

John James Audubon Environmental Steward Award given to Salinetti

LOUDONVILLE, N.Y. — Peter Salinetti, club manager and superintendent of Schuyler Meadows Club here, has received Audubon International's John James Audubon Environmental Steward Award.

The award was presented to Salinetti for "outstanding dedication, energy, enthusiasm, and leadership in improving the quality of the environment, his profession, and the lives of those who follow."

AI President and CEO Ron Dodson presented the award, citing Salinetti for innovative leadership and his connection to the community by joining in a partnership between Siena College (a private college that borders Schuyler Meadows) and Audubon International to become the first Audubon International Research Center. In conjunction with Siena College, college faculty and their students are conducting a variety of re-

search projects on Schuyler Meadows. The research is focusing on the wildlife and habitats of the course and the relationships between course management and use with those biological resources.



Peter Salinetti

Dodson said: "Peter is a perfect example of the frequently unsung environmental leadership efforts that can be found throughout the United States in a variety of businesses and industries. Through his steward-

ship activities, he has not only conserved natural resources, he has favorably impacted the biological diversity of the land. He has maintained wildlife inventories, reduced pesticide use, monitored water quality, enhanced habitat, and increased the naturalized areas of the property."

In 1995 Schuyler Meadows Golf Club became the first fully certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary in New York. There are only 120 fully certified golf courses in the United States. They are among over 2,000 golf courses that belong to the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses.

Somerset Hills earns Audubon full certification

BERNARDSVILLE, N.J. — Somerset Hills Country Club has achieved designation as a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary by the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System (ACSS).

Somerset Hills Country Club in 1993 joined the program which helps golf courses preserve and enhance wildlife habitat and protect natural resources.

"Somerset Hills Country Club has shown a strong commitment to its environmental program. They are to be commended for their efforts to provide a sanctuary for wildlife on the golf course property," said Marla Briggs, senior staff ecologist for Audubon International.

"The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System has been a positive experience for me as a golf course superintendent," said superintendent Bob Dwyer, "and for my assistants, Rick Krok (who has recently moved on to be a head superintendent at another facility) and Eric Neville, who were largely responsible for Somerset Hills becoming certified.

"Our continuing goal is to enhance a beautiful golf course into an even more beautiful and attractive golf course. By becoming a certified member of the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System we are telling our membership, our community of Bernardsville, and the state of New Jersey that Somerset Hills Country Club cares about the environment and that we will do all that we can to protect it."

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