

Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Natural Resource Commission

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Brass Bluegill Award

Each year, the Department sponsors an award honoring an individual for their efforts in helping our citizens become skilled anglers and advocates of fishing and natural resource conservation. This year we are recognizing Pete Eyheralde, a naturalist with the Mahaska County Conservation Board.

Pete was trained in *Fish Iowa!* in 1999 and has worked with thousands of youth over the years. He runs a monthly after school program, helps run the Mahaska County 4-H fishing club, and works with a vast array of local organizations to offer a wide variety of fishing experiences for youth throughout the summer.

The Brass Bluegill Award has been sponsored by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources Aquatic Education Program since 1997.

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