

## STAN HALL AWARD



Photo special to the Cherokee Tribune

The Upper Etowah River Alliance at its annual meeting recently conducted at the Rock Barn in Canton presented the Stan Hall Award, which honors exceptional work in educational outreach to children, to board member Kevin Smith. An employee of Keep Forsyth County Beautiful, Smith volunteers with the alliance to lead Adopt-A-Stream trainings and canoe trips on the Etowah River. Smith was also recently recognized by the state Adopt-A-Stream organization for his efforts. 'We are proud to have someone with Kevin's dedication and enthusiasm working with

the children throughout our watershed,' alliance Director Diane Minick said. 'We are very grateful for his interest in our watershed.' **Above:** From left, board Chairman Nolton Johnson, Smith and Ms. Minick. The meeting also included a low country boil, guest speaker Funk Heritage Center Executive Director Dr. Joe Kitchens and a silent auction organized by board member Lori Forrester. For information about the alliance and upcoming events including canoe trips, call (770) 704-5479 or e-mail [dminick@etowahriver.org](mailto:dminick@etowahriver.org).