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Foothills Land Conservancy's 2021 Newsletter & 2020 Annual Report

Outstanding view looking into the Sequatchie Valley in Marion County, TN

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Celebrating 36 years as a regional land trust!

A letter from FLC's Departing Board President

Dear Friends of the Foothills,

It has been my privilege to serve on FLC's Board of Directors over the past 6 years with the last 2 years serving as FLC's Board President. During this time our organization has experienced record conservation years and the relocation of our office headquarters to a 300+ acre working farm which was permanently protected with an FLC conservation easement back in 2009. I have enjoyed being part of the Foothills team and look forward to our continued conservation successes across the Southeast.

This year FLC celebrates 36 years as a regional land trust! While we had hoped to gather in person at this year's Summer Celebration to honor both our 36th year of service, as well as our 35th milestone year, we had to postpone due to COVID-19. Not to worry! We are planning to gather once again for our annual event in May of 2022. You can learn more about our rescheduled Celebration on page 11.

In 2020, the Conservancy had another successful year with 16 land preservation projects totaling 3,310 acres. These projects were spread across Tennessee and the three adjacent states of Alabama, North Carolina, and South Carolina. You can view highlights of these recent partnerships beginning on page 4 of this newsletter.

While these past two years have been challenging for all of us on many fronts, FLC's Board and staff continue to expand our reach with new conservation projects and areas of focus. We also wanted to take a moment to let everyone know how much we have appreciated your ongoing support of Foothills over the years. We could not have come this far without our individual supporters and regional community!

Please know that our door is always open to our Friends. We welcome your ideas, feedback and resources to help fulfill our mission of promoting, protecting and enhancing the lands of the Southern Appalachian region. Feel free to contact us at (865) 681-8326 or info@foothillsland.org with questions or if you would like to request a presentation for your club, organization or group.

Thank you for being a valued Friend of the Foothills!

- Dan Barnett, FLC Board President

Letter from the Director

FLC Executive Director, Bill Clabough, speaks to the Kiwanis Club of Maryville, highlighting Foothills programs and projects.

Hello Friends,

The last two years have certainly been unprecedented times for us all! On behalf of FLC's Board and staff we hope that all of you and your family, friends and colleagues are doing well.

2020 was another strong year for FLC's land preservation efforts! We worked with land owners across Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina and South Carolina to partner on 16 land preservation projects and 1 land donation totaling close to 3,310 acres. To date, FLC now has over 350 land preservation partnerships and has assisted in over 135,000 regional acres being preserved. This cumulative number includes conservation easement partnerships, fee simple properties, and other land projects FLC was involved in since our beginnings in1985.

In 2021, FLC has already completed 4 land preservation partnerships and several more are expected to close by the end of this year. We are also excited to report that both Jarvis Park, located in Maryville, TN, and the Collier Preserve, located in the Powell community of Knoxville, are now both officially open to the public. Both properties have an FLC conservation easement agreement to ensure they will stay as a natural area 'in perpetuity', or forever. There is more information about these parks on page 4.

Project highlights for 2021 and 2020 begin on page 5 of this newsletter. Also in this publication you may notice that FLC's logo has been updated. Thanks to web and logo designer, Billy Rivet, and the FLC staff, we've come up with a newer, more modern version of our logo. Billy also spent time this year working with staff to design a new look and layout for our website and blog and we couldn't be happier with the end result. It includes an interactive map with project highlights. Learn more on page 12 and be sure to visit our website at www.foothillsland.org!

On behalf of FLC's Board and staff we extend a big thank you to departing FLC Board President, Dan Barnett, who supported Foothills through his leadership, knowledge and commitment during his six years of service to our organization. We also extend a big thank you to departing Board Members Steve Polte, John Proffitt (Vice-President), and Sara Rose. All of these fine folks provided their many talents and resources to FLC over the years and we are a stronger organization because of their contributions.

And a big thank you to all of our Friends for your ongoing support of our mission over the years!

- Bill Clabough, FLC Executive Director

(Left) Former FLC Board Member, Mike Parish, along with FLC Board President, Dan Barnett, and Board Member, Craig Jarvis, visited a 285 acre tract in Cocke County, TN. It's currently owned by FLC's supporting organization, The FLC Properties Foundation. The group spent time monitoring and evaluating the property, which is located at the confluence of the Nolichucky and French Broad Rivers. (Center) The tract boasts a rich river bottom, woodlands, and close to 1.2 miles of river frontage. The tract is near the Rankin Wildlife Management Area, a premier regional birding location. (Right) Eastern spadefoot toad on tract.

Public Lands - FLC Land Conservation Projects

Helping to preserve natural areas for public use!

JARVIS PARK - Maryville, TN

This 10 acre natural area officially opened to the public in February of 2021. Jarvis Park was officially named after FLC Board Member and retired doctor, Craig Jarvis, and his family.

Future plans include an additional 37 acres to adjoin the park. Both tracts have an FLC conservation easement on them and have since been transferred to the City of Maryville. In 2019, FLC provided the City of Maryville both a monetary donation and the donation of a residential property for the purpose of expanding the park's acreage.

Jarvis Park, located less than a mile and half southeast of downtown Maryville, is one of the few remaining intact woodlands in the area and is bordered by open farm fields, residential development, and a rock quarry operation. The park's preserved acreage joins at least 20 other conservation easements held by Foothills Land Conservancy within 10 miles, totaling over 4,000 acres of protected land in the immediate area.

FLC Board Member, Craig Jarvis, vists the Old Quarry Resting Area inside Jarvis Park.

This 37 acre preserved tract adjoins Jarvis Park and will eventually become part of the park.

STELLA MOORE COLLIER PRESERVE - Knoxville, TN

This 12-acre community park officially opened in February of 2021 and is located in the Knox County community of Powell. Back in 2015, the late Dr. Robert Collier and his wife Louise, placed an FLC conservation easement on the property and then donated it to the Legacy Parks Foundation for the purpose of public access. Named after Dr. Collier's grandmother, Stella Moore, this park offers another important link within the Knoxville area greenways. Legacy Parks worked with community volunteers and several local organizations to create this special park, which offers an island of habitat amid an urban setting, complete with low-impact walking trails.

FLC's biologists partnered with Legacy Parks to ensure that the property's conservation values remained intact while allowing for trail systems, signage, and other features. Trees Knoxville assisted with the planting of additional native trees while volunteer groups removed trash and invasive plants.

The Preserve's mature trees and shrubs offer plentiful seasonal food, cavities, nesting sites and cover for most urban wildlife and for migratory and resident birds. The creek, which offers a year-round water source, is an important resource for wildlife such as fish, waterfowl, amphibians, and aquatic arthropods.

The park's sign was constructed out of wood from the family's original barn and corn crib.

Collier Preserve offers low-impact walking trails, like this one that winds along Beaver Creek.

'Diverse' Highlights from FLC's 2020 Land Conservation Projects

In 2020, the Foothills staff completed 16 land preservation land partnerships totaling close to 3,310 acres within the states of Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina, and South Carolina. Check out a few highlights from these projects.

TENNESSEE - 5 Projects | 1,519 acres | 4 counties of Loudon, Knox, Sevier and Sequachie

Sevier Co. Working Farm Preserved!

FLC staff worked with a landowner in Sevier County, TN, to preserve a 246 acre farm along the Little Pigeon River.

Close to a third of the property has prime farmland. The desire for this land to stay in agriculture and as a natural area 'in perpetuity', or forever, was the wish of the landowner's late husband. The couple are lifelong residents of the area with the husband growing up across the river from the property. They often walked the property's trails every evening, catching up on their day while spending time in nature.

The couple also raised animals and had miniature Mediterranean donkeys, Tennessee walking horses, two peacocks, and Nubian goats. Deer, beaver, racoon, and wild turkey have been spotted on the property including otter sightings along the river bank.

The property is being protected for its prime farmland soils, natural forest habitat, grasslands, wetlands, river frontage along the Little Pigeon River, and documented species of concern, which includes the Wood duck, Eastern towhee, and the Northern parula.

Clockwise from top left) An unnamed creek flows through the property; One of the barns built by the landowner's late husband; View of the Little Pigeon River taken from the property; Woodlands offering a mix of chinkapin oak, buckeye, post oak, persimmon, beech, and white oak; prime farmland field after a recent corn harvest

Knox County Farm Now Preserved!

FLC partners with landowners to protect many different types of properties, like forests, working farms, scenic waterfronts---and sometimes, all three in one! This 64.5 acre property in southeastern Knox County is located along the French Broad River in the Seven Islands area, just downriver from Seven Islands State Birding Park. In early 2020, an FLC conservation easement was placed on the property, preserving about a quarter mile of scenic river frontage in an area that is particularly popular with paddlers!

The property is about half forested and half open pasture. Agricultural activities on the land include beef cattle and hay production, and the expansive pastures also provide critical habitat for grassland birds such as Eastern Meadowlarks and Field Sparrows. The forests are predominantly oak-hickory woods, along with other species like black cherry, pawpaw, and American beech that provide food for numerous species of wildlife.

Clockwise at left) Rolling pasture; View of the French Broad River taken from the property; Purple Twayblade orchid

8 Acre Surban Tract in Knox County Now Preserved!

This small but diverse 8 acre property is also located in Knox County, TN. The tract offers relatively natural forests and grasslands for wildlife and Neotropical breeding birds. Plant life observed during the site visit included a total of 64 species with 19 of those species identified as grasses or forbs. Twenty-seven tree and shrub species were identified including white oak, pignut hickory, flowering dogwood, tulip poplar, sugar maple, and black cherry.

A total of 12 bird species were either seen or heard during the late winter survey including the Song sparrow, Eastern towhee, and Carolina wren. According to the Appalachian Mountains Joint Venture, the Eastern towhee is considered a species of Moderate Concern and Regional Concern.

This property will function as an especially important link in the restoration and preservation of air and water quality and species richness, supporting regional continuity of wildlife corridors within the Holston River Watershed. There is a pattern of land preservation near the property including two other FLC conservation easements (140 acres), one other conservation easement (7 acres), the Sharps Ridge Memorial Park (205 acres), and an Audubon designated Important Birding Area of Statewide Significance.

Biologically Diverse Property Now Preserved in Loudon County, TN!

This property consists of approximately 149.62 acres of deeply cut drainages and ridges in Loudon County, TN. This tract is being preserved for the protection of its relatively natural forest habitat corridor for wildlife including bird species of conservation concern and many neotropical breeding birds it supports, its abundant limestone rock outcrops (karst) habitat, including at least one cave, moist forested bottomlands, water resources ideal for flora and fauna habitat, its scenic contributions to the regional landscape, its prime soils and its underlying merchantable Holston Marble.

Biological diversity on the Property is quite high with 137 plant species and 24 bird species observed in November. Two birds of Conservation Concern were observed, the Field sparrow and the Yellow-bellied sapsucker.

The property joins at least 16 other conservation easements held by Foothills Land Conservancy within 10 miles, totaling over 4,000 acres of protected land in the region. It is also located at the edge of the Foothills Conservation Opportunity Area (COA), as designated by the TN 2015 State Wildlife Action Plan. Public Lands within the COA include nearby TVA Tellico Lakeshore Trail, Foothills Wildlife Management Area, Kyker Bottoms Waterfowl Refuge, the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the Cherokee National Forest and many others.

Top) View looking into a sinkhole on the property. Sinkholes are common in East Tennessee and occur when underlying rock is carved or dissolved by water to form caves and caverns through which much of the groundwater flows. Left) A body feather of a wild turkey rests on a tree log.

1,045 Acres Now Preserved in Sequatchie County, TN!

We might have 'Foothills' in our name, but our work spans the entire state of Tennessee plus six other states, including a significant number of preservation projects on the Cumberland Plateau. FLC partnered with a landowner in Sequatchie County to permanently protect a 1,045 acre tract that really has it all: creeks, waterfalls, rock outcrops, caves, beautiful hardwood forests, and stunning views from the plateau escarpment. The property also provides exceptional habitat—FLC staff observed a number of wildlife species on the property, including popular game birds like Wild Turkeys, Ruffed Grouse & Northern Bobwhite. In addition to its natural resources, the property also features two miles of frontage along TN State Route 8, so travelers will be able to enjoy the property's scenic natural features forever!

Left) Five streams feed into this creek, which flows through the property, and ultimately into the Sequatchie River; (Center) FLC staff noted a cave during a site visit. The property is within the TN State Wildlife Action Plan South Cumberland Plateau Conservation Opportunity Area, which includes cave and karst habitats that are priority sites for both gray and Indiana bats.; (Right) Woodlands with a view! The tract is located in close proximity to the Plateau Escarpment.

South Carolina - 326 acres | Williamsburg County

This property consists of approximately 326 acres and features open agricultural fields and mixed pine and hardwood forests and has road frontage along the entirety of its western, southern, and northern boundaries. The property is being preserved for the protection of scenic open space and prime farmland, as well as natural habitat for plants and wildlife. A number of federally threatened and endangered species have been recorded within five miles of the property, and a species of conservation concern, the Brown-headed nuthatch, was noted during the site visit.

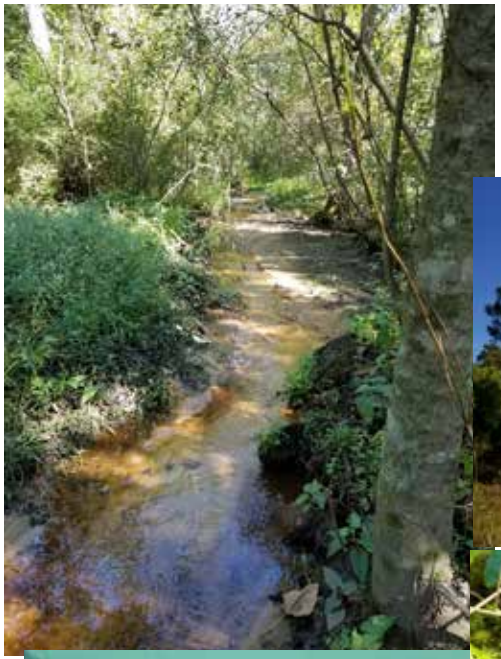
The property's two undisturbed forested wetlands* are each close to an acre in size and feature pond cypress and other mesic hardwoods like water tupelo as well as herbaceous plants such as sedges and woolgrass.

Part of the property is located within a Priority Conservation Area known as Scottswood Savannah, as designated by The Nature Conservancy. The Scottswood Savannah area soils and lack of development have made it an area of interest for large-scale restoration of native longleaf pine and associated species. There are already 11 conservation easements within this area, totaling almost 11,000 acres. The placement of this property under a conservation easement is on par with TNC's landscape-level conservation objective for this conservation area, which includes the protection of large-scale, contiguous tracts.

A note about wetlands:

Although wetlands make up only 5% of the land area in the lower 48 states, more than one-third of threatened and endangered species live only in wetlands. Even small wetlands provide important sources of food and shelter for a range of wildlife species, including waterfowl, amphibians, and small mammals. Due to their high levels of nutrients, freshwater wetlands sustain a diversity of life that is disproportionate to their size. In addition to their considerable habitat value, wetlands such as those on the property serve to mitigate flood damage and filter excess nutrients from surface runoff.

Top) Image of cypress trees on one of the tract's wetlands.; Bottom right) Yaupon blacksenna is an annual that occurs in dry to moist open pinelands and savannas. A species list compiled during a site visit in September of 2020 included 15 tree species and 63 other shrubs and herbs observed.; Bottom left) Yellow garden spider



North Carolina - 192 acres | Scotland County

This 192 acre former golf course lies within the south-eastern coastal plain close to the city of Laurinburg in Scotland County, North Carolina.

The conservation easement will help to protect a permanent greenspace in a developing area. A variety of habitats will be protected including ponds, open land, forested land, creeks, and wetlands. A number of wetlands will be protected, including a drained pond that is dominated by Pond Cypress trees. The easement will help to form a matrix of protected habitats to create a more sustainable future for nature and wildlife in the region.

Clockwise from top left) The property includes both open space and a variety of mature trees, creeks, and streams; The tract also includes a portion of pond cypress which occurs naturally in wetlands (pictured) and in shallow ponds, lake edges, and swamps; Haircap moss was observed during a site visit; A rare species, the Waccamaw Crayfish, is known from the site. This species requires habitats that have vegetated swamps or slow-moving water and this property provides such habitat. (Photo courtesy of the NC Wildlife Resources Commission.)

ALABAMA

9 Projects | 1,268 acres | 7 counties of Chambers, Cherokee, Coosa, Lee, Lowndes, Montgomery, and Morgan

Chambers County, AL | 3 projects | 362 acres

This diverse 120 acre property in Chambers County, located near the city of LaFayette, consists of unmanaged pine forest, floodplain hardwood forest, rich wetlands (pictured far right) and streams. A creek flows through the property with most of its length offering low banks which allows water to regularly crest the bank and form a broad forested floodplain.

During the site visit a total of 152 plant species were recorded with 84 of those species noted as grasses or forbs and 47 tree or shrub species identified. Numerous moisture loving (mesic herbaceous species) were found in these floodplains including cardinal flower (pictured at top left), broadleaf arrowhead, southern rein orchid (pictured at right bottom), and seedbox. Evidence of wildlife included the green frog, white-tailed deer, and several burrowing cray-fish chimneys. In addition to protecting forest species, observed bird species of concern included the Yellow-billed cuckoo and Summer tanager.

Clockwise from top left) Cardinal flower; Wetland; Southern rein orchid

The vegetative cover on this 160 acre property, also located in Chambers County, consists of unmanaged pine forest, mesic and floodplain hardwood forest, and several small wildlife clearings. During the site visit a total of 151 plant species were recorded with 93 of those species being grasses or forbs and 46 tree or shrub species identified.

Nearby land preservation areas include the Tuskegee National Forest, Horseshoe Bend National Military Park, Chewacla State Park, and nearly the entire Alabama portion of West Point Lake which is protected through parks, overlooks, and recreation areas, and several other large properties.

Clockwise from left) Creek on property; This eastern box turtle was observed by staff along with evidence of the American beaver, pileated woodpecker and common yellowthroat.; Cluster of azaela catepillars (spotted datana moth)

The 82 acre property is being protected for granite deposits, natural hard-wood forest habitat, open space pine forest, water resources, and the relatively natural habitat corridor for wildlife and Neotropical breeding birds.

This vegetative cover consists of mostly managed loblolly pine forest with a small area of mixed hardwood forest.

Evidence of wildlife during the site visit included white-tailed deer, gray squirrel, the scat of a coyote or fox, several burrows, and the upturned shells of Eastern box turtles. Eight of the 27 birds heard or seen during a site visit are species of conservation concern which included the Wood thrush, Yellow-billed cuckoo, Eastern towhee, Northern flicker, Eastern wood-pewee, Yellow-breasted chat, and summer tanager. Several species of dragonflies, skippers, and butterflies were observed.

During the site visit a total of 106 plant species were recorded. Of these plants, 51 species were grasses or forbs and 39 tree or shrub species were identified.

Clockwise from top left) Rock polypody fern; Mature loblolly pines with fields in various stages of successional habitat ; Little brown jug

Montgomery County, Alabama | 130 acres

This 130-acre jewel of a property is located just off the Tallapoosa River, in Montgomery Co, Alabama. Soils in the Tallapoosa River floodplain tend to be sandy and chock full of rocks deemed desirable for a plethora of landscaping projects, which has made these areas valuable for resource extraction. When these underlying resources are removed, however, there tends to be a fair amount of habitat destruction, to put it lightly. Fortunately, Foothills was able to partner with the landowner to protect some of the amazing natural resources in these important and sensitive areas.

By preserving this property FLC will be able to protect a large swath of bald cypress floodplain forests that are inundated most of the year. In addition to being beautiful, these forests also host active great blue heron rookeries. Bird species of concern that have been observed in the past include red-headed woodpeckers and yellow-billed cuckoos. Another factor that Foothills considers when determining whether to accept an easement donation is visibility, and this easement can be seen from about 2.5 miles of local roadways. Preservation of this property that lies along a major river will benefit water quality, wildlife that live on the property or use it as a travel corridor, and the people who live, work, or play nearby.

Clockwise left) Coastal Plain bald-cypress 'swamp' with duckweed on the surface; Old sandpit along the Tallapoosa River's edge; Peltandra virginica, also known as green arrow arum or tuckahoe, is an aquatic, perennial plant.; Sensitive fern; Butterfly pea

Coosa County, Alabama | 72 acres

This 72 acre tract in Coosa County, Alabama, is quite diverse and includes the presence of the Gneiss rock outcrops, bird species of conservation concern, Southern Conservation Blueprint* High Conservation Value habitat, natural forest habitat, farmland soils, and moist forested bottomlands along with wetlands, streams and creeks.

**** Southern Conservation Blueprint** - The effort is the result of ongoing collaboration among 500+ conservation organizations that stitches together multiple subregional plans and current data about key species and habitats into a consistent map of important areas for conservation and restoration across the region.*

Clockwise on left) Gneiss rock outcrops; Northern cricket frog; Whitemouth day-flower; Mariana maiden fern (inset)

Lee County, Alabama | 179 acres

Located within 10 miles of the city of Auburn, this 179 acre property is being protected for forest habitats, water resources, and the relatively natural habitat corridor for wildlife and Neotropical breeding birds.

26 species of trees were noted that included 8 species of oak, 3 hickory species, and the presence of American beech and black cherry. These species contribute to the availability of mast for the continued presence of desirable wildlife species such as white-tailed deer and wild turkey.

Left to right) FLC Biologist, Matt Moore, makes a site visit out to the property in order to observe and record any wildlife species and natural features specific to the property; Indian heliotrope; Southern lobelia

Above) View of the property's successional grassland. The tract also consists of wetlands, streams, forested areas and agricultural fields.

Morgan County, Alabama | 121 acres

This 121 acre property consists of three tracts and is located in Morgan County, Alabama. The Tennessee River/Wheeler Lake runs along one side of the property.

The property is being protected for the relatively natural habitat corridor, water features, and natural forested bottomlands. The 2015 AL State Wildlife Action Plan includes eight of the cover types on the property in its 'Priority Areas' or 'Habitat of Interest in the Southwestern Appalachians' for their ability to support species of greatest conservation need.

There is a pattern of land preservation within ten miles of the tract including 15 conservation easements, the 3700 acre Alabama Forever Wild – Certain Tract, and the 7,900 acre Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge. Wheeler NWR is designated by the Audubon Society as a Globally Important Birding Area.

Cherokee County, Alabama | 101 acres

This 101 acre property in Cherokee County, AL is a mix of cow pasture and cultivated cropland that includes hardwood wetlands.

One creek flows west through the center of the property and eventually joins the Coosa River. The tract is located within the Coosa River Basin, which is an area designated for statewide conservation action.

Evidence of wildlife on the Property during the site visit included white-tailed deer and coyote. American goldfinch and eastern towhee were heard or seen during staff surveys. The eastern towhee is a Moderate Concern and Regional Concern according to Appalachian Mountains Joint Venture, a coordinator of bird conservation plans.

Image on right) Cotton field on property with Weisner Mountain in background. Approximately 85% of land is in cultivation, 5-10% is used for pasture, and the remaining 5-10% is contained in the wetlands, fencerows, and windbreaks.

Clockwise left) Field with forest edge; Vetch looper moth; Slender vervain

Lowndes County, Alabama | 302 acres

This 302 acre tract in Lowndes County, AL, consists of pastures and wooded floodplains with Powell Creek running through the eastern portion of the property and feeding into the Alabama River.

During the site visit a total of 115 plant species were recorded in mid-summer. Streambanks were thick with cinnamon fern, lizard's tail, slender spikegrass, and netted chain fern while bottomland forest included river cane, southern lady fern, dwarf palmetto and rattlesnake fern.

The property has high priority habitats as identified within the Alabama's State Wildlife Action Plan and is located a mile from the Lowndes Wildlife Mgmt. Area. Other nearby land preservation includes two adjacent FLC conservation easements (652 acres) and ten easements held by other land trusts (2,100 acres).

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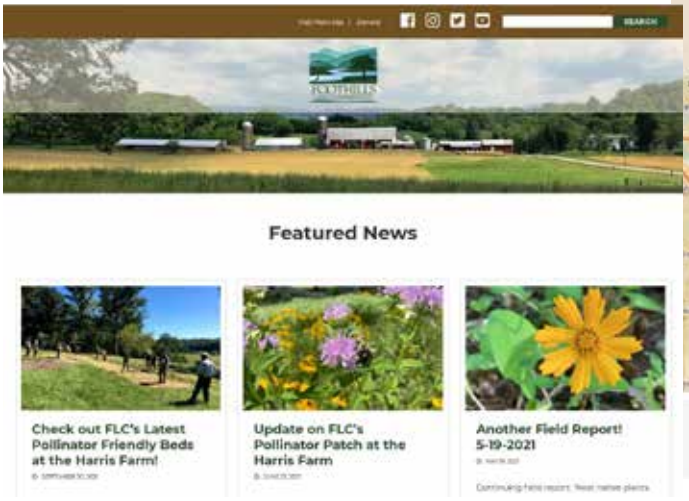

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(Left to Right) Friends of the Foothills Bob Durham & Kathy Newman along with Bill Clabough, FLC's Executive Director

Thanks to the ongoing and generous support of our Friends, FLC continues to expand our land conservation programs throughout the diverse and beautiful Southern Appalachian region. Foothills gladly accepts any and all donations - no gift is too small!

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A very special thank you to our Friends of the Foothills for all of your contributions, time, and talents!

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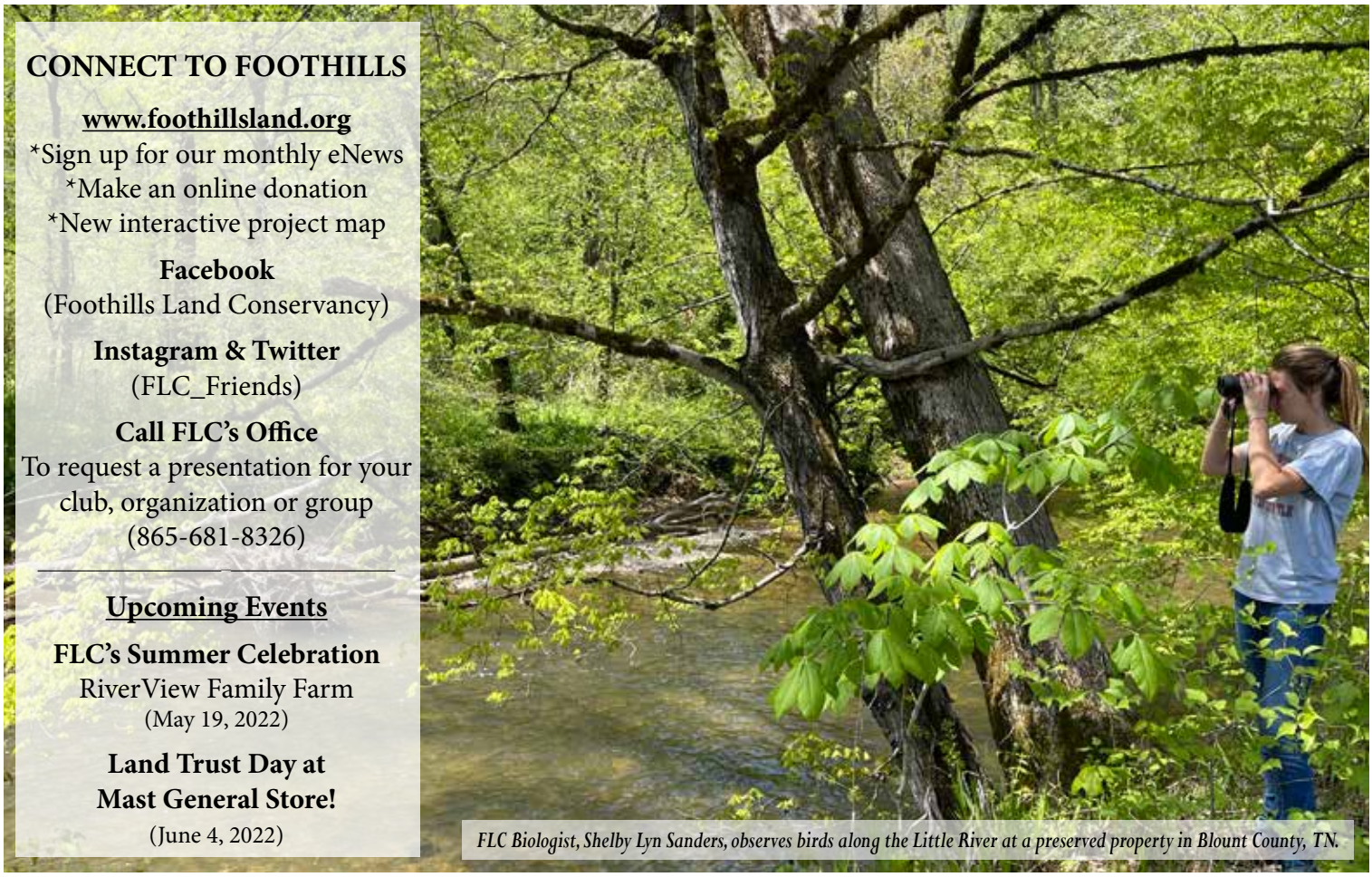

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