 acres of bluff and bottomland areas next to the river.

Fischer has received federal cost-sharing assistance over the past several years from the Agriculture-Stabilization-Conservation office in Sleepy Eye.



Winning conservation award a Fischer family project

