

OUTSTANDING CONSERVATIONISTS FOR 2021

The Raymond family has been farming along the North Fork of the Crow River (north of Howard Lake) since 1977. Jim and Mary are 1st generation dairy farmers, milking 70 cows until 1992. They currently own 200 acres and farm about 300 acres on which they raise corn, soybeans and alfalfa. In addition, Jim has served on the Middleville Township Board for the past 18 years. In 2019, the Raymond's utilized Clean Water and EQIP funds to repair a large gully which delivered sediment directly to the river. What makes that project and other projects Jim was involved in a success is his ability to get neighboring landowners to discuss conservation. The Wright Soil and Water Conservation District would like to congratulate the Raymond's for their continued efforts towards farming with the environment in mind.

