



# Leelanau Conservancy

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## The Water Quality You Cherish

\$2.7 Million Farmland Grant Will Help Protect it



# From Our President

How many times have we all read: “Leelanau Conservancy: conserving the land, water and scenic character of Leelanau County”? We picture our favorite places in the area and are grateful the Conservancy is part of the continuing effort to keep the county special. While enjoying the Leelanau summer, the Conservancy Staff and Board are updating the organization’s Strategic Plan, something we do every five years.

We will be recognizing in the updated plan that CONSERVE means we both protect and steward our lands. As an organization, our staff efforts have always focused on these two aspects. The Board committee structure also reflects the efforts to identify lands to protect and to steward/manage the protected lands, forever.

When the Conservancy protects a parcel, we become the stewards of the land “in perpetuity” to use the legal term. Board and Staff joke that “forever” is a long time. We are proud of the more than 12,000 acres we have conserved through direct ownership, conservation easements, and transfer and assist projects such as the Crystal River addition to Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, as well as additions to the Leelanau State Park and the Pere Marquette Forest surrounding the Cedar River Preserve.

Why am I writing about conserving and stewarding our special place when we are already doing it? Because as your board president, I want everyone to know that the work of the Conservancy really has just started! Remember, our stewardship of the land is forever. We will continue to work with land owners to strategically protect the land, water, and scenic character of Leelanau with excellence. The updated Strategic Plan will recognize that stewardship of the protected lands will require an increase in dedicated staff time and resources. As a member of

Stewardship and Farmland Committees, I learn at each meeting about the time and resources we invest in caring for the lands we cherish. As a docent, I get to share with you the unique features of the land and water you have helped us to protect.

You will be hearing and learning a lot more about the work we do to steward protected lands in the coming months. The pressures of changing environments, new plant diseases (such as oak wilt, Asian longhorned beetle), invasive aquatic and terrestrial plants, and the need for quiet recreation means that all of us have new opportunities to care for “the Leelanau.”

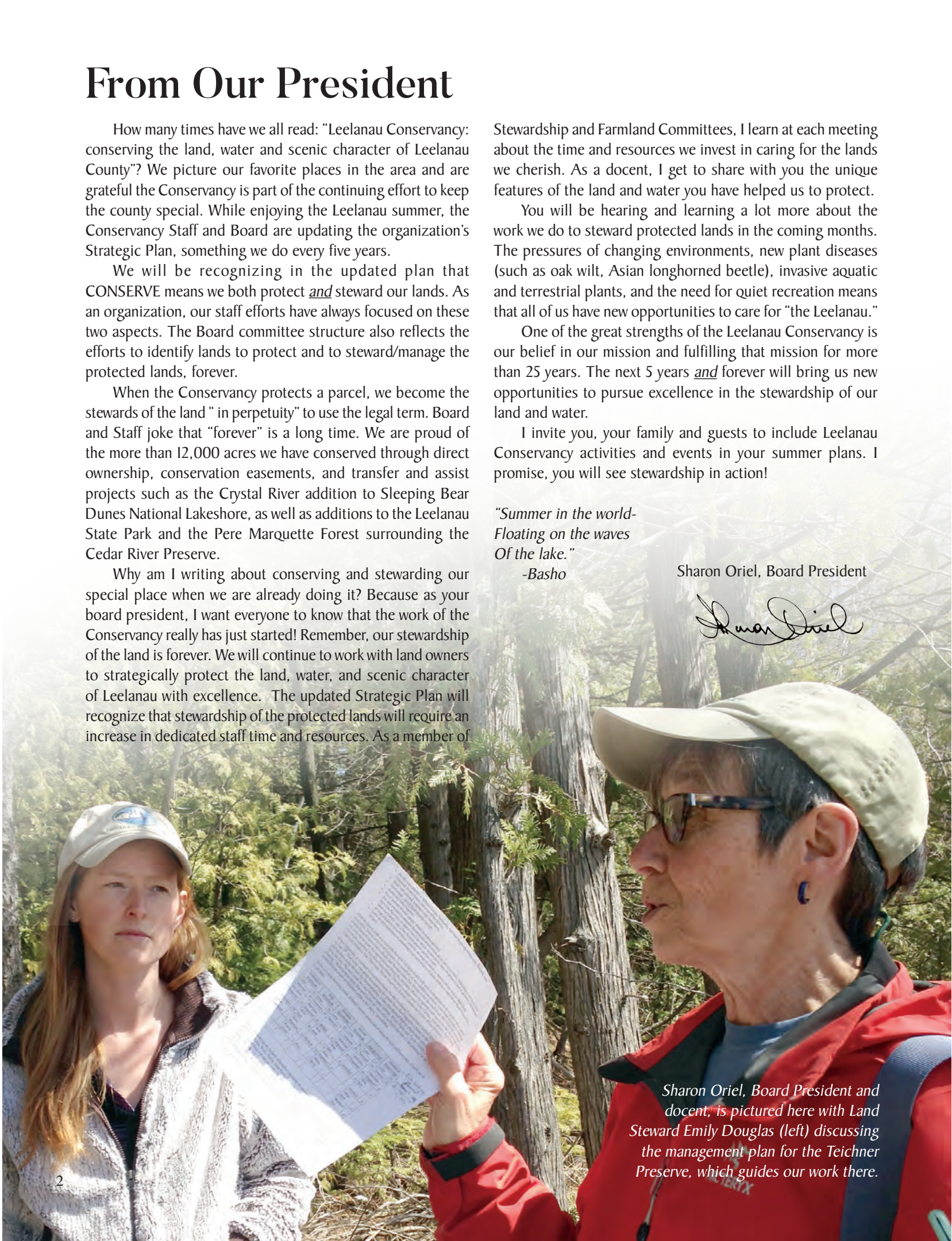
One of the great strengths of the Leelanau Conservancy is our belief in our mission and fulfilling that mission for more than 25 years. The next 5 years and forever will bring us new opportunities to pursue excellence in the stewardship of our land and water.

I invite you, your family and guests to include Leelanau Conservancy activities and events in your summer plans. I promise, you will see stewardship in action!

*“Summer in the world-  
Floating on the waves  
Of the lake.”*

*-Basho*

Sharon Oriel, Board President



Sharon Oriel, Board President and docent, is pictured here with Land Steward Emily Douglas (left) discussing the management plan for the Teichner Preserve, which guides our work there.

# Palmer Woods—Come Along With Us!

The 707-acre Palmer Woods Forest Reserve became officially yours on the last day of February. Since then, our Stewardship staff has been working to open trails for you, install kiosks and to plan for the future of this vast, beautiful forest.

“We invite you to be a part of Palmer Woods— a huge undertaking and like anything in nature, is a work in progress for years to come,” says Director Tom Nelson. “It’s especially gratifying to open Palmer Woods to our community and with your help, make this special place a recreation destination.” Two of many existing logging trails on the property have been marked with temporary signage and, as this newsletter was going to press, were being graded to remove deep ruts created by logging equipment. Staff, with the help of volunteers, will be working to open more trails in the coming months.

In April, trail expert Jeff Parker visited Palmer Woods to create a feasibility study. Jeff was the architect of the renowned trail system at Michigan Tech University. “Jeff looks at what is possible, taking into consideration terrain, water flow and special features we might want to either highlight or stay away from,” says Natural Areas and Preserves Manager Becky Hill.

“The great thing is that the trail architecture will be in place so that as we do things in phases we won’t make mistakes or have to redo anything because it’s been thought about holistically from the beginning. Jeff has planned trails, but he has also built them, which is great too.”

This spring, work also began on plant surveys and a forest-stand inventory, which will help to guide trail development and timber management. The Palmer family practiced sustainable forestry here for decades. The Conservancy will manage this large, healthy, intact forest to fight back against the challenges facing our native forests and to promote healthy forest habitats. The property will remain

on the tax rolls, and sales from timber harvests will help to defray those costs.

“We envision great things for Palmer Woods,” says Tom. “But we want to make sure we get it right from the beginning. Planning for the long-term has always been embedded in our DNA, and we are grateful for your patience as the plans unfold.”

Note: Watch for volunteer opportunities to help with trail work and learn more about Palmer Woods’ importance to Glen Lake’s water quality at: [leelanauconservancy.org](http://leelanauconservancy.org).



L-R: Post hike smiles from Tom Nelson, John and Gina Erb, Betsy LePoidevin, Steve Martineau

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## Let’s Get Serious...



## Do you have a Will?

Is the Leelanau Conservancy in it?

Let us help you conserve Leelanau forever through your Estate Plans.

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\*Photograph of an endangered piping plover by Michael Schwartz



# Fish & Farmland



Photo by Matt Heiman

## How We Can Protect Water Quality and Our Agricultural Heritage

Imagine that you are a brook trout. Anglers revere your very existence; Nobel Prize winning author Ernest Hemingway waxed poetic about you in his famous Nick Adams stories. He was as much in love with the beautiful environs you live in as he was with the adventure of catching you.

You thrive in a cold, pristine stream coursing through a canopy of mature trees. Cold, pure water is full of the oxygen you need to breathe; if water temps top 70, or if algae or other oxygen-sucking nutrients are present, you struggle. Your ideal habitat also is perfect for the insects you need to survive.

You are a shy, reclusive creature. In fact, fishermen say they must tread as lightly as a blue heron in order to find you. Rocks and woody debris provide hiding places from predators such as the crafty river otter and respite from the ever-present current.

In your stream, it's easy to meet a mate. You need not worry about negotiating road culverts while spawning or sediment covering the gravel you prefer to lay your eggs in. Contaminated stormwater runoff happens in those subdivisions down the road—not in your stream.

There's a good chance that your stream is located on protected state, national or Conservancy lands. Or, it might be part of a farm, because farmers tend to own a lot of land. On occasion, when farmers aren't too busy growing cherries or apples, they might even try to come and catch you.

Did you know that a decade ago, a group of conservation and environmental organizations came together to dream and brainstorm about how they could protect your habitat as well as the working farms nearby? Leelanau Conservancy staffers were in that room.

You'll be happy to know that this spring, thanks in large

part to Senator Debbie Stabenow of Michigan, a group of 20 partners, including some of those early dreamers, received nearly \$8 million to preserve the farmland and water quality of northern Michigan.

The Leelanau Conservancy will receive \$2.7 million from this "Regional Conservation Protection Program" grant. Those funds will preserve between 500 and 800 acres of farmland that contributes to high water quality. Leelanau Conservancy donors and farmland owners match this funding, thereby quadrupling our impact on farmland protection in the County. Each dollar of donor support leverages another three dollars worth of farmland conservation. Other partners include the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy and the Conservation Resource Alliance.

Together, we will all be working to conserve and improve habitat not just for brook trout, but other creatures and plants as well. Our job will be to conserve land; our partners will take on other projects that impact aquatic habitat restoration and water quality protection. That might mean removing dams, improving stream crossings and monitoring fish populations.

We chose you, little Brookie, to illustrate what these grant funds will mean. That's because you are, not to mix our metaphors, a sort of "canary in the coal mine." You are among nature's most fragile and sensitive creatures; one who doesn't tolerate disturbance or fluctuations in temperatures and water flow. In the plant world, we might say the same about the rare yellow lady's slipper. We know that if we can preserve your habitat, in the process we will surely be helping other creatures to thrive too. Including humans, who value Leelanau's pastoral farmland for food security and who, like you, also love to swim in cool, clear, clean water.



Photo by Betsy Schneider

### More Great Water Quality News!

A \$557,000 grant from the Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI) will help the Conservancy to purchase conservation easements—and therefore forever protect—lands that are critical to the health of the lake. Think wetlands, streams and natural shoreline. This is the third CMI grant we have received over the years. This is another example of public funding helping Conservancy supporters' giving go further. With this grant we leverage close to \$800,000 of protected land. "This latest round of CMI funding will allow us to continue working with interested landowners to permanently protect at least three different private properties containing a total of 201 acres of land, 600 feet of natural shoreline along North Lake Leelanau and 3,100 feet of designated trout streams flowing into South Lake Leelanau," says Matt Heiman, Director of Land Programs.



# A Place for the Children Along Leo Creek

There is a magical place near Suttons Bay, along beautiful Leo Creek, where Montessori children once built stick forts, picked blueberries and let their imaginations run wild. Now, 15 years after the school relocated, the land that so many children loved (see below) has been forever protected by a private family foundation, who wishes to remain anonymous.

The Foundation has donated a conservation easement on these ecologically rich 8.7-acres, now open to the public. It is accessible off of the Leelanau Trail (between Fourth St. and Richter Rd.) and is within walking distance from the village and Suttons Bay Public Schools. Plans are in the works for a wildflower garden on the upland, which is visible from the trail.

"I have a vision of this being a beautiful sacred space where people can sit and meditate, with nooks and benches to contemplate beauty, appreciate wildflowers and watch birds and butterflies," says the Foundation's spokesperson. "I want it to be an amazing place, so I'm not rushing it and am looking to visit other gardens to get ideas." Revitalizing 30 old blueberry bushes, planting dwarf fruit trees and building benches from fallen cedars are also on tap.

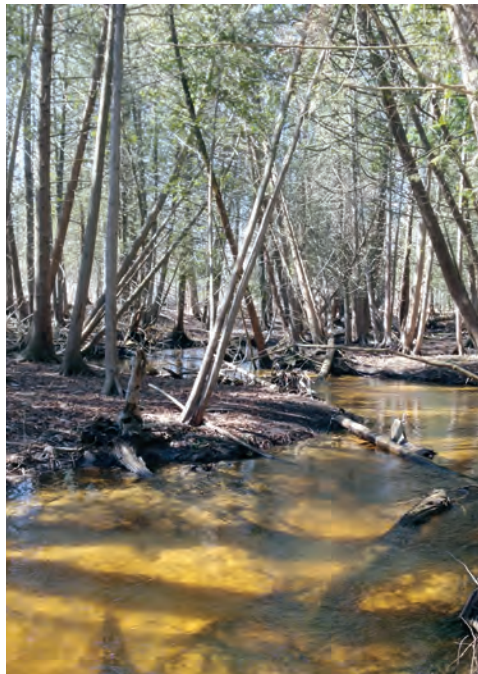
All told, 2,250 feet along Leo Creek are now permanently protected, ensuring that the creek's stellar fish spawning habitat is preserved. "Massive white cedars shade the stream bottom, providing a constant supply of woody debris for trout and other species," says Matt Heiman, Director of Land

Programs. He adds that Leo Creek hosts native populations of suckers and a few adult steelhead that travel up the stream from Suttons Bay each spring to spawn. Lush bankside vegetation provides cover over the gravel riffles favored by these fish for spawning.

The Foundation spokesperson's children attended the Montessori Children's House and she has long been a supporter of the Leelanau Trail. She often passed the property while using the trail and learned that the beloved stick forts her children had helped build there were still standing. One day she wandered down to the creek and got the idea to purchase the property through her family's foundation. "Walking around, I realized how special Leo Creek is," she says.

She happened to know the property owner, Gretchen Uhlinger, who founded the Suttons Bay Montessori Children's House. She contacted Gretchen, who, coincidentally, had been thinking of selling the property. A deal was struck.

"I was surprised and really pleased when the Foundation contacted me," says Gretchen, adding that she had purchased the property initially to keep it from being developed. "When we walked the land together it became clear that the Foundation's vision was the perfect way to both maintain and preserve this peaceful place. I can imagine the Montessori children who grew up there, returning to reconnect with the trees, the creek and the wonderful quiet."



Leo Creek near Suttons Bay: 8 sensitive acres preserved by an anonymous family foundation.

## Looking Back...

"I have an abundance of fond memories of the time I spent on this beautiful property. Affectionately referred to as 'the woods,' it was our recess sanctuary, a place where we were free to commune with each other and nature. On any given day, my fellow classmates and I could be found entrenched in the construction of ever-evolving stick forts, drumming away on fallen trees during impromptu 'jam sessions.' We roamed, carefree, with our precious

stick wands in hand as we acted out the whimsical stories of made-up characters, or lounged peacefully along the banks of Leo Creek, chatting about our latest dreams, crushes, and frustrations. I vividly remember how I would run into 'the woods' with such palpable excitement. I will always cherish this piece of land as one of those special places I felt free to be myself in the good company of friends and nature." —Ellen Posner, former student (pictured below with her classmates, 2nd from right.)



# Your Conservancy at Work!

Did you know that nearly 75% of the lands we have protected are privately owned? In addition to the natural areas that you know and love, the Leelanau Conservancy has also protected over 8,400 acres of PRIVATE lands. Even though the public can't access them, these private farms and wetlands, forests and bogs provide an enormous benefit. They may preserve a view you cherish, help keep your lake pristine or provide habitat for the birds you enjoy seeing at your feeder.

Each year—now and forever—we must monitor all of the lands we have protected to ensure that their conservation values are intact and conservation easement agreements are being upheld. There are over 160 properties that Conservancy staff must walk annually and Yarrow Brown, Conservation Easement Program Manager, makes it all happen. With map and a "Trimble" GPS in hand, she walks these properties in all seasons.

On a March morning, I strapped on snowshoes and joined her on an annual monitoring visit to a private conservation easement on Bass Lake. Landowners are always alerted prior to her visits, and afterward may receive a monitoring report if they desire. Temps were in the mid-20s as we walked along the frozen shore under grey skies; a sand hill crane honked overhead. A few cottages tucked into trees along the shore were barely visible.

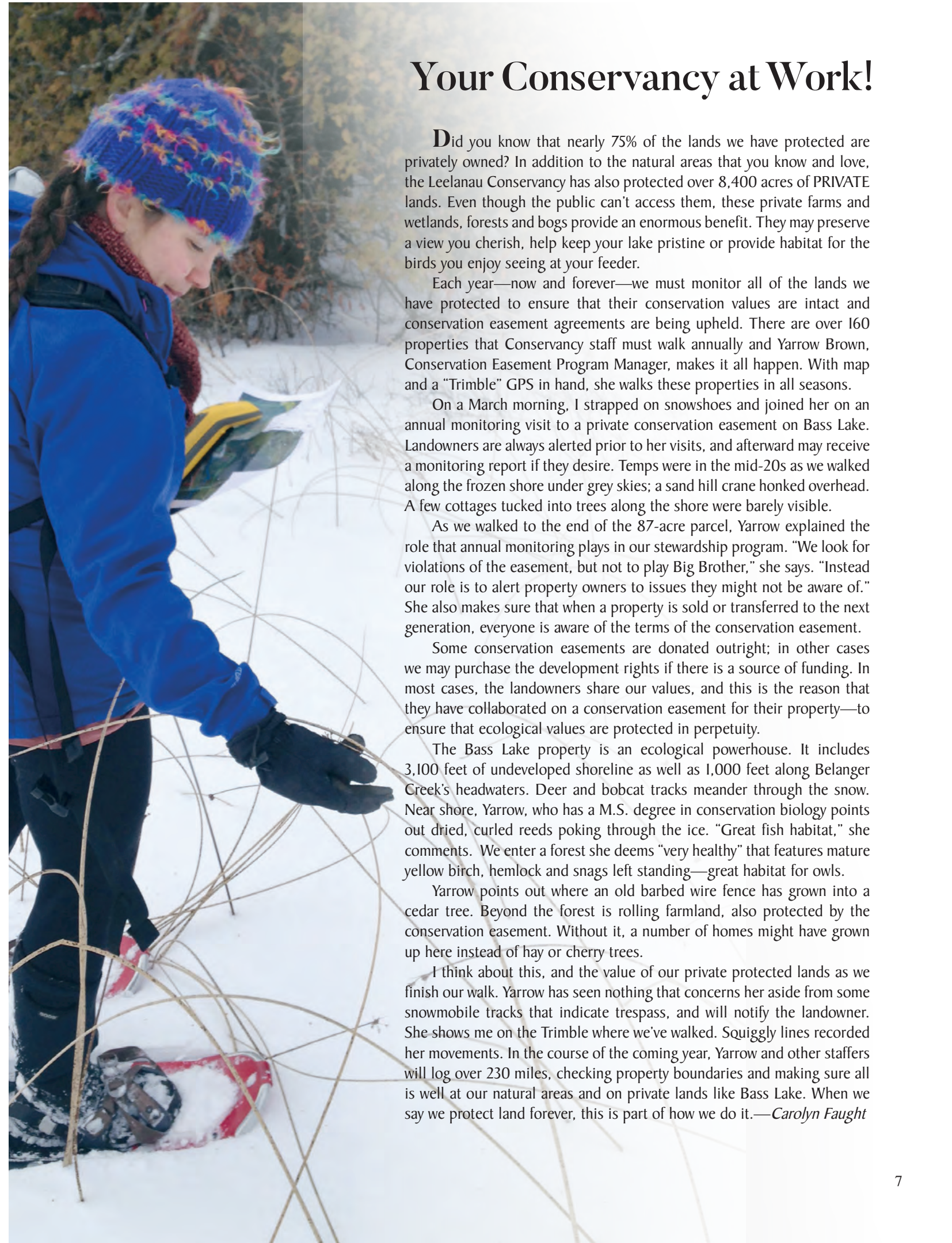
As we walked to the end of the 87-acre parcel, Yarrow explained the role that annual monitoring plays in our stewardship program. "We look for violations of the easement, but not to play Big Brother," she says. "Instead our role is to alert property owners to issues they might not be aware of." She also makes sure that when a property is sold or transferred to the next generation, everyone is aware of the terms of the conservation easement.

Some conservation easements are donated outright; in other cases we may purchase the development rights if there is a source of funding. In most cases, the landowners share our values, and this is the reason that they have collaborated on a conservation easement for their property—to ensure that ecological values are protected in perpetuity.

The Bass Lake property is an ecological powerhouse. It includes 3,100 feet of undeveloped shoreline as well as 1,000 feet along Belanger Creek's headwaters. Deer and bobcat tracks meander through the snow. Near shore, Yarrow, who has a M.S. degree in conservation biology points out dried, curled reeds poking through the ice. "Great fish habitat," she comments. We enter a forest she deems "very healthy" that features mature yellow birch, hemlock and snags left standing—great habitat for owls.

Yarrow points out where an old barbed wire fence has grown into a cedar tree. Beyond the forest is rolling farmland, also protected by the conservation easement. Without it, a number of homes might have grown up here instead of hay or cherry trees.

I think about this, and the value of our private protected lands as we finish our walk. Yarrow has seen nothing that concerns her aside from some snowmobile tracks that indicate trespass, and will notify the landowner. She shows me on the Trimble where we've walked. Squiggly lines recorded her movements. In the course of the coming year, Yarrow and other staffers will log over 230 miles, checking property boundaries and making sure all is well at our natural areas and on private lands like Bass Lake. When we say we protect land forever, this is part of how we do it.—Carolyn Faught





# Earth Week

## You Made Earth Week Rock!

Great weather, events every day, Love Letters to Leelanau and over 200 Earth Week donations made for a great Inaugural Earth Week at the Leelanau Conservancy. "There's no place like Leelanau and Earth Week was a fantastic time to be here for so many reasons," says Executive Director, Tom Nelson.

Nelson led a hike at the new Palmer Woods Forest Reserve during the week where nearly 40 attended. His hike was one of eight events, most of which took place at Conservancy natural areas. Dr. William Scharf gave an indoor talk on gull research on Gull Island and over 15 people lent a hand during a workbee at Clay Cliffs Natural Area. "Earth Week gave us a chance to connect with so many of you both in person and online," adds Nelson.

The week ended with a celebration at Tandem Cider. Nikki Rothwell and her husband Dan Young, owners of Tandem Cider, generously provided free drinks to the first 100 guests. "The apples that we use in our cider come from Leelanau farms, and so the work the Conservancy is doing to protect farmland is really important to us," Nikki said. Norm Wheeler and Anne Marie Oomen recited Earth-inspired poems and stories.

If you were one of the more than 200 people who made a donation that week, thank you for helping us earn an extra \$5,000 gift from Max and Linda Proffitt, (Linda serves on our Board.) We're grateful to the Proffitts for providing this exciting challenge.

Anyone who made a donation during the week was entered into a drawing to win a \$250 gift card from M22 and merchandise from MyNorth.com—Earth Week sponsors. (Jeff Carrico won the prize.) We are already looking forward to Earth Week 2017!



Opposite Page: Earth Week hikers at Teichner Preserve.

This page, clockwise from bottom left: 1) Docent Ann McInnis and two young hikers inspect a log full of red-backed salamanders. 2) Earth Day Celebration at Tandem Cider where Director Tom Nelson and Nikki Rothwell (with daughter, Sadie) address the crowd. 3) Director Tom Nelson leads about 40 people on a brisk Earth Week hike at the new Palmer Woods Forest Reserve. 4) Do you remember seeing the "There's No Place Like Leelanau" graphics during Earth Week? Joey DiFranco, shown here with his wife, Shelli, and baby Renzo designed the campaign and were among those attending the Earth Day celebration at Tandem Cider. 5) When you visit Clay Cliffs next, you'll see a re-routed trail and fresh bark chips, thanks to wonderful Earth Week volunteers.



# Stewarding Our Land & Water

Can you picture 400 garbage bags full of garlic mustard? Our Stewardship staff and 75 volunteers spent several days in all kinds of spring weather pulling this invasive plant that is threatening our forest ecosystem at Clay Cliffs and Palmer Woods. See them in action and learn how we're working together to battle this plant in a terrific video created by NatureChange.org. (View at [leelanauconservancy.org/news/](http://leelanauconservancy.org/news/))

We're thrilled to have our seasonal crew up and running (see photo opposite page.) This includes two returning staffers – Nathan Burns, Property Maintenance Specialist, and Chase Heise, one of two "Early Detection Rapid Response" (EDRR) crew members. We welcome Randy Winowiecki Jr. to the EDRR crew, and Wyatt Smith, summer Stewardship Intern. (See bios). Both of these young men grew up in Leelanau.

Nathan has been busy fixing infrastructure that gets damaged over the winter, including fence posts, signs, benches, etc. He's also been taking down hazard trees that develop after heavy snow and high winds and getting trails ready for you!

Other projects in stewardship include monitoring, planning for new trails, new infrastructure, leading volunteer groups, organizing trainings, updating innovative ways to collect and analyze data, writing grant reports and continued management of natural lands. (Pictured: Volunteers from the Leelanau School assist stewardship staff in pulling invasive garlic mustard, which is visible in the foreground.)

## Going With the Flow

Kim and Dennis Armbruster are part of an important group of volunteers who monitor our lakes and streams every year, collecting data that tell a story about the quality of our water. They are retired; Kim is a trained chemist who worked in air pollution control, Dennis is an environmental engineer; both worked for the state of Michigan.

Dennis dons waders and slips into muck on Houdek Creek. Kim stands nearby, recording in perfect penmanship data such as water flow, temperature and depth. They go out 4 times a year, monitor 3 streams and collect water samples. It takes about 5 hours each time. "This is a perfect fit for us," says Kim. "Although anyone can do it and there's great training, we like putting skills from our work life to good use. And we love to get outdoors."

The Conservancy has been monitoring 7 county lakes and streams for 25 years. For streams, in addition to measuring temperature and flow, volunteers collect data on Phosphorus, analyzed at a lab. On the lakes we collect samples at 3 depths to be analyzed for Total Phosphorus, Nitrates/Nitrites, Chlorophyll-a. We also gather measurements on temperature, pH, Conductivity, and Dissolved Oxygen at various depths.

The data (view at [leelanauconservancy.org](http://leelanauconservancy.org)) helps to:

- Compare the water quality among local lakes and streams
- Compare the water quality of local lakes with others in MI
- Detect long-term changes/trends in water quality over time
- Provide data for Watershed Protection Plans
- Develop nutrient budgets for the lakes and watersheds

To volunteer contact Yarrow Brown [ybrown@leelanauconservancy.org](mailto:ybrown@leelanauconservancy.org)



Dennis Armbruster takes a water sample on Houdek Creek

## Welcome Summer Stewardship Staff

### Randy Winowiecki Jr.

Randy is a Leelanau County native and graduate of Grand Valley State University. He earned a degree in Geography with a concentration in Geographic Information Systems. Last summer he was a "GIS" intern for the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore and worked on updating the existing trails while helping the vegetation crew treat invasive plants. He is back in Leelanau for the summer and is passionate about protecting the beauty of the county. Randy loves to fish, hike, and hunt and wants to further his knowledge of natural resource management.

### Wyatt Smith

Wyatt is a Kalamazoo College graduate with a bachelor degree in Biology with a Concentration in Public Health. His studies included a wide range of topics in the field of natural science, and it is from there that he finds his great interest in the environment—a favorite subject being entomology. As a local of Leelanau, Wyatt grew up appreciating Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore and other preserved lands across the county. He looks forward immensely to his time with the Leelanau Conservancy.

Photo: L-R Randy Winowiecki Jr., Wyatt Smith, Nathan Burns & Chase Heise







# Volunteers Get the Job Done

Our 2016 volunteers have been a force to reckon with so far! We've had mailing crews labeling our newsletters and stuffing envelopes. The Wildflower Rescue group has saved hundreds of native wildflowers and was getting ready for their big annual sale as this newsletter went to press. Other dedicated volunteers have helped at our front desk, made phone calls, served on committees and more. Conservancy docents have already led over 20 hikes on our Natural Areas. The trail stewards have been busy keeping the trails clear of hazard trees and improving infrastructure. We've had help with snow plowing through the winter. There are individuals monitoring for tree pests. And finally, our workbees have been packed full of trail building and improvements and an unbelievable amount of garlic mustard pulling. This is just the first half of the year, pretty impressive! Thanks to all who have helped and continue to make a difference with the Leelanau Conservancy!

—Emily Douglas, Volunteer Coordinator



Patty Shea, Wildflower Rescuer extraordinaire.

## Wildflower Rescue

We love member Lisa Benjamin's Facebook comment about our Wildflower Rescue Plant Sale: "Such a great thing! The Jack-In-the-Pulpit we bought at least 8 years ago is now a family of many."

Lisa has a lot of people to thank for that, but perhaps most of all Patty Shea. Patty brought the rescue concept to Leelanau 20 or so years ago from southern Michigan, where she volunteered with a similar organization. Since then, she and co-chair Joanie Woods, along with hundreds of volunteers, have rescued thousands of plants that would have otherwise been plowed under because of development. "She was the engine for this whole thing," says Joanie.

The very first dig was near Whaleback where a new home was going in. The group found rare Christmas ferns. "We haven't seen them since," says Joanie.

Over the years, the plant sale has raised thousands of dollars to care for the Village Green and for other Conservancy projects. They have donated rescued plants to schools and places like Old Settlers Park and planted sale leftovers at our natural areas. "The education piece has been as big as anything," says Joanie. "Our group has, I think, helped people appreciate the ecology of native plants and their importance to insects, birds and butterflies."

Patty, now in her 80s, is stepping down as co-chair to spend more time in her own garden. She says she'll still be involved "around the fringes." Patty, Joanie, and all the rescuers over the years: we can't thank you enough for ensuring that the wonder of Michigan wildflowers endures.



Top: Leelanau School students battle garlic mustard. Above: Erik Larsen helps get the newsletter out the door.

# 25 Years of Loyalty

In July, seven members/families, including our Founders, Ed and Bobbie Collins, will be honored at our Sustainers summer party for their 25 years of loyalty. Those listed below were the very first to join the Circle when it was formed in 1991 and were the spark plugs for creating this critical group of supporters, which has since expanded to over 500 families. Sustainers, you are powerful and you make us strong. We belong to Leelanau and together we are conserving the land, water and scenic character that renews our bodies and minds.

We are always accepting new Sustainers who make the same annual commitment of \$500 per year that began 25 years ago. Secure your place as a Sustainer by contacting Betsy LePoidevin (231-256-9665) or joining online at [LeelanauConservancy.org](http://LeelanauConservancy.org). Monthly giving through our Evergreen Program is the easiest way to start. We hope to see you and celebrate the work we are doing together to preserve this place we all cherish at our Sustainers Party on July 7. Because there is No Place Like Leelanau.

- Mrs. Martha Baker  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Collins (Founders)  
Mrs. Ellie Golden  
Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred J. Larson  
Dr. Christopher Lingle  
Mr. and Mrs. John Snedeker
- Mrs. William Webb  
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Manix \*  
Mr. and Mrs. John Mead \*  
Ms. Carolyn T. Russell \*  
Mr. and Mrs. David M. Watt \*  
Deceased \*



## Honorariums & Memorials Happy Birthday

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| <u>Lisa Benjamin</u><br>Lianne Somerville  | <u>Frank and Sharon Bustamante</u><br>Lee Brothers                                      | <u>Eugene Driker</u><br>Ms. Elissa Driker                             |
| <u>Patty Cobb</u><br>Mary Cobb Rousselot   | <u>Charlie Campbell</u><br>Ms. Anne Slater  | <u>Cathy Fisher</u><br>Ms. Mimi Mullin                                |
| <u>Paul Cobb</u><br>Mary Cobb Rousselot  | <u>Marion Cartwright</u><br>Marion Stanley and James Walter                             | <u>Richard Frank Family</u><br>Scott and Jean Frank                   |
| <u>Joseph E. Faggan</u><br>Jerry and Mary Faggan Churchill                             | <u>Daniel Clancy</u><br>Mrs. Rosalind B. Sell   | <u>William Frank Family</u><br>Scott and Jean Frank                   |
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| <u>Foy and Joel Baillie</u><br>Paul and Shirley Edmond                                 |   | <u>Mary Judge</u><br>Gen Obata and Rebecca Stith                      |
| <u>Carey, Stephen &amp; Mara Baughman</u><br>Roger Wallace & Mary Baughman             |   |   |
- William Kandler  
Ms. Angela Kandler

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