

## 2008 Outstanding Conservation Cooperators Clearwater SWCD

### Outstanding Conservationist: The Anderson Family Farm

From the Clearwater Soil & Water Conservation District, we have Harold and Doris Anderson of Bagley, MN. They have been operating their family farm in rural Bagley for 33yrs. In 1975 they started out as dairy farmers, but in 2000 they made the switch to beef cows. In those eight short years they have

completed 2 prescribed grazing systems, with help from the Clearwater NRCS, on their pasture land. The Anderson's have seen first hand the benefits the rotational grazing systems have had on their farm, and continue to tell their success story to other producers from around the county. They have held 2 fall grazing tours on their farm one in 2006 and another tour on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The Anderson's set a great example for other cattle producers in our county. Through sound management of pastures, and grazing systems both the producers and the land can benefit.



Harold & Doris Anderson Standing next to one of their many watering tank systems which play a critical role in their rotational grazing systems.



Photo of the 2008 fall grazing tour held at the Anderson Family Farm. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) organized this tour of several area producers farms that operate rotational grazing systems with help from the local NRCS office.



Local producers discuss to pros and cons of establishing, operating, and maintaining a rotational grazing system with Mrs. Anderson at the 2006

