# **2016 ANNUAL REPORT**



## Join Us for Our Annual Meeting

When: June 13, 2017

Time: 5:30 pm

Location: 119 The Plains Road, Middleburg, VA

Refreshments will be served. RSVP: Info@goosecreek.org

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Dear Members and Friends,

2016 was a very productive year for the Goose Creek Association. With an energetic Board, a dedicated office administrator, Holly Geary, and efficient office space in Middleburg, we have progressed on several fronts. Please join us on Tuesday, June 13, 5:30 pm, for our Annual Meeting to discuss two issues critical to our future: GCA's Governance and Rural Agricultural Zoning in Loudoun and Fauquier Counties. We welcome your participation in this discussion. If you would like to attend, please register by calling our office at: 540-687-3073, or emailing us at: <a href="mailto:info@goosecreek.org">info@goosecreek.org</a>.

On Governance we will discuss our term limits and board composition. On Rural Agricultural Zoning, we will discuss what this means, or should mean, in the face of increasing pressure for agri-tourism and rural business development. Lately, new commercial businesses with large-scale event centers have been popping up all over our counties, including protected historic and rural residential areas, under the auspices of "agri-tourism" and economic development. Are our zoning ordinances and ability to inspect and enforce zoning variances adequate? How do the counties balance the interests of owners with that of their neighbors and other residents?

This year, your GCA accomplished the following:

- **Markham Truck Rest Area:** worked successfully with Markham residents and PEC to resist VDOT's opening a truck rest area on I-66 near the Markham interchange;
- **B-Chord Brewery**: monitored and successfully presented comments against development of a brewery on a rural road in Loudoun County;
- Catesby Events center: monitored and presented comments against the development of an events center on a rural road in Loudoun County;
- Loudoun's Comprehensive Plan: Ongoing monitoring and comments;
- **Stream Monitoring:** Reorganized and reinvigorated GCA's decade long program to deliver relevant data to the VA Department of Environmental Quality on the health of the Goose Creek;

**Enviro Documentary:** Public presentation of "Saving Place, Saving Grace" about a local monastery's efforts to implement conservation measures and Best Management Practices on their self-sustaining farm;

**Goose Creek Challenge**: Planted riparian buffers on local farms with scores of student and adult volunteers;

**Blackthorne Inn:** Ongoing monitoring and comments presented to Fauquier's Planning Commission about a proposed events center, inn and dining complex near Upperville;

**Spring Party:** Celebrated Golden Goose Recipient, Patty Callahan, for her volunteerism and service to the Goose Creek Association at Magalen O. Bryant's beautiful home, Locust Hill;

**Goose Creek Clean Up**: Saturday, June 3 cleanup with volunteers on the Goose Creek near the Goodstone Inn in conjunction with Clean the Bay Day.

Sincerely yours,

Lori and Bonnie



Events
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Meetings
held
during
the year!



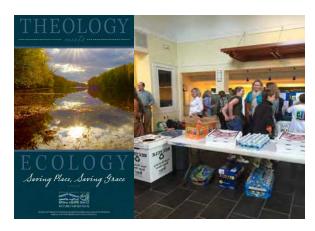






Stream
Monitoring
And
Education
& Outreach





## Mission

The Goose Creek Association protects and preserves the natural resources, open spaces, historic heritage and rural quality of life within the Goose Creek Watershed.

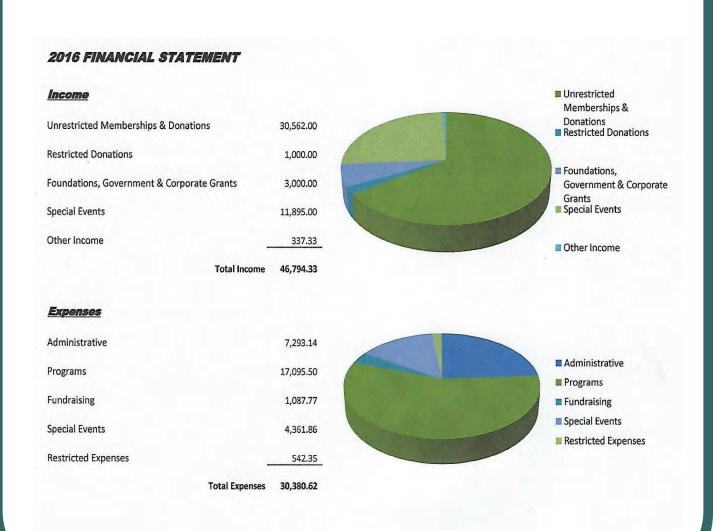
## Goals and Financial Statement

Two new Board Members joined GCA in 2016: Dulany Morison and Marvin Watts. They both bring various skills and experience to our Board. Dulany Morison will Chair the Goose Creek Challenge, as Marcia Woolman passes the torch. He will coordinate the planting and riparian buffer work along the Goose Creek.

Marvin Watts has proved valuable with his experience and coordination of our Goose Creek Cleanup and as a Loudoun County representative for the Goose Creek Association.

We will continue with our stream monitoring efforts. Program Chair, Jeff Millington has connected with a variety of watershed organizations to strengthen the program. In addition he will continue to recruit new trainees and coordinate with local schools.

The Board will continue with environmental education, as well as monitor development in both Fauquier and Loudoun Counties.



## 2016 Annual Donor List

Thank you for all your generous support!







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While the amount of water on Earth is constant, "only 2.5 % of it is available. Almost all of it is frozen or in the ground. Rivers, an extension of Earth's freshwater. So as the population explodes, human use of available, the remaining volume of freshwater accessible to supply the



The Mayfly and the Health of our Streams

The nymph is the dominant life history stage of the mayfly. Different insect species vary in their tolerance to water pollution, but in general, the larval stages of mayflies, stoneflies (Plecoptera) and caddis flies (Trichoptera) are susceptible to a number of pollutants including sewage, pesticides and industrial effluent. In general, mayflies are particularly sensitive to acidification, but tolerances vary, and certain species are exceptionally tolerant to heavy metal contamination and to low pH levels. Ephemerellidae are among the most tolerant groups and Siphlonuridae and Caenidae the least. The adverse effects on the insects of pollution may be either lethal or sub-lethal, in the latter case resulting in altered enzyme function, poor growth, changed behaviour or lack of reproductive success. As important parts of the food chain, pollution can cause knock-on effects to other organisms; a dearth of herbivorous nymphs can cause overgrowth of algae, and a scarcity of predacious nymphs can result in an over-abundance of their prey species. Fish that feed on mayfly nymphs that have bioaccumulated heavy metals are themselves at risk. Adult female mayflies find water by detecting the polarization of reflected light. They are easily fooled by other polished surfaces which can act as traps for swarming mayflies.

The status of many species of mayflies is unknown because they are known from only the original collection data. Four North American species are believed to be extinct. Among these, *Pentagenia robusta* was originally collected from the Ohio River near Cincinnati, but this species has not been seen since its original collection in the 1800s. *Ephemera compar* is known from a single specimen, collected from the "foothills of Colorado" in 1873, but despite intensive surveys of the Colorado mayflies reported in 1984, it has not been rediscovered.

The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) red list of threatened species includes one mayfly: *Tasmanophlebi lacuscoerulei*, the large blue lake mayfly, which is a native of Australia and is listed as endangered because its alpine habitat is vulnerable to climate change. *Sourced from Wikipedia. Photos curtesy of Douglas Lees.* 

freshwater. Of that freshwater, only a tiny fraction is readily tremely important source of water for humans, contain barely 0.0002 water expands, and pollution reduces the already limited amount e demand grows smaller." Marilyn vos Savant.

# Goose Creek Challenge



## **GOOSE CREEK**

