



# 2015 Membership

Lebanon Valley Conservancy, Inc.

The year 2015 is here and to our communities and to the members of the Lebanon Valley Conservancy, Inc., it is time to renew your membership. If you are not already a member, please join us. We invite those of you who work, live, or visit the Lebanon Valley to assist us in our mission to preserve the unique cultural, historical and environmental heritage of our region. The Conservancy will continue to work with private landowners, community groups and local government to implement our mission. This year, in addition to continuing with field trips and development of the Heritage Trail, we are also targeting the protection of open space around the Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area for the support of waterfowl habitat, including the tundra swan. We are partnering with other groups to host field trips and will continue to offer educational programs surrounding conservation and environmental issues.

2014 was a big year for the Conservancy. The Lebanon Valley Chamber of Commerce awarded the Conservancy their 2014 Non-Profit of the Year Award in recognition of our "impact, accomplishments and contributions to the Lebanon Valley". We received grants through the PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and Fish & Boat Commission totaling \$524,126 for the Quittapahilla Stream Bank Restoration Project and we just received notification from DEP that we have been awarded another \$422,000 to extend the length of the stream bank restoration project. Our efforts in land conservation has expanded Conservancy preserved acreage in the Lebanon Valley to 774 acres. Last year we awarded five scholarships to Lebanon County students and boy/girl scouts who completed conservation projects and we will continue the scholarship awards each year. The Conservancy is also working on the development of the next three Lebanon County Heritage Trail, walking trail brochures for the communities of Myerstown, Mt. Gretna and Schaefferstown which will bring the total maps to seven out of a projected fourteen when the communities are all mapped for everyone's enjoyment and appreciation of our local history. Please visit our website at: [www.lebanonvalleyconservancy.org](http://www.lebanonvalleyconservancy.org).

In order for us to continue with our commitment to conserve and protect the historic and natural resources of the Lebanon Valley, your involvement and support is critical. Your generous contribution also is applied toward scholarships for Lebanon County school students who have demonstrated responsibility toward our natural environment and taken part in conservation projects to enhance our county. In order for us to continue to match and hopefully exceed our past accomplishments, your support is ever so critical to these efforts. Please participate by renewing your membership for 2015.

As your President, I'm encouraging you to continue your support of the Lebanon Valley Conservancy. If you are interested in helping us in this regard, kindly complete and return the slip below with your tax-deductible contribution. Please consider an upgrade from your previous level of membership. You can, and do make a difference! Together, we can work to determine what the Lebanon Valley will look like tomorrow. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sheila Wartluft, President

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**Please complete, detach and return this form with your payment to the Lebanon Valley Conservancy at the address indicated below. Thank You!**

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