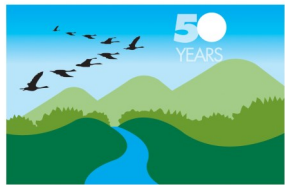


GOOSE CREEK



ASSOCIATION

2019 Annual Report



GOOSE CREEK CLEAN UP

In May 2019, volunteers had a beautiful day of canoeing and cleaning up of the Goose Creek. Led by Marvin Watts, they collected 6 tires, metal cans and numerous bags of trash and other refuse.

Message From Our Chairs

Dear Members and Friends,

As we reflect on our activities in 2019, we can't help but be grateful for living in the Goose Creek watershed today. Its beauty and tranquility are unsurpassed, giving us all a respite from the stress and pressures of everyday life and the current extraordinary challenges.

In 2019, Goose Creek Association continued to:

- stream monitor at fourteen sites in Fauquier and Loudoun Counties, while our Stream Monitoring Program Chair, Jeff Millington, expanded our monitoring capabilities by training new volunteers and certifying them as monitors;
- plant riparian buffers at 5 farms, with 119 student and adult volunteers, planting 2,312 trees over 1.49 miles, organized by our Goose Creek Challenge Program Chair, Dulany Morison;
- collect numerous bags of litter during a gorgeous day of canoeing on the Goose Creek, organized by board member Marvin Watts;
- educate our public by showing the documentary, Rancher, Farmer, Fisherman, to over a hundred guests, while planning to show the Goose Creek video and the documentary, Biggest Little Farm, to over 200 guests in 2020;
- advocate for development that respects our watershed, by speaking publicly and filing comments on The Blackthorne Inn in Upperville, the Barrel Oak Sanctuary in Marshall, the True North Data Center near Leesburg, and the inclusion of Public Development Rights and Transfers of Development Rights in Loudoun's Comprehensive Plan;
- celebrate our Golden Goose Award winner, Tom Turner of the John Marshal Soil and Water District, at Mrs. Sally Hosta's home in Upperville; and,
- prepare for our 50th Anniversary celebration by producing a video on the Goose Creek Watershed, developing a timeline exhibit and planning a Family Festival at the Aldie Mill.

Unfortunately, we have had to postpone our 50th Anniversary Family Festival until September 19, 2021, when we hope to celebrate our beautiful Goose Creek watershed with art, exhibits, food and games for you, your family and friends. Otherwise, we continue our programs and activism to preserve and protect this special place we call home.

Thank you for supporting us in 2019!

On Behalf of the Goose Creek Association Board,



Lori Keenan McGuinness
Co-Chair
Fauquier County



Paul Lawrence
Co-Chair
Loudoun County

P.S. Join us for our Annual Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 featuring Rob Banner of Acre, LLC speaking about tree planting. Please RSVP to:

info@goosecreek.org



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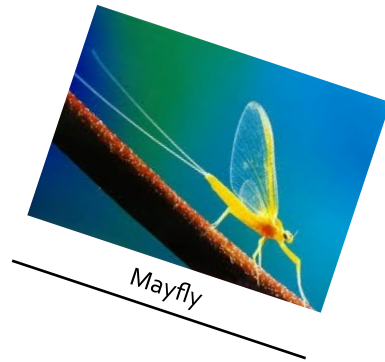
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Hill School Event



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**Watch our new documentary at
www.goosecreek.org/video**



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Goose Creek Challenge - The Hill School

Goose Creek Association History and Timeline

1970 - GCA founded to oppose successfully the discharge of sewage effluent into Goose Creek along Crenshaw Road

1971 - GCA conducts first water sampling of the Goose Creek

1973 - GCA supports Loudoun County in adopting the Land Use Assessment Program that provides for the deferral of real estate taxes on property that meets certain agricultural, horticultural, forestry, or open space use criteria

1974 - Fairfax County Water Authority and the Army Corps of Engineers present plan to dam Catocin Creek for the purpose of supplying water to the DC metro area in case of drought - would have flooded 3000 acres in Loudoun County - GCA worked with other organizations to prevent the dam from being built - strategy included getting Goose Creek and Catocin Creek named as scenic rivers

1975 - GCA successfully opposes the development of Rt. 50 into a 4-lane road between Gilbert's Corner and Paris

1976 - Goose Creek officially becomes a Virginia Scenic River.

Benefits of Scenic River Designation:

- Encourages closer review of projects and proposals by state agencies and localities.
- Requires General Assembly authorization for dams.
- Provides for continued existing appropriate riparian land uses.
- Allows for project review and monitoring of designated river segments by Governor-appointed Virginia Scenic Rivers Board.

1979 - First organized community Goose Creek Cleanup

1988 - GCA identifies three major threats: intense housing development, infrastructure expansion (building & expanding roadways), water supply (transferring of water from one watershed to another). GCA developed a strategy to make it difficult and expensive to develop water & highway infrastructure through establishment of easements and historic districts

1988 - GCA funds expert studies related to town planning for the development of Marshall Service District

1989 - GCA works on Round Hill Area Management Plan in Western Loudoun County

1987 - GCA establishes office at the Brown House on Atoka Road and Rectors Lane

1991 - GCA participates in protest against the expansion of Route 17 to 4 lanes through Paris Valley

1992 - GCA begins successful traffic calming project from Gilbert's Corner to Paris

1993 - GCA starts to sponsor public forums on conservation topics

1994 - GCA successfully opposes Disney's America in Haymarket, Prince William County

1996 - GCA successfully opposes expansion of Route 50 to 6-lanes from east Gilbert's Corner and 4-lanes from Gilbert's Corner to Paris

2000 - GCA begins stream monitoring program with VA DEQ

2002 - GCA participates in VA DEQ watershed study

2002 - GCA supports establishing Beaverdam Creek Historic Roadways District



Brown House - Atoka Rd.



2016 Spring Party

2004 - GCA supports establishing the Crooked Run Valley Rural Historic District

2006 - 2007 - GCA conducts “Life in the Country” Festivals

2007 - GCA successfully opposes railway siding in Delaplane

2008 - GCA supports establishing Cromwell’s Run Rural Historic District

2010 - GCA published M. Janes’ “Life in the Country” booklet

2012 - Goose Creek Challenge - riparian buffer planting program begun

2012 - GCA Presents ”Keep the Uranium Ban” Forum

2013 - Little River Rural Historic District established

2014 - GCA produces Stream Monitoring Report Card

2015 - GCA begins presenting documentaries at the Hill School with “Switch” documentary

2016 - GCA successfully challenges VDOT development plan for a truck stop in Markham, Fauquier

2016 - GCA shows “Plastic Paradise” documentary

2016 - GCA moves office to Middleburg Professional Center

2017 - GCA challenges the development of the True North Data Center along the Goose Creek in Loudoun County

2017 - GCA successfully opposes special exceptions for the B Chord Brewery and unsuccessfully opposes the Catesby Event Center in Loudoun County

2018 - GCA and LTVA present Dr. Ellen Stofan: “What We Can learn About Earth From Space” at Hill School

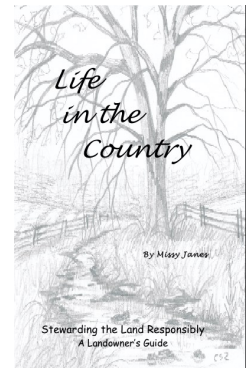
2019 - GCA and LTVA show “Rancher, Farmer, Fisherman” documentary

2019 - GCA works to include public and private transfer of development rights in Loudoun’s Comprehensive Plan

2019-2020 GCA successfully opposes Barrel Oak Sanctuary development in Fauquier

2020 - 50th anniversary - premiers “Goose Creek” video; GCA and LTVA show “Biggest Little Farm” documentary

2020 - GCA comments on Banbury Cross Reserve Development and Middleburg Preserve Development in St. Louis



2014 Board Members

Goose Creek Education

2019 Watershed, Conservation and History Camps

Every year GCA sponsors scholarships to several local camps. In 2019, GCA sponsored:

- ◆ *Bull Run Mountains Conservancy - Chesapeake Watershed Workshop*
- ◆ *JMSWCD - Youth Conservation Camp at VA Tech - 2 Scholarships*
- ◆ *Clifton Institute - Young Scientist's Camp*
- ◆ *Journey Through Hallowed Ground - "Extreme Journey History Camp"*



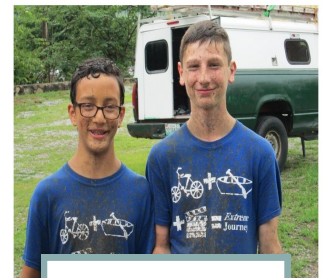
BRMC Watershed Workshop



Clifton Institute
Young Scientist Camp



JMSWCD



Extreme Journey
Camp



Goose Creek Documentary

The completion of our short documentary film was a monumental event. Take a 10 minute journey to relive the history of the Goose Creek, the area and the events that make this river so important to our local heritage and culture.

Produced by Lincoln Studios and expertly narrated by Bettina Gregory, this documentary shows a glimpse of the attributes and the threats to the watershed that are imposed on it today. See the video at www.goosecreek.org/video

Please support our efforts by joining today!

YES, I want to become a member of the Goose Creek Association.

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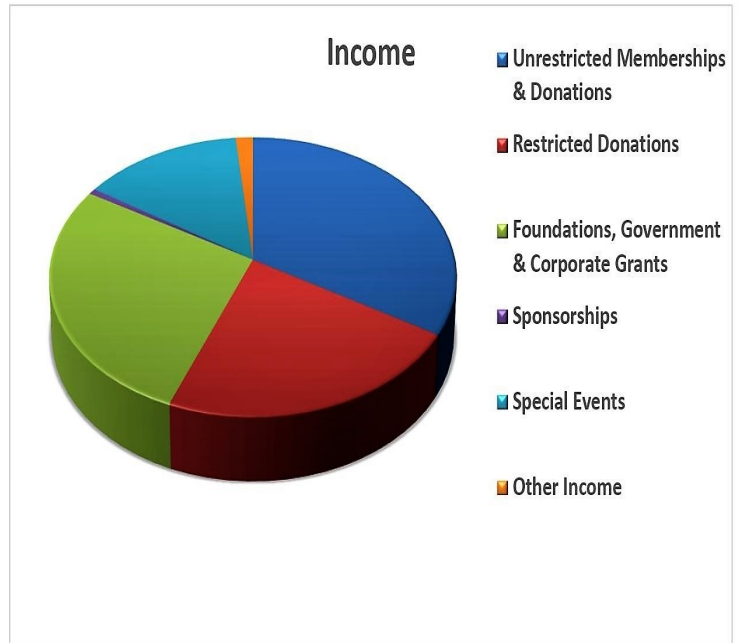
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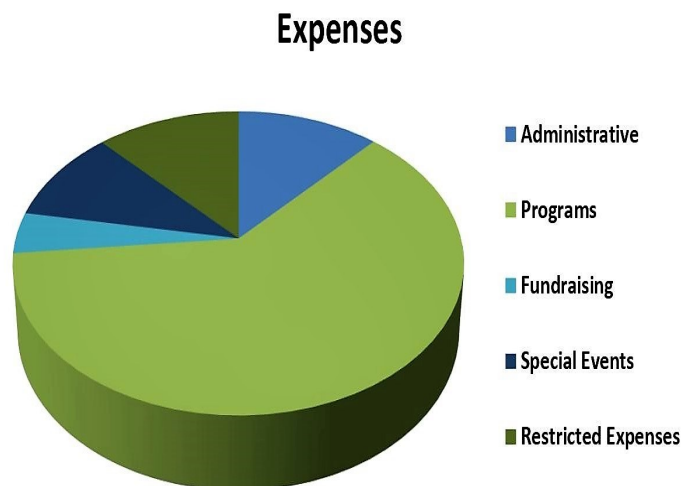
Income

Unrestricted Memberships & Donations	26,175.00
Restricted Donations	17,465.00
Foundations, Government & Corporate Grants	21,483.00
Sponsorships	500.00
Special Events	11,130.00
Other Income	<u>1,197.00</u>
Total Income	77,950.00



Expenses

Administrative	7,257.96
Programs	37,480.00
Fundraising	2,663.60
Special Events	6,168.00
Restricted Expenses	<u>7,345.00</u>
Total Expenses	60,914.56



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