

Louise and Clyde Receive Top Conservation Honor

Congratulations to Stratford's Co-Founder Dr. Louise (Omie) Warner and Board of Trustee Clyde Gosnell for receiving the state's top conservation honor! They were inducted into the Ohio Natural Resources Hall of Fame for their contributions to the protection and enjoyment of Ohio's natural resources. Water quality and scenic rivers advocate Mike Fremont of Glendale also received the honor.



"Clyde Gosnell and Omie Warner have dedicated their lives to the protection, preservation, and enhancement of Ohio's environment and its precious natural resources, with their accomplishments over the last 30 years being particularly noteworthy. Omie and her late husband, Dr. Jack Warner, founded the Stratford Ecological Center, located in Delaware. This 236-acre site consists of a non-profit educational organic farm and nature preserve. Clyde helped found the Appalachia Ohio Alliance, a regional non-profit conservancy dedicated to the conservation and stewardship of natural land and water areas throughout Southeastern Ohio. More recent accomplishments for this dynamic couple include being the driving force behind the building of the John Glenn Astronomy Park and the re-routing of State Route 664 near Hocking Hills State Park to improve visitor safety. Both Clyde and Omie are members of numerous ecological, agricultural, and conservation-based organizations and have created a legacy of environmental, agricultural, and natural resource protection and conservation for the benefit of Ohio and its people."

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You can read about their accomplishments and the Ohio Natural Resources Hall of Fame [here](#)>