

Conservation awards given

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district directors with the highest percentage of attendance at their meetings, the first prize was a tie between Lancaster Conservation District and the Bradford Conservation District, with both scoring 95.2 per cent. This was the second year in a row for the Lancaster County group to be named first while the Bradford County group had won the award two years

ago. Fulton Conservation District, with an 86.9 per cent record was named in third place.

In the annual report contest, first place again went to Lancaster Conservation District for their annual report of 1977. These reports are judged on the activities that each district throughout the state is trying to accomplish.

Second place in the annual report contest went to Jef-

erson Conservation District, with honorable mention awards given to Dauphin, Cambria, Bradford, Centre, Monroe, Northampton, and Westmoreland Conservation Districts.

In the Goodyear awards, the coveted first prize went to Clinton Conservation District, with Lancaster Conservation coming in second. Honor districts in that competition went to



Representing the Lancaster County Conservation District are on the left, Amos Funk, Millersville R1; and Aaron Stauffer, chairman, Ephrata R1. The Lancaster Conservation District was recognized for its high attendance at director meetings. They were also named second in the Goodyear awards, and first in the annual report contest. Presenting the award is Walter N. Pechatka, executive secretary of the State Conservation Commission and Bruce Holbrook, field representative of the State Conservation Commission.

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The award for the conservation educator of the year was a tie between Carolyn C. Jarin, Bucks

County, and Donald A. Burger, Berks County.

Mrs. Jarin, director naturalist of the Peace Valley Nature Center, is devoted to teaching conservation by participation in "Hands-on" outdoor exploring and discovering. She firmly believes that this kind of education is essential to basic understanding of the natural world and that this understanding imparted to

youth today makes them the true conservationists of tomorrow. This past year over 10,000 people attended the nature center. Environmental education programs have been expanded and numerous other programs were conducted.

Donald Burger is a senior high school science teacher and staff leader of the science department in the

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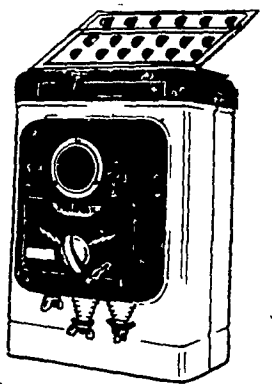


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