#### WHAT'S UP WITH WATER?

A recent "First Saturdays on the Trail" program studied the characteristics of the Sawkill Creek at Comeau, WLC has expanded its focus to include protecting our area's water and offering programs on where our water comes from, protecting its quality, understanding its vital ecosystems (ex: wetlands, vernal pools) and facing the challenges associated with increasing flooding. Thanks to Christian Malsatzki, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County who joined us to demonstrate the use of water quality testing kits. May 17th is the first in our program series, "Understanding Our Changing Environment." An expert panel will discuss our waterways, climate change, how it affects our ecosystems and what possible responses might be. Check our website for updated information.



#### UPCOMING EVENTS

April 18 - Apple Pruning @ Thorn

April 26 - Film: "Drawdown" (Reversing Global Warming)

April 28 - Spring Yoga @ Zena Cornfield

May 5 - Pollinator Planting @ Thorn

May 17 - Panel Discussion; Our Changing Environment - Water

 $May\ 26\ -\ Vernal\ Fling!\ Tickets\ at\ vernalfling.com$ 

June 2 - Eat Your Invasives @ Thorn

June 14 - Forest Ecology & Habitat Talk

June 30 - Poetry Barn with Phil Pardi & James Lasdun.

July 7th - Sunset Symphony @ Zena Cornfield

July 14 - "The Ashokan Way" Reading. Gail Straub & Kate McLoughlin

### DEVELOPING COMMUNITY-BASED STRATEGIES & ACTIONS TO COMBAT CLIMTE CHANGE.

WLC has received a grant to address climate change on a local level. The grant has several facets. In one area, WLC is working with Hudsonia, a regional environmental institute, to analyze and include climate change impacts as part of our conservation acquisition considerations. WLC is working with other local advocates to promote the use of sustainable technologies and is also creating educational programming to enhance the understanding of climate change and its impact on our local communities.

As part of our role in the Town of Woodstock's Comprehensive Planning process, we have advocated support for protecting forested land to sequester carbon; the safeguarding of our water resources; supporting community sustainability measures; expanding our carbon neutral footprint; and promoting active (bike/pedestrian) transportation considerations.



For our 30th Anniversary, please share your memories, pictures, art, and stories of WLC with us by emailing our Executive Director, Maxanne Resnick, at maxanne.wlc@gmail.com



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