

W.W.H. Gunn Conservation Award 2011 – Jane and Fred Schneider

Awarded to individuals who demonstrate outstanding personal service and a strong commitment to nature conservation over a number of years with exceptional results.

For more than three decades, Jane and Fred Schneider have welcomed visitors to their 500-acre rural property outside Waterloo, which contains swamps, woodlands and fields. Numerous trails run through their property allowing visitors to enjoy magnificent, unspoiled natural areas. The Schneiders have planted hundreds of trees around their home, enhanced woodland and prairie habitat, and created a butterfly garden. The couple are long-time members of the Kitchener Waterloo Field Naturalists and Fred is a former director of the Waterloo Stewardship Network. They have led campaigns to protect the Waterloo moraine against urban sprawl and are widely respected for their knowledge of natural areas and their ability to find solutions.