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Tidwell's most recent documentary film – "We Are All Smith Islanders" – vividly depicts the dangers of global warming Maryland, Virginia, and D.C. In 2003, Tidwell received the Audubon Naturalist Society's prestigious "Conservation Award." A long-time resident of Maryland, he lives in Takoma Park with his nine-year-old son Sasha.