



OUTDOOR ISSUES

News from The Land Conservancy of New Jersey

December 2013

Preservation of Former Apple Orchard Protects Public Water Supplies

The deeply forested Apple Acres property in West Milford Township was purchased and preserved with the assistance and expertise of The Land Conservancy of New Jersey. Located along Union Valley Road, this serene site consists of 103 acres of forests and fields hosting a wide variety of nesting songbirds including vireos, warblers, and flycatchers. Bounded by state parklands and preserved watershed lands, this property continues local and regional efforts to preserve land for the protection and enhancement of our public water supplies in the Highlands.



This 103-acre mostly forested watershed property was once the proposed site of a high density housing development.

The steeply wooded rocky slope on the eastern edge of the property rises up to Kanouse Mountain which connects Apple Acres to the State's Dockerty Hollow Preserve, augmenting Bearfort Mountain, the eastern terminus of the Wawayanda Plateau and part of Abram S. Hewitt State Forest. The forest consists of mostly mature red and chestnut oaks with some trees on the property estimated to be over 100 years old. The front portion of the property was previously an apple orchard, and was part of the Terhune family's Apple Acres estate, until the early 1990s. The site had been proposed for a high density housing development, but with the advent of the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act in 2004, negotiations commenced to purchase the property for open space.

"The purchase of Apple Acres has been a long process, and the Township is excited that it is finally coming to fruition. This property will be a wonderful addition to our open space inventory. We thank all involved for their patience and diligence," stated Battina Bieri, Mayor of West Milford.

Grants to purchase this property were secured by the Township with the assistance of The Land Conservancy and included the support of Passaic County's Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund and the State of New Jersey through the NJDEP Green Acres Planning Incentive Grant program. The Victoria Foundation also awarded a \$90,000 grant to The Land Conservancy for this project. West Milford Township provided the critical matching funds from the Township's local Open Space Trust Fund to bring this project to a successful close.

Belchers Creek, which drains into Greenwood Lake and eventually the Wanaque Reservoir System, thus further protecting the water supply for nearly two million New Jersey residents," said Freeholder Theodore "T.J." Best, Passaic County Freeholder Deputy Director and Liaison to the Open Space Committee.

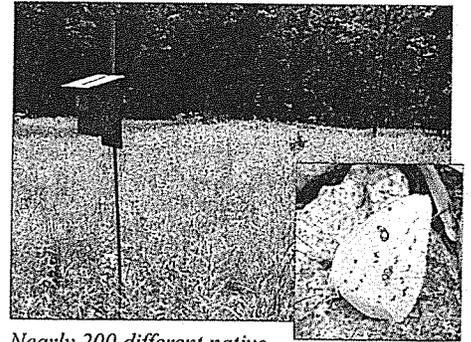
"The land acquisition was made possible by working in conjunction with local officials in West Milford and the State Green Acres program. We want to make sure that Passaic County stays ahead of the curve, keeping our open space programs well-planned in order

to balance and meet the needs of Passaic County residents and families."

"Preserving open space is a priority for our county government. This 100-plus acres on Union Valley Road is important to protect

Restoration Work Continues at South Branch Preserve

The Restoration Site located at the South Section of South Branch Preserve in Mt. Olive Township is flourishing with native wildflowers, amphibians, butterflies, and plants recolonizing this former housing subdivision. Members of the North American Butterfly Association have been conducting annual surveys on the restored property and this year counted more than 40 different species of butterflies including the Cloudless Sulphur, which is normally found at the shore and only occasionally strays inland, and the Giant Swallowtail, which is an uncommon species. The number of birds and bird species increases each year. So far 52 different species have been seen at the restoration site. Nearly 200 different native wildflowers have been recorded, including the Canada Lily and Showy Orchis, 23 different kinds of ferns, 40 species of trees, 44 species of grasses, and 44 species of sedges and rushes! Due to the extensive restoration and ongoing management efforts of The Land Conservancy, 78% of all of the plants growing onsite are now native plant species. In our continuing effort to reforest this previously developed property, over 400 trees and shrubs were planted by the New Jersey State Forester in May.



Nearly 200 different native wildflowers, 40 species of butterflies (like the Cloudless Sulphur pictured above), and 52 bird species have been recorded at the South Branch Restoration Site.

At the North Section of South Branch Preserve, a multi-year effort to replant and reforest the former corn fields along the river's riparian corridor has begun. This spring over 2,000 native trees and shrubs were planted on one of the fields with plans to replant the full 37 acres in the spring of 2014. This effort is supported through funding provided by the National Forest Foundation, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the United States Forest Service.

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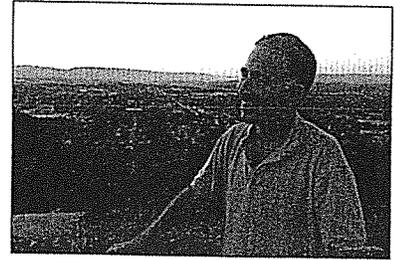
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From the President



For the past two decades, The Land Conservancy has been fulfilling our mission by purchasing some of the most critical open space properties in northern New Jersey. The majority of these lands were then added to a variety of local parks and managed by other independent entities. Since 2009, The Land Conservancy has started to own and manage more of these essential lands as we look ahead to the next generation of land conservation, which we believe will be focused on restoration and stewardship of our natural treasures.

We now own more than 1,000 acres across New Jersey and we have completed a wide variety of innovative projects on these properties. These have included a massive restoration project, a reforestation project, and a successful community garden. I am proud to say that we have received awards for each of these efforts. Our latest concept is to establish The Farm at South Branch Preserve, to grow food in a river-friendly manner to feed local people who do not have enough to eat.

New Jersey is known as the Garden State, yet we are still losing farms and farmers at an alarming rate. The result is that less of our food is being grown locally on New Jersey farms. The Land Conservancy's South Branch Preserve includes a mile of the South Branch of the Raritan River as well as 60 acres of farm fields that were used for years to grow corn to feed cattle. This method of farming resulted in erosion, nutrient depleted soil, and residual chemicals that were likely finding their way into the river. For the past several years, we have planted and harvested organic clover and hay in an effort to restore the soil to prepare the fields for The Farm at South Branch Preserve.

The Farm at South Branch Preserve will be a cooperative project between The Land Conservancy, local farming organizations, restaurants, community food pantries, and others. We plan to form a Restaurant Supported Agriculture (RSA) to engage local restaurants that want to use local vegetables in their menus. Just as Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) brings people and their capital to farms to support local farmers and the farming economy, our RSA will bring restaurants and their capital to the Farm at South Branch Preserve so that we can employ a farmer to grow vegetables to feed hungry members of our own community.

We have applied for grant funding to purchase a shed, tractor, seeds, fences, and additional equipment that will be needed. The goal is to then use the funds provided by the restaurants to sustain the operation each year with the excess produce going to feed needy members of the community through local food pantries. All food will be grown without chemicals in a river-friendly manner that does not impact the South Branch River, a drinking water source for more than 1.5 million New Jersey residents.

Because our business is preserving land, The Land Conservancy now owns the farmland that can make this dream into a reality. If we can develop a self-funding model that can be replicated, we will have found yet another good use for the Garden State's dwindling open spaces that we and others can utilize and enjoy today, and for generations to come.

David Epstein, President



It's a Wonderful Time of Year to Honor Your Friends and Family

The Land Conservancy of New Jersey welcomes gifts in honor of those people you wish to recognize. This is a wonderful way to express your admiration while protecting New Jersey's unique natural beauty. For every Honor gift, the Conservancy will send an acknowledgement to the honoree and the gift will also be recognized in the Conservancy newsletter - Outdoor Issues.

If you would like to make a gift in honor of someone, please contact Barbara McCloskey at (973) 541-1010 x14 or bmmccloskey@tlc-nj.org.



Building Future Environmental Leadership - 2013 Scholarship Winners

The Land Conservancy of New Jersey is pleased to announce our 2013 Scholarship recipients. Hanna Morris, of Gladstone, was awarded the Rogers Family Scholarship and Samuel Gersie, of Wantage, was awarded the Russell W. Myers Scholarship. The Conservancy grants two awards yearly to outstanding New Jersey college students studying in an environmental field. Each student received \$7,500. Since 1984, \$194,000 has been awarded to 46 deserving college students by The Land Conservancy, helping to develop New Jersey's future environmental leaders.

Hanna Morris is a Junior at the University of California, Berkley where she is studying Society and Environment with a focus on Global Environmental Politics. In supplement to her studies at Berkley, Hanna was selected as one of twelve international students for the University of Oxford's 2013 Global Summer Program where she studied the transnational environmental challenges of the 21st century. Also, next academic semester, she will be



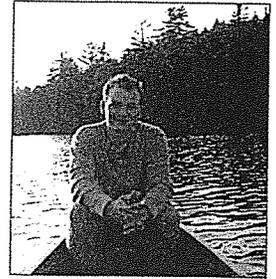
2013 Rogers Family Scholarship Winner Hanna Morris

teaching a student-led course she developed with assistance from a faculty sponsor, titled 'Communicating Stability'. Hanna worked at Verizon as a Sustainability Intern, and has interned at many other businesses and associations as well, such as Greenopedia.com, Berkley Urban Garden, and the Upper Raritan Watershed Association.

Hanna states, "The Rogers Family Scholarship will help me to continue to take full advantage of the many opportunities to learn viable solutions for the environmental challenges our state of New Jersey faces. Through my studies, I will continue to gain new perspectives while working toward opening the public discussion of how to best approach the ecological quandaries our communities must address. I am so thankful for The Land Conservancy's support of my academic research and studies."

Samuel Gersie is entering his senior year at the University of Vermont - The Rubenstein School of the Environment and Natural Resources, where his course of study is Environmental Science. Since starting college, he has won the College Conservation Award, and interned with the Land Stewardship Program. He is also currently participating in a Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) at Hubbard Brook Experimental Forest in New Hampshire, where he is working on a research project that involves reconstructing the disturbance history in the Hubbard Brook Valley.

Sam remarks, "I owe my interest in nature and the environment to growing up in such a beautiful place. It is one of my goals to make sure that everyone in New Jersey has access to nature, just as I did. I will use this scholarship to work towards this goal and to have a career in land conservation and management."



2013 Russell W. Myers Scholarship Winner Samuel Gersie

The Russell W. Myers Scholarship was established in 1983 to honor The Land Conservancy's founder. The late Mr. Myers was the first director of the Morris County Park Commission and served for a quarter of a century, developing one of the finest park systems in the nation. The Rogers Family Scholarship was established in 2005 by Gray and Mollie Rogers, dedicated conservationists who wanted to expand The Land Conservancy's educational support for outstanding conservation-minded New Jersey college students. Gray Rogers is a past Chairman of the Board of Trustees for The Land Conservancy of New Jersey.

Conservancy Receives Two State-Wide Awards!

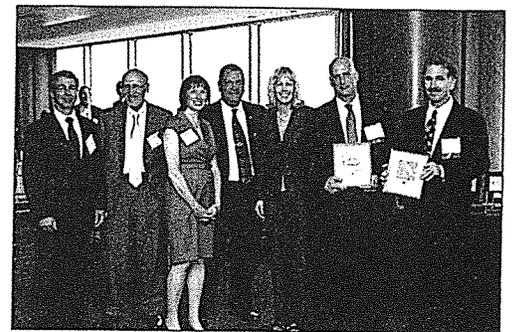
The Land Conservancy of New Jersey is honored to have been the recipient of two state-wide awards for our work this year.

We received the 2013 Garden State Green Award for an environmental non-profit organization whose activities and leadership have positively impacted environmental and/or green issues in New Jersey.

Nominated for our award-winning corporate volunteer program, *Partners for Parks*, we won this honor due to our "significant contribution to the environment" with our volunteers. The awards (known as "Boggies") are named after the once abundant bog turtle, which is now among 16 indigenous animals on the state endangered species list.

(left) The 2013 Garden State Green Award or "Boggie" was created with eco-friendly materials by New Jersey artist Dan Dennison.

We also received a 2013 Smart Growth Award from New Jersey Future for the Pompton Riverwalk project. The project won the "Innovative Land Preservation Strategy" award for developing "a bold strategy to purchase properties subject to chronic flooding enabling residents to relocate out of harm's way and allowing the town to create public space along its riverfront." The Land Conservancy and Pequannock Township have purchased and demolished 35 homes through the Pompton Riverwalk initiative, preserving land for open space, flood storage, and providing increased protection to local residents from severe storms. "The Land Conservancy thanks New Jersey Future and the Smart Growth Award Selection Committee for recognizing the Pompton Riverwalk with a 2013 Smart Growth Award," states Conservancy President David Epstein. "It is through the dedication and vision of Pequannock officials, local residents, and agency support that projects such as this are



(above) The 2013 New Jersey Future Smart Growth Award (left to right) NJ Future Executive Director Peter Kasabach, Conservancy Trustee Peter Meyer, Conservancy Vice President of Programs Barbara Heskins Davis, Pequannock Township Manager David Hollberg, Pequannock Township Deputy Mayor Melissa Florance-Lynch, Pequannock Township Mayor Richard Phelan, and Conservancy President David Epstein

successfully accomplished. The Pompton Riverwalk is a wonderful model of how effective flood mitigation can be accomplished through well thought-out and planned open space preservation."

Pedal for Preservation a Rolling Success!

In June 2013 more than 350 individuals took part in The Land Conservancy of New Jersey's 2nd annual Pedal for Preservation. Participants completed one of three ride options on the Columbia Trail, a scenic, preserved Rail to Trail route in northwest New Jersey. Riders pedaled alongside forest, farms, parklands, and the South Branch of the Raritan River – natural land and water resources that we are working to preserve and protect.

After the ride, everyone joined us at the Finish Festival held at West Morris Central High School. There they enjoyed lunch, entertainment, vendors, and information booths.

The event was generously sponsored by Atlantic Health, BASF, and PSEG. The event is a fundraiser for The Land Conservancy and riders' fundraising efforts are greatly appreciated. All money raised furthers The Land Conservancy's efforts to preserve land and protect the environment in New Jersey.

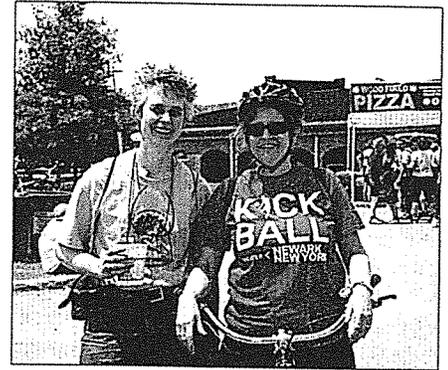
Plans are already underway for the 3rd annual Pedal for Preservation which will be held at the same location on Sunday, June 22, 2014. The ride is a family-friendly off road biking experience geared towards participants of all ages and biking abilities. If you would like more information about riding, volunteering, or sponsoring the event, please contact Rhonda VanAntwerp, Conservancy Development and Special Events Manager at (973)541-1010 x24 or rvanantwerp@tlc-nj.org.



Families, friends, co-workers, and individuals cycled in support of land and water conservation.



Riders from Atlantic Health System pose at the Finish Festival after riding the scenic trail.



(left) Rebecca Snead, our highest fundraiser, and her fellow PSEG employee (right) Pat Mondadori.

Save the Date!

Sunday, June 22, 2014



Discover
The Columbia Trail
**Pedal
For
Preservation**

Highlands Hawks Soar at the World Series of Birding

The Land Conservancy of New Jersey's World Series of Birding team, the *Highlands Hawks*, identified 135 different species of birds within a 24-hour period and placed 2nd in the "Limited Geographic Area" category (Sussex County only) during the 2013 World Series of Birding. A big thank you to our incredible team which included Team Captain and Conservancy Stewardship Manager, Dennis Briede, Alan Boyd, and Roger Johnson.

The event, hosted by the New Jersey Audubon Society, helps focus attention on New Jersey's strategic importance to migrating birds and helps organizations like The Land Conservancy raise money to protect natural habitat. This was the 17th year we have participated in the event.

We would like to thank the Lexus Regional

Office in Parsippany for donating the use of a vehicle for the team to use on their trek of more than 275 miles. Their journey started at midnight at the Lewisberg Swamp in Lafayette, traveled to the Cat Swamp at High Point State Park, and finished up at the Wallkill National Wildlife Refuge. Dennis Briede, the Land Conservancy's Stewardship Manager stated, "In spite of the rain falling we still managed to do very well. Some species we saw or heard included the white-winged scoter, the ruddy duck, and the common tern, an unusual bird to see in Sussex County."

As a result of the number of birds identified, The Land Conservancy was able to raise over \$14,000 through pledges made for each species they spotted. The money raised will be used to help our



Pictured at the beginning of their 24 hour trek (left to right) Roger Johnson, Team Captain and Conservancy Stewardship Manager Dennis Briede, and Alan Boyd.

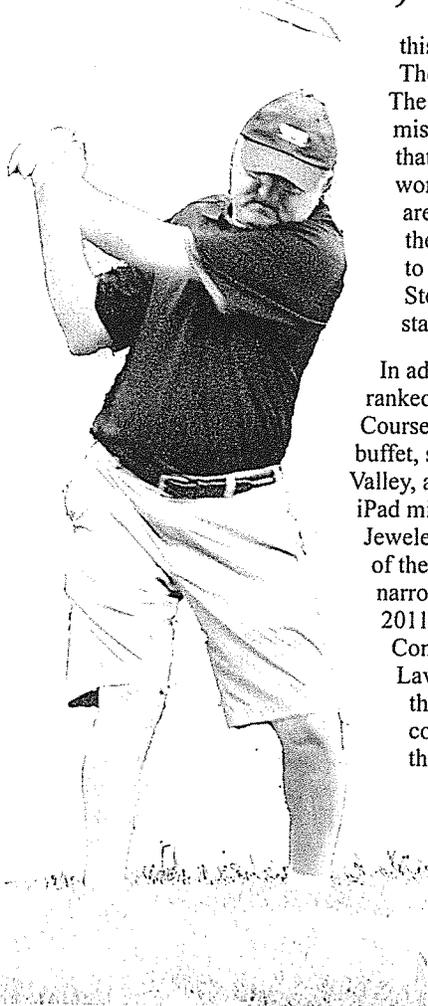
continued efforts to preserve open space lands and protect water resources in New Jersey.

5th Annual Gray Cup Invitational Golf Classic Raises Over \$100,000

Fifty-two golfers gathered at the breathtaking Ballyowen Golf Club at Crystal Springs Resorts on September 16th for The Land Conservancy of New Jersey's 5th Annual Gray Cup Golf Classic. Despite an overcast and drizzly start to the day, the clouds soon gave way to brilliant sunshine and what would be an extraordinary day to raise money to protect New Jersey's open spaces. "McCarter & English, LLP is proud to once again sponsor The Land Conservancy's Gray Cup Invitational Golf Classic. It is a wonderful event and a worthy organization for which we thank John DeNeufville, our valued client and Conservancy Trustee, for introducing us," said David Broderick of McCarter & English, 2013 Tournament Sponsors of The Gray Cup.

The Gray Cup is named in honor of C. Graydon Rogers, Trustee Emeritus and past Chairman of the Board of Trustees. "Gray was instrumental in the growth and development of The Land Conservancy into what it is today; a state leader in land preservation and conservation," said Rory Corrigan, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. "During his tenure, Gray provided exemplary leadership and it is fitting that we honor Gray, his wife Mollie, and the Rogers family at this event."

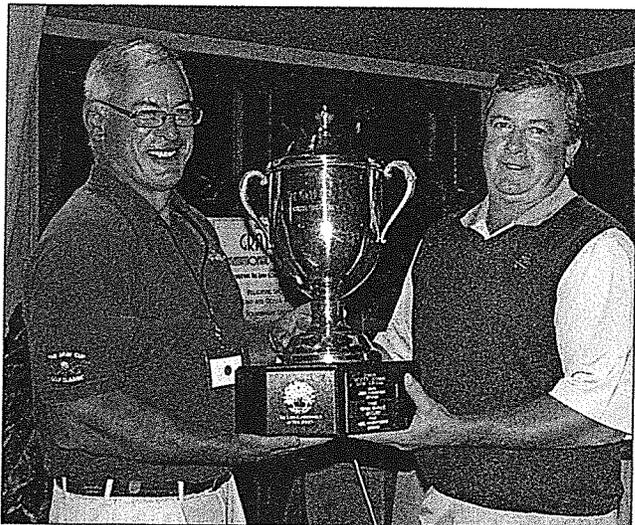
Just as Gray championed the growth of The Land Conservancy, The Gray Cup has grown into The Land Conservancy's largest and most successful fundraising event over the course of the past five years. Thanks to the extraordinary work of our Golf Committee and the generous support of our sponsors, golfers, and dinner guests,



this year's event raised a record breaking \$113,000 for The Land Conservancy. "Those who participate in The Gray Cup help to support The Land Conservancy's mission to preserve and protect the beautiful landscapes that make New Jersey such a wonderful place to live and work," said Conservancy President David Epstein. "We are grateful for their continued support of this event and the work we do." Proceeds from The Gray Cup help to fund The Land Conservancy's Land Preservation, Stewardship, and Education programs throughout the state.

In addition to a world class round of golf at Ballyowen, ranked one of Golf World Magazine's Top 50 Public Courses, guests enjoyed a cocktail hour and gourmet dinner buffet, silent auction featuring trips to South Africa and Napa Valley, and a raffle which included prizes ranging from an iPad mini to a \$1,000 gift certificate courtesy of Fran Lippy Jewelers. The evening concluded with the presentation of the Gray Cup Award to the top finisher. Greg Moran narrowly defeated several close contenders to repeat his 2011 victory and win this year's Gray Cup. The Land Conservancy also presented the inaugural Rosalie Lavinthal Volunteer of the Year Award to Ron Duval and the employees of Toyota and Lexus for their ongoing commitment and dedication to land conservation and the work of The Land Conservancy. (see story on page 6)

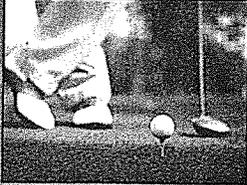
Plans are already underway for the 6th Annual Gray Cup Invitational Golf Classic to be held on Monday, September 15th, 2014. If you would like to get more involved, book your foursome, or secure a sponsorship, please contact Conservancy Development and Special Events Manager Rhonda VanAntwerp, at (973)541-1010 x24 or rvanantwerp@tlc-nj.org.



Conservancy Chairman of the Board Rory Corrigan (left) presents the Gray Cup to Greg Moran (right), now a two-time Gray Cup winner!

SAVE THE DATE!

6TH ANNUAL
GRAY CUP
INVITATIONAL GOLF CLASSIC



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2014

BALLYOWEN GOLF CLUB
CRYSTAL SPRINGS RESORT, HAMBURG NJ

Rosalie Lavinthal Volunteer of the Year Award Winners: Ron Duval and the Employees of Toyota/Lexus

Our inaugural Rosalie Lavinthal Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to Ron Duval and his colleagues from the Lexus Eastern Region office, located in Parsippany and the New York Regional office of Toyota Motor Sales of USA, located in West Caldwell for their commitment, support, and dedication to the mission of The Land Conservancy of New Jersey. Since 1999, 450 Toyota and Lexus employees have completed 12 different *Partners for Parks* projects, helping to care for and improve our local parks. The company's dedication to our local lands is exemplified by the very first project they completed with The Land Conservancy in 1996. Their volunteer team created a hiking trail in downtown Dover along the Rockaway River by clearing brush and debris from an abandoned railroad bed. They also donated and installed two benches for the trail enthusiasts to enjoy and to further enhance the space.

In addition to their support of the *Partners for Parks* program, Toyota and Lexus have also generously donated the use of a vehicle to Our *Highlands Hawks* World Series of Birding team for the past five years. The team utilizes the Toyota vehicle to drive around the state spotting birds to raise funds for land conservation. Toyota and Lexus have also been sponsors of a Hole in One Prize at each

of our Gray Cup Golf Outings, offering a new Lexus hybrid as a prize to any golfer who scores a hole in one. All of the efforts and accomplishments of Toyota/Lexus, in support of The Land Conservancy of New Jersey, have been enthusiastically spearheaded and led by Ron Duval.

"Thanks to Ron Duval's leadership, our partnership with Toyota and Lexus has helped improve many parks in our region and greatly advanced our mission of preserving important open spaces," commented Conservancy President David Epstein. "The dedication that Ron and Toyota and Lexus show toward protecting and caring for open space is exemplary and it is fitting that we honor them with our first Rosalie Lavinthal Volunteer of the Year Award."

Rosalie Lavinthal served as The Land Conservancy's Development Director for five years. She was universally admired by her co-workers, members of the Board, and all



(from left to right) Land Conservancy President David Epstein; Committee member Linda Fetch; Rosalie's cousin, Cari David; Rosalie's son, Marc Lavinthal; and Ron Duval from the Lexus Eastern Region area office in Parsippany.

of the people with whom she worked with. Tragically, Rosalie passed away during the summer of 2012. The Land Conservancy will present an award annually to honor an outstanding volunteer and/or company whose volunteer land conservation work best exemplifies Rosalie's spirit of volunteerism and giving back to the community.

Volunteers Spring into Action for Local Parks and Arboretums

Thanks to the support of 8 corporations, 144 volunteers worked on 11 different projects during the 2013 *Partners for Parks* spring season.

Employees from Goldman, Sachs & Co. participated in three projects, Wagner Farm Arboretum, Lord Sterling ECC., and WildAcres - The Land Conservancy's Headquarters. Other projects were Merck at Michael Bezega Park, Prudential at Reeves Reed Arboretum, Investors Bank at Hartshorn Arboretum and McCarter Park, UPS at Laurelwood Arboretum, Mars and JCP&L at The Community Garden at South Branch Preserve, and Selective Insurance at the Avian Wildlife Center.

The work that *Partners for Parks* volunteers complete is greatly appreciated by the parks and organizations that need the extra help. Giselle Chazotte Smisko, the Avian Center



Volunteers from Selective Insurance spent the day working to improve the grounds at the Avian Wildlife Center in Wantage. They planted flowers that would attract birds around the cages, built a rock wall around an enclosed aviary for rehabilitating birds, and painted sheets of wood to replace old and damaged walls.

Director stated, "We rarely have time to get this type of work accomplished and the support of The Land Conservancy and the Selective volunteers was extremely important to us."

Since its inception, *Partners for Parks* has completed 487 projects with 88 corporations and 8,475 volunteers in 109 parks in 10 counties.

Thank you to our 2013 Corporate Sponsors, who help make *Partners for Parks* so successful:

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- Daily Record
- Investors Bank
- Novartis
- PSEG
- United Water

Interns Make the Grade at The Land Conservancy of New Jersey

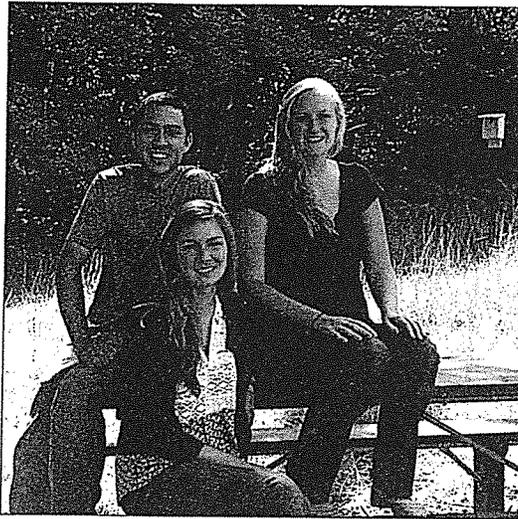
For over 15 years The Land Conservancy has supported an active internship program which has expanded to include land stewardship, planning, and grant writing. Our interns are bright, passionate, engaging individuals focused on the environment and making our landscape sustainable and preserved for future generations. The Land Conservancy has trained individuals who are now working across the country in a variety of environmental careers and are leaders in their fields. It is very exciting to know that we have helped, in some way, to get them there!

The following students worked with us this summer and fall:

Alex Gmunder and Marcus Chin served as Land Stewardship Interns working at our Preserves and Community Garden. Alex is from Branchburg Township and a junior at Ursinus College, Marcus has completed coursework at University of Vermont and hails from Morristown.

Elizabeth (Liz) De Block was our Garden Manager for the Community Garden, working hand in hand with our volunteer Garden Committee members in Mt. Olive. Liz graduated this spring from Roger Williams University and is from North Haledon Borough.

Mary Martha Gainnie, a native of Georgia, learned about the Delaware Basin as part of our watershed study funded by the William



(left to right) Interns Marcus Chin, Mary Martha Gainnie, and Liz De Block

Penn Foundation. She is a second year student at Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Rutgers University.

Gregory Cooper is a graduate of Drew University and the Peace Corps, and is focusing on planning initiatives working with our staff on projects in Denville and Morristown.

Our interns do a remarkable job and continue to "raise the bar" for our work. We wish them much luck and success in their future educational and professional careers!

VOLUNTEER CORNER

Paint and Interior Design Volunteer -
We are seeking a volunteer with knowledge of various paints and stains and an eye for interior design. The volunteer should have previous experience with matching paint to décor and be willing to paint. The volunteer should be able to provide suggestions on upgrading the décor and functionality of the office. If you are interested or for more details please contact Barbara McCloskey at bmccloskey@tlc-nj.org or (973) 541-1010 x14.

Welcome New Board of Trustees Members

The Land Conservancy is pleased to welcome two new members to our Board of Trustees; Nancy P. Conger and Andy Dietz. Both Nancy and Andy bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Board and we are thrilled to have them join us.

Nancy Conger is a Certified Financial Planner and lives in Green Pond with her husband Bill. She is the President of Red Hook Management, LLC, Investment Advisors, a firm specializing in wealth management for individuals, trusts, and foundations. She has served on the Great Swamp Watershed Association Board of Trustees and the Green Pond Environmental Foundation. Nancy is a 1967 graduate of Wheaton College in Norton, MA and is Vice Chairman of the College's Board of Trustees and also serves on the board's investment committee. She is a trustee emeritus of Ursinus College.

Andy Dietz is the former Executive Vice President and COO of Spectra Gases, Inc., a specialty gas company he co-founded with his brother Alvin in Stewartville, New Jersey. After growing the company, for over 25 years, they sold the company to Linde AG, a multinational engineering and industrial gases producer, whose products are utilized in a variety of technical applications, including LASIK refractive eye surgery and advanced lithography. A lifelong New Jersey resident and Eagle Scout, Andy has been committed to the environment and other philanthropic causes. Andy currently lives in Chester with his wife Karen and two children.

A Gift with a Future

Are you wondering what gift to give that person on your list who has everything? A gift membership to The Land Conservancy of New Jersey is the ideal solution. Surprise your family and friends by giving a gift that "gives back" -- preserving New Jersey's land and water resources.

\$50.00 Gift - includes a one year membership, a colorful Conservancy T-shirt, a subscription to our newsletter -- *Outdoor Issues*, and a Member Privilege Card that provides discounts at area businesses. We will enclose a special card acknowledging your gift.

\$100.00 gift - includes a one year membership, a Conservancy Sweatshirt, a subscription to our newsletter - *Outdoor Issues*, and a Member Privilege Card that provides discounts at area businesses. We will enclose a special card acknowledging your gift.

Giving a gift membership couldn't be simpler: just contact Barbara McCloskey at (973)541-1010 x14 or bmmccloskey@tlc-nj.org and she will take care of everything for you! Visit tlc-nj.org for even more Holiday gift ideas.



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- Flatware: a set of forks, knives, and spoons
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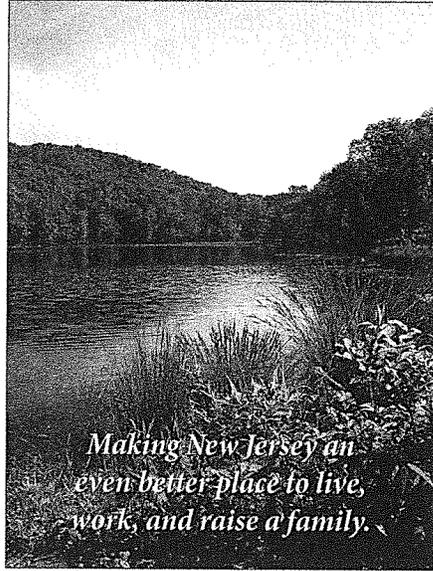
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