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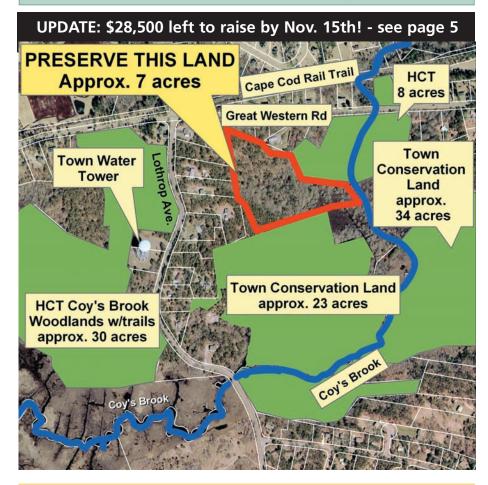
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HCT's Mission

HCT preserves land to protect woods, water, wetlands, wildlife and our shared quality of life in Harwich.





RSVP for HCT's Annual Celebration and Meeting on November 1st. Ioin us to honor volunteers with HCT's EverGreen Awards for outstanding efforts to protect and enhance wildlife habitat. The group award will be given to the volunteers listed below who discover and certify vernal pools:



Vernal pools provide vital habitat for the Spotted Salamander

Rain Ryder, Peggy Rose, Kathleen Welch, Chris Singer (2009 coordinator), Tony Pane, Beth Bierbower, Kathy Fogle, Betsy Sanders, Beth & Terry Fletcher, Evelyn Tobey, Jan Cormier, Susan (Sue) Lin, Danielle McKenna, Vince & Eva Dewitt, Lou Parker, Paul Schlanski, Richard Cooper, Kelly Sattman Lynch, Anya Sweetland, Larry Seberg, Christin Marshall, and Monica Farmer.

The individual award will be given to Beth Bierbower for her work on a range of projects including the eel migration ramp, Mission Wolf, vernal pools, and office organization.

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Wildlands Musical Stroll? On September 27th inclement weather cancelled the Stroll in the Town of Harwich Bell's Neck Conservation Lands. The Harwich Conservation Trust hopes to reschedule at a future date.

Many thanks to those who worked so hard to organize the event, including: Mary Metzger, Dot Hemmings, Peggy Rose, Susan Weinstein, Jon Page, Donna

Scheuchenzuber, Mike Metzger, all of the musicians, the Thacher family, Harwich Highway Department, Recreation Dept., Conservation Commission, Board of Selectmen, Trail Committee, Harwich Police Dept., The Guild of Harwich Artists, Rebecca Lach (brochure illustrations) and our many Harwich Conservation Trust volunteers.



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Upcoming Events

Free! RSVP for **HCT's Annual Celebration & Meeting**

Wequassett on Pleasant Bay Sunday, Nov. 1st, 4-6pm



Featured Speaker: Ornithologist Vern Laux Vern's "Bird News" can be heard weekly on Cape & Islands' NPR.

Join us to honor HCT's Conservationist of the Year and to honor outstanding volunteers with HCT's EverGreen Awards. RSVP by October 28th for this free event. Call HCT at 508-432-3997 or email: hct@cape.com

SPACE IS LIMITED. Reserve NOW! 15th Annual Fall Winetasting Dinner

hosted by The Port Restaurant in Harwich Port

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Wednesday, November 18, 6 - 9 p.m.

\$80 per person multi-course dinner, dessert, six fine wines & gratuity all included

Enjoy your evening while helping HCT preserve land.

View the menu and reserve on-line at www.HarwichConservationTrust.org

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Update: Phase II, Coy's Brook Woodlands Projec

Thanks to many donations and a significant \$32,500. grant from an anonymous family foundation, we have only \$28,500 left to raise by November **15th.** We still need your help to purchase and preserve 7 acres in the Coy's Brook/Herring River Watershed. The 7-acre site of oak/pine woodland sloping to wetland on Coy's Brook will connect 57 acres of Town conservation land with another 8 acres of HCT land bordering Great Western Road. The Trust has a history of protecting Coy's Brook, which is the major tributary to the Herring River, Cape Cod's second largest river system behind the Bass River. We can repeat land conservation history with your help.

Hark back to HCT's first "Coy's Brook Woodlands Campaign" in 1997, when supporters raised \$225,000 to preserve 16 acres from becoming a 12-lot subdivision. Over the years, additional acquisitions increased the assemblage to nearly 30 acres on the west side of Lothrop Avenue. This protected area is featured in HCT's Trail Guide and visitors enjoy woodland walking trails while glimpsing panoramic marsh vistas.



Like the land saved in 1997 (left), the new "Phase 2, Coy's Brook Woodlands Project" helps protect water quality.

Wild Turkeys, active during the day, roost at night.



The new site is east of Lothrop Avenue. Not only does the land connect conservation sites on the north and south, but it also supports habitat diversity ranging from woodland to wetland to freshwater stream. And this project advances HCT's Save Land - Save Water *Initiative*, a long-range plan to preserve priority lands that protect water quality.

The map on the cover illustrates a compelling need to preserve this land, thereby protecting woods, water, and wildlife. If you can contribute, we welcome your donation in the attached reply envelope or online at www.HarwichConservationTrust.org. You make land conservation possible. Thank you for your support.

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