

Littlefield Farmstead  
Foundation at Orris  
Falls Conservation  
Area.

## Hiking into History

— B. Fletcher

**M**y wife and I have walked and enjoyed Great Works Regional Land Trust preserves for years and, as a history teacher and local historian, I've always been curious about the stone walls and cellar holes on many of the properties. Upon retirement a year ago, I thought it would be interesting to research and lead history-focused walks of the sites, beginning with Orris Falls and the Desrochers Memorial Forest. What surprised me was how similar their histories are, but it shouldn't have as theirs is the story of small farming in Maine and, more broadly, the United States.

In 1843, Daniel Littlefield purchased a seventy-eight-acre upland farm in the Tatnic region of South Berwick for \$850. The eldest of eight children raised on another hill farm on the Sanford side of Bauneg Beg, twenty-two years old and unmarried, he no doubt was ready to begin adult life and well prepared for the tasks ahead. In 1849 he married Mercy Allen of Sanford, and together they raised five children.

Three years later, in 1846, John and Betsy Dorr purchased a much smaller, twenty-five-acre farm adjoining the South Berwick town forest on the west bank of the Great Works River, about a mile from South Berwick Junction, for \$150. Half a generation older than the Littlefields (he was forty, she thirty-five) and with three children ranging in age from teens to a toddler, it is less evident what circumstances brought the Dorr to the low, boggy ground inside the ox-bow of the river, unless it was the simple fact that you farm the land that you can afford.

In 1850 the U.S. Census Bureau began to collect agricultural data, providing our first glimpse of the working farms. By that year both had increased the size of their holdings, Littlefield to one hundred and Dorr to seventy-two acres. According to the census, Littlefield worked twenty-five and Dorr twelve acres of 'improved' land, "for grazing, grass, or tillage," with the rest being "unimproved", including a large woodlot. Littlefield's livestock consisted of a horse, a pair of oxen, four milch (or milk) cows and two others, a flock of a dozen sheep, and a single pig, while Dorr kept a pair of oxen and a single milch cow. Although as yet unrecorded in the census, they would have kept a small flock of poultry. The chief crops were corn and potatoes with much smaller amounts of oats and beans. For the coming winter, Littlefield stored twenty tons of hay in

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# A Letter From the Executive Director



Fall is my favorite time of the year. It offers a final hurrah of color and joy; the air gets cooler, the traffic dwindles, and those remaining biting insects tend to finally depart. Knowing that winter is close at hand gives you the incentive to make the most of those brief but wonderful months after the heat and before the true cold. It offers a great time to reflect on the year and to ask where we started, where we are now, and where we are going. For Great Works Regional Land Trust, reflecting on the Woods to Waters Campaign is top of mind.

Woods to Waters has three central pillars: to acquire and protect 150 acres of tidal waters and upland along the Salmon Falls River (SFTW), to conserve the highest peak of Bauneg Beg Mountain—also the highest point in our region—and to raise funds critical to our work has been our most ambitious yet. This terrific undertaking is broken into two phases. Phase one encapsulates raising the necessary funds and to acquire these properties so that they are protected in perpetuity, while phase two will entail what we call stewardship start up—establishing the infrastructure necessary to make public access easy and sustainable. It has been an exciting journey and phase one is finally nearing its conclusion.

We have raised well over \$1.8 million from institutional partners and municipalities (below) and over \$1.1 million from generous donations by individual contributors, including especially generous contributions from two landowners involved in the transaction. Once acquired, this land will be protected forever—but our work on these projects does not stop there. Support from individual contributors and institutional partners is critical to following through on our commitment to these projects.

There are efforts in place to create a design masterplan, management plan, and interpretive signage and wayfinding for Salmon Falls Tidal Waters. Since acquiring the Bauneg Beg Mountain land, we've already constructed the parking lot in collaboration with the Town of North Berwick, and begun development of new trails. Our ability to action these and other important conservation projects comes from unrestricted funding—our third pillar of Woods to Waters.

## Supporting Institutions & Municipalities

Land for Maine's Future, Great Bay RPP, Kennebunk Savings, Land and Water Conservation Fund, North American Wetlands Conservation Act, National Wetlands Conservation Grant, North Berwick, South Berwick, Anonymous Private Foundation

Taking a conservation project from conception to completion requires years of patience, and persistence. But as public demand for conservation grows alongside development pressures in our community, so grows our need for unrestricted funding to meet the conservation challenges of the day. After all the success our community has enabled, we are still \$48,500 away from meeting our unrestricted funding goal for phase one of the Woods to Waters Campaign.

With only weeks left in phase one, if you or someone you know can help us close this gap, please reach out—it may be the difference between our next conservation project becoming a reality or a missed opportunity.



A small stream at the forthcoming Bauneg Beg Mountain Conservation Area South.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jordan P. Kelley".

Jordan Kelley,  
*Executive Director,*  
Great Works Regional Land Trust

## Letter from the Board: Denise Mallet, Berwick

Last summer while walking with my sweet dog, Aggie, on the Orris Falls trail in South Berwick, I found myself thinking about how impressive the condition of the trail always is. I've walked those trails for 20 years and they have evolved thoughtfully and are clearly used and loved. At the time I was finishing up six years on a board that—despite the challenges of COVID—had given me much reward. I love being involved in my community, and that day at Orris Falls it occurred to me that maybe Great Works Regional Land Trust (GWRLT) was where I wanted to volunteer next. Our family has been members of GWRLT for many years and we raised our kids walking on the trails. It was a natural fit.

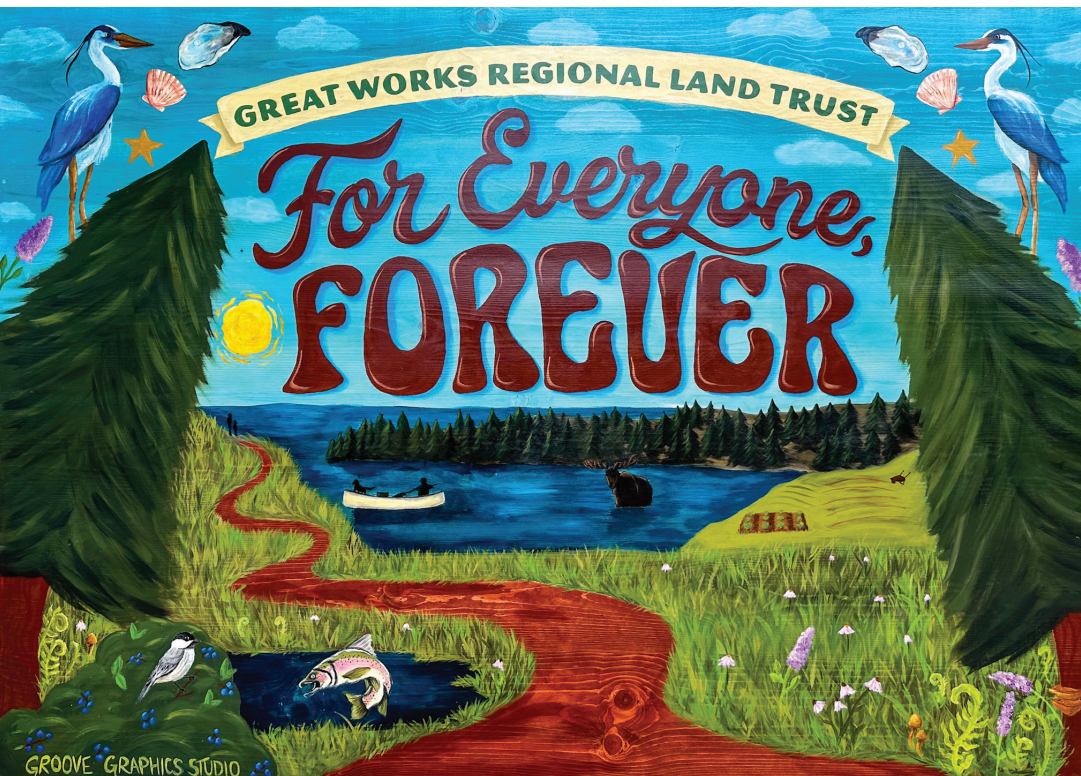
After a few conversations with the only board member from Berwick, Michael Wright, it was apparent that there was a need for more board members from our town, so I happily agreed to join. That was when I began to learn just how much goes into conserving land. As I reflect on the past year, I am blown away at how much I have learned, and how much volunteer and staff time goes into conserving these beautiful properties and making them available to the public for free. I also realized that I regularly walked on only about 10% of the land trust trails. Now, I have a map and try to check off new preserves as I visit them.

This past winter Michael and I tabled at the Berwick Farmers Market. I loved talking to so many community members from Berwick and beyond. Many of these

conversations were with families with young children and reminded me of why I liked taking my own kids to the land trust trails when they were little. Aside from the fact that the trails are accessible to kids and people of a range of abilities, really it was that I felt safe and peaceful. Close to home and accessible all year long, I could head out with two little ones and not worry about distractions or poorly marked and maintained trails. We would explore vernal pools, they would identify wintergreen and sweetfern, and we would have a glorious hour or two in the woods. My kids are grown now, so my walks are with my dog and my husband, but the time is just as peaceful. When I'm feeling really wild, I'll walk a trail in the opposite direction than normal just to see how different it looks. Try it— you'd be amazed!

I am humbled by how much knowledge, time, and work go into conserving land, and how generous the GWRLT community is. Whether it is someone volunteering for trail clean-up day, or someone looking to donate acres of land, the gift is impressive. The environment and conservation are incredibly important to me— as they are to most Mainers—and I am so appreciative to be surrounded by a community that shares these values. On behalf of the GWRLT staff and board of directors, thank you for continued support.

– Denise Mallett, *Treasurer, Board of Directors,*  
*Great Works Regional Land Trust*



Beach Plum Farm mural dedicated by Jeanie Wilson and Thomas Mayer in honor of Roby & Joe Littlefield for the stewardship and gift of Beach Plum Farm.



Sunflowers at peak power over at the Beach Plum Farm Community Gardens earlier this September.

# Land Protection Updates

## Breaking News: SFTW LAND FULLY ACQUIRED

After years of diligent work and sustained public support, the Salmon Falls Tidal Waters Project (SFTW) land has been fully acquired. As such, they are now, officially conserved in perpetuity. Last January, the first of the three parcels that comprise SFTW was generously and unexpectedly donated by Chris and Roz Magnuson after seeing the groundswell of public support for the project. On September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 the remaining 50 acres were acquired by GWRLT, thus completing the first phase of the Woods to Waters Campaign and protecting these 79 acres critical to our watershed in perpetuity. Thanks to the emphatic support from our community, funders, and especially the landowners who share our vision for conservation in Southern Maine.



## Warren Pond Conservation Easement

Great Works Regional Land Trust is thrilled to announce the protection of 27.30 acres in South Berwick. Located at the southern end of Warren Pond, this stunning parcel is protected by a conservation easement generously donated by dedicated supporters of the Land Trust. Ensuring the preservation of the parcel's unique ecological value, and geographic features.

The protected area includes over 1,300 feet of shoreline containing bold rock outcroppings which provide easy access to Warren Pond. This continues efforts to piece together a network of conserved land in the Mt. Agamenticus region aimed at maintaining habitat connectivity and preserving the natural landscapes of Southern Maine. The easement protects wooded upland areas, forested wetlands, two significant vernal pools, water access, and habitat for several endangered species.



# Stewardship Updates

As always, our Stewardship team at GWRLT have been hard at work keeping our properties in top shape, easements properly monitored, and tremendous stewardship volunteers organized. Since our last update, two Fund-a-Need projects have been completed (Shed Insulation from 2024 and Bauneg Beg Conservation Area North trail improvements from 2022). We've also had several workdays featuring volunteers, both tried-and-true as well as new!

The Stewardship Shed, now properly insulated by your support from the 2024 Spring Auction Fund-a-Need.



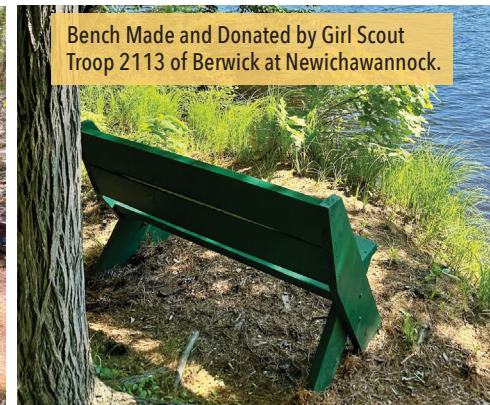
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Bench Made and Donated by Girl Scout Troop 2113 of Berwick at Newichawannock.



## Save the Date: October 19<sup>th</sup>

### FALL HARVEST PARTY

A CELEBRATION & FUNDRAISER  
TO COMPLETE THE  
WOODS TO WATERS CAMPAIGN

As we near the end of the year, we look back on all we have accomplished and where we're going next. It is a time to celebrate our collective effort and impact. However, the Woods to Waters Campaign is not over. This is why we hope you'll join us at Beach Plum Farm this October 19<sup>th</sup> to help us raise the last dollars of our most ambitious fundraising effort in our history. Come celebrate the terrific progress we've made and help us raise the final \$48,500 of our over \$3 million goal. These funds help cover GWRLT's operating expenses and ensure our success for the year ahead.

VISIT US AT [GWRLT.ORG/FALLHARVEST](https://www.gwrlt.org/fallharvest) FOR MORE INFO.



# Remembering Keith Fletcher

We are heartbroken to report that Keith Fletcher passed away July 2nd, 2024. He was a great and humble champion of conservation in communities from Iowa to the Delaware River and ultimately to the woods and waters of Maine. Since 1980, his work has conserved over 8,000 acres across organizations including the Nature Conservancy and Maine Coast Heritage Trust (MCHT) and has had a profound impact on our work at Great Works Regional Land Trust.

Keith served seven years on the GWRLT Board of Directors in various roles, including treasurer and vice-president. Over the years, Keith's influence extended beyond the directorship-level, serving as either the project lead or co-lead on 15 of GWRLT's completed projects. A member of the Wells Conservation Commission for 23 years and, most recently, Southern Maine Project Manager at MCHT, one can easily see that his work has made an immeasurable impact in our region and beyond.

One of Keith's close friends and our current Vice President of the GWRLT Board of Directors, Tin Smith, offers his reflection on Keith's time and contribution to conservation in our region:

As you know, conservation work is permanent and satisfying; however, it is also challenging and time consuming. To me Keith's most amazing skill was juggling. He knew how to bring together whatever was needed, in what order and when.

Starting with a place—usually but not always beautiful; adding in a landowner or two or sometimes a whole family; most of them were willing but he also liked the unwilling; reaching out to other conservation enthusiasts to join him; adding in lawyers, appraisers, and surveyors as needed, and the seemingly endless search for funding wherever it could be found—he knew what balls were needed and in what order. His biggest magic trick was keeping them up in the air until they were all ready to



come down in place, together, all at once as is required by these complex projects.

Often, it meant keeping those balls up in the air for years or even decades and none of us can remember any time when Keith wasn't working with multiple groups of balls in play at the same time either. He was adept at sharing the juggling. He could toss a ball or two to work on, or he would take a ball or two at critical times to help out his peers. The results of his juggling will forever remain with us:

- **In Wells where all the federal, state, and town permits were granted for the nation's largest natural gas storage facility is now the 288-acre Perkinstown Commons**
- **In South Berwick where 72 homes were planned over 213 acres bisecting 3,500 acres of roadless unfragmented habitat is now a Maine IF&W Wildlife Management Area**
- **In Ogunquit the largest remaining tract of open land along the Ogunquit River is now the 156-acre Old Boston Preserve and you can walk from there all the way to the York River on protected lands**
- **In North Berwick and Wells, the Parker and Spiller Farms, over 200 acres total, are forever available for use in agriculture and forestry**
- **In Wells, where 37 homes on 70 acres were approved in the middle of well documented vernal pool and turtle**

**focus area, this land became part of the Nature Conservancy's 200+ acre Tatnic Hill Preserve**

These projects are all attributable to Keith's perseverance. And this is only a sampling of five of his 15 completed projects with GWRLT.

We will remember Keith Fletcher as a someone who worked endlessly to protect and conserve this area. We will remember him fondly, and often as the kind and inclusive friend he was. And we will remember him as someone who pursued doing the right thing for the right reason with remarkable humility.

Many of us were fortunate to enjoy Keith's easy kindness and sense of humor as well as his extraordinary musical talents on many occasions. He was an amazing fiddler and played with musicians and groups across the country, but perhaps most notably to us as a member of the York River Ramblers.

As a father, a brother, a husband, and a friend to those fortunate enough to spend time with him. He will be missed endlessly for the person he was, and will be lauded for his tenacity, compassion, vision, and ambition.

— Jordan Kelley



Keith and Cathy King perform for the Annual Lobster Dinner Raffle Winners at Beach Plum Farm.

# W2W Campaign Update

With fall upon us, we are coming up on the one-year anniversary of our push to complete our largest combined campaign in our history. Over the last twelve months we've been working hard to enact our shared vision for our community with the Woods to Waters Campaign. Many of you have listened to our calls for action and either donated, volunteered, or voted in favor of our work in your town.

Today, we can report that we are in the final stretch of this great campaign. With your support and your influence on state and federal funders, we have almost closed a \$767,000 funding gap in less than one year. That means we're only \$48,500 away from fully funding our three-pillared campaign, raising nearly \$3 million to protect the Salmon Falls Tidal Waters, the high peak of Bauneg Beg Mountain, and critical unrestricted funding to meet the needs of these projects and continue our work.

Unfortunately, this final \$48,500 piece of the \$3M puzzle is in the unrestricted pillar of the Woods to Waters Campaign. Unrestricted funding like this is what enables us to pursue the hard work of making these kinds of projects a reality. They support last-minute budgetary needs, such as covering closing costs, staff overhead, and other essential parts of conservation projects usually ineligible for state and federal grant funding. These unrestricted funds often make the difference between our ability to pursue these priority projects without sacrificing other aspects of our work such as offering educational programs about our natural resources, or timely delivery of public access to new preserves.

If you or anyone you know can help us raise this final \$48,500, reach out to make your gift or ask about our many different ways to give today. Time is running out to help ensure that we have what we need to complete these projects and begin the next ones.

- I. BAUNEG BEG MOUNTAIN CONSERVATION AREA SOUTH..... 100% FUNDED, \$700K RAISED**
- II. SALMON FALLS TIDAL WATERS PROJECT..... 100% FUNDED, \$2.6M RAISED**
- III. UNRESTRICTED FUNDING ..... 62% FUNDED, JUST \$48,500 TO GO!**

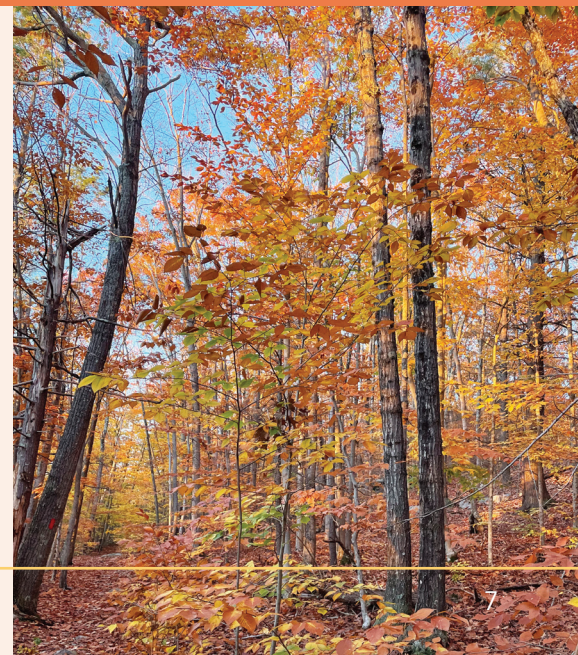


Tom Gilmore

## HUNTING SEASON

We are proud of the work we have done to protect land for wildlife habitat that can support the tradition of hunting in our community for generations to come. Each season, we simply request that everyone familiarizes themselves with the following:

- Hunting is prohibited at Beach Plum Farm and the Savage Wildlife Preserve
- Temporary tree stands are allowed, but must bear the owner's identification and be removed after each hunting season
- Permanently bolted tree stands are prohibited
- Trapping, baiting, and target practice are prohibited on GWRLT properties
- Remember that hunting is not allowed on Sundays in Maine
- In addition to our specific limitations, please follow all state and local laws and regulations for the health and safety of our community and our natural resources
- Hikers and pets should take the precaution of wearing blaze orange, and hunters need to be ever mindful of the presence of hikers on GWRLT properties



A late-summer view of the brook at Keay Brook Preserve in Berwick.



Great Works Regional Land Trust is a member-supported organization providing conservation options to landowners and programs for community members, including 20 preserves with hiking trails. Since 1986, Great Works Regional Land Trust has conserved natural, cultural, historic, agricultural, forestry, scenic and recreational resources across 7,700 acres and counting.



A "Big Check Moment" ceremonially receiving over \$15,000 from the Fabulous Find Resale Boutique this July.

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his barn, Dorr twelve. This brief overview reflects the traditional practice of subsistence agriculture at the midpoint of the 19th century, but few could foresee how the coming years would challenge farming in Maine and the nation.

The half-century following the Civil War ushered in the demographic, economic, and industrial forces creating modern America. Initially, these changes encouraged agriculture here as elsewhere, as Maine farmers benefited from the railroad's access to expanding markets and the ceaseless demand to provide for the industrial workforce and burgeoning cities. The number of farms in the state rose, peaking at sixty-five thousand in 1880, and holding steady at around sixty thousand for the next thirty years. These were challenging times, nonetheless, as farmers struggled to compete with the rise of large scale midwestern agriculture. By comparison, in 1849 Maine produced 1.75 million bushels of corn, and the new state of Iowa 8.6 million. Thirty years later, as Iowa's annual yield increased to 275 million bushels, Maine's dropped below a million as farmers shifted production. By 1900, the state's most valuable crop was a million tons of hay worth ten million dollars. The response to this challenge was specialization, and those who could turned to potatoes in Aroostook, blueberries in Washington, apples, poultry and dairy elsewhere across the state. Many raised an acre or two of sweet corn for the canning factories popping up along the rail line. But the costs and demands entailed in specialization were prohibitive for most small farms like the Dorr and Littlefields, eighty percent of whom worked a hundred acres or less.

John Dorr passed away sometime in the 1880s, and Betsy in 1908. Mercy Littlefield died in 1889, Daniel two years later. Their sons, Charles and Orris, continued on, much as their fathers had, raising a small number of livestock, growing corn and potatoes, working the same twenty-five improved acres with oxen into the twentieth century, but it proved increasingly difficult to wring a living from the old land. Perhaps this was why, in 1907, Orris sold the rocky, upland farm to purchase another just a few miles away, down along the banks of the Great Works River. He did not farm there long, dying at age fifty-seven in 1915. He would be the last of his family to farm as his only surviving son entered the ministry and moved to Massachusetts.

That same year, Charles Dorr died at age eighty, and his son, Willie, farmed the land for another decade. But the times remained very hard for Maine farms and ten thousand failed in the 1910s, and another ten thousand by 1925. Willie Dorr joined the exodus that year, moving his family to York and finding a job in retail. He died in 1956.

In the fall of 1889, Sarah Orne Jewett wrote a piece for *The Atlantic*, entitled "The White Rose Road", describing a carriage ride into the countryside, over Great Hill, and up into Tatnic. Turning off the road, she stops at "an old farmhouse, high on a ledgy hill" to pay a visit to an elderly and infirm farmer, unnamed but likely Daniel Littlefield, shortly after the death of his wife, Mercy. Knowing him since childhood, she recalled his cheerfulness, great stature, and physical strength, and was now struck by his patient dignity in old age. She sadly reflects on his life "of almost undiverted toil... without being able to make much beyond a living." All true, and it is sad in the way that life is hard, that nothing lasts, that change is the only constant. But in their humble lives, Jewett saw beauty, strength, and inspiration. So, too, might we.

There is much more to learn about the Dorr and Littlefields, but it is best discovered walking their land, exploring the foundations and cellar holes, tracing the fading wood roads, and admiring the artistry and effort of their stone walls. I hope you will.



Littlefield Family Cemetery at Orris Falls Conservation Area.

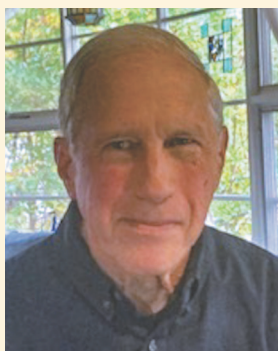


Quarried Granite from Godfrey Woods.



Stone Wall from the Salmon Falls Tidal Waters Project.

# Introducing Larry Green to the GWRLT Board of Directors



Larry Green's first introduction to GWRLT came at the Spring Auction Preview at Beach Plum Farm in early March of this year. While there Larry quickly engaged in conversation with board members, became interested, and after more discussions with board members, was elected to the board at the April annual meeting. Board President Sandy Agrafiotis says, "Larry

immersed himself in several board activities as soon as he signed on, joining several committees and offering his past nonprofit and professional expertise. His comments and suggestions are well considered, and his decisive approach to issues has often helped to move meetings along. He has been very helpful to me in my new role of board president."

An attorney for 47 years, Larry's work as a trial lawyer in business and commercial litigation involved him in many family business disputes which, he says, "has been particularly gratifying when the settlement of these cases not only resolves the legal dispute but also serves to bring family members back together." He is a longtime partner in the Boston firm of Burns & Levinson LLP and has been listed in "Best Lawyers in America" for the past twenty years. About his work, Larry says, "As I look to retire as of year-end 2024, I take pride in both the results I have obtained for my clients over the decades and also in the many younger attorneys I have mentored and who are now serving as excellent attorneys in their respective fields."

Larry sees his life's work as all about touching lives and he finds it especially rewarding to bring together members of different

generations to work hand and hand toward a common purpose. A strong believer in conservation and the need to adapt to climate change, Larry helped coordinate an intergenerational crew to do tree planting, cleanup, and invasive plant control in partnership with the Emerald Necklace Conservancy, which stewards seven miles of trails and 1000 acres of parkland in the Boston area.

His faith bolsters his commitment to service. He has had a long involvement with Temple Ohabei Shalom in Brookline, where he served as President of the Board of Trustees for three years; served for 15 years as chair of the American Jewish Society for Service, which sponsored groups of Jewish teens to perform community service for impoverished communities throughout America; and was recently elected president of the board of the Maine Jewish Short Film Festival, which aims to connect people through the lens of Jewish Film.

During the pandemic, Larry and his wife Denise moved here permanently from their home in Brookline, having been seasonal residents of Ogunquit since 2005. Their blended family includes four sons and six grandchildren, with another on the way. And this summer they are giving gardening a try with a garden plot at Beach Plum Farm!

Larry joined GWRLT's development and personnel committees and is involved in the current strategic planning process. He says, "I believe strongly in the mission of Great Works Regional Land Trust, but as with any organization, the work of GWRLT is ultimately about people. I am glad to team up with the wonderful people on our board and to work with excellent staff members and volunteers."

- Patti Mitchem



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**Upcoming Events & Outings You Won't Want to Miss!**

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Some of the many thriving sunflowers among the community gardens of Beach Plum Farm.

- Sept 22 - **Wild & Scenic Film Festival Fundraiser** | 4pm to 8pm | The Leavitt Theatre, Ogunquit
- Sept 28 - **Visit us at Eliot Festival Days** | 9am to 3pm | the Gazebo on State Road, Eliot
- Oct 5 - **Birding w/ Frank Dehler** | 7:30am to 9:30am | Tuckahoe Preserve, Berwick
- Oct 9 - **Wednesday Wandering** | 10am to 12pm | Negutaquet C.A., North Berwick
- Oct 12 - **Investigating Estuaries w/ Katrina Cornish** | 10am to 1pm | Beach Plum Farm, Ogunquit
- Oct 17 - **Super Moon Hike** | 6:30pm to 9:30pm | Bauneg Beg Mountain C.A., North Berwick
- Oct 19 - **Woods to Waters Celebration** at Beach Plum Farm - *see inside for more details!*
- Oct 26 - **Dahlia Workshop w/ Melissa Hamilton** | 10am to 12pm | Beach Plum Farm, Ogunquit
- Oct 26 - **Punkintown History I w/ Brad Fletcher** | 10am to 12pm | Rocky Hills Preserve, South Berwick
- Nov 2 - **Beavers of Orris Falls w/ Paul Dest** | 10am to 1pm | Orris Falls C.A., South Berwick
- Nov 3 - **Three Hills Hike** | 9am to 4pm | Mount Agamenticus Learning Lodge, York
- Nov 13 - **Wednesday Wandering** | 10am to 12pm | Goodwin Forest, Eliot
- Nov 16 - **Punkintown History II w/ Brad Fletcher** | 10am to 12pm | Rocky Hills Preserve, South Berwick
- Nov 23 - **Fall Tree ID w/ Katrina C. & Lindsay S.** | 10am to 1pm | Old Boston Preserve, Ogunquit
- Nov 30 - **Mushroom ID Hike w/ Katrina Cornish** | 10am to 1pm | Payeur Preserve, Ogunquit
- Dec 7 - **Winter Weeds w/ Katrina Cornish** | 10am to 1pm | Savage Preserve, South Berwick
- Dec 8 - **Orris Falls History w/ Brad Fletcher** | 10am to 12pm | Orris Falls C.A., South Berwick
- Dec 11 - **Wednesday Wandering** | 10am to 12pm | Keay Brook Preserve, Berwick
- Dec 14 - **Winter Tree ID w/ Eileen Willard** | 10am to 1pm | Kenyon Hill Preserve, South Berwick
- Dec 15 - **Walk into History w/ Brad Fletcher** | 10am to 12pm | Desrochers Memorial Forest, South Berwick

All outdoor hikes and adventures are open and free to all. However, we suggest a \$5 donation per person or \$10 donation per family for non-members. Registration required. Register at [gwrlt.org/event](https://gwrlt.org/event) today!