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A Message from our President

Since our first newsletter this spring, the CMLT has been busy with fundraising, workshops, and a Rural Legacy application. Read more about Rural Legacy in this issue to realize why we chose this tool to help protect the rich natural resources of this Region.

In April, over 60 people attended my portrayal of Mrs. Molly Carroll, describing the life and times of the Charles Carroll family. Thanks to our many guests and to Alcoa Eastalco Works, a strong supporter of the CMLT, for allowing the Trust to use the historic Carrollton Manor House. It is a perfect setting for learning more about our rich agricultural tradition, which enriches all those who live in the Adamstown Region.

As you know, the agriculture industry faces many threats; the number of

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FamilyFestival@TheFarm

Self guided farm tour set for October 19th and 20th, 2002

The Frederick County Office of Economic Development along with the Ag-Industry Public Relations Committee is planning a self-guided farm tour. This free one weekend event will give the citizens in the region an opportunity to visit some of Frederick Counties working farms.



FamilyFestival@TheFarm will provide hands-on activities for families who would like to spend a "day of fun" on the farm. Citizens of Frederick County and the surrounding region will have an opportunity to visit one, two or all ten farms if they choose. A printed guide that will include a map and description of what participants will experience at each farm will be available this summer at the Office of Economic Development and the Tourism Council of Frederick.

The CMLT will be "under the tent" at Hedgeapple Farm, one of the ten participating farms. Hedgeapple is located off Route 85 on the northern end of Buckeystown. Other farms on the tour are: Brookfield Farm LLC, Elk Run Vineyard, Glade Link Farm, J Bar W Ranch, Mount Airy Alpaca Co., Scenic View Orchard, South Mountain Creamery, Windsong Arabians, and Winterbrook Farm.



Hedgeapple Farm in Buckeystown

Some of the activities you can enjoy include picking grapes, petting an alpaca, watching a bull riding demonstration, and taking a hayride to the pumpkin patch. This event promises to provide lots of fun and education all in the majestic setting of ten working farms.

For more information contact Elizabeth Miller, Ag-Industry Specialist with the Frederick County Office of Economic Development at 301-631-3037.

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CMLT Upcoming Events

Sept. 21, 2002 > 9 A.M.-11 A.M.

ANNUAL CMLT MEETING

Annual membership meeting. United Methodist Church Rt. 85, Buckeystown. Come for breakfast.

Oct. 11 & 12, 2002 >

Maryland Land Conservation Assembly 2002 in Annapolis at the Miller Senate Office Building. This will be a conference/workshop to discuss many topics of land conservation. If you are a easement donor, seller, landowner, researcher or land conservationist from Maryland this will be a informative event. For further info contact the Maryland Environmental Trust at 410-514-7907.

Oct. 12, 2002 >

Growing Native seed collection. See article on page 2.

Oct. 19-20, 2002 >

Self-guided farm tour. Come see the CMLT under the tent at Hedgeapple Farm October 19th from 10A.M. to 4P.M. and October 20th from 12P.M. to 4P.M. For more information see the front page article.

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CMLT Basket Bingo. Look for details in our next newsletter.

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Growing Native: Collecting seeds today for the re-forestation of Maryland

This October the CMLT, along with Community Commons, will participate in the Potomac Watershed Partnership's Growing Native seed collection event. Last year with the help of several partner organizations, 2,000 pounds of native seeds and nuts were collected at this event to be sent to the State Nursery in Preston. Some of



the seeds collected this year are destined to stay in Frederick County as part of the Seed Growout Stations project. The focus of the Seed Growout Stations is to provide hands-on environmental education opportunities by planting seeds in micro-nurseries at eight local schools, raising them for two years and then transplanting them to sites within the Monocacy River and Catoctin Creek watersheds. The remaining seeds will again be sent to the State Nursery to be raised there.

We need your help collecting seeds. The official Growing Native event will be held October 12th. Please help with the local effort to protect our waterways and learn about the need for riparian buffers. If you are interested in participating in this event or would like more information, please contact CMLT. Registration deadline is September 20, 2002.

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acres used for farming is dwindling rapidly. Major threats to agriculture in our region are the multiple applicants seeking to build power plants. One applicant has optioned over 750 acres for its proposal. Opposition to inappropriate uses of agriculturally zoned land is a firm resolve of the Land Trust. We are pleased that the Maryland Public Service Commission declared a delay on any decisions on power plants in our region until 12/1/02 to conduct an environmental assessment and to study the concerns associated with multiple applications and deregulation. The CMLT will continue to focus its efforts on preserving farmland for future generations.

This election year is a very important one. Our hope is that all of you will exercise your right to vote and will study the candidates and their platforms, especially concerning land use issues, development, and preservation. Our annual meeting will be held on September 21, 2002. Last year we were honored to have Delegate Stull, Commissioner Gardner, and Planning Commissioner Floyd attend our 1st annual meeting. We hope to see you in September at our 2nd annual meeting.

As land use issues continue to have an important role in Frederick County, the CMLT is keeping an active vigil for programs that will benefit our community. We will keep you informed of our progress through our newsletters. The CMLT would be pleased to have you actively participate in our many efforts. Have a safe and pleasant summer!

Thank you, Nancy Bodmer

Preserving land through Rural Legacy

The Rural Legacy Program is a unique approach to land conservation, providing State funding with a potential for county funds to protect Maryland's best remaining landscapes and natural areas. Initiated in 1997 by Governor Glendening, Maryland's Rural Legacy program has permanently preserved over 30,734 acres.

The program provides the focus and funding necessary to protect large contiguous areas rich in agriculture, forestry, and natural and cultural resources through partnerships among state and local governments and local land trusts. Protection is provided through the purchase of development rights from willing landowners to create a conservation easement or from the fee simple purchase of land.



*Frederick County Landscape
courtesy of Kathryn Aspegren*

It is important for interested landowners to note that the program is entirely voluntary. Conservation easement agreements are completed with the full participation and consent of the landowner and allow the continued private use of the land for farming, forestry, and natural resource management. The easements

are perpetual and cannot require public access to the land.

A very successful Rural Legacy Program was initiated in 1998 by the Frederick County government and the Mid-Maryland Land Trust Association of which the CMLT is a member. Since 1999, the Mid-Maryland Land Trust Association has received \$9.35 million dollars with County matching funds of an additional \$1.9 million to protect 3,500 acres extending from Myersville to Brunswick. Although eventually the funding area focused on western Frederick County, initially the Frederick County Rural Legacy focus area included land in the Adamstown Region.

By submitting a separate Rural Legacy application, the Carrollton Manor Land Trust hopes to continue this success and again focus Rural Legacy funding on this region of Frederick County.

CMLT Board wishes to thank those individuals and businesses who have supported us with major gifts.

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- ❖Alcoa, Inc.
- ❖Essroc
- ❖Maryland Committee for Good Government
- ❖Canam Steel



Earl Robbins, center, presented Joy Clem, Secretary/Treasurer and Nancy Bodmer, President, a check for \$2100 to the Land Trust

CMLT Welcomes its Newest Members

Janice Clipp
Adamstown, MD

Judith Crispell
Dryden, NY

J.E. Murphy
Tuscarora, MD

C. Larry Clemson
Frederick, MD

Thanks to all our June Basket Bingo Sponsors

Your donations were crucial to making this event a successful fundraiser:

Alcoa Eastalco Works; Aroma House; Bodmer's Stoves and Pottery; Book Center, a Hallmark Gold Crown Store; Buckeystown Veterinary Hospital; Joy and David Clem; Brad Crispell; Giant Food, Kingsbrook Crossing Shopping Center; H. C. Summers, Inc.; I Made This; Marsh-McBirney, Inc.; Mary Kay Beauty Consultant, Cathy Grindell; Mary Kay Beauty Consultant, Susan Beakes; Mayne's Tree Farm; Nationwide Insurance Agent, Richard W. Brown Jr.; NIKKEN Wellness Therapist, Diane Miller Marsden; One Stop Deli; Pampered Chef Consultant, Kim Imboden; Peachtree Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Chet Anderson; Puppets, Puzzles, and Patchwork; JC Penney; Rocky Point Farm; Peter & Jodye Roebuck; Saturn of Frederick, Rick Loun; Seneca Creek State Park; Sherman Insurance Agent, "Chip" Jewell; Kara Smith; Staubs Country Inn Restaurant; Target; The Garden Party Flowers by Mary Marsh; and Waldenbooks.

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Proposed Tuscarora Arboretum Project at Alcoa Eastalco Works



Representing the CMLT, Nancy Bodmer has joined the task force to help plan a possible environmental arboretum at Alcoa Eastalco Works. Heading the task force is Dr. Steven Cohan, Professor of Landscape Architecture at the University of Maryland at College Park. Feedback from community groups and potential users of the facility was discussed at the July 26th meeting. Dialogue centered around the possibilities of this unique project and its roll in the community. Potential uses included: a multi-use facility providing education for all generations, exhibits and special events, outdoor museum, re-forestation, bio-filtration of streams, preservation of the environment and land resources, passive recreation, laboratories, natural regeneration, and the importance of industry helping the environment. Also attending the meeting were representatives from Community Commons, Master Gardeners, Friends Meeting School, Volunteers of Frederick and Alcoa Eastalco Works.

**Membership
Renewal
Reminder**

Our membership renewal letter was mailed July 22, 2002. If you misplaced it or want to become a new member, you may mail your membership check using the form below. Please note that we have changed our membership period to follow the fiscal year of July to June.

We Need Your Support

Yes, I would like to become a member of the Carrollton Manor Land Trust at the following level:

- Affiliate (Under age 18. Specify amt. \$_____)
- CMLT Member (\$25-\$99)
- Sustainer (\$100-\$249)
- Patron (\$250-\$499)
- Corporate (\$500-\$999)
- Benefactor (\$1000+)

Each contribution is considered an individual membership. Each application will entitle the member to a 1-year membership with the Carrollton Manor Land Trust. All members, except for Affiliate, may vote in the Board of Directors election. All members will receive a newsletter(s) and may participate in CMLT events. Please contact us if you wish to volunteer.

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