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imaginative builders," said Greiner.

Now the Brickyard contains townhouses and single family units.

Recognized were key groups, including Ephrata Borough, represented by Leanne Biers; Windsor Services Development Corp., represented by John Kibblehouse; Derck and Edson, Associates, represented by Grant Smith; H.L. Wiker Excavating, represented by Harold Wiker; Andrews Excavating, represented by L. Burnell Andrews; and Hurst Excavating, represented by Darnell Hurst.

Don Robinson, district administrator, presented the Industry Conservation Service Award to Warner Lambert, Lititz, as a "fine example of industry management and their role in protecting the environment." The award was accepted by Cindy Brandt and Lynn Shafer.

#### Individual Honors

In 1994, according to Robinson, the district entered into a partnership agreement with the Donegal Fish and Conservation Association to work in the stream corridor to improve fish habitat. About seven miles of stream have been

fenced and improved and trees planted. The final touches will be added this summer, he said.

The district nominated the association for the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts Watershed Association Awards, which they won and received recognition last fall.

Three individuals were honored with the Watershed Award for, according to Robinson, their "personal time and expertise in a most unselfish and dedicated manner."

#### They are:

• Don Kelly, Donegal Fish and Conservation Association's official limnologist (a person who studies the aquatic resources and aquatic life that abides within). Kelly monitors the creek periodically and averages 30 hours a month of volunteer time, keeping himself busy with monitoring the health of the Donegal, Robinson noted.

• Tom Moore, treasurer of the Donegal Fish and Conservation Association and the Donegal Creek Restoration Project coordinator. Through Moore's efforts, noted Robinson, more than \$17,000 has been donated to the project from outside sources.

• Ken DePoe, founder and president of the Donegal Fish and Conservation Association and founder of the Donegal Chapter of Trout Unlimited. "Ken lives and breathes environmental stewardship and his integrity in this area has influenced many young people," said Robinson.

DePoe presented a merit award to Mark Metzler for his work on the Donegal Watershed Restoration Project.

Robinson also presented the Agency Award to Raeann Schatz, program assistant in the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office Robinson said, "Her helpful, knowledgeable, and friendly assistance to customers, parther agency staff, and county committee members is exemplary." Schatz came to work with ASCS (now FSA) in August 1977. In June 1988, she was one of the recipients of the USDA's Administrators Award for Service to Agriculture for her work with the RCWP Project. Robert Wagner, chairman of the conservation district board, presented the Service Award to Herbert N. Myer, district associate director, for his "innovative work with slit tillage," according to Wagner. The work "has led to the acceptance of this excellent management practice to conserve soil and water." Myer was appointed by the Lancaster Counly commissioners to the board of directors reginning Jan. 1, 1986. With his farming background, said Wagner, Myer brought a "wealth of experience with him to help him serve as a farm director."

Robert Lauffer, vice chairman of the district board of directors and ag science teacher at Garden Spot High School, presented a special educator award for his mentor, Dr. Phil Ogline, retired ag teacher at Garden Spot. Lauffer noted that Ogline influenced "thousands of students" at Garden Spot, many of whom, as a result, are involved in ag-related careers.

Chotty Sprenkle, district environmental education coordinator, presented an éducator award to Dr. Arba Henry, lead ag teacher at Solanco High School, whose career spans more than 27 years. He was honored from Octorara Creek stream stabilization efforts and conservation education.

Sprenkle presented Youth Conservation School awards to Helen and Roy Rudy, Lititz, for 20 years of dedication to the school.



Additional awards included the Watershed Conservation Award to the Donegal Fish and Conservation Association and a special Agency Award went to Raeann Schatz. From left, Tom Moore, Ken DePoe, and Don Kelly of the association and, in front, Raeann Schatz.



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