

2019 SPRING Highlights



ENGAGING OUR NEIGHBORS

Your support helped draw the attention of Northwest Savings Bank. Their Lititz branch took the cause of farmland preservation to the bank's Charitable Foundation and we came away with \$1,500 to protect more of what you love about Lancaster County.



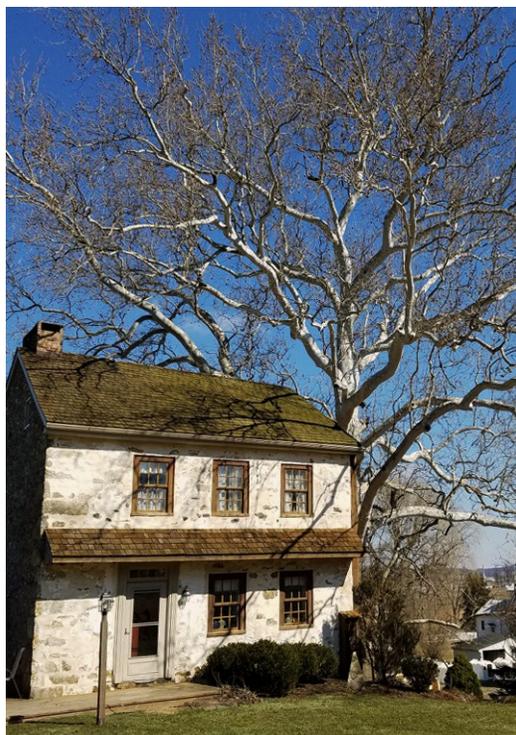
PRIORITIZING WATER QUALITY

You gave local farmers the chance to sign up for the resources they need to improve their farms, helping reduce runoff into local creeks and the Chesapeake Bay. Meetings like this are an example of how your support protects our environment.



PROTECTING WORKING LANDS

Already this year, your support has permanently protected two family farms in Lancaster County. One is a 53-acre farm along a tributary to the Conestoga River (read more below), the other is a 67-acre dairy farm.



Your support protects small, family-owned farms and sustains our way of life in Lancaster County.

FOOD FOR LIFE

That was the theme of this year's National Agriculture Day, celebrated across America on March 14th.

In Lancaster County, our agrarian neighbors care for 430,000 acres of land and contribute 1.5-billion dollars to our state economy¹. In short, we think we owe a lot to these growers of food, fuel, and fiber. And we think you might feel the same.

You helped Paula protect her family's 53-acre farm. The preservation of this farm, dating back to the 1700s, protects a piece of Paula's family history, and Lancaster County history! Within a half-mile to six other farms preserved by LFT, her Caernarvon Township farm is in good company and ensures the continuation of agriculture on her farm, forever.

Your support pays it forward by protecting the land that provides our "food for life." That's why you helped us celebrate National Agriculture Day by protecting another farm in Lancaster County.

¹USDA NASS, 2012 Census of Agriculture County Profile: Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

CONSERVATIVE COMMUNITY, INNOVATIVE FARMING

Part of our commitment to the community is protecting the resources that make Lancaster County special. Through your support, we invited East Earl Township farmers to a meeting to introduce a new project, in partnership with the Township, that aims to clean up local waterways.

We believe public-private partnerships are important to helping Lancaster County achieve better water quality and fulfilling the regulatory requirements of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.

Through on-farm visits, the project will assess the good practices farmers are carrying out on their farms, compile the data to accurately show the conservation practices already in place in East Earl Township and find opportunities to help farmers implement additional conservation practices.

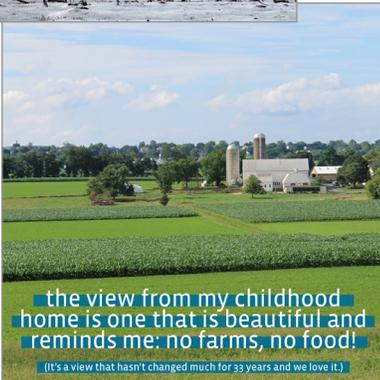


Lancaster County farmers are protecting land and conserving resources thanks to your dedication to the land, today and forever.

FOR THE LOVE OF THE LAND

This Valentine's Day, you took to social media to share why you love Lancaster's farmland. Below are a few of our favorite images and comments you shared. Special thanks to Dave B., Emily S., Laura S., and Amy B.

Use #LancFarmland all year for a chance to be featured in a future publication.



YOUR IMPACT

Pat yourselves on the back and look at what you've made happen so far in 2019.



Upper Leacock Twp + Caernarvon Twp:
120 acres of farmland protected forever

Conservation connections:
108 farmers interested in environmental practices



Potential preserved farm owners:
12 meetings with farmers interested in protecting their land

