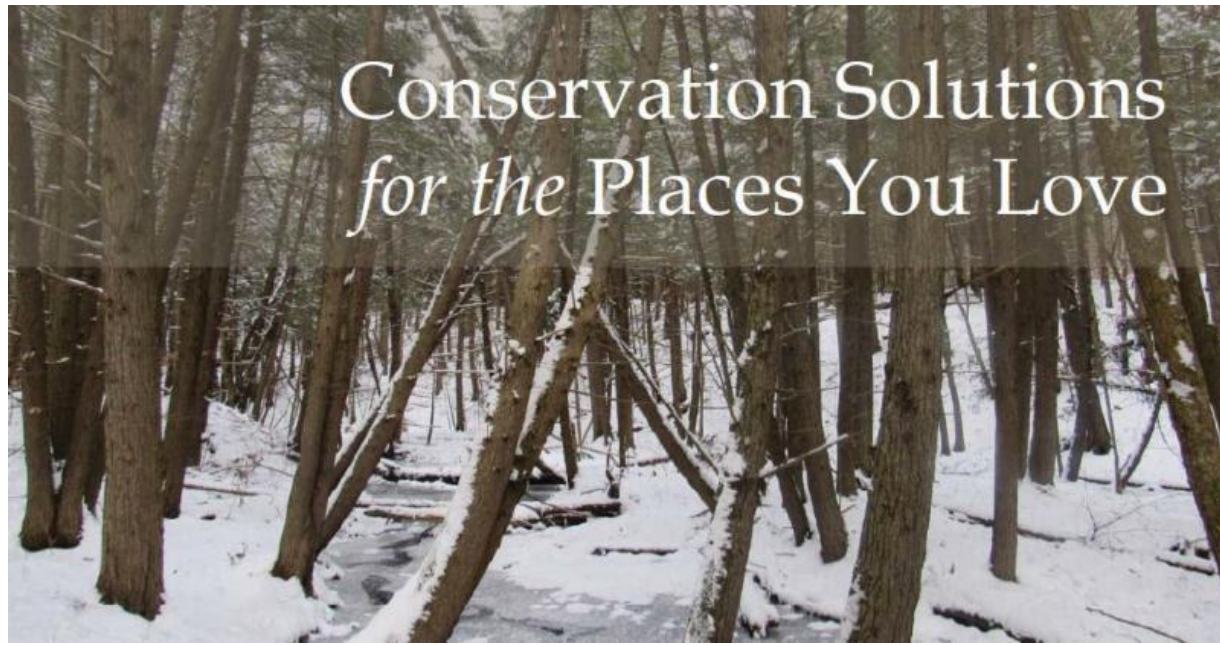


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January 2018

Manning Farm is Permanently Protected



In December we asked residents of Strafford, South Strafford, Thetford, and Sharon to help us raise the last 10% of funds to purchase a conservation easement on the Manning Farm. The community response was unprecedented! In just a few weeks we raised all the money needed to close the project and on January

12th the Manning Farm has officially been permanently protected. This land will now be available to farmers for generations to come. *Thank you* for your support.

We know you love
the Upper Valley

WE DO TOO!

*Make your
commitment to our
region's wild places,
its farmland and
forests, rivers and
trails.*

You can read the whole Manning Farm story [here](#).

Announcing: Wild About Lebanon



In 2003, before she was a Lebanon City Councilor, Nicole Cormen began a program of outdoor events around Lebanon, NH. Her goal was to acquaint people with Lebanon's beautiful and varied conserved public lands. In 2018 UVLT and the Lebanon Parks Department will be revitalizing the Wild About Lebanon program.

The first Wild About Lebanon event is happening January 27th, 12-3 at the Balestra Farm property on Stevens Road. Join UVLT and the City of Lebanon Conservation program for an afternoon of cross country skiing and snowshoeing with a small reception in the barn for hot drinks and snacks!

Wild About Lebanon is a series of outdoor events encompassing a range of activities including hiking, snowshoeing, skiing, picnics, bird walks, and educational experiences. Keep an eye on our events [calendar](#) for all the information regarding these events and more coming in 2018!

UVLT Awarded RCPP Grant Eunding



In December, UVLT, along with NH NRCS and four partners, including Vital Communities, Sullivan County Conservation Commission, Grafton County Conservation Commission and Land For Good, were awarded more than \$1M through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) of the USDA.

The goal of this RCPP is to stem the conversion and loss of vitally important agricultural and forest land in the Upper Connecticut River watershed of New Hampshire. We hope to protect 5,000 acres of farm, forest, and upland, in the next five years. To read more about this exciting opportunity for conservation click [here](#).

Forest Birds of Ticknor Woodland

Audubon Vermont and the Upper Valley Land Trust are teaming up to help ensure that the stewardship of land owned or conserved by UVLT is providing the highest quality habitat possible while also meeting other ownership objectives. What does a "bird-friendly" forest look like? How can we use active management to enhance the forest's habitat value? Join Audubon Vermont and the Upper Valley Land Trust for an evening presentation exploring these questions and more, with

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Upcoming Events

Visit our [calendar](#) for details.

Lecture: Forest Birds of Ticknor Woodland

Wednesday, January 24th 6:30-8pm
DHMC Level Three Auditorium E

Wild About Lebanon: Balestra Cross Country Ski and Snowshoe

Saturday, January 27th
12-3pm
[14 Stevens Road](#)
[Lebanon, NH](#)

Walk in the Woods: Diversified Land Management with a Timbersale Tour

Sunday, February 11th
9am-12pm
Galusha Hill Farm
[10 Clark Road](#)
[Topsham, VT](#)



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Weingarten, Norwich, VT.
Land Steward Kristen



the City of Lebanon's Ticknor Woodland serving as a case study.

For more information click [here](#).



The Upper Valley Land Trust helps people conserve land in 45 New Hampshire and Vermont towns. We invite you to learn about our work, explore some of the special places we have conserved, and join the volunteers and supporters who make our work possible. Our 2017 Annual Report is online [here](#).

Hanratty took this photo during a cold and snowy monitoring visit in early January.



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