

The Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame



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Hall of Fame News

Our Newest Inductees: Russell W. Peterson, Guido Rahr, Sr., and Henry Reuss. Ceremonies Set for April 21, 2007, in Stevens Point.

The trio will join 57 other distinguished inductees to the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame in ceremonies at 10AM Saturday, April 21, 2007 at the Sentry Theater in Stevens Point.

Click the links to read the full story for each inductee:

Born in Portage, [Russell W. Peterson](#) graduated with a PhD from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1942. Having moved to Delaware, he became its governor in 1969. From there he moved into national politics playing very large roles in developing our national environmental policy.

[Guido Rahr, Sr.](#) was the philanthropist of the group. Graduating from Yale University, he joined the family business and played prominent roles in the success of the Rahr Malting Co in Manitowoc. He was appointed to the State Conservation Commission in 1951 and established the Rahr Foundations in the 1950s.

Born in 1912, [Henry Reuss](#) received his law degree from Harvard in 1936 and became Wisconsin's 5th Congressional District U.S. Representative in 1954. He was known in Congress for his grasp of economics and international finance, and gained prominence for his involvement in sponsoring legislation such as the United States Peace Corps, and numerous environmental conservation issues such as the National Scenic Trail.

"Russell W. Peterson, Guido Rahr, Sr and Henry Reuss stand as different strands working together to form part of a strong rope supporting the idea of conservation and we are pleased to be able to honor them," said Earl Spangenberg, president of the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame Board of Directors. "Their conservation work spans more than half a century and is still present today. All of our past inductees would certainly be proud of their accomplishments."

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