

# 2019 Annual Meeting & Awards

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Gasconade County Soil & Water Conservation District

# Presentation of Colors Boy Scout Troop # 22



# Guest Speakers

## Jim, Carol, Cody & Trina Meyer



# 2019 Cooperating Conservation Family SASSMANN FARMS



**THE GASCONADE COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE SASSMANN FARMS AS OUR 2019 CONSERVATION FAMILY OF THE YEAR.**

**CODY SASSMANN HAS BEEN WORKING DILIGENTLY TO INSTALL GRAZING SYSTEMS ON THE FAMILY FARMS. IN ADDITION TO ALL OF THE CROP GROUND, HE IS WORKING TO IMPROVE THEIR PASTURE GROUNDS AND HERD HEALTH. HE HAS COMPLETED SEVERAL PROJECTS IN A TIMELY MANNER THESE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS. THEY HAVE INSTALLED WOODLAND FENCES, PIPELINE AND TANKS AND EVEN COMPLETED A WELL CLOSURE THROUGH OUR OFFICE.**

THEY HAVE STARTED INCORPORATING COVER CROPS ON THEIR FARM GROUND AND CONTINUE TO INCREASE THEIR PASTURE FIELDS WITH ADDITIONAL GRAZING SYSTEM INSTALLATIONS.

CODY AND HIS WIFE HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR 11 YEARS AND HAVE TWO YOUNG SONS. CODY HAS BEEN FARMING ALL OF HIS LIFE AND THEY CURRENTLY RUN 275 COWS/CALVES AND HEIFERS. THEY ROW CROP CORN-SOYBEANS AND HAY.

CODY IS A MEMBER OF THE GASCONADE COUNTY FAIR BOARD, GASCONADE COUNTY LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION, FARM BUREAU AND THE MFA BOARD.

# 2019 Partnership Award Missouri Department of Conservation



- **FOR THIS YEAR'S PARTNERSHIP AWARD, WE ARE PROUD TO RECOGNIZE OUR MEMBERS OF THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR COUNTY LANDOWNERS AND CHILDREN. WE TRULY APPRECIATE ALL THAT THESE FOUR MEN DO. THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR PARTNERSHIP!**



- AARON HOLSAPPLE IS OUR AREA FORESTER. HE HAS BEEN PRESENTING OUR FORESTRY STATION AT OUR ANNUAL 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FIELD DAYS SINCE 2006. HE ALWAYS HAS ENOUGH TREE COOKIES CUT FOR EVERY CHILD AND THEY ARE ALWAYS SURPRISED TO LEARN ABOUT ALL THE DIFFERENT ITEMS THAT COME FROM TREES. HE IS AVAILABLE TO ASSIST OUR LANDOWNERS WITH THEIR PLANS FOR TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT, TREE IDENTIFICATION, AND OTHER ISSUES.



- **SCOTT WILLIAMS IS OUR FISHERIES BIOLOGIST. SCOTT HAS BEEN ASSISTING US AT OUR 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FIELD DAYS SINCE 2010. HE COMES OUT EARLY EACH DAY TO SHOCK THE POND IN ORDER TO DELIGHT THE CHILDREN WITH LIVE FISH, LARGE AND SMALL, AND THEN DISCUSS HOW THE SHOCKING BOAT WORKS AND OTHER MEANS OF CATCHING FISH. HE ALSO ASSISTS OUR LANDOWNERS WITH THEIR QUESTIONS ABOUT PROBLEMS THEY MIGHT BE HAVING. HE IS THE ONE WE CALL TO ADDRESS STREAMBANK ISSUES, AS WELL AS, PRESENTING POND WORKSHOPS FOR US.**



- **JASON EIKERMANN IS OUR CONSERVATION AGENT. JASON GRABS THE KID'S ATTENTION WITH HIS ANIMAL PELT TALK DURING OUR 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE LUNCH HOUR. HE HAS BEEN FAITHFULLY COMING SINCE 2008. HE DOES A GREAT JOB OF EXPLAINING OUR WILDLIFE FOR THE CHILDREN. OUR PRESENTORS REALLY APPRECIATE THE EXTRA TIME TO ENJOY THEIR LUNCH AND RELAX, WHILE HE IS MAKING HIS PRESENTATION.**



- **SETH BARRIOZ IS OUR PRIVATE LANDS CONSERVATIONIST. SETH HAS BEEN A HELPING HAND AT OUR FIELD DAYS WHEN AND WHERE-EVER NEEDED. HE NOT ONLY ASSISTS THE LANDOWNERS OF GASCONADE COUNTY, BUT MARIES AND OSAGE COUNTIES AS WELL. HE HELPS OUR LANDOWNERS TO IMPROVE THEIR LAND TO SUPPORT DOMESTIC ANIMALS AND TO BE WILDLIFE FRIENDLY AT THE SAME TIME. HE MAKES EVERY EFFORT TO INSURE THAT ANY WILDLIFE CONCERNS ARE MET IN A TIMELY AND PROFESSIONAL MANNER**



# 2019 Volunteer Award JERRY LAIRMORE



THE GASCONADE COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE, PARTICIPATES IN THE EARTH TEAM VOLUNTEER PROGRAM. EACH YEAR, WE PUT ON A VARIETY OF INFORMATION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS THAT NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF THESE VOLUNTEERS. THIS YEAR, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE JERRY LAIRMORE.

JERRY IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR WAYS TO VOLUNTEER HIS TIME AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR DISTRICT. HE COMES TO OUR 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FIELDS DAYS EACH YEAR ON WEDNESDAYS TO HELP WITH THE COOKING AND SERVING OF THE MEAL TO ALL OF THE STUDENTS. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN INCREASING THE NUMBER OF PICKLES SERVED TO EACH STUDENT. ONE YEAR, WE HAD A SPECIAL NEEDS

CHILD AND HE BROUGHT HIS UTV TO ESCORT THE CHILD AROUND.

HE IS VERY PROACTIVE WHEN IT COMES TO COLLECTING SUPPORT FOR OUR EVENTS. HE AND HIS WIFE, CHRIS, ARE ALWAYS WILLING TO DONATE ITEMS FOR OUR SILENT AUCTION AND OTHER EVENTS. HE SHOWS INTEREST IN OUR PROGRAM BY ATTENDING BOARD MEETINGS, OUR ANNUAL MEETING AND CHRISTMAS BANQUET.

## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, WE HAVE A LOT OF WONDERFUL PEOPLE WHO ASSIST US ON A YEARLY BASIS, EITHER IN THE OFFICE OR AT OUR 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FIELD DAYS AND OTHER EVENTS. WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE SOME OF OUR LONG OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS TODAY WITH THE HELP OF OUR NRCS STATE CONSERVATIONIST, JR FLORES, AND PRESENT THEM WITH A SMALL TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION.

BRENDA KURRLEMEYER

DORATHEA KOEPKE

SHIRLEY LANDWEHR

CATHY SHOEMAKER

JERRY LAIRMORE

DENNIS BERGER

DEAN WINTERS

JEROME & CAROLYN WINTHORST

MIKE & SUSIE HAEFFNER



# 2019 Poster Awards

## LIFE IN THE SOIL: DIG DEEPER





# 2019 Poster Awards 2<sup>ND</sup> Grade Winners



Left to right

- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> place - Garrett Braun, Owensville Elementary
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Meredith Reed, Owensville Elementary
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> place - Emily Head, St. George (Not pictured )

# 2019 Poster Awards 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Winners



Left to right

- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Oktober Pippin, Owensville Elementary
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Kurt Brenner, Owensville Elementary
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> place – Kabren Kelley, Owensville Elementary

# 2019 Poster Awards 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Winners



Left to right

- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Arthur Lewis, St. George
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Tayven Hopkins, St. George
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> place – Aspen Meyer, St. George

# 2019 Poster Awards 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Winners



Right to left

- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Daisy Derby, St. George
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Carlie Walkenbach, St. George (not pictured)
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> place – Nellina Zapryanov, Owensville Elementary

# 2019 Poster Awards 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Winners



Left to right

- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Easton Stiers, St. George
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Ava Hughes, St. George
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> place – Daeden Hopkins, St. George

# 2019 Poster Awards 7th Grade Winners



Left to right

- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Molly Causey, St. George
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Macy Bader, Hermann Middle
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> place – Breckyn Koeller, St. George

# 2019 Poster Awards 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Winners



Left to right

- ❖ 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Dylan Koenigsfeld, St. George (Not Pictured)
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Emmy Rose, Owensville Middle
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> place – Garrett Schneider, Hermann Middle

# 2019 Poster Awards State Entry Awards



Left to right

- ❖ 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Division  
– Garret Schneider,  
Hermann Middle
- ❖ 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Division  
– Nellina Zapryanov,  
Owensville Elementary
- ❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Division  
– Kabren Kelley,  
Owensville Elementary



# State Entry Awards

Garrett Schneider

Nellina Zapryanov



Kabren Kelly

# 2019 Poster Awards Grand Prize Winner



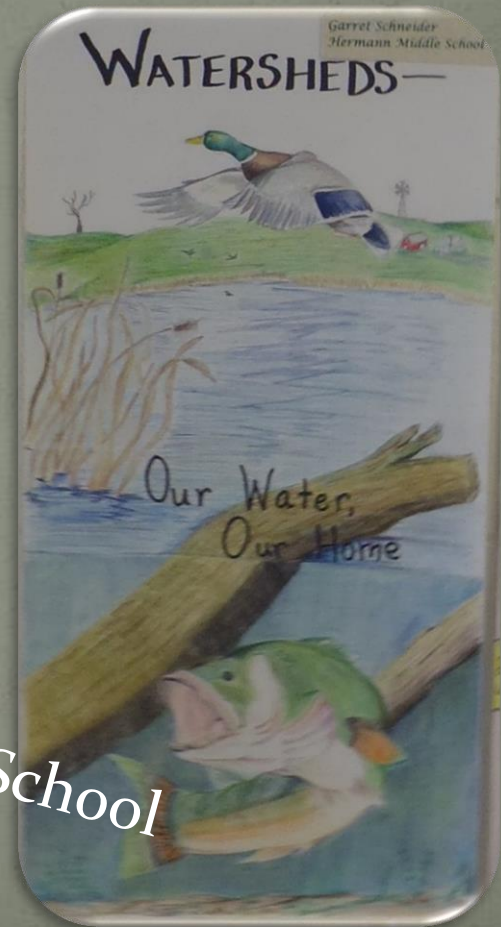
Garret Schneider,  
Hermann Middle School

# 2018 National Poster Contest

Watersheds: Our Water, Our Home  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place for 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade



Garret Schneider,  
Hermann Middle School



# The Evening Crowd!



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# THANK YOU

## SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS!

- Commissioner Larry Miskel
- Mike & Susie Haeffner
- Hesemann Landscape & Supply
- Great Reflections
- Commissioner Jerry Lairmore
- Sydenstricker Implement
- Harvey & Becki Hesemann
- First State Community Bank
- Legends Bank-Owensville
- Maries County Bank-Owensville
- Hermann Veterinary Clinic
- White Mule Winery Bed & Breakfast
- FCS Financial
- Diana Mayfield
- Missouri Department of Ag
- Joel & Sara Wehmeyer
- Sarah Berkemeyer
- Owensville Walmart
- Rosebud Tractor
- Swiss Meats
- Owensville MFA
- Bockting Equipment