

MERRILL W. LINN LAND AND WATERWAYS CONSERVANCY  
CURRENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS/STAFF

**Owen Anderson:** Resident of Buffalo Twp and retired physics professor Bucknell University; secretary and board member of the Buffalo Creek Watershed Alliance; easement monitor of the Oberheim property; chief steward of the Linn Trail and member of the Site/Stewardship Committee and acting chair 2003/2004; text and photography support for the Buffalo Creek Watershed video; active in the League of Women Voters.

**Pat Arduini:** A retired Mifflinburg Area School District elementary teacher, Pat is Chair of the Linn Education Committee. She is a resident of Mifflinburg and a board member of the Mifflinburg Heritage & Revitalization Association. She serves on the Mifflinburg Borough Planning Commission, is Director of Community Events for the Mifflinburg Rotary Club and is Outdoor Education Instructor for the Mifflinburg Area School District's Outdoor Education Program

**Sue Auman:** The former Conservancy Coordinator is an active member of the Development Committee. She has a B.S. from Oregon State University in Business Administration with an emphasis on venture management. Before becoming Coordinator in January 2005, Sue was marketing manager and project coordinator for Landstudies, Inc., an environmental land planning and consulting firm; member services coordinator for the Chamber of Business and Industry of Centre County, PA and past board member of the Buffalo Creek Watershed Alliance (BCWA).

**Chris Bergesen-Peeling:** Bergesen-Peeling has a wide background in wildlife sciences and strong marketing capabilities. She is a member of the Conservancy's Development Committee. A resident of Gregg Twp., she coordinates marketing and buying activities for Clyde Peeling's Reptiland.

**Diane Donato:** (Secretary) - A resident of East Buffalo Twp. is a former Chair of the Education Committee. She is responsible for publicity for the Conservancy's annual Caring for Communities program. She also serves on the Development Committee.

**Judith Ellis:** (Treasurer) A resident of East Buffalo Twp.; retired Senior Associate Director of Admissions, Bucknell University; B.A. in Chemistry from Bucknell and M.A.T. from Northwestern University; active in the League of Women Voters of the Lewisburg Area, the Eastern Union County Supplemental Food Program, and local acoustic music groups. She received the Conservancy's Service Award in 2009.

**Roy Fontaine:** (Vice-President) A resident of Williamsport, Roy is a professor at in the Social Sciences and Humanities Department at Pennsylvania College of Technology. He has a Ph.D. from the University of Georgia and an MS from Bucknell and is a behavioral primatologist with research in New World Primates in Florida, Panama, Peru, and Guatemala. He has served many years on the board of the local Sierra Club and has been involved with Caring for Community's lead event.

**June Hoyle** (Board Member Emeritus): Long associated with fundraising and the Auxiliary efforts of the Evangelical Hospital; first Vice President of the Linn Conservancy; Past President; member of the Development Committee: recipient of Linn Conservancy 2004 Service Award.

**Wayne McDiffett**: (President); Professor Emeritus of Biology at Bucknell University and member of the Site/Stewardship Committee. He developed and maintains the Shamokin Mountain Trail and is a resident of East Buffalo Twp.

**Carl Oberheim**: Semi-retired orthodontist, a member of the Augusta Bonsai Club, and lives near Laurelton with wife Faye. Carl and Faye, along with their family, have had many years of enjoyment hiking, fishing, hunting, canoeing and just soaking up nature on their property along beautiful Penn's Creek. It inspired them to donate a conservation easement of over 130 acres to the Conservancy in 2003. This easement will forever protect this natural resource.

**John Snook**: Farms 400 acres and 40 beef cows. One farm is the site of the wild lupine, now protected in a voluntary stewardship arrangement with the Conservancy; another has been farmed by his family since 1837. John is currently a member of Mifflinburg Kiwanis Club and Mifflinburg Young Farmers. John has served the Conservancy in various capacities in the past, including President, and is currently a member of the Site/Stewardship Committee and a Linn Conservancy representative to the DEW Stakeholders Committee.

**John Tonzetich**: Professor Emeritus in Biology at Bucknell University; teaching and research were in genetics; interested in backyard gardening and nature photography Resident of East Buffalo Township. John chairs the Conservancy's annual Native Plant Sale.

**Susan Travis**: (Treasurer-BCWA) former executive director for the Union/Snyder Office of Human Resources as well as for Family Planning Services for Union/Snyder/Northumberland; coordinated fiscal and personnel management for each organization; past member of the Lewisburg Borough Planning Commission and past board member of the Family Health Council of Central Pennsylvania; a founder and treasurer of Friends of Fulbright to India, Inc.; currently President of the League of Women Voters of the Lewisburg Area; Member of the Executive Committee. She received the Conservancy's Service Award in 2009.

**John Wallace**: John is an attorney for the Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons. Earlier in his professional career he served as a law clerk at the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans and at the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati. He attended Miami University in Oxford, OH, and Ohio State University for law school. John and his wife Christina have two children—Harry and Julia. He enjoys fly-fishing for trout and says that his first good walk in the woods after moving to Lewisburg a few years ago was on the Dale's Ridge Trail.

**Susan Warner-Mills**: Ms. Warner-Mills has been involved extensively in community and civic activities and currently serves on the boards of the Lewisburg Downtown Partnership, the Lewisburg Neighborhoods Corporation and the Lewisburg Planning Commission and is a member of the Countywide Advisory Team for the Union County Comprehensive Plan. She is a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Penn One and is certified as one of the region's few EcoBrokers—real estate professionals with training in energy efficiency and environmentally sensitive design in real estate properties.

**Geoff Goodenow:** - (Coordinator) Retired Lewisburg Area School District high school science teacher, Geoff is a past President and was formerly chair of the Site/Stewardship Committee. He is co-chair of brochure series and primary writer for two Conservancy videos. He is a member of the Education Committee; former leader of "Adopt-A-Road" program; a speaker for the Conservancy; recipient of 2000 Service Award; and a member of the DEW Stakeholders' Committee.