



# news

## TRIANGLE LAND CONSERVANCY

### Mark's Creek Partners Conserve Eagle Rock Property

In August, the Mark's Creek Rural Lands Initiative partners conserved another 12.5 acres. The land, sold by Eagle Rock Investment Company, is adjacent to a 110-acre tract purchased by Wake County in 2007. The property is mostly forested in hardwoods with a small agricultural field that is reverting to pine. It contains about 4.3 acres of wetland and approximately 1,000 feet of stream that feed Mark's Creek.

The Mark's Creek Rural Lands Initiative partners—Wake County, The Trust for Public Land and TLC—are working to protect the important stream buffers and wetlands, natural habitats, scenic and historic places, rural landscapes, and working farms and forests in the Mark's Creek watershed. To date, the partnership has conserved 1,139 acres in this highly threatened area.

The Mark's Creek landscape is a 50,000-acre watershed that straddles the Wake-Johnston county line, 12 miles northeast of Clayton. This area, where fields and forests are interspersed with rural

churches, family cemeteries, and country stores, has been named a "Last Chance Landscape" by Scenic America. The landscape is a watershed rich with historic homesteads, scenic vistas, rare plant communities, and swaths of mature hardwood forest recognized as ecologically significant by the NC Natural Heritage Program. Additionally, the area is one of the largest contiguous areas of undeveloped land in the Triangle.

With the completion of the US 64 bypass and the imminent development of I-540 and the Clayton bypass, this area has increasingly become desirable for residential devel-

*See Mark's Creek, page 2*



Photo by Ron Flory

### TLC awarded \$5 million from Clean Water Fund

Six Triangle Land Conservancy projects were awarded a total of \$5.38 million by the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund Board on August 11.

The six conservation projects are spread around four Triangle region counties, with one each in Chatham and Durham and two each in Orange and Wake. In all, the six TLC projects will conserve a total of 1,100 acres with a total appraised value of approximately \$21 million.

The largest award, \$3.27 million, went to the Brumley Tract/Stony Creek project in Orange County. TLC is purchasing the 606-acre Brumley Tract for about \$5 million, a bargain sale from the \$12.25 million value of the land.

The land was owned by George and Julia Brumley of Chapel Hill since the late 1980s. George Brumley was a TLC board member in 2003 when a plane carrying him and Julia, their two children and several other family members crashed into a mountain-side in Kenya, killing all on board.

After their deaths, the land was passed to the Zeist Foundation, an Atlanta-based family foundation started by George Brumley's fa-

*See Clean Water Fund, page 7*

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# TLC Plans to Succeed

*By Kevin Brice, President and CEO*

Triangle Land Conservancy has an extraordinary record of achievement—which we as TLC members and supporters can be very proud. But this record of achievement sometimes overshadows the many hours that go into planning and cultivation. It is the classic iceberg

analogy: what you see in terms of achievement is only the tip of a massive body of planning that lies below the water's surface.

We learned the irreplaceable value of planning early on, as evidenced by the master planning that took place for the conservation of New Hope Creek, Deep River, Little River in Orange and Durham counties, Mark's Creek and the Neuse River Lowgrounds. TLC's ultimate planning feat was the Triangle GreenPrint, which identified and made the case for a region-wide green infrastructure that would improve our quality of life.

The planning continues today at TLC, including our look at the conservation opportunities in the Southwest Shore Wilderness along the Haw River and Jordan Lake in Chatham County, a study made possible by a generous grant from the Cannon Foundation of Concord, NC (see article on page 6).

Why do we spend so much time and effort in planning? Because planning fuels our extraordinary record of achievement. With your continued support, it is a winning formula for innovative local conservation.

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## Mark's Creek

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opment. As the population around Mark's Creek continues to grow, the importance of protecting stream buffers increases. Mark's Creek and its tributaries play an important role in filtering sediment and nutrients from upstream stormwater from rapidly-growing Knightdale and Wendell on its way to the Neuse River.

In addition, the Mark's Creek Rural Lands are envisioned as the site of a large regional web of interconnected greenways and parklands. Only 20 minutes from Raleigh and even closer to the growing community of Clayton, this critical wildlife corridor could become a regional destination for hik-

ing, nature study, hunting, fishing and general outdoor recreation. According to plans, the North Carolina Mountains-to-Sea Trail (MST) will follow the Neuse River from Falls Lake through the Mark's Creek watershed to New Bern. The plan recognizes a spur trail off the MST following Mark's Creek up to Lake Myra. In addition, the towns of Wendell, Knightdale and Clayton include greenways to Mark's Creek in their plans.

For more information about the Mark's Creek Rural Lands Initiative, go to [www.tlc-nc.org/Markscreek/overview.shtml](http://www.tlc-nc.org/Markscreek/overview.shtml).

# Meet Our Members of the Month

Visit our website ([www.triangleland.org](http://www.triangleland.org)) each month for a more in-depth look at these wonderful TLC members!

## November

### Gina and Carlton Goldthwaite



Gina and Carlton Goldthwaite joined TLC in 2007 in part because of concerns over the rapid growth they've seen in Raleigh since moving here in 1994. Originally from New York and New Jersey respectively, Gina and Carlton left behind jobs on Wall Street to move to

North Carolina and begin entirely new careers. Carlton founded Broadreach, a company that provides international experiential summer adventures for teens. Gina completed a veterinary degree at NC State and practiced for two-and-a-half years before becoming a full-time mom to daughters Peyton (6), Baylor (4), and Phoebe (3.) Gina and Carlton both enjoy travel, gardening, outdoor activities and volunteering at The Raleigh School.

## January

### Jennifer Kleckner and Jeremy Deyton

Durham residents Jennifer Kleckner and Jeremy Deyton are both teachers at Durham's Charles E. Jordan High School. Jennifer, a native of Pennsylvania, teaches English classes, and western North Carolina native Jeremy teaches a variety of science classes. Jennifer and Jeremy joined TLC in 2007 and attended their first TLC event, The Green Jamboree at Irvin Farm, in June. "We support TLC because while we understand the need for change, we would like to see natural areas preserved for future generations," says Jennifer.

When not teaching or grading papers, they enjoy cooking, working in their garden, and renovating their 1940s home. Jennifer and Jeremy are engaged and live with their cat, Sam.



## December

### Catherine Bollinger and Tom Scheitlin

Avid gardeners Catherine Bollinger and Tom Scheitlin have recently been collaborating to share their gardening secrets with the rest of the Triangle. Catherine's column "Garden Snippings" appears in the Saturday "Home & Garden"



section of the *News & Observer* and is illustrated with Tom's photos of plants in their garden. Tom, an Arizona native, is Branch Chief of the US Environmental Protection Agency's Center for Environmental Computing in the RTP. North Carolina native Catherine is a freelance writer and editor. They spend much of their free time enhancing the habitats on their five acres in Chatham County, where they have lived for almost twenty years. Catherine and Tom have been members of TLC since 2001.



## River Society Challenge Raising Funds for OUR WATER, OUR LAND

The challenge to River Society members issued in May has inspired new gifts to the OUR WATER, OUR LAND campaign. Several River Society members have responded to the challenge issued by two anonymous donors who agreed to match all campaign gifts from River Society members dollar for dollar up to \$200,000 through 2008. To date, \$46,800 has been donated through the challenge, resulting in \$93,600 for TLC's Land Opportunity Fund and stewardship programs!

TLC's River Society members are those families, corporations and foundations that give \$1,000 or more annually to TLC's general operations and who collectively provide nearly 50% of the organization's operating revenue.

The anonymous donors, both River Society members, hope their challenge will encourage others to support the campaign while continuing their River Society membership.

"Having our members giving to both the River Society and to the OUR WATER, OUR LAND campaign is vital to TLC's success as an organization," says President Kevin Brice. "River Society donations allow TLC to stay open for business. Donations to OUR WATER, OUR LAND provide the capital TLC needs to acquire land and easements as well as conduct special stewardship projects, like expanding trails at our nature preserves and restoring native species. We simply cannot have one without the other."

More than \$150,000 in challenge money remains, and TLC staff and volunteers are working with River Society members to secure additional gifts and pledges before the end of the year. Pledges can be paid over a three- to five-year period, but the pledge itself must be in hand prior to December 31st to receive the matching funds. For more information about the challenge or the campaign, please contact Cheryl Chamblee, Associate Director, OUR WATER, OUR LAND, at 833-3662, ext. 114, or [cheryl@triangleland.org](mailto:cheryl@triangleland.org).

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*A Campaign to Conserve Our Community's Natural Heritage*

## Campaign Places: Projects Funded by *OUR WATER, OUR LAND*

### White Pines Nature Preserve

Using the Land Opportunity Fund, TLC acquired 86 acres near its White Pines Nature Preserve in Chatham County in May 2007. TLC used campaign funds to expand the trail system at White Pines as well. The 288-acre preserve now boasts three miles of hiking trails that offer beautiful views of the forest and the Deep and Rocky Rivers.

Read more about this Campaign Place in the *OUR WATER, OUR LAND* section of the TLC [website](#).



### HagerSmith donates \$15,000 in land design services

Thanks to the generosity of HagerSmith Design, P.A. of Raleigh, TLC's *OUR WATER, OUR LAND* campaign now has \$15,000 in pro-bono land design services to put toward Stewardship of conserved properties. Projects for HagerSmith could include site planning for new and existing nature preserves, trail expansion design, and/or master planning for an existing property. HagerSmith is a full-service multi-disciplinary architecture, landscape architecture and planning firm, and TLC is so grateful for their important contribution. Both past River Society Chair Jim Smith, AIA, and longtime TLC volunteer Jimmy Thiem, ASLA, are principals of the firm.

### Nelson hosts brunch for *OUR WATER, OUR LAND*

*OUR WATER, OUR LAND* campaign Committee member Elliott Nelson is a naturally charming and generous hostess, and the September *OUR WATER, OUR LAND* brunch at her home was certainly proof of that. Elliott gathered her friends so she could share her passion for the work TLC is doing through the campaign. The women shared stories of memorable moments spent enjoying the outdoors, and they heard about how TLC's *OUR WATER, OUR LAND* campaign is conserving land in the Triangle so that we can all continue to enjoy nature for generations to come. After a lovely (and lively!) brunch at a beautifully prepared table, TLC had made great new friends in North Raleigh.

### Backyard Bash Brings Bounty to TLC

Former TLC Board member Celeste Burns and her husband Alex Johnson have a fabulously creative backyard, a perfect spot to host their friends for a September *OUR WATER, OUR LAND* party. Happy kids chased chickens, took turns on the tree swing, and played in the vegetable garden. Equally happy grown-ups drank wine, bid on silent auction items, and learned about TLC's *OUR WATER, OUR LAND* campaign. Read more about this event online at [www.tlc-nc.org/OWOL/burns.html](http://www.tlc-nc.org/OWOL/burns.html).



### New trail at Johnston Mill

Johnston Mill Nature Preserve has a new trail thanks to the *OUR WATER, OUR LAND* campaign. The new trail offers a 2-mile loop traversing forests, fields and floodplains. Highlights of the trail include beautiful views from the ridgeline overlooking Old Field Creek and a new bridge made from red cedar harvested and milled on site. Thanks to all the donors and volunteers who made this new trail possible!

### Campaign Faces: The people behind *OUR WATER, OUR LAND*

#### John & Janice McAdams

It may seem like a contradiction that past TLC chairman John McAdams is president of a design firm that works with the land development industry, but John believes that development is acceptable as long as it is done in tandem with land protection.

Read more about John and Janice's commitment to *OUR WATER, OUR LAND* [online](#).



[www.tlc-nc.org/OWOL/ourwaterourland.html](http://www.tlc-nc.org/OWOL/ourwaterourland.html)

# Wake-Johnston assessment identifies land most crucial for conservation

“**W**hat did you do this summer?”

TLC summer intern Dan Bursuck has a great answer to that old question: he identified the most important farmland for conservation in Wake and Johnston counties.

A graduate student in the Dept. of City & Regional Planning at UNC-CH, Dan used GIS technology and data to develop a conservation assessment that, with a few tweaks, can be applied across TLC’s region.

The assessment evaluates the landscape to identify specific properties that would provide the most benefit to water quality and wildlife habitat, and would protect the most viable working farms and forests.

Wake and Johnston counties have both consistently ranked in the top 20

counties in the state for tobacco production. These counties were selected because rapidly urbanizing areas are consuming their agricultural land base. In the future, TLC hopes to expand this analysis to the entire six-county region.

Funded by a grant from the NC Tobacco Trust Fund Commission, the analysis evaluated properties based on soils, hydrology, floodplain boundaries, occurrences of rare or endangered species, roads, and existing conservation lands to identify high priority parcels for conservation.

The final product of the assessment is a database of properties that can be referenced when TLC is contacted by landowners interested in conservation, and will provide the basis for TLC’s landowner outreach.



Tracy Joseph left TLC in September for a position with the Triangle Community Foundation.

Tracy, TLC’s Development

Director since 2004, was a driving force behind the OUR WATER, OUR LAND campaign and numerous other fundraising efforts. We wish her the best and look forward to working with her in her new position.

## TLC Goes to College

TLC has a history of good working relationships with area universities. This fall, TLC is taking those relationships to the classroom.

TLC President Kevin Brice and Director of Conservation Strategies Jeff Masten have joined Dr. George Hess to co-teach a class in the NC State University School of Forestry.

The graduate level class, Measuring Conservation Benefits, is using TLC’s work as a case study for developing ways to quantify the success of conservation projects. The goal is to provide a working methodology for TLC to use as an accountability tool. This tool will evaluate what types of projects have been successful in the past to guide TLC when determining what projects to tackle in the future.

In addition to the class at NC State this fall, TLC staff have guest lectured at Duke University, UNC-Chapel Hill and NC State, and have provided real-world assignments for a variety of classes.

“We provide the students with real assignments related to our properties, and ask them to discover things we want to know,” said Masten. “In return, the students provide answers that help us accomplish our goals.”

Several area professors provide their expertise to TLC as committee members. The Conservation Strategies Committee has members from Duke, UNC-Chapel Hill and NC State. These professors serve as advisors and help TLC make wise decisions.

## TLC Studies Southwest Shore Wilderness, Recommends Conservation to Chatham Developer

**A**wilderness of more than 10,000 acres lays along the southwest shore of the Haw River and Jordan Lake in Chatham County. Dotted by the remnants of past settlement, this land is one of the largest, unfragmented areas in the Triangle and drains into Jordan Lake, the second largest drinking water supply for the region.

Within the Southwest Shore Wilderness, Preston Development Company has assembled almost 6,000 acres and plans to develop the largest mixed-use project in Chatham County’s history. Here is where this story takes an unusual turn.

Earlier this year, Preston contacted TLC and the Chatham Conservation Partnership. Before planning its development, Preston wanted to know which areas have the highest priority for conservation.

“Often, land trusts are contacted once the development is plotted, rather than providing input about

which areas are the most important to protect,” said Leigh Ann Cienek, TLC Conservation Planner. “We really enjoy the opportunity to offer insight and suggestions about properties toward the beginning of the development process.”

TLC assembled a team of experts from government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and interested citizens to conduct the assessment with funding from The Cannon Foundation. Members of the group made 20 site visits in May and June to study the area.

TLC’s resulting report describes the landscape and provides a detailed list of recommendations to protect the most significant natural areas in the Southwest Shore Wilderness.

For more information about the Southwest Shore Wilderness study, contact Leigh Ann Cienek at [lcienek@triangleland.org](mailto:lcienek@triangleland.org).

## Portion of White Pines Promontory Along Deep River State Trail Protected

At the end of July, NC State Parks purchased the Cashion tract, 46 acres of forested land along the Deep River in Lee County.

Directly downstream from the Hearn/Dawkins tract (a State Parks project completed in May 2006 with TLC's assistance), the Cashion tract includes portions of the White Pines Promontory, a federally significant Natural Heritage Site. TLC negotiated the purchase with the landowners, wrote grant applications to assist funding, and managed the appraisal, survey, and environmental assessment for the transaction.

This tract, held by the state as "conservation land," will become part of the Deep River State Trail, a series of access points, conserved lands and recreation areas stretching along the Deep from its headwaters in Guilford County through Randolph and Moore counties to the confluence of the Deep and Haw rivers in Chatham and Lee counties.

Sold by Lisa L. Johnson Cashion and Kathy L. Johnson McClearn, conservation of the tract protects almost a mile of river frontage and tributary streams to benefit the water quality of the Deep River.

### IRA Giving Extended

President Bush signed an extension of the IRA charitable rollover provision through December 31, 2009. The provision permits individuals to roll over up to \$100,000 from an individual retirement account (IRA) directly to a charity without recognizing the assets transferred to the qualifying charity as income. For more information, contact Aime Mitchell at 833-3662 x116 or [amitchell@triangleland.org](mailto:amitchell@triangleland.org).

## Mclver Landing Boat Launch

TLC Land Manager Walt Tysinger and his team of interns built a much needed canoe ramp at Mclver Landing this summer. A hand crank to raise and lower canoes and kayaks up and down the ramp will eventually be added, making Mclver Landing an even greater way to access the Deep River State Trail.



## Clean Water Fund

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ther. Working together to conserve Orange County's second-largest privately owned parcel, TLC and the Zeist Foundation have agreed upon a sizable bargain sale of the property for the purpose of establishing a nature preserve in memory of George, Julia and their family.

The Brumley Tract is one of the last two remaining parcels of undeveloped land greater than 600 acres remaining in private ownership in Orange County. It is also located directly next to the 487-acre Eno Division of Duke Forest.

With almost five miles of streams that flow into the Eno River then Falls Lake, the property is critical for water quality protection. Along with its water quality features, the tract's natural communities, historic resources, location,

and connectivity distinguish it as one of the most critical conservation sites in the Triangle region.

In addition to the \$3.27 million grant from the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund, TLC has secured \$250,000 in funding from the Upper Neuse Clean Water Initiative. TLC has until the end of 2009 to raise the remaining \$1.6 million needed to complete the purchase.

Other projects receiving funding from the CWMTF will protect the Little River, Swift Creek, the Rocky River, the Deep River, New Hope Creek, Mark's Creek and the Neuse River.

To find out more about these projects, go to [www.tlc-nc.org/news/articles/2008/cleanwaterfunding08.pdf](http://www.tlc-nc.org/news/articles/2008/cleanwaterfunding08.pdf)



Durham Academy ninth graders spent August 28 and 29 removing the invasive plant *Microstegium* at Johnston Mill Nature Preserve.

# River Society Soiree

On October 16, over 100 TLC members and guests gathered in downtown Raleigh at the Raleigh City Museum for the annual River Society Soiree. Event participants celebrated the River Society's part in TLC's success over the past 25 years and learned more about both the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. The event also included a silent art auction featuring the work of local artists David Connell, Beth Goldston, and Jessica Poland. TLC's

River Society is comprised of more than 300 people who make annual membership contributions of \$1,000 or more.

Thanks to 2008 River Society chairs Carole and Frank Gailor for hosting this year's Soiree. Special thanks also to Robin Rhatigan, John Gilreath, and the staff of Lip Service Catering for their generous contributions that helped make this wonderful event possible.



⊞ River Society members enjoy an October gathering at the Raleigh City Museum.



⊞ TLC Membership Coordinator Marisa Bryant with River Society Chairs Frank & Carole Gailor.

⊞ Michael Barnes, Beth Goldston, Bryan & Margaret Goldston

To learn more about joining the River Society, visit [www.triangleland.org](http://www.triangleland.org) and click on Donate, or call TLC at 919-833-3662.



⊞ Dale Threatt-Taylor talking to Leonard Prosnitz



⊞ Anne Stoddard talking to Larry & Mary Zucchino

⊞ Larry Tombaugh, Anne Stoddard, Skip & Lisa London

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July 1, 2008, through September 30, 2008

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Susie Crate  
Deep River Park  
Association

*Montgomery Laurel Bluffs*

Jenny & Gary Nolan

*New Hope Creek Park/  
Hollow Rock Trailhead*  
Durham Academy - Alex  
Nozick (Advisor)

## *Pegg Hill*

Mike & Chris Schafale  
Jim Suiter

## *Second Island*

Juan Pons

## *Steep Bottom*

Craig Armstrong  
Rudy Juliano

## *Swift Creek Bluffs*

Sunny Allen  
Ross Andrews  
Leslie Benfer  
David Bland  
Jamie Bonner  
Amin Davis  
Emily Etter  
Tom Harville  
Amy Klaenhammer

## *Temple Flat Rock*

Karen & Joe Bearden  
Elizabeth Scherrer

## *Tilley's Branch*

Margaret Hazen  
Portia McKnight  
Liz Pullman

## *White Pines Preserve*

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Erin Lunsford  
Lovick Miller  
Debbie Roos  
Rick Savage

## *Wood's Mill Bend*

Ken Winter

## Stewardship Assistance

Duke Law School  
Durham Academy  
Bo Howes  
Margaux Masten  
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Raleigh Charter H.S.

## Volunteer Recruiting

Karen Bearden



## Site Stewards

*Flower Hill*  
John Minton  
Chris Plummer  
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Donna Wright

## *Middle Creek Bottomlands*

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## Backyard Adventures

With the high price of gas, many people are looking for getaways close to home. So, TLC is happy to announce a new feature - Backyard Adventures! Every month for the next year, we will provide an itinerary for discovering some of the natural and cultural jewels of the Triangle. Look online to see where our next adventure will take you.

[www.tlc-nc.org/backyard.shtml](http://www.tlc-nc.org/backyard.shtml)

## 2008 Farm Bill extends landowner tax incentives

The 2008 Farm Bill expanded the federal income tax benefits available to landowners who donate conservation easements. These benefits will expire at the end of 2009 unless Congress takes action to extend them. Find out more about federal and North Carolina state tax benefits at [www.tlc-nc.org/landowner/federaltaxincentive.shtml](http://www.tlc-nc.org/landowner/federaltaxincentive.shtml).

## New Hope artist opens studio/gallery to benefit TLC on Nov. 23

Artist Emily Eve Weinstein, whose book *Saving Magic Places* features 100 color plates of her New Hope Creek paintings, opens her studio for a TLC benefit on Sunday, November 23. Guests can drop by 501 Landerwood Lane, Chapel Hill, any time between 1 and 4 pm to view Emily's paintings, talk with her about her work, and purchase books and paintings. Emily will be donating 35 percent of sales to TLC. TLC staff will also be on hand to talk about our work. Light refreshments will be served. We hope you can join us!

## 25th Anniversary Outings

This series of monthly events offers members the chance to connect with many of TLC's most important conservation projects from the past 25 years. Learn more and register by visiting [triangleland.org](http://triangleland.org) and clicking on 'News and Events' then 'Events and Outings.'

### Date

November 8  
December 6  
December 12

### Outing/Event

Deep River Historical Tour  
Irvin Farm Conservation Tour  
Moonlight Hike at Johnston Mill  
Nature Preserve