## IN HARMONY WITH NATURE

We periodically hear concerns from people about the trees we use and how we mill our logs in harmony with nature. I'd like to share a few personal reasons why this subject is very dear to me and Dave. I grew up on a dairy farm in Wisconsin and learned to live with the land and nature in my early years. As a family, we tried to rely exclusively on gardening, farming and the land for most of our needs. Our heat was generated from wood we cut on our land. We grew and canned all of our own vegetables and fruits. All of our milk products came from our dairy herd, our meat was also home grown or from hunting and fishing. Dave's grandfather and father owned a 1200-acre pine plantation in Wisconsin; early on he recognized trees as a crop—with a long growing cycle. He also learned the importance and responsibility of managing— planting, growing, and harvesting— a forest. Both of us have a deep appreciation for nature—it sustained our livelihood. We've taught our family to value and enjoy the earths' natural resources.

Today, it's important for everyone to realize that Wisconsin Log Homes takes proper forest management very seriously. The log and timber suppliers we partner with follow conscientious harvesting and reforesting practices ensuring a continuous supply of quality trees. Innovative, ecologically sound silviculture programs have been implemented to replant and maintain harvested areas, planting about three trees for every one harvested. The latest technologies in road building and harvesting are used to ensure that the environment is impacted minimally.

We believe that it is possible to live in harmony with nature by using our resources properly. We hope that this infomation helps you feel more comfortable with the idea of building a Wisconsin Log Home.

-Kathy and Dave Janczak

