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* ATTENTION!!! *

DEVELOPERS, BUILDERS, CONTRACTORS, LAND USE PLANNERS

* * URBAN EROSION CONTROL * * FIELD DAY

September 7 & 8, 1995

On September 7 & 8, 1995 the St. Joseph County Soil and Water Conservation District will be hosting a demonstration and tour of the Barrington Estates Subdivision located 1/4 mile west of Capital Avenue on Jefferson Boulevard.

Topics of interest will include:

- The value, selection and protection of trees in urban development.
- Protection and enhancement of urban wetlands.
- An update and review of the requirements to remain in compliance with 327 IAC 15-5 (Rule 5).
- Enhancement of soil and water quality through the use of urban best management practices (BMP's).
- Erosion and sediment control on individual building lots.
- Impact of soil properties on urban development.

September 7, will be designed for people involved in pre-development and day-to-day activities at the construction site.

September 8, will be designed for government officials involved with permitting processes and construction activities.

DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND BRING A FRIEND.

Further information is available by contacting the St. Joseph County Soil and Water Conservation District (219) 291-2300.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: AMY WEISS

North Liberty Elementary School INDIANA'S CONSERVATION TEACHER OF THE YEAR

The District would like to congratulate Amy Weiss for being chosen as the Indiana's Conservation Teacher of the Year by the Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Amy was the driving force in involving not only the school, but the entire community in the development of a 17 acre Outdoor Environmental Laboratory on the school's property. The outdoor lab includes, windbreaks, wildflower plantings, prairie plots, as well as, learning stations involving tree succession, soil erosion, soil profiles, composting, tree identification, and a future weather station.

"Kids see nature from a car," Amy said. "We want them to sit in it, explore and investigate it and learn to love it."

The District would like to express our sincere congratulations to Amy Weiss, North Liberty School and the entire North Liberty community.

4-COUNTY FORESTRY FIELD DAY September 16, 1995 - 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Keith B. Miller Farm New Paris, IN (Elkhart County)

Topics to include:

Plantation Management
Woodland Management
Wetland Restoration
Classifying a Woodland
Classifying a Wildlife Habitat

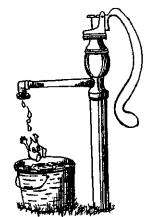
A youth program will be available for the young forester. If you would like more information, please contact the SWCD Office at (291) 291-2300.

PRIVATE WATER TESTING PROGRAM Last Day - Saturday, August 5, 1995

Pick up your kits and further information at:

*St. Joseph County Fairgrounds, Commercial Building, Farm Bureau Booth

*Farm Bureau Buildings: 60455 U.S. 31 South, S. B. 236 W Edison Rd, Suite G, Mishawaka



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SIGN-UP DEADLINE APPROACHES!

The sign-up deadline for cost-share funding through the Tri-County Water Quality Project is September 30, 1995. Cost-share funds are available for installing water quality practices. Practices that would qualify for cost-share funds include Integrated Crop Management (ICM), animal waste storage facilities, field windbreaks, erosion control structures, tree plantings, permanent cover (hay/pasture establishment), wildlife habitat establishment, wetland restoration, abandon well plugging, and filter strips. All approved water quality

practices are cost-shared at a 75% rate. High \$ projects, like animal waste storage facilities, can be cost-shared through Long Term Agreements (LTA).

If you live in the Tri-County Water Quality Project area and would like more information on cost-share funding, contact our office or the Consolidated Farm Service Agency (formerly ASCS) for more details.

The following are excerpts from the ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING NEWS put out by the School of Civil Engineering, Purdue University.

Every little boy or girl has a chance to be President when he/she grows up -- it's just one of the risks he/she has to take.

We have over 40 million laws trying to enforce ten commandments.

One bucket of water can make enough fog to cover 105 square miles in 50 ft. of fog.

Most of us know how to say nothing; few of us know when.

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