



Protecting Forested Land & Rural Communities Through Working Forests

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Dear Friends,

I recently heard a piece of folklore that the spring peeper frogs, with their deafening chorus, will “freeze out” three times before spring is here to stay. Last week was the third “freeze out” here in northwest Pennsylvania, and spring does seem to be settling in. With it comes an exciting flurry (pardon the winter reference) of activity and events from the Foundation for Sustainable Forests!

Recently, the Foundation has made the news with headlines such as “*Forest Foundation to help protect 144 acres in Erie County*”, “*Erie launches program to preserve urban forests*”, and just last week “*Spartansburg forester to be honored for commitment to environmental work*”. The last one refers to our President Troy Firth, who is being awarded the Pennsylvania Environmental Council and Dominion Energy’s Western PA Environmental Award, and the PA Land Trust Association’s Lifetime Conservation Achievement Award. In summary, wow! And perhaps more appropriately, thank you.

While you may not see a direct link between the headlines above and your role in them, I can see it as clear as day. The Foundation is growing, developing strong roots and branching out towards the full realization of its mission. This is because of you. Through your curiosity, support and engagement, you are taking this organization from a vision to an institution on the move. Whether new to the fold bringing fresh energy and ideas, or a long-time member who has been steadfast in your support, thank you. You are important to this organization, and we couldn’t make headlines without you.

And so, I am asking you to show your commitment to furthering the Foundation’s mission in the year ahead by making a membership gift today. Will you contribute \$100 to help sustain the organization’s operations and land conservation efforts? If able, will you be a Forest Partner member to also support our year-round schedule of events and outreach programs? As you will see in the form below, our membership rates have gone up this year, after little change since the beginning of the program eight years ago. We are committed to keeping the Foundation accessible to all, and hope you will understand this change.

As a member, you will receive quarterly publications and invitations to events, free admittance to our annual conference, and the peace of mind in knowing that your contribution will be well-placed in protecting our forests and the communities they support now and for the future. Please make your contribution today, and let us see what we can accomplish together in the year ahead!

Sincerely,

Annie (Socci) Maloney, PhD
Executive Director



2019 Membership Form

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Category: \$25 Individual \$50 Family \$100+ Sustaining \$250+ Forest Partner

I would like to be contacted about Planned Giving or long-term conservation of my woodland.

I plan to attend the "Loving the Land Through Working Forests" Conference on May 11th! (free to Members)

Names of Attendees: _____

Please make checks payable to "The Foundation for Sustainable Forests" and return to 22418 Firth Rd, Spartansburg, PA 16434