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A White Oak tree was planted and dedicated to the Town of Simsbury in celebration of Simsbury Land Trust's 50 years of land conservation. At left, Diana Moody, Trustee and chair of the SLT 50th Anniversary Dinner. Below, left to right, Trustees Danielle D'Ermo, Margery Winters, Hanni Dinkeloo, John O'Neil (Founding Board of Trustee), Peggy Shanks (Founding Board of Trustee and First SLT President), Bob Palmer, Diana Moody,Camilla Thompson, Susan Van Kleef, Katie Piccirillo, and Executive Director Amanda Thompson.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

For fifty years, Simsbury Land Trust (SLT) has helped protect the landscapes that make Simsbury such a special place to live. But the true story of conservation in Simsbury is not about one organization. It is about generations of neighbors who cared enough to act.



Every conserved property tells the story of someone who chose to protect a piece of land for the future. Landowners made thoughtful decisions about their property. Members and donors provided support, and volunteers cared for the land. Together, those individual actions have protected more than 1,100 acres of forests, farms, wetlands and wildlife habitat and created more than 25 miles of trails throughout town.

As we celebrate 50 years, it would be easy to look around Simsbury and assume the work is nearly complete. But conservation is not something one generation finishes and hands off. Each generation inherits both the benefits of what others protected and the responsibility to carry that work forward.

Every protected property begins with a conversation.

A landowner may consider a conservation easement or land donation. A family may include SLT in its estate plans. A neighbor may introduce SLT to someone considering the future of their land. Others may volunteer, support conservation financially or help inspire the next generation to care for these special places.

Fifty years of conservation in Simsbury has been built one decision, one property and one conversation at a time. The next fifty years will be built the same way.

The story is still being written, and we all have an opportunity to be part of what comes next.

Together, we have accomplished something extraordinary. Together, we can protect what comes next.

Bob Palmer

Bob Palmer
SLT President

Simsbury Land Trust is proud to reach 50 years of conservation!

In this annual report you will find a timeline along the bottom third of the page with the chronological list of major events in the history of Simsbury Land Trust.

This list does not encompass all of the work that has taken place over 50 years but we hope it gives you an idea of the wide breadth of work SLT has covered from ridgelines to rivers and the very intentional work of connectivity between parcels of open space to make Simsbury more hiker friendly and create larger habitats of the flora and fauna that live among us.

Enjoy!
Sincerely, Amanda Thompson
Executive Director-SLT



Good Stewards of the Earth

Tom Crawford — Trustee and SLT Stewardship Chair

This year, Simsbury Land Trust Stewardship volunteers completed a wide range of projects to improve trail access, add visitor information, and care for our protected properties. A major focus was replacing mini kiosks and updating maps at the James, Owen-Mortimer, Tanager Hill, and Glover properties, helping visitors navigate these preserves more easily.

Stewards also completed important repairs along the trail system, including new bridge decking and steps along the Rosedale Farm Trail. Additional boardwalk replacements were completed at Tanager Hill and 60 Westledge, improving safety and helping keep trails open and enjoyable for the community.







SIMSBURY LAND TRUST 50 YEARS 1976–2026

1976

Incorporation of Simsbury Land Conservation Trust — now known as Simsbury Land Trust.

70 CHARTER MEMBERS

1977

Founders worked with town and state officials, experts in land use, and existing environmental groups to develop organizational structure, procedures and focus.

SLT acquired the first property, a 10-acre wetland donation from George Leaska.

1979

Marge Alspaugh created the first edition of Landlines, the SLT newsletter. Marge remained the editor of the newsletter until she retired from the board in 1985.

John Cannon donates the first portion of 25 acres on the West Ridge.

Ongoing maintenance remained an essential part of the stewardship effort. Volunteers continued routine trash collection along public roadways and parking areas, cleared more than 30 downed trees from trails, trimmed overgrown areas, and took care of site needs as they arose throughout the year.

Parking improvements were another highlight. At Wagner Woods, the parking area was improved by installing a new fence and gate thanks to an Eagle Scout project led by William Kim. At 60 Westledge, volunteers cleared brush, thinned trees, added material to the parking area, and completed stump grinding to create a smoother and more welcoming space for visitors.

This work would not be possible without the dedication of SLT's 25 active stewards, who monitor and maintain 37 properties totaling more than 750 acres. Their year-round commitment protects these lands, supports public access, and ensures that our trails and open spaces remain cared for now and into the future.









1982

SLT began examining the open space corridor along the Farmington River.

Two more West Ridge donations: 10 acres from the Friedman family, 50 acres from the Hendrick family.

1983

Town and SLT examine the impact of a proposed North Saddle Ridge extension on the ridge and wetlands.

Mary Knapp donates the first portion of a 29-acre wetland at the south end of Saddle Ridge Road.

1986

SLT considers development of a West Ridge Trail and planning started on several portions.

Town and SLT begin an inventory of large undeveloped tracts of land and begin contacting new property owners.



A New Trail Connection Between Simsbury and Canton

Chip Ward — SLT Steward and Tom Crawford — Trustee and SLT Stewardship Chair

Simsbury Land Trust (SLT) partnered with the Canton Land Conservation Trust (CLCT) to create a new hiking trail on the Western Mountain Ridge. The trail connects West Mountain Road through Onion Mountain Park, owned by the Town of Simsbury, with land owned by the CLCT on the western ridgeline and ultimately with Gracey Road near Roaring Brook Nature Center in Canton. The project was inspired by Jonah Lipar, a founding member of the SLT Youth Conservation Corps.

Part of the new trail crosses the Arnold property in Canton. CLCT acquired the 67-acre property in 2005 with partial funding from an SLT conservation easement. The property purchase completed a protected preserve across the western ridgeline.

Jonah's goal was to create a trail connecting Simsbury and Canton across the Arnold property. CLCT had previously built a Blue-Orange blazed trail that climbs to the summit on the CLCT Corey property. The climb is steep, but the summit offers a fantastic view of Heublein Tower, especially in winter when no leaves block the view. After this trail was complete, only about one mile remained across the Arnold property to connect it with the existing Blue blazed trails leading to the Yakemore-Porritt property in Canton near the Roaring Brook Nature Center.

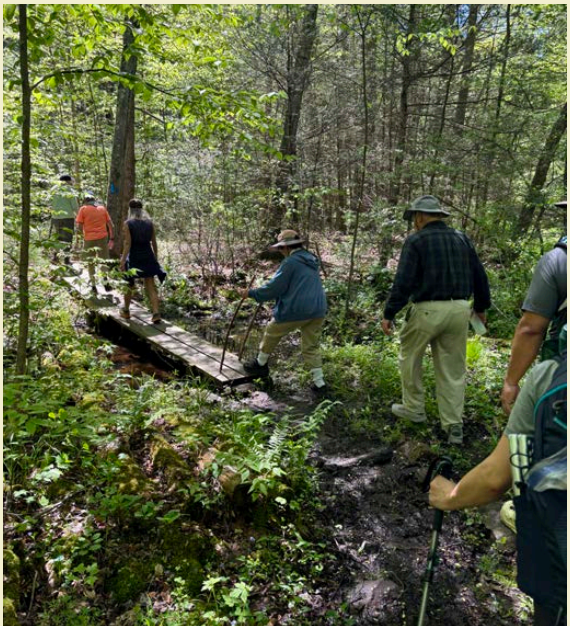


In January 2026, CLCT and SLT volunteers, joined by high school students, laid out the connecting trail. The land had been heavily logged in the 1800s, leaving charcoal mounds and old woods roads across the parcels. Taking advantage of the old roads made the new trail system easier to build with less impact on the environment.

In April, a large crew of CLCT stewards, SLT stewards, and members of the SLT Youth Conservation Corps spent the day clearing downed trees and brush from the new trail and marking it with green blazes.

CLCT organized an inaugural hike on Saturday, May 16, attended by more than thirty-five people. The new trail creates a meaningful connection between Simsbury and Canton and stands as an excellent joint project between the two land trusts.





1990

Farmington River Watershed Association began work on a Wild and Scenic designation.

193 MEMBERS

1991

First Publication of The Simsbury Walkbook by Fred Feibel.

1992

Gerti James donated 9 acres on the Metacomet Ridge to SLT.

1993

Pat Wegner donates the 15-acre Traineband Field on Terry's Plain Road to SLT.

1994

SLT produces the second edition of The Simsbury Walkbook.

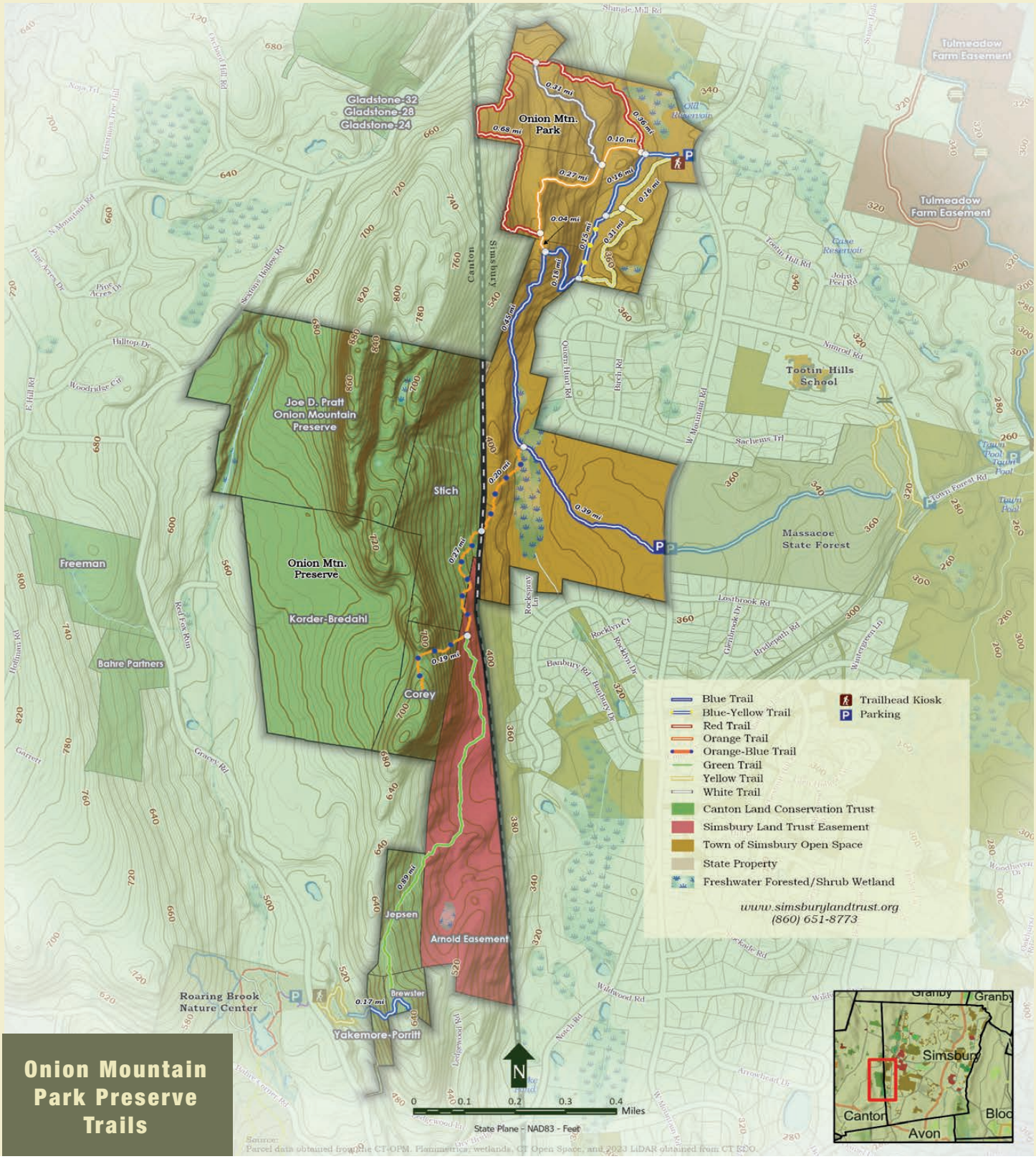
Ensign-Bickford Realty Corp. donates the Ketchin Quarry to SLT.

Preston Case donates 12 acres on Terry's Plain Road.

1995

Cathles family donates 49-acre West Ridge property.

233 MEMBERS



1998

SLT engages graduate students from Yale School of Forestry to study the West Ridge and recommend a management plan.

1999

SLT acquired 19 acres on Hedgehog Mountain with a big assist from Herman Fonteyne and the first effort by SLT to raise acquisition funds.

SLT acquired a 40-acre bog.

2000

SLT received a gift from Louise Ayer to be used to purchase 22 acres west of The Hedgehog.

SLT sponsors a Farmland Protection Forum to solicit interest from farmers and public and private funding sources.



Program Highlights from 2026

From hikes and hands-on conservation to educational programs and our 50th Anniversary celebration, 2026 was filled with opportunities to learn, explore, and connect with conservation in Simsbury. Here are just a few highlights from a busy year of programs led by the SLT Education Committee, SLT Youth Conservation Corps and dedicated volunteers.



CLCC Conference

Simsbury Land Trust joined other Farmington Valley land trusts at the Connecticut Land Conservation Council Conference this spring. SLT representatives attended workshops on topics ranging from invasive plants and citizen science to stewardship, property encroachments and membership appeals. Volunteers returned with new ideas, resources, and knowledge to help make SLT a stronger organization.

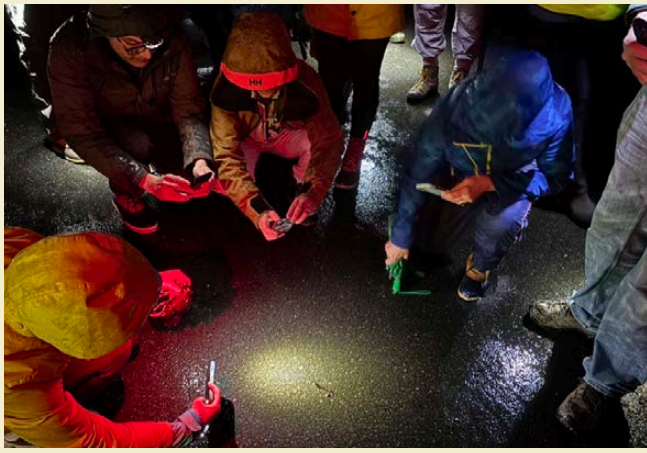
Big Night Hike



Each spring, as the ground begins to thaw, warm rainy nights trigger salamanders, frogs, and other amphibians to leave the forest and make their way to wetlands to breed. These special evenings are known as "Big Nights."

This year, we spent a Big Night along Town Forest Road looking for salamanders and frogs and helping them safely cross the road. With permission from the Town, signs encouraged drivers to use an alternate route while amphibian migration activity was at its peak. It was a wonderful opportunity to witness one of spring's fascinating natural events while helping protect local wildlife.







Bear Awareness Presentation

SLT Board of Trustees and Suffield Agriscience Ag Issues Team, who presented educational and public awareness campaign on Connecticut's growing black bear population and human-bear coexistence.



2001

SLT commissions a feasibility study for a major campaign and hires a professional consultant.

The first Executive Director is hired and office space rented.

Bog Walk is constructed.

2002

10-year Campaign for Simsbury announced with a goal of protecting specific properties totaling 1,000 acres.

Helen and Marion Walker leave an 8-acre ledge to SLT.

2003

SLT received a commitment of its first public grant, $740,000 from the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service for a conservation easement on Rosedale Farm. Over the next 10 years, SLT raised more than $8,000,000 from public and private sources, over $1,000,000 from individual SLT members.



Simsbury Land Trust Hiking Club

Each month, former SLT Board Members Don and Sally Reiger chose a trail in Simsbury or the surrounding area and invited SLT members to join them exploring it. Throughout the year, the Hiking Club introduced participants to the incredible variety of trails and protected places we have right at our doorstep. It is amazing how many new places there are to discover just a short drive from home!

Tulmeadow Spring Kids Hike

Tulmeadow is a perfect place for a kids hike! The trail travels through both farmland and woodlands, giving young hikers plenty of plants, wildlife, and other discoveries to be curious about along the way. Of course, Tulmeadow ice cream at the end of the hike is always a great motivator!



50th Anniversary Dinner

SLT celebrated 50 years of conservation with our Anniversary Dinner at Rosedale Farms and Vineyards. Gathering on a property protected by an SLT conservation easement made the evening especially meaningful.

Farmers Marshall Epstein, Lynn Epstein and their grandson Kyle McCullough shared what it takes to operate a working farm today. Their stories gave guests a greater appreciation for the tremendous amount of work behind the beautiful farm landscapes that are such an important part of Simsbury.





2004

SLT acquired a conservation easement from 109-acre Rosedale Farm for $1,600,000 from federal, state, town and individual sources.

Preston Case gifts his residence, subject to a life estate, to advance the SLT mission.

Simsbury Land Trust and Canton Land Conservation Trust partnered to acquire the 67-acre Arnold property next to Onion Mountain.

SLT accepts a $325,000 bequest, its largest monetary gift ever, from the estate of the late Marie Dugan.

2005

SLT purchases a 167-acre easement from Tulmeadow Farm for $2,190,000.

The Eastern States Exposition awarded SLT its 2005 Pathfinder Award for farmland preservation.

775 MEMBERS

2006

Red Trail at West Mountain was proposed, approved and blazed.

SLT implements property monitoring/stewardship practices by volunteers.

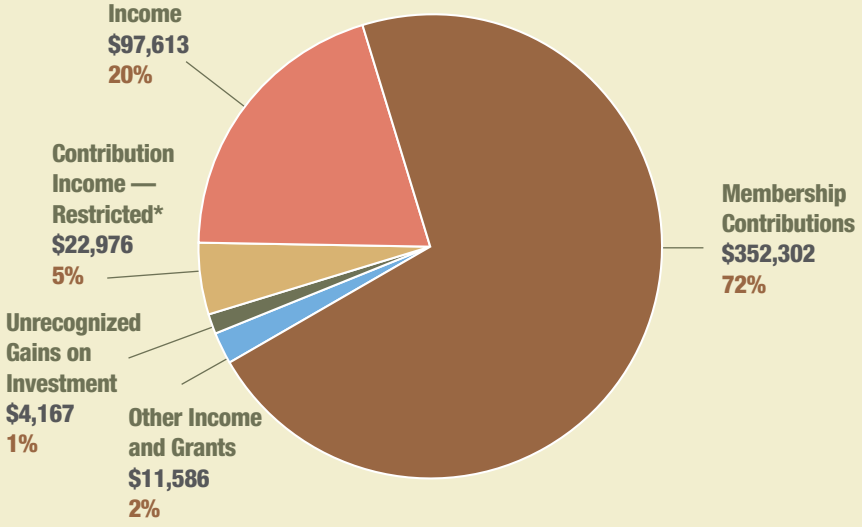
2026 Financial Highlights

For the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026



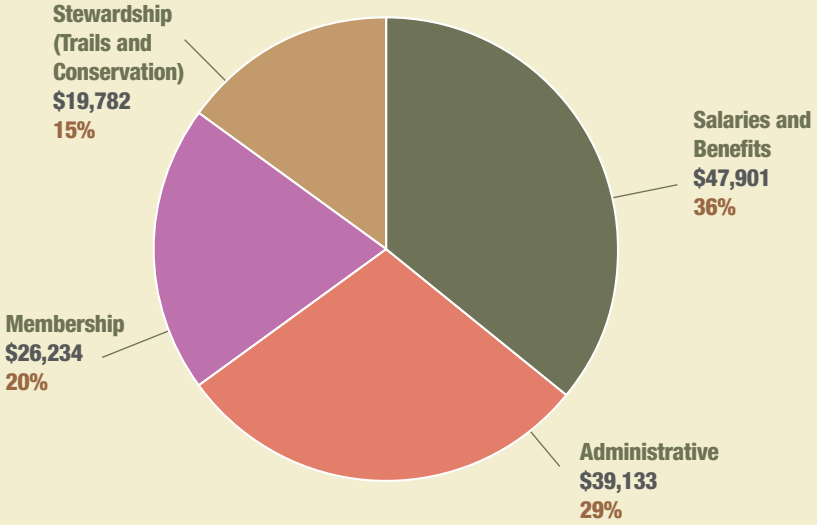
REVENUES

Total: $488,644



EXPENSES

Total: $133,050



* Restricted Contribution Income is funds donated to the Richard A Davis Endowment Fund held at the Greater Hartford Give Foundation (previously Hartford Foundation for Public Giving)

Note: Full financial statements are available upon request.

2007

75 acres on West Mountain were purchased from The Master's School — this expanded and connected contiguous protected ridge land to over 500 acres.

Connecticut DEEP funding was obtained for 60 Westledge trail development and management planning, additional red and yellow trails were laid out and blazed.

2008

SLT purchased the conservation easement to the "triangle" portion of Tulmeadow Farm, an addition of 20 acres.

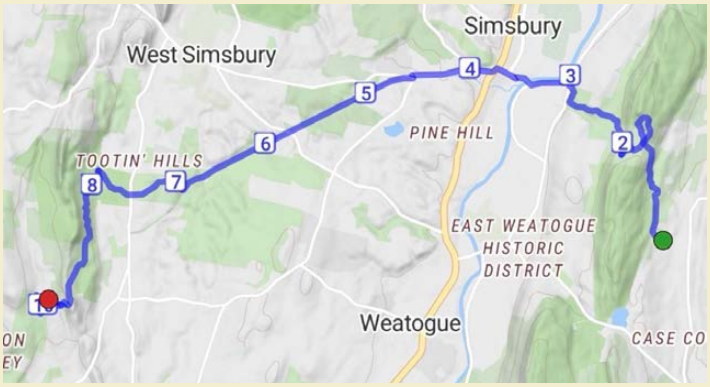
20-acre easement on the East Ridge donated by Leland Holcomb.

Laird and Ann Mortimer donated 28 acres running from East Weatogue Street to the base of Talcott Mountain, known as the Owen-Mortimer property.

Extensive West Mountain trail system completed by SLT stewardship volunteers.

Piece by Piece

Amanda Thompson — Executive Director



As we look ahead, land conservation will continue to be an important part of SLT's work, although it may look different than it has in the past. Large tracts of undeveloped land are becoming harder to find. Increasingly, the next important opportunity may be a smaller parcel that connects or expands existing protected open space.

This year, SLT's Acquisition Committee worked with a volunteer Geographic Information System specialist to identify undeveloped properties that abut protected lands held by organizations such as SLT and McLean Game Refuge, as well as town, state and federal open space. These properties may be small on their own, but protecting them could connect or widen wildlife corridors, expand trail systems and strengthen larger areas of conserved land.

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We can already see what this approach can accomplish. The 60 Westledge trail system was assembled one property at a time, and recent trail connections have expanded the possibilities even further. In July, we put that connectivity to the test with a 10-mile hike from Traprock Ridge Land Conservancy's Stout Family Field in Bloomfield to Roaring Brook Nature Center in Canton. Along the way, we traveled through Penwood State Park, SLT's Tanager Hill Preserve, Stratton Brook State Park, Massacoe State Forest and Onion Mountain Park. Less than 10 percent of the route required walking on roads or sidewalks.



No single conservation project created that 10-mile connection. It exists because one property was protected, then another and then another. Together, those individual pieces have become part of a much larger network of protected land.

That is what makes the next chapter of SLT's work so exciting. Important pieces of Simsbury still remain unprotected. Some may be large and others may be only a few acres, but each has the potential to become part of something much greater.

Piece by piece, we can continue growing a network of protected lands that will benefit Simsbury for generations to come.

2009

SLT obtains $1,415,000 Forest Legacy Grant toward the $2,830,000 purchase of a conservation easement on the 67-acre Tulmeadow Woodlot.

SLT office relocated downtown to the old Probate Court building on the Simsbury Historical Society campus.



Keeping the Light Show in the Garden

Margery Winters — SLT Board of Trustees

Is there anything more magical than the on-off, on-off, on-off blinking of fireflies on a summer evening? It is something that no strings of fairy lights or party lights can replicate. Sadly, each year their light shows are diminishing and fireflies are blinking out. Their populations are in decline globally and several North America species may be on the brink of extinction due to habitat loss, light pollution, and pesticide use. Fortunately, there is much that we can do in our own gardens and yards to help reduce this decline.



Various species of fireflies thrive in damp areas along rivers, forests, fields, as well as the edges between these habitats. Fireflies spend one to two years in larval stages in soil, mud, moss, leaf litter, or rotting logs where they eat snails, slugs, earthworms and other soft-bodied invertebrates. After pupating, adults only live two to four weeks. Mated females lay eggs in many spots, but gardens can offer an oasis for larval development.

Go Native

Gardens with a diversity of native plants mimic the conditions fireflies favor in the wild by providing places for females to lay eggs, hide during the day, overwinter as larvae, and support for bees and butterflies at the same time. Due to their extensive root systems, native grasses do an excellent job stabilizing and retaining moisture in the soil while providing just the right food and shelter for adult fireflies and their larvae. Native forbs (flowering herbaceous plants), leafy shrubs, and hardwood trees provide the different heights required for the courtship light displays of different firefly species.

Leave the Leaves

Nature likes a messy garden. Manicured gardens and heavily bark-mulched beds do not support fireflies. Follow nature's lead and let leaves accumulate under shrubs and trees, in flower beds, and areas beside wet or wooded areas. Consider replacing bark mulch with whole or shredded leaves and pine needles. Both leaves and bark mulch suppress weeds, but bark mulch prevents female fireflies from laying eggs directly in the soil, reduces larval food, and limits shelter for both larva and adults. In turn, by sheltering firefly larvae in leaf mulch, the larvae help control slugs, snails, and other soft-bodied pests. When leaves are raked, bagged, and left at the curb, the firefly larvae living in them are



2010

62-acre Wagner Woods property in West Simsbury was donated by the Wagner family.

After several attempts over the years, an endowment was established with the Greater Hartford Gives Foundation, formerly Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, to support the ongoing stewardship and legal protection of its land and easements.

The West Mountain Trails receive a Connecticut Greenway designation.

760 MEMBERS

2011

SLT closes on the conservation easement for the Tulmeadow Woodlot, the final piece of the Tulmeadow project.

thrown away too. Instead, consider setting aside a section of your yard for fallen leaves or allow an area of your yard to remain in a natural state.

Remove Invasive Plants

Monocultures of nonnative invasive plants reduce firefly diversity and diversity in general. To learn which nonnative plants might be lurking in your yard and how to remove them, visit SLT's invasives booklet: https://simsburylandtrust.org/slt/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/InvasivesBooklet2023-9.3.pdf

Incorporate Rotting Logs

Dead wood and decaying logs are often found in habitats attractive to fireflies.

The decaying logs provide a damp place to hide during the day, an easy perch for females to communicate with flashing males, a place to lay eggs in the damp soil under the log and leaf litter, as well as ample food for sheltering larvae. Logs also enrich the soil as they slowly decompose and, while taking up little space, invite other creatures into your garden such as songbirds and other beneficial insects.

Gardens with a diversity of native plants mimic the conditions fireflies favor in the wild by providing places for females to lay eggs, hide during the day, overwinter as larvae, and support for bees and butterflies at the same time.

Better yet, build a firefly shelter to encourage fireflies to take up residence in your yard. To learn how, visit www.firefly.org/build-firefly-habitat.

TURN OFF YOUR LIGHTS!

Artificial light at night creates light pollution that strongly interferes with firefly mating signals. Simsbury recently passed Dark Sky regulations to limit light pollution from new development, but there is much that can be done to reduce light pollution from existing buildings. We can turn off exterior lights when they aren't needed and close curtains so light doesn't spill from our windows. We can also replace porch lights with amber colored "bug light" bulbs (2,700 or less Kelvin), and install Dark Sky compliant light fixtures. To learn more visit DarkSkies.org.

Go Pesticide-Free

Lawn chemicals (both herbicides and insecticides) and mosquito sprays are devastating to firefly larvae and the prey they hunt. Keep your firefly habitat chemical-free. After all, fireflies, like bees and butterflies, are insects and are susceptible to these ubiquitous chemicals.

Create Firefly Sanctuaries

If you have the means, conserving habitat through land ownership or by supporting a land trust is one of the most lasting contributions you can make. This year Simsbury Land Trust with the help of experts from the Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation (Xerces.org) is investigating ways that we can enhance firefly habitat on our preserves and create firefly sanctuaries. But such preserves alone cannot sustain firefly populations. When habitats are fragmented by development and roads, separated populations of fireflies cannot interbreed with other populations in other preserves, leading to lower genetic diversity and a higher risk of local extinction. By creating a firefly sanctuary in your yard, you can help provide a habitat stepping stone linking these larger habitats. By working together, the summer light show will continue to blink on, and off, and on.

Records are digitized over a three year period with help from a $15,000 grant.

"Dirty Boots" Kids Club is started with an activity book for children.

2012

SLT began work on a complex $620,000 deal between George Hall, Town of Simsbury and SLT to preserve George Hall and Pharos Farms.

First year for Green Scenes, our documentary film and discussion series.

2013

The Macke family donates 19 acres adjacent to the Arnold property in West Simsbury.

2014

SLT completes purchase of the George Hall and Pharos Farm easements.

Native plant garden was established on the Glover property.

Farm, Forks and Frames Dinner and Art Auction raises over $20,000.

Our Youth Conservation Corps

Jonah Lipar — SLT Youth Conservation Corps





This summer, SLT Youth Conservation Corps hosted two events on firefly ecology and conservation. Our goals were to increase awareness and public interest in fireflies, support efforts to protect them, and learn more about which species live on SLT properties.

Our first event was an evening walk at Wagner Woods at the end of June. SLT Youth Conservation Corps gave a short talk on firefly ecology and behavior, as well as threats such as habitat loss and light pollution. We shared ways to protect fireflies in your own backyard, such as turning off unnecessary outdoor lights, shielding the ones you need and switching to warmer colors, and setting aside areas of your yard for natural meadows. The walk was a success, and we were treated to a nearly full Strawberry Moon.

In July, SLT Youth Conservation Corps, as well as former member Charlotte were fortunate enough to conduct a firefly survey at Tanager Hill with the Xerces Society. We were joined by Richard Joyce and Katie Lamke, two conservation biologists from the Xerces Society who have been conducting these surveys around the state. It was late in the season and a cool, clear night, with temperatures already in the low 60s in the meadows. Under the trees, though, it was much warmer, and that's where we saw many fireflies.





2015

SLT completes the $1,200,000 Tanager Hill purchase, 75 acres adjacent to the Owen-Mortimer parcel. This forms an east/west biologically diverse corridor and walking trail over the Penwood State Park traprock ridgeline from downtown Simsbury to the Town of Bloomfield.

A second three-year Strategic Plan is completed and initiated in order to improve management operations, controls and efficiency.

2016

SLT renames the endowment fund the Richard A. Davis Endowment Fund and raises funds to honor Dick Davis' contribution to SLT as he retires from the Board of Trustees.

683 MEMBERS

2018

Deborah Reynolds and Gail Pease donated the 12-acre Donlin property on West Mountain, improving forest connectivity.

SLT updates Simsbury Walkbook to reflect over 20 miles of trails open to the public.

We observed two subfamilies of fireflies: *Photinus* (which are more yellow) and *Photuris* (which are more green), among other differences. Of the former, we identified *Photinus marginellus,* which emitted single flashes with 5-6 seconds in between. Of the latter, we identified both male and female *Photuris,* which flashed more rapidly. The latter were possibly *Photuris hebes* but we weren't able to confidently identify species without more male flash pattern observation. Richard from the Xerces Society said that while it was less common to see females flying, it was likely that these *Photuris* individuals were mimicking other species in order to prey on them. We also saw longer glows from what may have been other species, but we weren't able to capture them.

Fireflies are one of the most popular species for connecting people to nature, and a very important symbol of conservation, in addition to their direct role in the ecosystem. By reducing light pollution and creating habitat in your yard, you help not only fireflies but many other species. In the future, SLT Youth Conservation Corps hopes to lead the way in bringing dedicated firefly sanctuaries to Simsbury.







2021

Diane Dreux Smith donated a 15-acre parcel off Westledge Road, expanding protection near the reservoir.

927 MEMBERS

2022

Completion of Tanager Hill parking area.

2024

Town-wide distribution of SLT Invasive Plant Guide, expanded education of removing invasive plants from your own backyard.

2026

Start fund raising campaign for 10-acre parcel adjacent to Wagner Woods to create connectivity of Town, State and Land Trust properties.



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Thank you to all of our members who supported Simsbury Land Trust's conservation efforts in 2025–2026. From maintaining trails and updating signs to protecting more of Simsbury's special places, this work is only possible because of the generous support of our members. We are grateful to everyone who helps make conservation in Simsbury possible.

Scan QR code to view membership listing



Explore SLT Trails and Earn a Throwback SLT Hat

TAKE A HIKE... OR 12!

Have you completed the SLT 12-Hike Challenge before? Maybe it is time to challenge yourself again! Or, if you have never participated, now is a great time to get started.

With more than 28 trails featured in the Simsbury Walkbook, there are plenty of places to explore. Discover a trail you have never hiked, revisit an old favorite or join an SLT-sponsored hike. From short walks through fields and forests, to longer more challenging adventures, completing 12 hikes is a great way to experience the land that SLT works to protect and care for.

Here is how to participate:

- **Sign up for the 12-Hike Challenge** at simsburylandtrust.org.
- **Complete 12 hikes or walks.** Any distance counts and SLT-sponsored hikes count toward your 12, wherever they take place.
- **Track your adventures.** Record the date and location of each hike as you go.
- **Complete the online form** when you finish your 12 hikes and receive an SLT baseball cap featuring our throwback logo.

Completed the challenge before? Challenge yourself again! Choose trails you have never explored, return to old favorites in a different season or mix in some SLT-sponsored hikes. With so many places to explore, there is always something new to discover.

Need a Walkbook? The Simsbury Walkbook is available on our website. For a hard copy or questions about the challenge, contact the SLT office at 860-651-8773 or director@simsburylandtrust.org.

Your membership helps make these adventures possible by supporting land conservation, trail maintenance, and public access to the special places found throughout Simsbury.