Dr. Phil Gill Honored as Brown SWCD 2012 Outstanding Conservationist

The Brown Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) has named Dr. Phil Gill as its 2011 Outstanding Conservationist.

Phil's love of nature has led him to purchase 26.1 acres of land in Bashaw Township and develop it for wildlife to include: 5.4 acres of native grasses, 2,500 feet of wildlife tree planting, 1 acre food plot and 3 wildlife ponds.

Phil is co-owner of Riverside Animal Clinics in Sleepy Eye and Springfield. He is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, Sleepy Eye and Springfield Chamber of Commerce, and the Redwood Area Cattleman's Association. He is also a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association, and is the co-chairman of the Red Rock Chapter of Ducks Unlimited.

Phil grew up in Tekamah, Nebraska and eventually relocated to rural Springfield to pursue a career in veterinary medicine. In his spare time he enjoys spending time with his wife, Phlayne, and his 8 year-old daughter, Mikayla.

Phil, along with other Outstanding Conservationists from across the entire state, were recognized at the Minnesota Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts (MASWCD) Annual State Convention in December of 2011.





Gill receiving recognition plaque from Brown SWCD Vice Chairman, Ervin Windschitl. Also pictured are Gill's wife, Phlayne, and daughter Mikayla.



Gill receiving certificate of merit from The Farmer Magazine Editor Paula Mohr and MASWCD President Dr. Kathryn Kelly.



Gill pictured with Brown SWCD Board Members Stadick, Schroepfer and Vogel at the MASWCD State Convention.