## 2013 OUTSTANDING CONSERVATIONIST

John and Pat Lindquist were recently honored as Outstanding Conservationist at the annual meeting of the Minnesota Association of Soil and Water Conservation District held December 1-3, 2013 in Bloomington, Minn. They were selected by the Douglas Soil Water Conservation District (SWCD) for the award.

Each year the state's SWCDs recognize individuals and organizations for outstanding accomplishments in

implementing conservation practices and improving Minnesota's natural resources.

The award program is conducted with support from The Farmer magazine, and the



award ceremony receives sponsorship from the Minnesota Corn Growers Association.

According to Jerome Haggenmiller, District Coordinator, John and Pat Lindquist were recognized for a variety of reasons. Following is a summary of some of the reasons why the Lindquist's were chosen: John's involvement

with Lake Christina, Ina and Anka Lake Association; Enrollment of 22.8 acres into the RIM/WRP (a permanent conservation easement), seeding cropland to native grasses, ag land and wetlands into a Ducks Unlimited Conservation Easement work with MN DNR to create a 76 Acre forest Management plan for removal of invasive species, European Buckthorn, Prickly Ash and Ironwood for forest stand improvements.

