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Year in Review

2009-10 was a stellar year for Legacy Land Conservancy. Thanks to the generosity and commitment of our donors and landowners, we've been able to continue the important work of protecting the special lands in our community – lands that are our legacy for future generations.

In December, we finalized our Forever Fund campaign – an important step in guaranteeing that forever means just that. But we also completed 10 conservation projects this year --- our second best year ever. How? By focusing on those important partnerships that make this work possible.

- Three projects totaling 144 acres helped to fill in gaps in the Waterloo Recreation Area – Michigan's largest.
- One project was a partnership

with a neighboring conservancy, using our expertise to fill a temporary gap in their capacity.

- Two were small easements, adjacent to much larger urban properties with public access, helping to maintain the peaceful feel of those lands.

- Two protect the public's view of beautiful and much loved landscapes.

- Two were identified by the Huron River Watershed Council as particularly important to the continued quality of the watershed – the cleanest urban river in Michigan.

We're also working to put good plans in place for the future, assisting both the Washtenaw County Agricultural Land Preservation Committee and the Jackson County Land Protection Committee in their work to protect important farmlands. And, we're continuing our partnership with the Huron River Watershed Council in the Mill Creek area, identifying and reaching out to landowners who are



Badgely-Smith property

interested in stewarding their lands.

The take away? Like nearly everything else we do today, land protection is a team activity. Watch for more partnerships designed to increase the pace of land conservation throughout our community. *With your help, we can continue our progress.*

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Far Country



By Susan Lackey
Executive Director

The Executive Director's Annual Report summary is always a tough one. Over the course of the year there's so much happening here that I'd like to recap, yet there's never enough room.

For example:

- With the generosity of many members, we raised \$500,000 for our Forever Fund. This is a critical part of our promise of 'forever,' providing a guarantee for the important work we do each year.

- Volunteers took on new importance, with Pete Schermerhorn continuing to serve as the volunteer-volunteer coordinator, and a whole flock of dedicated photo-monitors completing the annual documentation of our now 57 conservation agreements and five preserves.

- In 2009-10, we built new partnerships – with Dahlem Conservancy, Raisin Valley Land Trust, River Raisin Watershed Council, Stewardship Network, Huron River Watershed Council, and conservancies throughout southeast Michigan.

- Familiar faces departed when Suzie Heiney and Mark Patrick followed their families to new opportunities. Susan Cooley, Erika Taylor and Dana Wright joined us with new talents and perspectives, and are helping Legacy achieve its 100 Year Vision. Interns – who help us extend our limited staff – also came and went, with far too little recognition.

Most importantly, I had the chance to meet many more of you. We—as an organization and as a community—are blessed with families who care about the land and understand that it is a living part of our community. Landowners, donors, volunteers, board members and staff are united in that belief. *Thank you for letting me be a part of this.*

Natural Areas Preservation Program Millage Renewal

Legacy Land Conservancy has taken the unusual position of endorsing the upcoming renewal of the Washtenaw County Natural Areas Preservation Program millage, found on the November 2, 2010 general election ballot.

This millage has created 17 new nature preserves in Washtenaw County over the past 10 years, and has protected over 1800 acres of the area's special places. Two of the properties were acquired as a result

of referrals by Legacy when we realized that the County was, in fact, a better group to steward the land.

The job is not done. We currently have a window of opportunity to work with landowners who want to see their special places shared by the entire community. Renewal of this millage helps ensure we can take advantage of that opportunity, not only for ourselves, but for the people who will live in our community tomorrow.

Your Conservancy Leadership

Legacy Land Conservancy's Board of Trustees has seen some changes in the past few months.

In June 2010, we lost the Board services of four outstanding members—Jim Govert, Robert (Rocky) Ward, Carol Peacock and Charity Steere. We hope to see them as part of the organization in new ways, but their advice and counsel on the board will be missed.

We welcome Joseph Fazio, Bob Grese, Bob Helber, and Kristin Schleick to the Board and look forward to a long association with them all.

New officers were also elected—Bob Tetens returns as President, Janet Crone has assumed the duties of Vice President, Adam Smith joins the execu-

tive committee as Treasurer, and Phil Surratt is now Secretary.

In addition, Legacy has had some recent staff changes. Susan Cooley has joined the organization as Development and Communications Director; Susan brings extensive major gifts experience to the organization, and we look forward to working with her. Emily Grubman is our new development associate, assisting Susan in new media and other development and communications chores.

We miss our former colleagues on both the board and staff, but know that the talent and enthusiasm these new folks bring will help us continue to protect the special places around us.



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The Legacy Land Conservancy Staff: Susan A. Lackey, Susan Cooley, Erika Taylor, Dana Wright, Emily Grubman



Conservationist of the Year



year we have had the distinct honor of giving two awards:

The first of two awards went to the Waterloo Hunt Club. One of the few remaining hunt clubs in Michigan, they have consistently and actively worked to preserve the unique natural area they use for hunting – from hosting Earth Day clean-ups that remove tons of debris from the park to raising money among the equestrian community. Nearly 100 percent of their members have contributed to Legacy Land Conservancy's Waterloo Fund.

The second awardee, Charity Steere, is that rare volunteer who is

Our annual Conservationist of the Year award honors people who exemplify the conservation ethic in their work and personal lives. This past

willing to do it all. Charity not only has served on the Conservancy's board of directors, she also volunteers for nearly every Conservancy workday. She was instrumental in the creation of the Conservancy's Forever Fund endowment. She played a key role in extending the geographic scope of the Conservancy, working with the Jackson County Planning Committee and Board of Commissioners to establish a farmland-protection ordinance; she now serves on the committee that implements said ordinance. A native of southeastern Michigan, Charity combines an appetite for policy with an infectious appreciation of nature.

With the support of the Waterloo Hunt Club, Charity Steere, and the Legacy Land Conservancy, MDNR has added an additional 33 new acres to the Waterloo Recreation Area. That makes 142 acres in 2010 alone.

Event Calendar

Volunteer Thank You Party - Friday, November 5, 5:30-7:30pm

NEW Center Conference Room, 1100 N. Main Street, Ann Arbor

Join us for drinks and appetizers to celebrate a year of volunteering!

Awards will be presented at 7:00pm

Stewardship Workday - at the Johnson Preserve

Saturday, November 20, 11-2pm

Johnson Preserve, 4480 Platt Rd., Ann Arbor

Join Legacy and the Professional Volunteer Corps in removing invasive shrubs. We'll give you a saw to keep you warm. (Rain date 11-21-2010, 1-4pm)

Stewardship Network Year End Celebration

Saturday, December 11, 6-9pm

Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor

Join us in celebrating the Huron Arbor Cluster's successes through 2010!

No registration required, just show up for a good time and bring a dish to pass!

Solstice/Full Moon/Lunar Eclipse Hike - Tuesday, December 21, 12-1am

Johnson Preserve, 4480 Platt Rd., Ann Arbor

Too many great natural phenomena together to pass up! Check our website closer to the date for location. (Yes, that is midnight to 1am) Registration required.

The 2011 Science, Practice & Art of Restoring Native Ecosystems Conference

Friday-Saturday, January 21-22

Kellogg Conference Center, East Lansing

Stewardship Network's annual conference. Save the date!

Photomonitoring Squad Training - Saturday, February 12, 1-4pm

NEW Center Conference Room, 1100 N. Main Street, Ann Arbor

Do you want to visit remote properties and take pictures of nature? Volunteer on our Squad! See website for details closer to the date.

Volunteer Ambassador Training - Thursday, February 24, 7-9pm

NEW Center Conference Room, 1100 N. Main Street, Ann Arbor

Help us spread the word about conservation! Training and sign-up for 2011 events.

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Across the Board



By Robert Tetens
Board Chair

These are exciting times for land preservation efforts in Washtenaw and Jackson Counties.

This year Legacy Land Conservancy completed ten projects, protecting an additional 545 acres -- one of our best years ever. Our success was the result of a dedicated and tireless Legacy staff, our advisory board and enthusiastic volunteers working with other organizations for the common good. I'd like to formally acknowledge the contributions of our partners, particularly the Department of Natural Resources and the Dahlem Conservancy, and especially the members of Preserve Washtenaw.

Preserve Washtenaw is a voluntary consortium of organizations formed to facilitate the exchange of information. This cooperative effort helps guide our individual objectives within an overall preservation vision for Washtenaw County. This evolving culture of collaboration will play an increasingly important role as resources become more challenged. These challenges extend well beyond the borders of Washtenaw County.

This November, voters in Washtenaw County will have the opportunity to renew the millage for one of the Preserve Washtenaw participants--the County's Natural Area Preservation Program (NAPP). This science-based preservation program is grounded in the ecological value and specific characteristics of the land. The program was established in August 2000 and approved by over 64% of the voters. Since then, 17 new nature preserves have been established, including two with the collaboration of the Legacy Land Conservancy. The program has exceeded all expectations, earning national recognition. Renewal of the millage will allow the program to continue to protect important natural areas for another ten years. Please take the time to visit the NAPP website at NAPP@ewashtenaw.org to learn more about this worthwhile program.

A 100-Year Vision; a 20-year Opportunity

25,000 acres of the most important lands in our community, protected forever. That's the legacy we hope people will see 100 years from now when they look at this special place we call home.

Three land priorities have surfaced as most important if we want to ensure safe drinking water, provide for a sustainable, working agricultural community and protect the natural habitats that support the rare and common species that surround us.

- **Public lands** – Our community is blessed with important public lands. Working with land managers such as the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment to add to and buffer these public areas, Legacy Land Conservancy has protected 579 acres of land in and around the Waterloo and Pinckney Recreation Areas.
- **Working farms** – The agricultural



economies of Jackson and Washtenaw counties are among the most 'at risk' of any in the nation. Protecting blocks of working farms is a key element in maintaining our access to local food and fiber. Visionary farmers have protected over 1,337 acres of land with Legacy. This land will help ensure that future generations of farmers will continue to till the soil in support of our community.

- **Natural areas and riparian lands**

– Rivers define our area. The Huron, the River Raisin, and the Grand echo casually in our conversations. 1,210 acres of land—in wetlands, open fields and along the banks of rivers and streams—have been protected by Legacy Land Conservancy and your generosity.

While we focus on these lands, we also protect other important properties – lands that add to our quality of life and sense of place. While we don't include them in our '25,000 of the most important acres' they are, in fact, important for all of us who have the privilege of seeing those properties each day.

Together, we—our donors, the landowners who care for their land and your Conservancy—are leaving a lasting legacy that will still be working for our community in 100 years. Thank you for making it possible.

From the Beginning to the Present: A Brief History of Legacy Land Conservancy - Barry Lonik



Legacy Land Conservancy traces its origin—and that of private land conservation in Michigan—to very modest beginnings in 1971. It was then that a small group of dedicated folks incorporated the Washtenaw Land Conservancy, the first organization created to save local land in the state. WLC's bylaws stated "The purpose of the Washtenaw Land Conservancy is the preservation of land and related natural resources to be devoted for educational, scientific and charitable purposes...for the benefit of both present and future generations."

Starting in 1974, WLC's first project was protection of a Huron River frontage property in Scio Township downstream of Delhi Metropark. In cooperation with the Michigan chapter of The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and the Washtenaw Audubon Society, the land was acquired and became the Osborne

Mill Riverlands Preserve. In 1980, the Osborne Mill property was deeded to the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission, which owns and manages it today.

The Osborne project defined WLC's niche in land conservation: to help protect important parcels for transfer to a public agency. Those projects include Bandemer Park along the Huron River (1984), an addition to Bird Hills Park (1990) and the Black Pond Woods adjacent to the Leslie Science and Nature Center (1991). All of these properties are now owned and managed by Ann Arbor Parks. WLC also acquired by donation three conservation easements on wooded parcels near the Huron River in Scio Township in 1991, and contributed funds to TNC's expansion of Sharon Hollow Preserve in southwest Washtenaw County in 1992.

Throughout the 1980s and 1990s, WLC's activities were lead by two people: real estate attorney Karl Frankena and commercial real estate developer Bill Martin. Both remain active in community affairs to this day. Martin, of course, served as athletic director at the Univer-

sity of Michigan until earlier this year. **Next time: the Potawatomi Community Land Trust.**

Barry Lonik will be doing a series of articles chronicling our 40 year history. Look for his features in our next three newsletters.

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See our events online:
www.legacylandconservancy.org
for more information. If you plan to come to one of our workdays, please wear long pants, full shoes, and bring a water bottle. Contact Dana with questions at dana@legacylandconservancy.org.

For those of you who were interested in our **Land Protection Bus Tour** scheduled for this fall, it has been postponed until 2011 to be a part of our 40th anniversary celebration. If you have a favorite place you'd like us to visit on the tour contact us and let us know!

Financial Report

Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2010

Statements of Financial Position - Unaudited

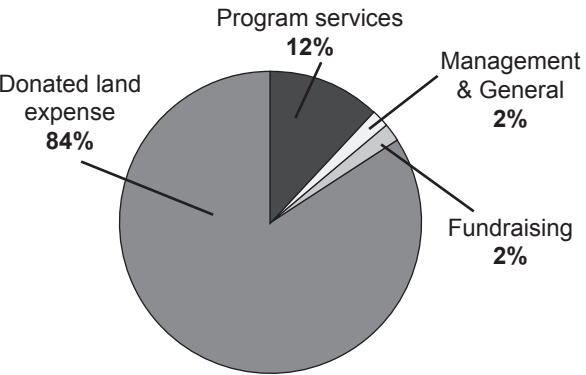
ASSETS		
	2010	2009
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	375,601	408,303
Investments	548,487	125,882
Pledges receivable	900	13,200
Grants receivable	510	133,350
Accrued interest receivable	3,718	1,755
Prepaid and deferred expenses	2,623	6,106
	931,839	688,596
Other Assets:		
Preserves	1,295,150	1,295,150
Unencumbered preserves	2,379,853	2,379,853
Lands (held for sale for operations)	150,000	
Easements	57	49
	3,825,060	3,675,052
Total Assets:	4,756,899	4,363,648
LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	1,355	463
Accrued expenses	13,659	2,276
	15,014	2,739
NET ASSETS:		
Unrestricted	2,817,151	2,729,984
Temporarily restricted	85,448	201,848
Permanently restricted	1,839,286	1,429,077
	4,741,885	4,360,909
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS:	4,756,899	4,363,648

Statements of Activities - Unaudited

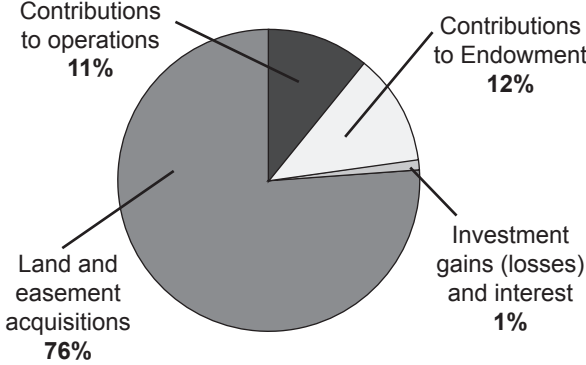
See graphs above					
	Unrestricted	2010 Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total	2009 Total
Revenue:					
Contributions	182,368	22,380	254,434	459,181	285,722
Grants	2,659	14,500	-	17,159	158,965
Contract income	1,425	-	-	1,425	-
Fundraising events	1,035	-	-	1,035	30,835
Interest and dividends	5,255	-	-	5,255	8,574
Realized and unrealized investment gain (losses), net of fees	(113)	-	12,033	11,920	(18,702)
Acquisition of easements/development rights	1,417,000	-	-	1,417,000	522,000
Acquisition of donated land (held for sale for operations)	150,000	-	-	150,000	
Miscellaneous	4,562	-	-	4,562	12,556
Net asset reclassification	9,538	(153,280)	143,742	-	-
	1,773,728	(116,400)	410,209	2,067,537	999,950
Expenses:					
Program services	195,891	-	-	195,891	201,208
Fundraising	32,981	-	-	32,981	63,652
Management & General	40,697	-	-	40,697	58,283
Expense of development rights	1,416,992	-	-	1,416,992	521,998
	1,686,561	-	-	1,686,561	845,141
Revenue less expenses	87,167	(116,400)	410,209	380,976	154,809
Gain (loss) on sale of property	-	-	-	-	(2,147,337)
Net Increase (decrease) in net assets:	87,167	(116,400)	410,209	380,976	(1,992,528)
Net Assets, beginning of year	2,729,984	201,848	1,429,077	4,360,909	6,353,437
Net assets, end of year	2,817,151	85,448	1,839,286	4,741,885	4,360,090



EXPENSES



REVENUE



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Badgley-Smith Conservation Agreement, 110 acres

A wetland complex including a wet meadow, pockets of rich tamarack swamp, and southern hardwood swamp; as well as fertile uplands in various stages of succession such as actively farmed areas and a mature forest were all left behind by the legacy of the glaciers on this wonderful property.

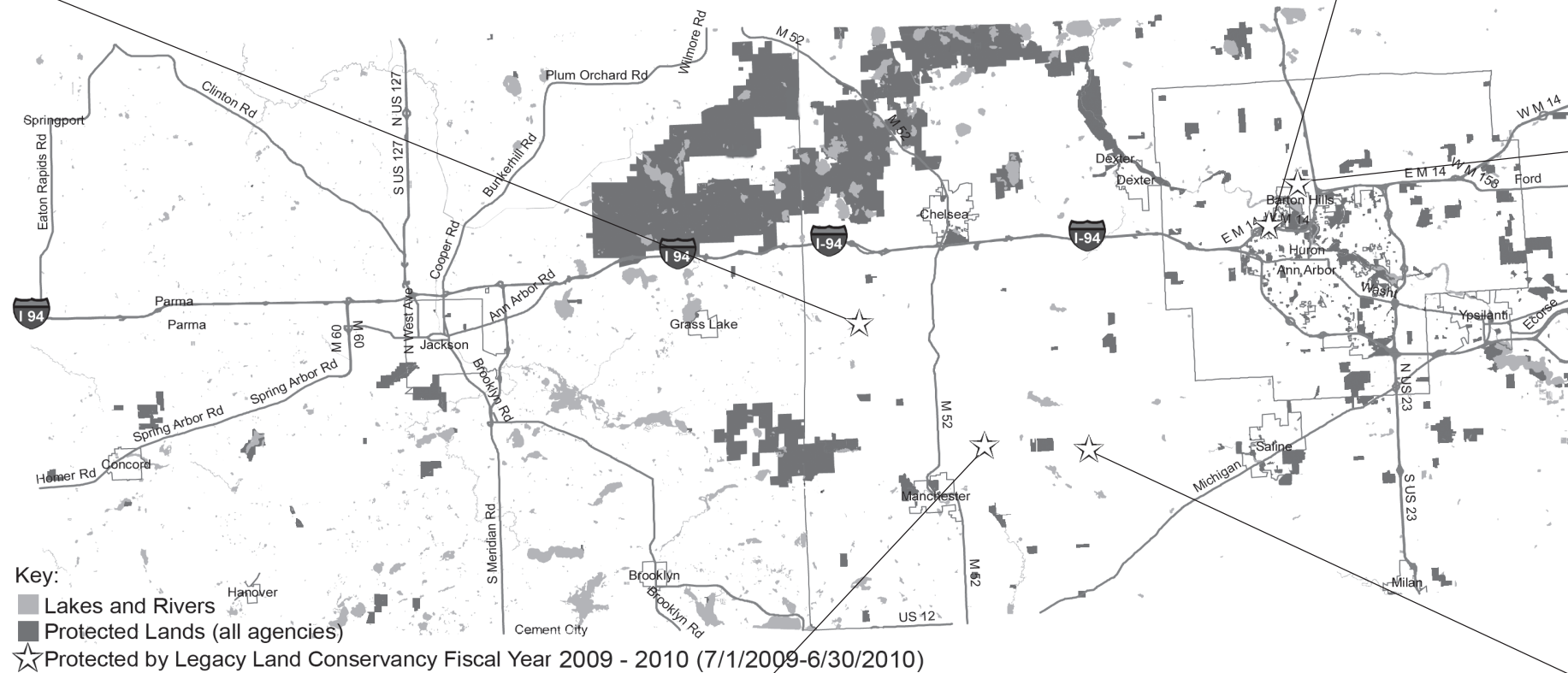


Laird Conservation Agreement, 7 acres

Continuing the legacy of her parents, Frances Laird and her husband Campbell have put the remainder of their land into conservation agreement. The Lairds also donated 30 acres of land in 2006 to Legacy Land Conservancy forming the Beckwith Preserve of Stockbridge.



Hathaway Conservation Agreement, 5 acres
Mrs. Hathaway and her late husband, John, were drawn to the beauty of this particular property hosting annual 'Trillium Parties' in the spring, and growing to appreciate the wildflowers, birds and woods. The woods on this property is a part of a larger woodland complex, which includes the adjacent Botsford Preserve. When the Preserve moved to protected status, Mrs. Hathaway and her family decided to also protect her woods, in honor of her late husband, and in recognition of the special nature of this woods.



Scio Township Conservation Agreement, 50 acres

This conservation agreement is part of a larger farm of over 400 acres. This easement property is comprised of 50 acres in the middle of the larger farm bringing the total of conserved land up to 171 acres.

Daubner Conservation Agreement, 70 acres

As the Village of Manchester and the surrounding community have changed in reaction to a changing economy, the Daubner's have worked diligently to protect the agricultural integrity of their farm and home, playing an active role in community life. In 2008, Mr. and Mrs. Daubner approached the Conservancy about the possibility of permanent protection to ensure the beauty of their farm for future generations of Manchester residents. In 2009, following a viewing of the PBS Ken Burns' series, "The National Parks: America's Best Idea," the Daubner's were inspired to complete protection of their land.



Renner Conservation Agreement, 66 acres

"This acreage and adjoining homestead were purchased in the spring of 1967 for the purposes of raising our family in an environment of natural beauty and healthy out-of-doors work and play activities. We want the atmosphere of these goals to persist forever, trusting that by example others will follow in sharing the same philosophy. Pursuing a healthy environment is not 'change', it is continuing the great assets we have to enjoy now. Life is short, plan now, for what you want for others, tomorrow."

-Marilyn J. Renner, David P. Renner, David S. Renner



Thank you!

Legacy Land Conservancy expresses our sincere appreciation to our generous supporters. The following is a list of gifts made between July 1, 2009-June 30, 2010. Thank you for helping us protect Southern Michigan’s forests, prairies, farms and waters today and forever.

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Starting Sept. 30th

When you renew your license plates, you will be able to check the option of supporting Michigan Parks. This will replace the \$26.00 annual park pass we all have done in the past.

**VOTE November 2nd
For the renewal of the
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We appreciate all of those who have helped us over the past year, If we missed you, please accept our apology.

Notice the new look of our Newsletter?

We recently partnered with First Impressions Printing. With their support we were able to bring color back into our newsletter. We also added our new logo to the heading. We hope you like the changes.



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How can you leave a Legacy?



Could there be a more lasting way to make a difference than a legacy of permanently protected farmland, fields, streams, prairies and waters? By including the Legacy Land Conservancy in your will or estate plan, you are helping to leave a legacy for future generations.

Types of Bequests

Through your will or revocable living trust, you can designate assets to the Legacy Land Conservancy. The asset(s) you specify will pass to the Legacy Land Conservancy and your estate can take a charitable deduction for the amount of your bequest.

Specific Bequest: You describe exactly what you want to leave to a specific individual or organization and the designated source. If you want to leave a specific dollar amount from a specific source or a particular item or a specific parcel of land, this is the type of bequest that you would use.

General Bequest: This does not specify

the source from which your bequest should be paid. This gives your executor the flexibility to honor the bequest from any available source.

Residuary Bequest: This is honored after all other bequests have been made, and all debts, expenses and taxes have been paid.

Contingent Bequest: This is fulfilled if certain conditions are met. For instance, if your primary beneficiary does not survive you, you can indicate your next choice through a contingent designation.

Benefits of making a bequest

Personal Satisfaction - Have the satisfaction of completing your estate plan and providing for the people and organizations that matter the most to you.

Freedom and Flexibility - Change your mind and your bequest at any time.

Tax Savings - Save on possible federal estate taxes.

A Lasting Contribution - Make a significant contribution toward saving our lands.

Leave a Legacy - Your gift will ensure our natural world will be protected for the future.

If you would like more information on making a bequest, please contact your attorney. Also, please contact susancooley@legacylandconservancy.org or call (734) 302-5263 if you have already included the Legacy Land Conservancy in your estate planning or if you intend to do so.

Our Mission:

The Legacy Land Conservancy's mission is to serve Southern Michigan by protecting its forests, prairies, farms and waters today and forever.



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Partnering with REI

REI's passion for the outdoors runs deep. Their dedication to Stewardship has brought us together. REI is committed to promoting environmental stewardship and increasing access to outdoor recreation through education, volunteerism, gear donations and financial contributions. We were proud to be their Charity of Choice for the month of September. They have gifted our Stewardship program this month by providing much needed tools for our program.