At first glance, the Learning the Landscapes after-school program may appear to just be a handful of elementary and middle-school students playing in the dirt, picking up insects, and spotting wildlife. But beyond the dirt-stained jeans and mosquito bites, the after-school program provides these students with an opportunity to get outside and learn hands-on about the local environment. It is planting seeds for the concepts of conservation and volunteerism that can’t be found in a textbook.

This spring Learning the Landscapes enabled 176 students (70% Latino) to spend three afternoons per week for six weeks outside exploring and learning. This included two days per week at Saddle Rock, exploring and learning about native plants and how they change with the seasons, how to help care for the land, and basic conservation ethics. At the Horan Natural Area along the Columbia River activities included dissecting and inspecting fish and insect species.

“I want to come back here with my family!”
– Jesus, grade 3

CDLT's Jose Luis Marquez helps students discover, observe and record during a Learning the Landscapes outing this spring.

WSU Extension, Chelan-Douglas Land Trust (CDLT), Wenatchee School District, and the Cascade Columbia Fisheries Enhancement Group partnered to develop and implement the innovative new program. “These kinds of community collaborations that engage kids with resource professionals and hands-on meaningful projects are the future of our educational system,” said Hana Butler, experiential learning coordinator for WSU Extension. “In the end, it increases these students capacity for caring about themselves and the environment, and shows them what they can do to contribute back to that.”

This program has been supported by an anonymous Land Trust donor who values cultivating conservation ethics and volunteerism in our region’s youth.

“I like looking at the fish and bugs!” said Jesus, a third grader from Mission View when asked about his time spent at the Horan Natural Area. “I want to come back here with my family.”

The program was a huge success, getting kids out in nature developing active, engaged and community focused minds. The collaboration between passionate organizations sets the tone for a bright future for outdoor education in the Wenatchee Valley.

Note: Your support of the Land Trust makes programs like this possible! CDLT was proud to assist with developing and implementing this new program focused on getting students out in nature close to home. CDLT Foothills Ambassadors Jose Luís Marquez and Rebecca Frank assisted with the program, as did Hanne Beener, Trails & Stewardship Coordinator.
Next Steps - Making a Significant Difference

Bob Bugert, Executive Director

Thanks to your support, the past few years have been very good for our community organization. In 2010, our Board of Directors adopted a multi-year strategic plan with two external goals (protect key habitats in the Wenatchee Foothills and along our rivers) and two internal goals (secure national accreditation and establish a strong stewardship fund). Now that those initiatives have been accomplished or are ongoing, it is time for us to—once again—chart our course for the next few years.

Starting this summer, we will evaluate and prioritize the opportunities available to us, and we expect to complete this process about a year from now. As part of that effort, I am delighted to say that the national Land Trust Alliance selected us for their Excellence Program, which provides significant financial and technical support to take our non-profit to a higher level.

This is a great opportunity for the Land Trust, and so, we have an opportunity for you. We would like to hear from you about what actions—what meaningful actions—the Land Trust could take on. I cannot guarantee that we will be able to respond to all suggestions—let alone act on them—but we greatly value your ideas. Please feel free to email me at bob@cdlandtrust.org with your thoughts.

We are looking at large, landscape-scale, multi-year programs that can have a meaningful, lasting benefit to our corner of the planet. We believe that we have a unique opportunity to engage a broad spectrum of the business, conservation, and recreational community to do something big. Something real. There are many opportunities, but we are looking at taking on only a few, so that we can do them well.

Here’s one thing I can assure you. Our Board believes that a component of our work should address climate change in a local, but meaningful way. There are indeed things that we can do at a local level to make our natural areas and communities more resilient to climate change—and to protect our native fish and wildlife.

Obviously we may not be able to control decisions globally or in Washington DC, but we can make a difference here. Our community has demonstrated that we can work together toward a common goal—and to actually get it done. Together, let’s do something significant.

Step Up to the Challenge!

It’s back by popular demand! Experience the beauty of the Wenatchee Foothills, one trail at a time. Complete each of the five trail sections, fill out your information on a Hiking Challenge card. Guided hikes are offered for each section (see details in Outings & Events section of newsletter.) Turn your card in at the Land Trust office or mail it in to be entered in a drawing to win a prize. Cards are available at the Land Trust office, trailheads or you can download one from our website!
The first time I saw salmon congregating along a spawning area in the lower White River it reminded me of Alaska. Hundreds of bright red and green sockeye, all ready to spawn. Almost enough to “walk across their backs” to the other side. Later I found out that the Chelan-Douglas Land Trust was working to protect this kind of habitat, here and elsewhere throughout the region. Recently I was pleased to join this effort as the Land Trust’s Watershed Coordinator.

The Land Trust has worked for 15 years to protect and improve habitat for salmon, trout, and other species, particularly in the White River, Entiat River, Icicle Creek, and Nason Creek. These areas have been identified by rigorous scientific studies as high priorities for fish habitat protection and restoration. Protecting this habitat also contributes to clean water supplies for communities downstream.

The White River is a unique source of consistently cool water that also benefits the Wenatchee River as it flows downstream. The glaciers at its headwaters and its wide valley bottom with extensive forest, wetlands, and deep soils provide a cooling effect even in the heat of summer, which is a stressful time for native fish. Over the years, the Land Trust has worked with willing landowners to permanently protect 621 acres and 7.4 miles of riverfront in the lower White River valley and we are continuing those efforts.

The Entiat River flows through a different kind of landscape, with a different pattern of land use. The Land Trust owns several large undeveloped parcels in the middle portion of this watershed, a prime “nursery” for the salmon that swim from the ocean to spawn in these waters. This area also presents a unique opportunity to our restoration partners in fisheries conservation to improve habitat on a large scale. We are collaborating with them to develop a more holistic approach than is often possible in areas with greater human development.

At one time Nason Creek was a highly productive stream for salmon and trout, and in many parts this is still the case. However, much of its course has been altered significantly by roads, the railroad, power lines, and subdivision. We are working with science experts to identify the highest priority habitat to protect. We will work with restoration partners to improve fish habitat on some of the protected properties, undertaking restoration projects consistent with our goals.

The Land Trust has also protected over a mile of stream habitat along lower Icicle Creek. Close to town with high land values and attractive for recreation, this area has its own challenges for conservation. We remain committed to working with landowners who value the extraordinary habitat in the Lower Icicle.

By protecting these key lands along our rivers and streams, together we are working to ensure that future generations will also enjoy cold, clear rivers thick with salmon.

I look forward to sharing this thrill with my daughters this fall!
Welcome New Members

February through May 2014, these individuals have joined the Land Trust. Thank you for your generous support!

Did You Know?

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The places you can explore in the Wenatchee Foothills are expanding! On the heels of the successful Foothills Capital Campaign, the Land Trust has been busy adding to the Foothills trail system this spring. We are meeting some very ambitious trail building and maintenance goals, thanks to the incredible work of Land Trust volunteers, a new partnership with Central Washington’s Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance and our ongoing strong relationship with Chelan County Extension that helps us get West Side High School students out for trail work.

**Castle Rock**
The purchase of Lower Castle Rock in 2013 through the Foothills Campaign is allowing us to provide the first legal public access to Castle Rock. With the generosity of the adjacent landowner, we have secured a Trail License Agreement to provide trail access to the Castle Rock formation itself, as well as Chopper. We have utilized our new Evergreen partnership to construct several new trails on Lower Castle Rock. Visitors can put together several short loops on the north east side of the property, or take the new trail up to the top of Castle Rock. The trails are open to hikers during daylight hours; the property is not open to mountain bikers or equestrians due to the steepness of the terrain. By late September, we hope to have a simple trailhead complete at the end of Castlerock Avenue for users to better access these new trails.

**Horse Lake Reserve**
Over at our Horse Lake Reserve, volunteers just completed an important new one mile addition to the upper end of the Apricot Crisp Trail. The new section circumvents a corner of private property and allows mountain biker and hiker traffic on the Twin Peaks traverse route to stay on a safe and legal route. This new trail accesses a very different ecological area of the Horse Lake Reserve; it meanders through dryland forest and provides late-spring wildflower meadows and fantastic views of the Cascades. Because it is high up in the Reserve where deer and elk linger later in spring, it will likely have a later opening date than the April 1st date for the rest of the Horse Lake Trails. We also just completed a short spur trail to a memorial bench above the saddle of Homestead Trail with the help of a group of students. Head up to Horse Lake and check these new trails out!

Currently, the Trails Committee is in the thick of planning for our fall work schedule. Restoration work will continue at Saddle Rock, with new trail construction scheduled as well, and construction on a new trail in the Broadview Canyon area is planned. We’ve had an exceptional crew of volunteers, familiar and new faces alike, working on the trails this spring, and they deserve our hearty thanks! Hopefully we’ll see many of you back at the fall work parties, helping to make our Foothills accessible to our community.
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### Abbreviated Summary of Financial Activities as of December 31, 2013

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<td>Restricted contributions &amp; grants for land</td>
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<td>acquisition, stewardship, endowment &amp; other</td>
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<td>Investment Income</td>
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<td>Unrealized gains (losses) on investments</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
<td><strong>$3,015,593</strong></td>
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#### Expenses and Acquisitions

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<td>Program (easement &amp; land acquisition, land conservation, stewardship, education)</td>
<td>$1,403,979</td>
<td>80%</td>
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<td>Management and General</td>
<td>$122,108</td>
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<td>Fundraising*</td>
<td>$235,085</td>
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<td><strong>$1,761,172</strong></td>
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<td><strong>$2,111,921</strong></td>
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*Includes additional costs due to Wenatchee Foothills Campaign
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Comings & Goings

We are delighted to have three energetic and engaged community members join our Board of Directors, serving their first three-year term.

- **John Lehmkuhl** is a retired Wildlife Biologist with the Forest Sciences Lab and has been a tremendous asset on our Stewardship and Lands committees through the years.
- A resident of Leavenworth, **Jack Mynatt** is a retired professor of psychology who taught advanced statistics and research design; Jack will benefit our organization through his analytical skills.
- A fourth-generation resident of NCW, **John Zanol** is a retired medical director. He frequently brought disparate parties from multiple levels together to find solutions to meet common goals—skills he brings to the CDLT board.

After many years as our talented Board Treasurer, **Peter Bauer** has stepped down as he and his wife Janet have relocated to the Winthrop area where they will continue their conservation work. **Bob Ogburn** has also stepped down after two productive terms on the Board. Bob will continue to be an engaged and important member of the Lands Committee.

We are thrilled to welcome Fishery Biologist **David Morgan** to the CDLT staff as our Watershed Coordinator. He will play a lead role on our collaborative efforts with landowners and agencies to protect and restore important habitats for salmon. Funds for David’s appointment came from a three-year grant we recently received.
Upcoming Outings & Events

Sign up online for Land Trust events! Go to cdlandtrust.org and click *What's New* for a detailed list of events & outings and to register — or call the Land Trust office at (509) 667-9708.

Foothills Guided Hikes
Foothills Ambassadors Rebecca Frank and bi-lingual Jose Luis Marquez will lead these guided hikes. Use these hikes to complete the Hiking Challenge *(see page 2 for details)* or just come and enjoy the hike! **RSVP appreciated**

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<td>June 28</td>
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<td>July 12</td>
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<td><strong>Jacobson Preserve</strong></td>
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<td>August 16</td>
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<td><strong>Saddle Rock</strong></td>
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Full Moon Party at Horse Lake Reserve
**August 10 evening**
Enjoy the panoramic views of the Horse Lake Reserve in the evening light, with ice cream floats & desserts, socializing, and an “I Spy” scavenger activity for kids. Following the social gathering, several guided nature walks will head out to explore the reserve as the full moon rises. Mark your calendar for this fun, free event — *more details to come soon!*

Volunteer Opportunities

Call Neal or Hanne at (509) 667-9708 or email hanne@cdlandtrust.org for details and to RSVP.
You can also sign up online — go to cdlandtrust.org and click *What's New* for details.

**June 24 & 25**
Help Stewardship Director Neal Hedges with some fence and gate repair.
Time and details TBA

**Late June**
Lupine Seed Collection
We need to collect a bit more lupine seed for our restoration work at Horse Lake Reserve! We will likely be collecting seed at our Mountain Home property in Leavenworth. This is a great opportunity to visit this beautiful place and learn about some of our restoration work. Please check the website under *Volunteer Opportunities* for details, or call the office.

**Summer**
Weed Control
An important part of stewardship is control of noxious weeds. Weekly volunteer opportunities are posted on the website or call the office for details.

**Late Summer/Early Fall**
Trail Work
Trail volunteers take a break during the hot and dry part of summer; without soil moisture, our work is less effective! Keep an eye out in early fall for trail work opportunities to build and restore some trails at Saddle Rock, Castlerock, and the North Foothills area near Maiden Lane! Call the office with any questions or email hanne@cdlandtrust.org.

*Building a new section on the Apricot Crisp trail this spring*
**MISSION STATEMENT**

Conserving our land, our water, and our way of life through voluntary land agreements, education, partnerships, stewardship, and well-planned growth.

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**FULL MOON PARTY AT HORSE LAKE RESERVE**

**SUNDAY EVENING, AUGUST 10, 2014**

Enjoy some sweet treats, guided walks, & socializing under the full moon!

*Stay tuned for details!*

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