

# Get Involved with Stewardship Week

What is Stewardship?

One definition of Stewardship is "the individual's responsibility to manage his life and property with proper regard to the rights of others." E. William Anderson suggests stewardship "is essentially a synonym for conservation."

# How can you get involved?

- Work with the Soil & Water Conservation District (call Heather ☺)
  - Promote the “themed” stewardship by making banners, signs, projects, art work and have them displayed during annual meeting and at your schools during stewardship week
- Market your work by sending photos and/or I will take photos of your work during process and after. Then photos and articles will be published on the District Website and Newsletter.

# How can you get involved?

- Work with your School
  - Get your students excited about conservation and being a good steward of the land
  - Design posters or banners
  - Create/design a short story about stewardship/conservation
  - Create a short play and present in your classrooms

# How can you get involved?

- Work with your School
  - Have a class or school party to celebrate Stewardship Week (April 24-May 1)
  - Take pictures of good stewards of the land
  - Write an essay
  - Ask the Soil & Water District to publish your stories and/or pics for Stewardship Week (website and district newsletter)

# How can you get involved?

- Work with your Community
  - Ask several local business if you can:
    - Design a window display for stewardship week
    - Hang banners or posters at entrances or in windows
    - Make activity sheets and/or info sheets to be added to bagging at local grocery stores during stewardship week
    - Help with local business beautification of property, planting flowers, clean-up, plant a tree

# How can you get involved?

- Visit your Library
  - Ask about their programs
    - Design posters or banners to promote stewardship week
    - Make activity sheets and/or info sheets to be distributed at program time during stewardship week
    - Speak at one of the programs to promote and educate young children

# How can you get involved?

- Visit your Local Parks
  - Help promote stewardship with park beautification by:
    - Clean-up the park
    - Plant a tree(s)
    - Plant local hardy variety of plants/flowers
    - Be sure trash and recycle cans are easily accessible at picnic sites
    - Check to see if there are any sponsored programs you can speak at or attend to educate the public

# How can you get involved?

- Visit your City Officials
  - Set up a proclamation signing to officially designate April 24 – May , 2011 as Forests For People – More Than You Can Imagine! Stewardship Week. The proclamation signing can be held with:
    - City Mayor
    - City Council
    - Commissioner
    - Or any local city official

# **Celebrating Stewardship Week in 2009**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Class at S.M. Rissler made placemats for Annual Customer Appreciation Day that followed the theme, Dig It! The Secrets of Soil. These students made 100 placemats!

# Celebrating Stewardship Week in 2009



Oh Give Me a Home  
on a Deep Mellow  
Loam



Oh, give me a home on a deep  
mellow loamy that supports the  
trees and the grass; Where we  
hardly recall a bad crop year  
at all and the crickets rejoice  
as we pass. Home, home on the  
loam, that supports the trees  
and the grass. Where we hardly  
recall a bad crop year at all;  
and the crickets rejoice as we pass

F. O. Hole, 1985



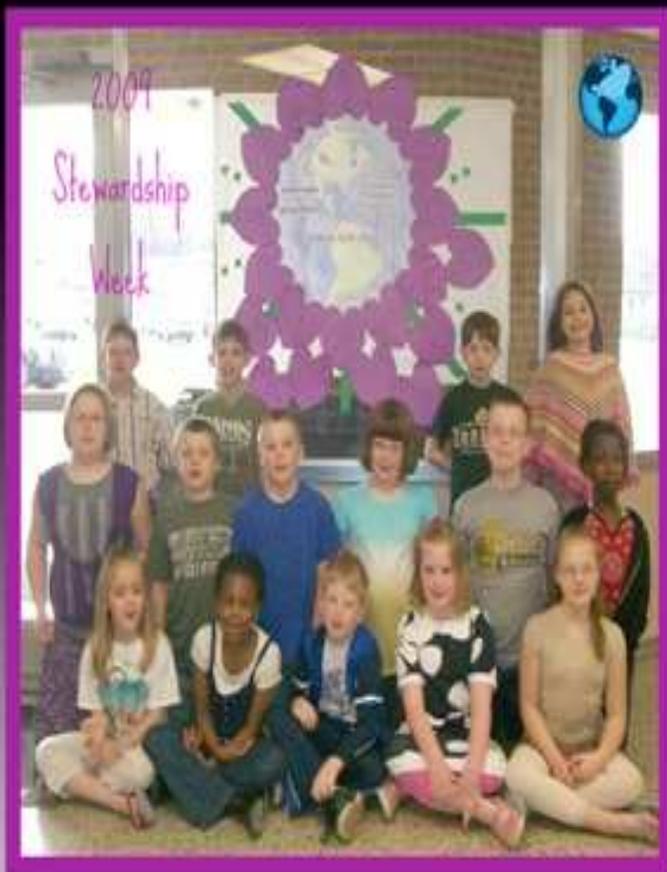
# Celebrating Stewardship Week in 2009



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Rissler 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Class made a Stewardship Week sign to hang in their school and they had a party to celebrate!

# Celebrating Stewardship Week in 2009





# Celebrating Stewardship Week in 2010

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Class at S.M. Rissler made mini habitats and an amazing enormous sign for Annual Customer Appreciation Day that followed the theme,  
Conservation Habits = Healthy Habitats.

# Celebrating Stewardship Week in 2010



# **Celebrating Stewardship Week in 2010**

Rissler 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Class took their enormous Stewardship Week sign to hang in their school and they had a party to celebrate!

# Celebrating Stewardship Week in 2010



# Join in the celebration of Stewardship Week

- Here is what you need to do:
  - Call Heather at the Grundy County Soil & Water Conservation District Office at 660-359-2006 ext. 101
    - Then I will come visit your schools. If there is a particular item that needs designed/created for Annual Customer Appreciation Day, I will tell you.
    - Your signs and décor for Stewardship Week is all your own!

# Join in the celebration of Stewardship Week

- Here is what you need to do:
  - I will take pictures of you and your projects during creation and after creation.
    - These pictures will be showcased on the District Website and Newsletter.
  - Your décor for Annual Customer Appreciation Day will be displayed to all Grundy County landowners that attend.

# Join in the celebration of Stewardship Week

- Here is what you need to do:
  - I will visit your schools during Stewardship Week and we will celebrate with a party! (oh, and I will take more pictures)
    - These pictures will be showcased on the District Website and Newsletter.
  - So in the words of Nike “Just Do It!”