



# the washtenaw land trust journal

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## Washtenaw Land Trust Annual Report

### Another 488 acres protected – **forever**

#### The Journey of 100 Years Begins Today



2006 was a watershed year for the Land Trust, a year that would not have been possible without your help. **Nearly 500 additional acres of land are protected – forever.**

The mission of the Land Trust is, and always has been, to protect farmland and natural areas in and around Washtenaw County.

But, we went beyond that and asked the hard question: In 100 years, how will our grandchildren or great-grandchildren view the work of our generation? Will they see our commitment, yours and mine, to this special place?

To address this question, in 2006 the Land Trust completed an ambitious strategic visioning process, which

will be the foundation for our future. Many of you gave comments on this vision, and more of you will have a chance to do so as it evolves. This bright picture we glimpse ahead is the basis for what we – you, nearly 1000 other families in the area, and the Land Trust Board, volunteers and staff – will accomplish in the future.

We are committing ourselves to an ambitious new vision: *an arc of protected lands reaching from the Waterloo/Pinckney Recreation Areas southward to the Sharonville Game Area and extending along the Huron, Raisin and Saline Rivers, with communities of working farms nestled within that extended arc.*

With this arc comes the assurance that nature will be forever accessible to us – here, where we live.

The over 2500 acres already protected by the Land Trust is a stake in the ground for this vision. But, there is much

more work to be done. The challenge of creating this arc will require the Land Trust to be the best possible stewards of the financial and land resources entrusted to us.

2007 is a critical year in that effort. This year, we will:

- Continue to complete specific land protection projects at a rate we predict will be at least as great as 2006.
- Form new partnerships with like-minded groups and individuals to expand the ability of our community to identify and protect important land.
- Prioritize the most critical properties in our arc, and begin work with those landowners who are interested.
- Work toward becoming one of the first land trusts in the country accredited by the national Land Trust Alliance – a stamp of approval that we can stand behind our promise that the land will be protected forever.
- Continue to raise the profile and the success of land protection strategies across our community.
- Diversify and expand our support base, knowing that the land is forever, but **the opportunity is now.**

In the course of our planning, we realized that over 50% of the land in our area is neither developed nor protected. These lands – over 250,000 acres – are where our future will play out. If we protect the most important of these lands – perhaps 10%, or 25,000 acres – we, our children, and our grandchildren will be able to enjoy the water, woods and farmland that make this community so special.

This vision is ambitious, and the next several years are critical to our ability to achieve it. Nevertheless, we believe that by working together, we can all achieve this goal. We are so fortunate to live in a community of extraordinary beauty – and extraordinary people. Together, we can protect the land here, where we live.

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**OUR MISSION:** Washtenaw Land Trust protects natural areas and farmland, here where you live.

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# Far Country

By Susan Lackey  
WLT Executive Director



When I said I missed winter, I meant the snow...not the cold. Next time I'll be more specific.

The Land Trust Journal you have in your hands is very specific. This is the second year we've provided you with a formal Annual Report. There's good news to report.

In 2006, we made special efforts to educate landowners about the federal tax incentives, and, through the development of the *Land and Lawyer Handbook*, to help their advisors serve them more efficiently. (Watch this space: Congress has introduced bills to make this increased benefit permanent, and similar provisions are included in the President's budget.)

Also in 2006, we helped shepherd property tax relief for the future owners of Michigan conservation properties. Whether the land is sold to new owners, or passed on to future generations of the family, conservation properties are no longer subject to the property tax 'pop-up', experienced when land changes hands. We think this may help create a market for conservation properties, and will definitely make it easier for families to retain title to family lands.

Doing the right things locally has increased our visibility state wide and nationally as well. We were one of the land trusts featured in a Land Trust Alliance story on landowner education, and we are increasingly asked to be available to national reporters covering this emerging story. In Michigan, I've now finished my first year as a member of the Board of Directors of the Heart of the Lakes. This public policy advocacy group is raising the protection of Michigan's natural resource heritage to a priority in our legislative process.

Some of what we accomplished doesn't sound very exciting: for example, we're changing our fiscal year from a December 31 close to June 30. This will remove some of the uncertainty from our budgeting process, but won't effect what you see - except for the timing of the next annual report.

Thank you for all you do to ensure that this important work can continue.

## Notes From The Land

### NEW! Property Tax Relief for Conservation Land

Good news for private land conservation in Michigan! A brand-new amendment to state tax law exempts conservation land from the property tax "pop-up" upon transfer of ownership.

Usually, when property changes hands in Michigan, the taxable value "pops-up" to the State Equalized Value. This can mean a dramatic increase in the property tax. With this amendment, conservation agreement properties are added to the list of exempted transactions. This means that even after such properties are bought, sold, or transferred, the property tax does not "pop-up" - the tax is now capped at the typical year-to-year increase of five percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less.

This is in addition to the current incentives for conservation: potential federal income tax deductions, local property tax reductions and federal estate tax benefits. For more information, contact the Land Trust at 734-302-LAND (5263).

### Expanded Tax Deductions for Conservation Expire at Year-end

For a limited time, the federal deductions are expanded for property owners who donate conservation agreements.

- The allowable deduction is increased from 30% of your income in any year to 50%
- Qualifying farmers and ranchers may deduct up to 100% of their income
- The carry-forward period for taking deductions is extended from 5 to 15 years.

A bill has been proposed to make these incentives permanent, but they are currently scheduled to expire at the end of 2007.

### *Land and Lawyer Handbook Available*

The Washtenaw Land Trust is pleased to announce a new resource designed to meet the needs of attorneys, estate planners, accountants, and others who provide advice regarding conservation options - *The Land & Lawyer Handbook: A Practitioner's Guide to Conservation Easements*. Thanks to the generosity of the Speckhard-Knight Charitable Foundation and Malloy Incorporated, this resource is being sent free to local law firms and conservation organizations. Additional copies are available: contact the Land Trust at 734-302-LAND (5263) or mark@washtenawlandtrust.org.

### New Bill Slashes Taxes on Charitable Gifts

Did you know that a new provision allows tax-free distributions from Individual Retirement Accounts, or IRAs?

Thanks to recent legislation, you may be able to avoid paying income tax on IRA distributions for gifts made to a charity. To qualify for this new option, the owner of the IRA must be age 70 1/2 or older, and the gift must be transferred directly to a qualified charity. This option covers gifts of up to \$100,000 per person, per year, in 2007.

As a qualified charity, the Land Trust can accept such gifts as unrestricted, designated, or endowment funds. To learn more, please contact the Land Trust or your financial advisor.

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# Notes From The Land Con't

## Your 2007 Land Trust Leadership

We extend our thanks and appreciation to those who retired from the WLT board of directors this year: **Suzanne DeVine, Robert W. Marans, Maureen Martin, Cedric Richner, and Dianne Wells.** Please join us in welcoming new board members **Rosanne Bloomer, Rob Ewing, Carol Peacock, and Rocky Ward,** as well as Board fellow, **Laura Kaminski.** The Land Trust's 2007-08 officers are **Guy O. Williams, President; Phil Surratt, Vice President; Janet Crone, Treasurer; and James W. Govert, Secretary.**

## Meet Your Land Trust Staff

Are there even enough desks in our office? These are the folks you may encounter when you visit the Land Trust office: **Susan Lackey,** Executive Director, is the go-to person if you're interested in protecting your land, learning about the Land Trust's strategic plans, or looking for the best chili recipe around. **Suzie Heiney** has moved into the position of Development & Communications Director. With the Land Trust since 2003, she's excited that her new job is to get the word out about the great work the Land Trust is doing! **Mark Patrick** has joined the Land Trust as Land & Operations Manager. Mark has been a nonprofit administrator in Ann Arbor for the past thirteen years, and he's a great addition to the team. Even better, we now have a full-time staff person who *isn't* named Sue. **Megan Hanner** has joined the Land Trust as part-time Communications & Development Assistant. She is a junior at the University of Michigan, concentrating in Organizational Studies.

Feel free to swing by – we'd love to see you!

## You're Invited: Events Calendar

**Saturday April 14, 10 am-1 pm-Fitting Prescribed Burning Into Your Management Plan.** At this workshop at the Land Trust's Sharon Hills Preserve, learn what goes into creating a management plan. (*Presented with the Stewardship Network*) **Leader: Andy Henriksen, District Forester, and Maureen Martin, burn crewmember.** To register: 734-302-5263 or [info@washtenawlandtrust.org](mailto:info@washtenawlandtrust.org).

**Sunday April 15, 1-3 pm - Sharon Hills Rededication Reception and Spring Hike** – Join us for a spring celebration and nature hike at Sharon Hills Nature Preserve. Refreshments provided. *For directions, please contact 734-302-5263 or [info@washtenawlandtrust.org](mailto:info@washtenawlandtrust.org).*

**Saturday May 5, 10 am-Noon-Identifying Michigan Spring Wildflowers.** This workshop at the Land Trust's Creekshead Nature Preserve will teach you basics of wildflower identification. Then we'll hit the trail to see what we can find. **Bonus:** All workshop attendees will also receive a handy flower identification book to take home! (*Presented with the Stewardship Network*)

**Free Reception at Noon:** Please join us for a short re-dedication reception to celebrate the brand-new entrance sign and to spread the word about this nature preserve; refreshments provided. **Leader: Catherine Marquardt, Naturalist.** Cost: \$10 for Stewardship Network or Land Trust members, \$15 for non-members, reception only, free. To register: 734-302-5263 or [info@washtenawlandtrust.org](mailto:info@washtenawlandtrust.org).

**Saturday May 19, 10 am-Noon - Spring Stewardship Workday and Hike at Beckwith Nature Conservancy.** You can help clear the trails for the season at this nature preserve along Portage Creek. Contact the Land Trust at 734-302-LAND (5263) or [info@washtenawlandtrust.org](mailto:info@washtenawlandtrust.org) to sign up and get directions. We'll bring the refreshments, you bring yourself (and a friend, if you want!)

## Across the Board

By Guy O. Williams, WLT President



**W**ashtenaw Land Trust? Who me? How did it come to pass that I was asked to join the Board of Directors for this organization? I am known for my passionate work to rebuild urban areas and our inner cities. Also, I have very extensive experience in non-profit leadership. But why I should join and help an organization that was working to protect natural areas and agricultural land was not immediately apparent.

Now that I have been involved for over a year, it is hard to believe that I ever had a question. It has turned out to be a natural, inspiring and rewarding choice. There seems to have never been any need for mystery about the role land protection can play in fostering strong communities, or about how I can help further this work.

My 'turn' at Washtenaw Land Trust is coinciding with the most dramatic period in the 35-year history of the organization. We have been working on our vision for the future and it's a grand vision to protect more than 20,000 acres, primarily in a broad band that stretches from west of Saline to north of Chelsea and into the Waterloo area. These lands are invaluable to the long-term well-being of the local watersheds and, if protected, will provide continuity to valuable habitat for wildlife. Another exciting aspect of our work that was new to me is the role we have been able to play in helping families protect their agricultural heritage and legacy of farming.

The Washtenaw Land Trust is setting out on this very ambitious journey and we need the understanding and help of people across our region to make our efforts successful. It has been a wonderful experience for me to learn so much more about land preservation in general and also the specific benefits and opportunities for us in the greater Washtenaw area.

It has been a special blessing for me to have been asked to serve as the new President of this organization. The prospect of working with the excellent leaders here to generate a wider base of support and to strengthen the organization in other ways excites and challenges me.

If you are reading this and thinking about how you might help or wondering if it would be worth your while to increase your level of support, I urge you to say yes. Contact our office and talk with Susan or Suzie or Mark. I'm sure you will come away from the conversation feeling amazed, like I have been, at how much of a difference you can make.

# By the Numbers

- 2,531 total acres protected by the Washtenaw Land Trust
- 488 acres protected in 2006
- 232 acres protected in Jackson County
- 2,268 acres protected in Washtenaw County
- 31 acres protected in Ingham County
- 94 children who identified animal tracks at the Land Trust's booth on Earth Day
- 3 large garbage bags full of invasive spotted knapweed removed during the United Way's Day of Caring by the EMU Grounds Crew
- 9 mountainous piles of invasive autumn olive shrubs chopped down that same day
- 8 numbered trail-marker posts installed at Sharon Hills Nature Preserve
- 17 mosquito bites incurred during summer monitoring (estimated)
- 1 wild doe supervising Suzie and Susan's monitoring of Beckwith Conservancy
- 2 pair of waders required for Suzie and Janaé to monitor Woodlands Preserve
- 1 pair of waders available during aforementioned monitoring
- 1 pair of waders purchased by Suzie at the Dexter Mill, immediately following aforementioned monitoring
- 1 going away party for Janaé, who is missed
- 34 information packets mailed to property owners interested in land protection this year
- 56 volunteers who weeded out invasive plants at nature preserves, represented the Land Trust at community events, assisted with mailings, served on committees, and more
- 1 testimony presented in Lansing regarding land protection legislation
- 2 morel mushrooms the size of your head (Really! Well, close, anyway...) that were found by attendees of a hike at Sharon Hills Nature Preserve last spring
- 77 attendees at October's sold-out, standing-room only workshop, "Protecting Your Land"
- 12 gallons of Stucchi's ice cream eaten at the Land Trust's members event last summer at the Vershum family dairy farm

## In their own words

*Feedback from local property owners*

*"Thank you  
for all you do."*

*"I protected my land because  
I wanted to be assured that  
this land and environment  
would be preserved as  
I know it, and the good  
things here that I have  
been able to appreciate over  
the years would carry on to  
other generations."*

*"I really feel like I've  
done something that  
will last."*

## And the winner is....

**Maureen Martin honored as 2006  
Preservationist of the Year**

*By Jim Govert*



*Maureen Martin and Jim Govert*

I think it's safe to say that Maureen Martin has provided a spiritual heart for the Washtenaw Land Trust. Maureen and her actions remind us why we do what we do, and we're pleased to honor her as 2006 Preservationist of the Year.

This award is the latest achievement in a lifetime of conservation. The Director of Foundation Giving for the University of Michigan, Ms. Martin served on the Board of Trustees for the Land Trust for more than six years. She has worked tirelessly for this organization, particularly its unique farmland mission.

Formerly a Director of Development for the Nature Conservancy, she has lent her energies to fundraising for conservation across the state. She serves on the board of the Michigan Land Use Institute and the Stewardship Network, and she has served as a resource to countless land use, conservation, and related projects across the state.

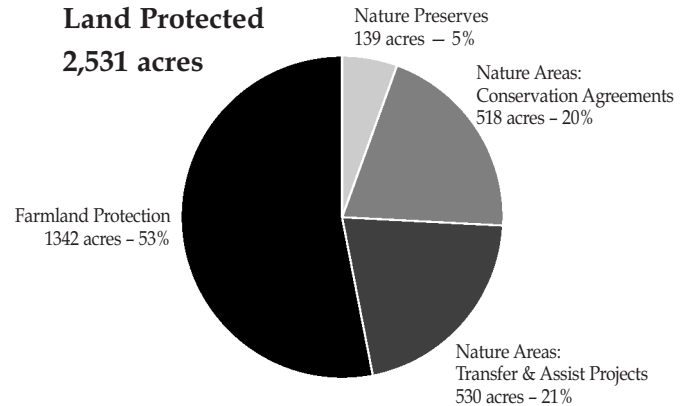
We thank Maureen for her leadership and her unflagging commitment to ensuring that Michigan's legacy of conservation perseveres into the 21st century.

# Washtenaw Land Trust 2006 Financial Report

Land Projects Completed, in acres	2006	Total
Nature Preserves	0	139
Natural Areas: Conservation Agreements	100	518
Natural Areas: Transfer & Assist Projects	139	530
Farmland Protection	249	1,342
<b>Total Land Protected</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>2,531</b>

For additional information on these completed land projects, please contact the Land Trust at 734-302-LAND (5263) or [info@washtenawlandtrust.org](mailto:info@washtenawlandtrust.org).

## Land Protected 2,531 acres



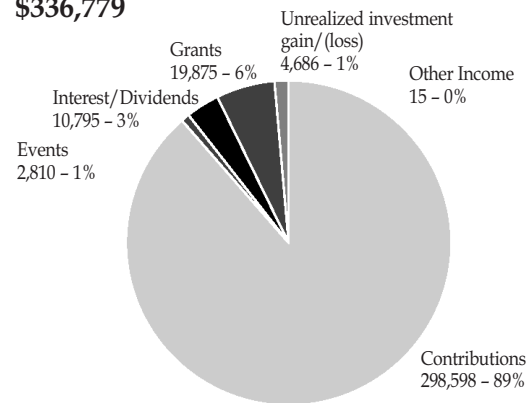
## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Jan - Dec 2006

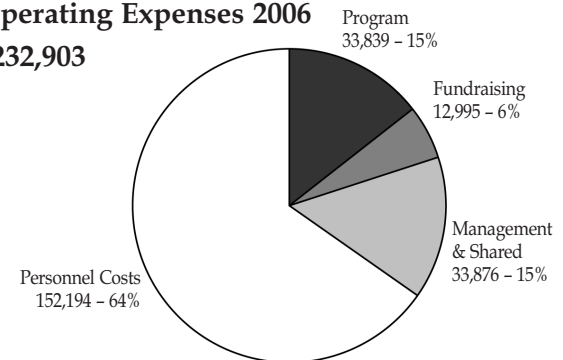
### Operating Income/Expense

Income	
Contributions	298,598
Events	2,810
Interest/Dividends	10,795
Grants	19,875
Unrealized investment gain/(loss)	4,686
Other Income	15
<b>Total Operating Income</b>	<b>336,779</b>
Expense	
Program	33,839
Fundraising	12,995
Management & Shared	33,876
Personnel Costs	152,194
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>232,903</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>103,876</b>
Capital Income/Uses	
Income	
Land Protection Campaign	38,950
<b>Total Capital Income</b>	<b>38,950</b>
Capital Uses	
Payments on Land Projects	75,000
<b>Total Capital Uses</b>	<b>75,000</b>
<b>Net Capital Income/Uses</b>	<b>-36,050</b>

## Operating Income 2006 \$336,779



## Operating Expenses 2006 \$232,903



## STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

Dec. 31, 2006

### ASSETS

Current Assets	367,738
Endowment / Forever Fund	58,053
Nature Preserves & Land Rights	719,177
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,144,968</b>

### LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

Net Assets	
Permanently Restricted	719,177
Temporarily Restricted	94,097
Endowment / Forever Fund	58,053
Unrestricted	273,640
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>1,144,968</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>1,144,968</b>

## LOCAL LAND PRESERVATION

Agency	Acres protected in 2006	Acres protected prior to 2006
Ann Arbor Township	148	
City of Ann Arbor Greenbelt	337	152
Washtenaw County Natural Areas	200	780
Pittsfield Township	43	525
Raisin Valley Land Trust		150
Southeast Michigan Land Conservancy	106	1,713
Washtenaw Land Trust	488	2,044
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>4,676</b>

2006 Financial data is unaudited. Audited financial statements for 2006 will be available in summer 2007. Audited financial statements for prior years are available now from the Washtenaw Land Trust website, [www.washtenawlandtrust.org](http://www.washtenawlandtrust.org), or by contacting the office at 734-302-LAND (5263) or [info@washtenawlandtrust.org](mailto:info@washtenawlandtrust.org).



# Protect Natural Areas & Farms, Here Where You Live

Partnering to protect public natural areas and wildlife habitat

Ducks Unlimited



*The Washtenaw Land Trust, Ducks Unlimited, MDNR and FWS partnered to protect 138 acres of natural habitat adjacent to the Waterloo Recreation Area. At the closing were Russ Terry of Ducks Unlimited, Allan and Deanna Malan, and Jim Hudgins of FWS. The inset map shows the location of the newly-protected property.*

The Land Trust is delighted to announce that 138 acres of wetlands, forest, and agricultural land have been protected for public use. Ducks Unlimited, the Washtenaw Land Trust, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS) partnered to purchase this high-quality natural area directly adjacent to the Waterloo Recreation Area. After Ducks Unlimited acquired the Jackson County property from a private landowner with help of a North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) matching grant, they donated it to the FWS as Michigan's fourth Waterfowl Production Area – and the first new one since the early 1980's.

Waterfowl Production Areas are properties that are jointly managed by the FWS and the MDNR to provide a diversity of wetland and native grassland habitat necessary for ducks and other waterfowl. They also provide critical habitat for a

variety of other wildlife species and are open to the public for recreational and educational opportunities.

Thanks to many generous donors, the Land Trust was able to contribute \$10,000 from the Waterloo Fund to provide part of the required match to protect this property. Thank you to all those who have made gifts to the fund. It's because of you that great projects like this are possible.

This project is a resounding success in the effort to reduce the rate of fragmentation of natural areas in the Waterloo-Pinckney region, one of the Land Trust's top priorities. This region makes up the largest block of public recreation land in lower Michigan – let's keep working to enhance this asset to our community!

*Thank you to John Coluccy, Ph.D., of Ducks Unlimited for his contributions to this article.*



*Your gift to the Waterloo Fund will ensure that funds are ready for the next big opportunity. If you'd like to make a gift, please return the attached reply envelope or contact Suzie Heiney at 734-302-5263.*



## Protecting family lands: The Sullivan family farm

Half of the Sullivan Farm in Webster Township has been conserved through the Washtenaw Land Trust. The descendants of Agnes Hoey Sullivan have conserved 50 acres of the family homestead on Mast Road and 30 acres of woodlot between Gregory and North Territorial Roads. The land has been in the family since the Homestead Act in 1835, and five generations of the family have farmed it since then, from 1835 to 2000. It contains one of the largest cherry trees in southern Michigan, rolling hills, and wildlife habitat. The land has been home to sandhill cranes, great blue herons, Canada geese, egrets, hawks, fox, raccoons, deer, rabbits, and songbirds. It will remain in farm use for the foreseeable future.



*The Sullivan family (Chris, Kevin, and Brigid) conserved this farm in the rapidly developing area as a permanent open space tribute to their mother, Agnes Hoey Sullivan, and to all her family.*

# You can help protect the Rogers Farm

Challenge grants can quadruple your gift

Story by Suzie Heiney,  
Development & Communications Director at the Land Trust



**Y**ou can help protect the rolling hills and open fields of our community – and you can take advantage of a 4-to-1 match. Here's how:

The Land Trust has been awarded challenge grants to protect part of the Rogers property, a keystone farm in York Township near Saline. The parcel was strategically chosen for protection: it adds to a block of 500 already-protected acres south of Ann Arbor, and it is the first phase of the farmer's plan to protect his entire farm.



*The Land Trust's Farmland Protection Challenge needs your help to add a 43-acre parcel to a block of 500 already-protected acres of land.*

The math works like this: If the Land Trust raises \$127,000 by this August, that money will secure a federal matching grant of \$215,000, a grant of \$25,000 from the Carls Foundation, and the donation of \$242,000 in land value from the landowner.

We have only \$65,000 left to raise. Your gift to the *Farmland Protection Challenge* before August 2007 is crucial, to earn the full match and protect this land.

You know, every time I get off the highway and drive even just a couple miles out of town, I'm relieved to see wide open vistas and tree-lined rural roads. Living in the city, I sometimes forget how much of our community is still open and undeveloped – and how wonderful that can be on a Saturday afternoon!

The natural systems are there. But they're not necessarily protected yet. This project is an opportunity to do our share to conserve a piece of this – forever.

*You can protect this land! To make a gift and/or pledge or for more information, please return the attached reply envelope or contact Sue Lackey at 734-302-5263.*



*ing area surrounding Dexter as a*

"We are pleased that we were able to preserve the land as open space. It has been good to our family for many years. Mother loved walking out to get the cows; we all grew up on that land – planting and harvesting crops, ice-skating or swimming at the pond, hunting, riding horses and motorcycles, walking, or just watching the sunsets.

"We did not want to see it developed, so a conservation agreement was the right thing for us to do. We are fortunate that so many people helped us make that happen," the family said. "Mother, her siblings, Dad and John would be very happy about it."

The farm will remain in private hands and will be protected as open space forever. The agreement was what is called a *post-mortem*

## Making A Difference

*Margaret H. Coudron – 1919 - 2007*

The Washtenaw Land Trust wishes to honor the memory of Margaret Coudron, who passed away this January. Margaret had a great love of nature. She and her late husband Al nurtured their 40+ acre property into a haven for wildlife. Mrs. Coudron donated a conservation agreement to the Land Trust in 2001 to assure that the property's natural beauty and animal habitat are preserved for future generations.

In her will, she chose to donate this property to the Land Trust outright, allowing for a life tenancy for a family member. The land will be protected forever.

We are deeply honored by this generous gift and by Margaret's commitment to nature.



*Janeé Reneaud*

*The pond at Margaret Coudron's sanctuary for nature.*

*For information on bequests or other planned gift options, please contact Suzie Heiney, Washtenaw Land Trust, 1100 N. Main Street #203, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, or call 734-302-LAND (5263).*

conservation agreement, donated by the Sullivan family during the process of settling their mother's estate. "Not many families take advantage of the post-mortem opportunity, and we were pleased to be able to help the Sullivans do so," said Susan Lackey, executive director of the Washtenaw Land Trust. "It is a wonderful way to possibly lower the tax value of the estate and – more importantly – to honor the legacy of the family in the community."



*The Washtenaw Land Trust would like to thank the following people and organizations for their generous support in calendar year 2006.*

*You are protecting nature and farmland, here where you live.*

***Thank you!***

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Dr. Rudy Reichert  
The Sullivan family (2 properties)  
Vershum Farms  
2 anonymous property owners

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Key:

- ★ Land protected prior to 2006
- ☆ Land protected in 2006

