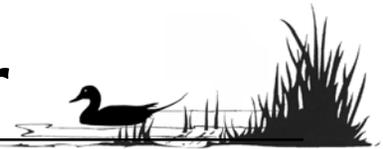


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Underwater Grasses Project – Part 2

In May 2002, students from the Calverton School and Plum Point Middle School came to Parkers Creek to plant the underwater grasses that they had been growing since early March. In addition to being a learning experience and a lot of fun, this is a key part of the ongoing effort to restore critical habitat throughout the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

As reported in the previous edition of the Watershed Observer, the ACLT has joined with both schools to participate in the *Grasses in Classes* program developed by Maryland's Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF). Underwater grasses, a.k.a. submerged aquatic vegetation or SAV, provides habitat critical to a healthy Bay ecosystem. There have been huge losses in SAVs in recent decades and SAV restoration is one of the Bay Program's highest priorities.

Like many other schools throughout Maryland, both schools grew their SAV (wild celery and sago pondweed) in the classroom. The plants were grown in plastic trays under controlled conditions during which the students performed a variety of experiments and monitored the plant's growth through March and April.

On the May 15, about 15 students from Calverton, along with their science teacher, Will Dorsey, came by bus to Double Oak. There, the stu-

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK ...

I hope many of you had the opportunity to see the article that ran in *The Calvert Recorder* on June 12 entitled "Canoe Trip Opens Eyes to Beauty." To me, this article summed up ACLT in a nutshell. We are all about sharing this wonderful resource, known as the Parkers Creek watershed, with the general public in order to foster greater appreciation of its unique natural beauty in the hopes that the opportunities that we provide will kindle a lasting love for the environment.

Those of you who had the opportunity to spend many lazy summer days of your childhood at Scientists' Cliffs and those of you who grew up year round in Calvert County or other rural areas (such as outside of Springfield, Ohio, where I grew up spending many lazy summer afternoons chasing butterflies and climbing trees) have a wealth of experiences upon which to draw in making the connection with nature. Unfortunately, many of today's generation of children growing up in urban and suburban environments will not have those daily experiences. A few snippets from the article will hopefully explain what I mean:

For most of the canoe trip, no signs of human habitation could be seen. There are no houses or structures on this part of the creek and virtually no noise except the slap of the water against the side of the canoe [and] the songs of birds and insects.

To the extent that we can provide a place for people to come and relax and enjoy Calvert County as it used to be, a place apart from the hustle and bustle of our everyday lives, a place where we can actually hear the songs of the birds and the insects and the slap of the water on the side of the canoe, we have made a contribution. Even better if we can throw in "a little bit of history and a little bit of science to make the trip both fun and educational."

One fourteen-year old girl along on the June ACLT canoe trip thought that:

If more people took trips like the ACLT's canoe trip, it would instill in them the importance of protecting the environment. She could not understand how anyone could see a place as beautiful as Parkers Creek and Warrior's Rest and not feel a tinge of guilt the next time they thought of tossing an empty soda can out the window.

Obviously, the ACLT canoe trips are effective at getting our message out!

AROUND ACLT

Warrior's Rest Update

Canoe trips

The next scheduled canoe trips up Parkers Creek are August 3 and October 5. The trips leave from Warrior's Rest at 10 a.m. and usually take about three hours depending on wind, tides, and the general sentiment of the paddlers. While we encourage all ACLT members and area residents to see Parkers Creek from the water, we caution that the trip is physically demanding, requiring at least three hours of paddling and possibly carrying a canoe for approximately one quarter mile. During the canoe trips, the property is closed to general visitors.

Fossil collecting

Fossil collecting in the Calvert County has long been a source of enjoyment for young and old alike. With a huge surge in the popularity of this activity for both recreational and commercial purposes, ACLT and the Department of Natural Resources have reviewed the collection policy at Warrior's Rest. Digging in the cliffs is expressly forbidden except by qualified, professional paleontologists. These skilled experts are not only able to gather valuable scientific data from the fossils, but to extract them in a safe manner from the crumbling unconsolidated cliff face. Department of Natural Resource officials have requested that collection along the beach be curtailed in an effort to restore the site to a more natural condition. We ask all ACLT members who visit the property to be mindful of this request.

Holly arboretum

Warrior's Rest is open the first and third Wednesday and Saturday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for enrolled holly adopters. Please log your visit at the brown sign-in box located in front of the old Doctor's office and be sure not to park where access to the house or beach is obstructed. Holly adopters are free to visit the beach during the open days, but cannot launch canoes, kayaks, or other watercraft per Department of Natural Resources regulations. Thank you again to the numerous people who have adopted holly trees in the old Jett holly arboretum. There are still many trees in need; please contact the ACLT office at 410-586-1570 if you are interested in helping the arboretum restoration effort.

Dan Sampson

Silent Auction Items Needed

We are requesting items to be donated for the ACLT Chili Cook Off and Silent Auction, which will be held September 14, 2002. Offer your best gifts, talents or items that will truly get the bidder's attention. Here are some items that have been offered in the past:

- ◆ Cruise on a 38-foot Sailboat.
- ◆ A week's stay in your vacation house in the Bahamas.
- ◆ Candlelit Dinner for two and tickets to a football game.
- ◆ Wrought Iron table with a hand painted top.

If you would like to make a donation to this year's auction, please send an email to Jerry Adams at jadams@olg.com

ACLT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 14 - **Chili Cook-off and Auction.** Enter your favorite recipe in the chili cook-off, make your bids at the silent auction, and enjoy the sounds of a live band. You won't want to miss this one!

October 19 - **ACLT Annual Membership Meeting** followed by a bus trip.

October 26 - **Tales of a Haunted Trail** - A safe trick-or-treating celebration held in Annmarie Garden.

Nov. 30–Dec. 14 - Trails north of Parkers Creek closed for hunting firearm season.

December 14 - **ACLT Greens Sale and Hayride.** Greens for the holidays, hot cider, and a hayride to the beach.

ACLT sponsored Canoe Trips:

August 3, and October 5.

Depart from Warrior's Rest and enjoy a scenic tour of Parkers Creek. Reservations are a must. Please call the ACLT office at 410-586-1570 or e-mail to adminaclt@chesapeake.net to register.

SPOTLIGHT ON VOLUNTEERS

Carl Fleischhauer

My participation in the ACLT has, from the start, focused on *cultural resources*. This term is used by governmental and private land management agencies in a deliberate echo of the term *natural resources*. Cultural resources can be dynamic and the term is intended to signal an interest in more than just static historic properties like archeological sites and old buildings.

The most rewarding parts of my work with the ACLT have concerned resources that are not fixed in a “properties” sense. One of these has been the nurturing of a relationship with our neighbors, the Wallace family. (See the obituary for Woodrow Wallace in this issue.) The cultural resource represented by the Wallaces is intangible: it consists of the knowledge and skills required to grow, cure, and market tobacco, the characteristic crop of Southern Maryland. Encouraging tobacco cultivation on our land was not *preserving* culture, i.e., freezing it as we might freeze a historic building. Nor did it entail a costumed reenactor, pretending to be a farmer. Instead, we sought to keep the active tradition alive, *conserving* culture just as the conservation of nature keeps the forest alive.

A second gratifying element in my ACLT volunteer work results from the exercise of my imagination. My fellow volunteer historical researchers—Mark Switzer, Art Cochran, Peter Vogt, and others—and I have started to build an image of our neighborhood during

the period between the Civil War and World War II. This vision informed the text and map in the ACLT booklet “Tobacco Landscape.” It also informs my walks and drives in our immediate area. I visualize the paths of the old roads (including what Peter calls “cultural oxbows”), picture where houses and barns must have been, trace the old fence and field lines, and imagine the old vistas. I strain to see the open fields now replaced by woodland, with the words of another neighbor, Bobby Weems, ringing in my ear, “It’s all gone, you know it’s all growed up, you can’t see nothing.”

Marcy Damon

The saying “circle of life” really does hold true. When I was growing up in New Hampshire, my father took me on a special trip to an overgrown field a few miles from our house. We went to see the last American chestnut tree still alive in the Mount Washington Valley, an event I was really too young to comprehend at the time.

It must have made an impression though because I’ve been involved personally and professionally in appreciating the earth and all that grows ever since. At ACLT, my husband and I have begun restoring a few holly trees at Warriors Rest, but mostly we enjoy the many miles of trails that ACLT opens to the public. I’ve helped plant underwater grasses with students and paddled up the creek as far as our kayaks would take us. Calvert County is fortunate to have open space, public access to the Bay and many of its creeks, and more than a touch of wildness. ACLT, by preserving so much land while still allowing access, provides people with much of that experience.

As Habitat Restoration Trainer at Chesapeake Bay Foundation, I work with adults and families in many hands-on activities, including growing and planting underwater grasses, trees for forest buffers, restoring wetlands, and leading workshops on Bay-friendly shoreline protection and landscaping. Before that, I worked as a naturalist at Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary in Lothian and with Mary Stuart

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Annual Membership Meeting 2002

The American Chestnut Land Trust’s Annual membership meeting will be held Saturday, October 19, 2002, at historic Christ Church which is located on Broome’s Island Road in Port Republic, Maryland. Coffee and donuts will be served at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be served following the meeting and there are tentative plans to provide a bus tour of the properties preserved through the Rural Legacy program. We hope to see you there!

Remembering Woodrow Wallace

Our neighbor Woodrow Wilson Wallace died on Easter Sunday at the age of 87. For a man as devout as Woodrow, it would have been impossible to have chosen a more appropriate day. His life and the lives of family members have been intertwined with the community of Scientists Cliffs for more than 50 years, and with the American Chestnut Land Trust since its start.

During his funeral at Greater Bible Way Church on Sixes Road, the testimony focused on Woodrow's four identities: church leader, head of family, carpenter, and farmer. Church members declared that Woodrow's thirty-eight years as leader of the Board of Deacons earned him the permanent title of "the Chairman." And several of Woodrow's children (he had nine) and grandchildren (there are thirteen) testified to his exemplary

moral guidance as the head of his household.

The funeral also provided an opportunity for Scientists Cliffs residents to reminisce about Woodrow as carpenter and construction contractor. Larry Lamson and Tommy Axley recalled their childhood in the 1950s, when Woodrow built or repaired their homes and those of their neighbors. Joe Showalter talked about hiring Woodrow and three of his brothers in Joe's construction business in the 1940s. Tommy's musings closed with the marvelous image of "the son of the carpenter (Jesus) leading this carpenter to the tree of life."

Woodrow's connections to the ACLT are largely associated with his fourth identity: tobacco farmer. Woodrow cultivated the fields at ACLT's main entrance on Scientists Cliffs Road until about 1991, when he had quadruple-bypass surgery. The operation shifted to his son Waymon "Frankie" Wallace, who harvested his most recent crop in 2000. Woodrow's use of these fields, however, predates the existence of our organization; he rented from prior landowner Flippo and Ann Gravatt for at least 10 or 15 years before the establishment of the ACLT.

The family connection to the land goes back even further: from 1909 until the Great Depression, Woodrow's grandfather Lemuel Wallace owned 99 acres just west of the roadside fields, a farm that is now part of the ACLT as well. During Woodrow's youth, it was

operated by Lemuel's son (Woodrow's uncle) William, who occupied the house that still stands in the woods that have grown up to replace the open fields of an earlier day. Lemuel—who must have been born around the time of the Civil War—lived at another house he owned on Parkers Creek Road.

Beginning in 1987, I visited Woodrow at home, in the fields, in the barn, and at the tobacco warehouse where his crop was marketed, and learned about his approach to raising, curing, and preparing the crop for market. I also received a glimpse of our rural neighborhood in the days before the founding of the Scientists Cliffs. It was an open landscape of working farms, with fields often edged by log fences. Travel along what is today called Scientists Cliffs Road required opening and closing gates—Woodrow remembered eleven between the turnoff from Parkers Creek Road and the property called Warriors Rest. Then as now, the neighborhood was home to African American and white residents, and a mix of farm owners and tenants. Woodrow's grandfather was a landowner but Woodrow's father, John Cephas Wallace (1884-1968) worked for a period as a sharecropper at the farm at the intersection of Parkers Creek Road and Highway 765, long owned by the Gray family and called "Sharpe's Outlet" (recently sold and now renamed "Destiny's Blessing"). Woodrow recalled helping his father there until about 1924, when the family bought their place on Scientists Cliffs Road. At the Gray farm, Woodrow told me, his father was furnished horses to work the land, and half the fertil-



izer, and at season's end, the family received one half of the crop.

"That was the hurting part," Woodrow said.

At the funeral, poems composed and read by Woodrow's relatives included the words "ambassador," "discerning," "practical," and "wisdom." I would add "resourceful" to the list. Carpentry and construction work require the ability to think and plan in four dimensions: the Cartesian trio in which the physical structure emerges, and the dimension of time in which the work progresses. Those who spoke of Woodrow as carpenter told how he created rooms and even buildings using his mind and hands. I was reminded of Chesapeake Bay boatbuilders who proceed by "rack of eye," creating complex forms in wood without the plans or half models used by industrial boat builders.

Farm work is similarly a mix of strategic planning and well-timed action. In Woodrow's case, the enterprise was thinly capitalized and the necessary tractors, planters, and trucks were never new and creatively repaired on an ad hoc basis. Spring meant juggling at least three elements: getting last year's crop to market, starting this year's crop in the ground, and wrestling with old and uncooperative equipment. Woodrow was a very successful juggler.

We will miss Woodrow and the green fields of August, both evoking a landscape that for hundreds of years was the very emblem of Southern Maryland.

— Carl Fleischhauer

EARTH DAY 2002

Every year ACLT has three cavernous dumpsters donated to us by the County for our annual Earth Day cleanup. And every year I have grave doubts as to whether or not we will be able to fill the dumpsters. I am gratified to have been wrong for two years running- this year was no exception; our dumpsters were again filled to overflowing.

This year's Earth Day cleanup, April 20, drew over 70 people—ACLT members and their families, local residents from as far away as St. Mary's County, and members of the Double Oak and Southern Maryland Hunt Clubs. After convening at 9 a.m. for an orientation and safety talk, volunteers fanned out to several work sites to commandeer trash in its myriad forms.

General roadside cleanup occurred along Scientists Cliffs and Parkers Creek Road in Port Republic, and Double Oak Road in Prince Frederick, while large site-specific tasks were tackled elsewhere. At Warrior's Rest, the remainder of the mobile home by the beach was cut up with welding torches and removed; thereby completing the demolition project started last Earth Day. On No Name Road (off Dares Beach Road in Prince Frederick), an old barn was cleared of straw and trash, and copious amounts of debris were removed from a very deep gully. And, in preparation for ongoing stabilization work, trash and an old tobacco crop were removed from the old barn on the Gravatt tract across from Gate C.

Following the cleanup, the Scientists' Cliffs community hosted a well attended bay side picnic. We hope to see you next year on Earth Day for this fun and very worthwhile event.

Special thanks go to Dawn and Chris Rosenlund for organizing the event and ensuring that all ran smoothly April 20.

— Dan Sampson

Earth Day.
Tools of
the trade.





The final sections of the old mobile home at Warrior's Rest are laid to rest by John Lewis.

Earth Day volunteers take on a very large and awkward tire. Upon righting the tire, it was rolled into the dumpster for subsequent proper disposal.



No Name Road project leader Ken Romney scales a tree to fasten a pulley to a stout branch. The pulley at the top of a deep gully was then used to heft large pieces of construction debris from the bottom to the roadside where waiting volunteers transported the material to a nearby dumpster.



Diana Dennett, Peter Stathis, and Paul Dennett proudly display this unusual object found by Gate E on Scientists' Cliffs Road.

Stalwart Earth Day volunteers Flo Ford and Jim Greene manning the grill at the picnic following the cleanup.



The Barns of ACLT

Calvert County's once almost completely agrarian landscape is increasingly visible only in fragmentary form between strip malls and housing developments. An unfortunately common site in the region is to see farm buildings in various stages of disrepair, ranging from recent abandonment to near-collapse. While these structures may no longer serve a utilitarian purpose, their presence serves to remind us of the dramatic recent changes in agriculture, land use, and lifestyle that have served as the impetus for the formation of ACLT and other local conservation organizations.

Charged with the preservation of Calvert County's natural and *cultural* resources, ACLT has initiated repair work on three of the old barns on ACLT owned and managed property. While all of the historical buildings on ACLT lands are significant in their own way, the funds to restore them all are far beyond our limited means. With the invaluable assistance of resident folklife specialist Carl Fleischhauer (see volunteer profile), the buildings most worthy of attention were selected based on a number of criteria including historical and architectural value, context in the landscape, and existing condition. Three barns were selected for initial work in 2002: two are located north of the Creek on the Goldstein property; while the third, perhaps more familiar to most, lies on the Gravatt property across from Scientists' Cliffs Gate C.



Percy Howard Barn on the Gravatt West Property, near Gate C on Scientists Cliffs Road.

The Bay front farm on the land purchased from Louis Goldstein represents an intact farmstead consisting of a farmhouse, three barns, corncrib, tobacco stripping shed, and other outbuildings surrounded by forty acres of fields that are leased to adjoining landowner Wilson Freeland and remain in active row crop cultivation. This spring, ACLT contracted with Amish barn builder Levi Hertzler and Co. to work on two of the Bay Farm barns to patch missing roofing, replace rotten sills and other structural members, hang new doors, and replace siding as needed. By keeping the roof tight and ensuring that the internal structural mem-

bers are sound, the old barns were given a new lease on life.

More recently, a volunteer-based work group converged on the decrepit Gate C barn. As you may be aware from driving past the barn, it's in rough shape with collapsing walls, rotten to the point of missing sills and corner posts, and a noticeable slump on either end. Whether a barn was framed with oak, pegged together with locust, and sided with cedar, or built on a somewhat lesser scale, as was this barn, it had a purpose and now has a history, both of which are worth remembering. The structure is a notable local landmark and will be of

Left: North Tobacco Barn on the Goldstein Property north of Parkers Creek. Right: Construction detail for North Tobacco Barn.





Central Tobacco Barn on Goldstein Property north of Parkers Creek.

great service to the land trust for both storage and educational outreach when fully stabilized. As of this writing, one end of the barn has been brought level by being raised approximately one foot in anticipation of setting new sills. When the barn's foundation has been made true and solid, the collapsed walls will be reattached to the internal framing, and new siding and doors placed.

ACLT would like to recognize the following individuals who have made special donations of their time and funds to further ACLT's cultural preservation efforts: Dan Boesz, Marie Bundy, Art Cochran, Carl Fleischhauer, John Little, and Mimi Lacouture. If you would like to make a contribution towards structural restoration on lands owned and/or managed by ACLT, please contact the ACLT office at 410-586-1570.

— Dan Sampson

Barn Typology

The southernmost barn of the three on the bayfront farm (owned by Louis Goldstein from 1949-2001) is a timber-framed structure, similar in form to the barn that was refurbished by Scientists Cliffs residents in 1987-89. In this type, the supporting structure is made of large timbers; examples from the early decades of the nineteenth century may feature hewn or pit-sawn members. One identifier for this type is the location of the main doors under the eaves. Farmers would pull their ox-, horse-, or mule-drawn harvesting wagons to the door and hand in the sticks of tobacco to hang. The northernmost barn on the bayfront farm—the one that was just repaired—is also timber framed and may once have presented itself in this way. But expansions and additions have obscured its core form; we need to survey the structure to reckon out its evolution. Expansion over time is a hallmark of many Calvert barns: the more tobacco you could hang, the more money you made.

Another common barn type—seemingly from the period of farm mechanization, beginning in the 1930s (possibly the 1920s)—is constructed of “dimension lumber” from modern sawmills, has doors in the gable ends, and is symmetrical in cross-section. Here, farmers would use tractors to pull their wagons into the barn and hang tobacco by handing the sticks up to the men above. The barn being repaired on Percy Howard's old farm on Scientists Cliffs Road is of this type, small and “flimsy,” as Ken Romney reports. The middle barn at the bayfront farm as well as a barn on the former Ward property are also of this type, albeit of better quality and, in the case of the bayfront example, much larger. [See ACLT's barns under “Cultural Resources/Structures” on the ACLT Web site (<http://acltweb.org>). Other barns on our lands are more difficult for me to categorize. A pair of barns at Warrior's Rest resemble the newer type

described in the last paragraph, but have doors under the eaves. Meanwhile, the ACLT has no examples of type that is still seen elsewhere in the county (at least until the new subdivisions extirpate them): twentieth century barns that present an asymmetric profile from the gable end. This appears to be a variant of the type described in the preceding paragraph, but one that was built with a “shed addition” incorporated from the start. The less steeply pitched side of the roof extends the structure to cover the added area.

— Carl Fleischhauer





ACLT President Karen Edgecombe (left) explains the successful protection efforts in the Parkers Creek watershed to Governor William Donald Schaefer, Comptroller of the state of Maryland. Joining the Comptroller are (left to right) Steve Bunker, The Nature Conservancy; Mike Nelson, Interium Deputy Director of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources; Deputy Comptroller Gary Thorpe; and ACLT's Executive Director, Peg Niland (not pictured). Governor Schaefer sits on the Board of Public Works which approves funding expenditures for land acquisition by the State of Maryland. He was given a tour of properties being considered for protection by Rural Legacy funding and those parcels already preserved.

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dents were joined by DNR Secretary Chuck Fox and several ACLT volunteers. After a long walk down to the creek each of the small plants were carefully planted in about two feet of water under the supervision of Tom Parham of DNR and ACLT's Land Manager, Dan Sampson. May 22 was Plum Point's turn- another 15 students, many parents, their teacher John Pellock and Principal Dr. Reidy came to Parkers Creek to plant their SAV.

The main planting challenge was mud! Centuries of accumulated mud in Parkers Creek required careful walking out to the planting site. Despite everyone's best efforts, the mud was often knee deep, or deeper as some students found out the hard way. Nonetheless, the mud contributed to the spirit of the day, and the plants were all successfully planted.

During the SAV growing season (through October), DNR will help us monitor the health and growth of the new plants. We hope the grasses will thrive and improve the natural habitat in Parkers Creek. Obstacles to success include hungry non-native carp, turbidity that restricts light penetration and, now, severe drought conditions.

Whatever the outcome, we plan to maintain the partnerships with the schools and turn the SAV planting into an annual event. It has already demonstrated educational benefits, encouraged stewardship, and introduced many new people to ACLT's lands and mission. And, there will also be plenty of opportunities for excellent science projects.

—Ted Graham

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Sierra at Lower Marlboro Nursery. At home, our nest is getting emptier each year, with one son out of college, one son in college and one son a year away from college. Gradually, I am restoring my own landscape by planting native trees, shrubs and perennials, reducing lawn area and enlarging our front yard wetland. Where can you learn about natural landscapes for your home? Walking around Land Trust property of course!

A Note of Appreciation

The Calvert Retired Teachers Association (CRTA) which sponsors the 4th grade program at the One-Room School for the Calvert County Public Schools is profoundly grateful for the help of four ACLT members! Jane Head, Ken and Mary Ellen Romney and Dan Sampson have been trail guides on the one-mile walk to school through the woods on the grounds of Christ Church. They responded to our cry for help and seemed to enjoy the unique experience as much as the children. Any other members of ACLT who would like to volunteer would be greatly appreciated. You won't be disappointed!

— Elaine Dunkle for CRTA (410-586-0482)



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Reaching Sustaining Member Status

Ms. Betty Lou Johnston
Dr. and Mrs. John Saunders

Memorials

A very special thank you goes out to the following for gifts in memory of special friends:

Ms. Elaine Dunkle in memory of Mrs. Margaret Gilbert.

Come Join Us!

Detach and Mail to: The American Chestnut Land Trust, Inc., P.O. Box 204, Port Republic, MD 20676

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_____ Land Saver - \$35.00

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_____ Land Conservator - \$150.00

_____ Habitat Protector - \$500.00

_____ Trustee of Land - \$1000.00

_____ Sustaining (Lifetime) - \$2500.00

_____ Corporate - \$150.00

_____ Youth Gift Memberships - *To encourage youth involvement with the environment, memberships will be given to eligible youth in the community. Contact ACLT office for further information.*

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