

Dakota Wigglers

...Cleaning up the Environment



Darrell is pointing to the wigglers which soon disappear in the light.

OWNERS: Darrell & Darinda Mehlhaf

LOCATION: Menno, SD

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES: 1

BACKGROUND: Owner of D & D Baits in Menno, farmer, full-time County Highway Department employee.

ASSISTANCE REQUESTED: Business planning and information

RESULTS: A new business is started **October 2002** with sights on expansion.

QUOTE: “After a year of researching vermaculture I am convinced the answer to the question of cleaning up the environment is under our feet. The Assistance of SEFP gave me a better understanding of the planning stage of business, start-up costs and made it easier to go to my lender using the packaged business plan.



Shown in the picture is Philip Svartoi, SEFP President, Nancy Larsen, Enterprise Facilitator presenting Darrell Mehlhaf his “First Dollar of Profit” with Peggy Thranum and Mark Buechler. (Pictures courtesy of The Freeman Courier)

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