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### *Be Our Guest THIS SUNDAY May 6th*



Betsy Keller and Kim Gregory, members of the Land Trust's Conservation Council, have planned our annual Spring Walk & Arbor Day Celebration. A former homesite, now the restored Kathryn S. Starr wildflower meadow, will be one of four Land Trust sanctuaries showcased on **May 6th from 2-4pm.**

The event is free and will include a nature walk, refreshments, and activities for the kids. Thanks to a generous donation from The Care of Trees a tree planting ceremony will take place at the Starr Meadow during the event.

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### *Restoring the King of the Forest*



The Land Trust has partnered with The American Chestnut Foundation to restore the American chestnut tree to Fairfield County. Once heralded King of the Forest, the American chestnut succumbed to a lethal fungus infestation during the first half of the 20th century. "This is an exciting project for the Land Trust, to be a partner in the restoration of a species that is really a national treasure," said Daniel Barrett, the Land Trust's environmental director.

[Restoration photos & story....](#)

### *GCDS Students Step Up & Volunteer*



Many hands made light work for our Land Stewardship Committee during a Greenwich Country Day School service project in April. An enthusiastic (despite the rain) team of students helped clear downed limbs and gather brush piles for wildlife at the Shellenberger Sanctuary on Stanwich Road. Land Trust members and staff joined with Country Day Students and other community members for Step It Up - a national day of climate action.

***Ready Set Go Wild!***



*Go Wild!* is September 30th and will be held at the Greenwich Polo Club's beautiful grounds at Conyers Farm off of North Street. *Go Wild!* co-chairs Kristie Thorson & Amory Spizzirri have been working hard to plan this fabulous family field day which will include hot air balloon rides, falconry demonstrations, petting zoo, rock-climbing wall, hay maze and more surprises! Visit our website to purchase tickets and learn more.

[Scenes from Go Wild 2006](#)

### ***Act Now: Tax Incentives Expire at end of 2007***



Jeff Reardon, chair of our Land Acquisition Committee reminds everyone that land transactions take time to execute. With enhanced federal tax incentives for conservation easements set to expire at the end of 2007, **NOW** is the time to work with the Land Trust to take advantage of these temporary benefits. Call the Land Trust office for more information: 629-2151.

[Learn about the tax incentives...](#)

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