



The Beaver Creek Wetlands Association (BCWA) is a non-profit, member-supported organization committed to preserving the beautiful and unique wetlands located along the Beaver Creek and Little Beaver Creek through partnerships, community networks and public education. BCWA supporters understand that preserving wetlands automatically protects our water resources and wildlife habitat, now and forever.

The Spotted Turtle Society will help support the long-term financial stability of the BCWA. It represents people committed to BCWA's mission to preserve the wetland ecosystem in the Beaver Creek watershed, support the retention of wetlands, forests and prairies within the protected corridor and promote the use of these lands for research, education and recreation. We ask that you consider including BCWA in your charitable plans. By doing this now, you may find that tax advantages can actually increase the value of your estate, enabling you to do more with what you leave for others.

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Our Mission

The Beaver Creek Wetlands Association seeks to preserve the wetland ecosystem in the Beaver Creek watershed through partnerships, community networks and public education. BCWA supports the retention of wetlands within the protection corridor and encourages the restoration of wetland and traditional upland habitats, such as forests and prairies. BCWA promotes the use of these protected areas for education, research and recreation.

Our Goals

To protect the Beaver Creek Wetlands now and forever, we must continue to work together through our partnerships with Greene County Parks and Recreation, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Beaver Creek Township, the City of Beavercreek, Fairborn Parks, The Nature Conservancy, private landowners and many others to maintain this quality ecosystem into the future.

The ongoing work of the BCWA includes improving public access with trails, observation towers and boardwalks; expanding educational outreach to schools and community groups; restoring wetlands by controlling invasive species, planting native wetland plants, and improving water flow; and growing our endowment fund to provide financial security for the care and preservation of the ecosystem.



Fairborn Marsh

Jim Amon

The Spotted Turtle Society

is a special group of people who believe in the tradition and mission of the BCWA. It is a group pledged to ensure that BCWA continues to protect wetlands for future generations.

Spotted Turtle Society members include anyone who has made a gift to the Beaver Creek Wetlands Association Endowment Fund.

The BCWA Endowment Fund may accept many types of planned, deferred, and outright gifts. Each has a varied estate or income tax benefit that can actually increase the value of your estate, enabling you to do more with what you leave for others.

In partnership with The Dayton Foundation, Beaver Creek Wetlands Association is prepared to provide you and your advisors with more information about the many ways to give.

Wills & Bequests Designations may be for a percent of your estate or for a specified amount.

Charitable Remainder Trusts

A Charitable Remainder Trust can provide income to you and your spouse so long as either of you live. Thereafter, the remaining trust principal will go to the BCWA Endowment Fund.

Charitable Gift Annuities A Charitable Gift Annuity can guarantee you a fixed stream of income for life, after which the remaining principal of the annuity becomes a gift to the BCWA. This provides a current income tax savings and possible capital gains savings.

Life Insurance Transferring ownership of a life insurance policy that's no longer needed to BCWA can result in tax benefits for you and a generous gift for BCWA. BCWA can also be included as a beneficiary, contingency beneficiary or owner of a new or existing policy.

Charitable Lead Trust A Charitable Lead Trust can be appropriate if you have ample income now, but desire to retain ownership of the trust principal to meet future financial goals for your family.

Outright Gift A direct gift of cash, appreciated securities or real properties may be the most convenient way for you to make a contribution to the Beaver Creek Wetlands Association Endowment Fund.

Retirement Funds Designating the BCWA Endowment Fund the beneficiary of any unused retirement plan assets can reduce estate and income taxes for your heirs.

Conservation Easements A Conservation Easement can protect your land forever, while providing current income tax savings as well as property tax reduction.

Confidentiality We would like to recognize Spotted Turtle Society Members in future reports of the BCWA Endowment Fund, and by invitations to special events and gatherings. We will never disclose the type or amount of an individual member's gift. Donors may be kept anonymous by request.

My Response

I am pleased to inform you that I have already included BCWA in my estate planning. I would like to be recognized as a member of the Spotted Turtle Society.

Outright Gift Insurance
 Bequest Charitable Trusts
 Gift Annuity Other Gift

I would like to learn more about the many gift options that can help grow the Beaver Creek Wetlands Endowment Fund. Please contact me about planned giving.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

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Please return to:

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