

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS (continued)

POSTER AND ESSAY CONTEST

The 1982 essay contest, entitled WILDLIFE: WHO NEEDS IT, brought many entries. The senior division winners were: Jim Steffen, first place and Joanne Glein, second place, both from Jefferson Senior High School in Alexandria. The junior division winner was Chris Thoennes from Brandon Public Schools. All entries were excellent - choosing a winner was difficult!!!

A different approach was used for our poster contest this year. Using the same theme as for the essay contest, the District technicians delivered a teaching and resource packet to county schools along with giving a slide presentation. This method brought an excited response with many posters and murals.

This years' winners were: Stacy Froemming, first place, Zion Lutheran School Alexandria and Fred Heim, Jr., second place, Garfield Schools in the fifth grade division; Brent Thesing, first place, Carlos Schools and Christine Bachmann, second place, Miltona Schools in the sixth grade division. The mural contest winners were the sixth grade boys at the Miltona School.

BUS TOUR

A conservation bus tour was held by the District in early August. Close to fifty people were in attendance to view various District projects.

OUTSTANDING FARMERS

Paul and Gayle Suchy, Millerville Township, were chosen as the outstanding conservation farmers in Douglas County for fiscal year 1981.

The Suchy's have been District cooperators since 1979. Among the conservation practices installed on their farm include: contour stripcropping, waste management control, diversion and terracing, farmstead shelterbelt, minimum tillage, and water bank program acreage.

The Suchy's attended the Minnesota Soil and Water Conservation Annual Convention at St. Cloud in early December.