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## How Can You Help The Trust?

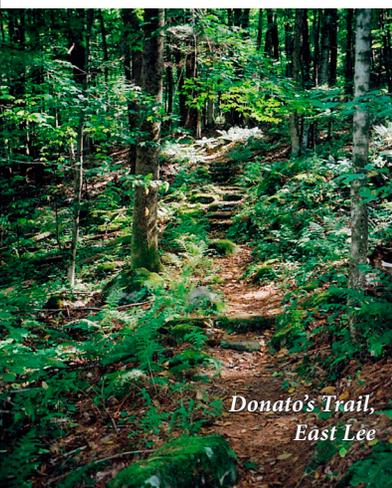
You can JOIN us! Your membership and participation in activities help us in our commitment to protect Lee's natural & historic resources. The South Lee group, Citizens For Preserving South Lee had made a generous donation to the Trust that enabled us to finalize our trail goal and acquire the Williams Property in South Lee. With this example, you can see that responsibility needs many hands, minds and hearts for the future to be successful.



*The Wolf Tree at Golden Hill*

These beautiful places  
NEED stewards.  
Volunteers are their life  
blood.

Join us in continuing to  
PRESERVE, EDUCATE  
and INSPIRE our  
neighbors and guests!



*Donato's Trail, East Lee*

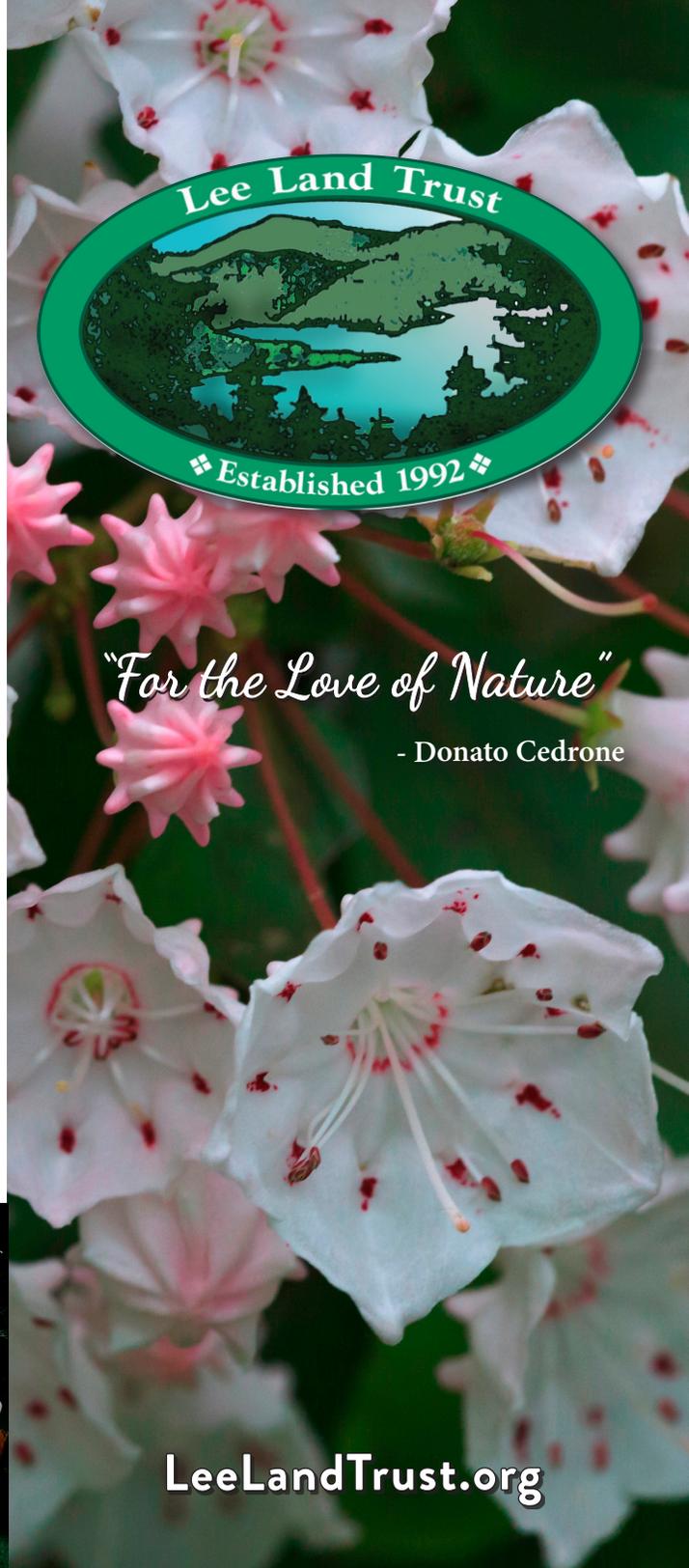


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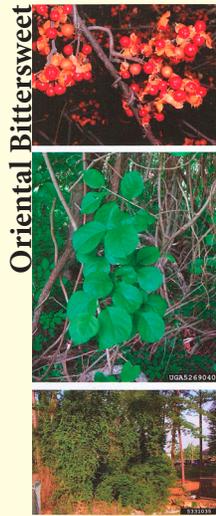
*"For the Love of Nature"*

- Donato Cedrone

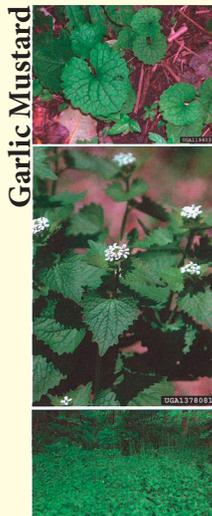
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The Town of Lee has been reviewing the *Master Plan & Open Space & Recreation Plan* in 2023 with the help of various groups & individuals in town. What stands out is: residents are concerned about our natural resources and open space which is given high priority for preservation & care.

**The Land Trust knows the value of our properties & the soil which sustains us. So, we are inviting everyone to explore their own yard!**



Oriental Bittersweet



Garlic Mustard

**Native Alternatives**  
Trumpet Honeysuckle •  
Fox Grape • Virginia Creeper •  
Virgin's Bower

**Native Alternatives**  
Creeping Phlox • Foam Flower •  
Lady Fern • Wild Ginger

These are just 2 of the common invasives to look out for in your backyard.

From: *A Guide to Invasive Plants in Massachusetts.*

**In spite of humankind's ingenuity and technological advancement, we owe our very existence to six inches, the layer of topsoil and the fact that it rains! - Paul Harvey**

To start, we are offering, with Lee Greener Gateway Committee & others, some events to help folks know what to look for and then how to handle a 'situation'. These will be educational events, field work and displays in town. Included will be composting, removing invasive plants, walks, using native plants and encouraging pollinators.

Non-native or invasive plants (there are other species besides plants) are a major concern everywhere.

**Invasive plants or animals disrupt the natural cycles of our native flora & fauna which have evolved together.**

We hope you will take this challenge to explore your home turf & become aware of what you really have in your yard.

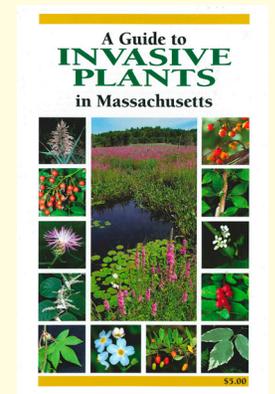
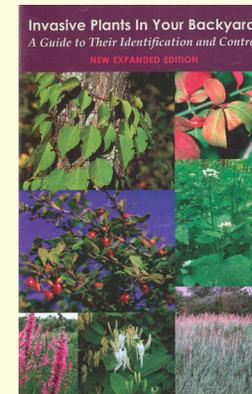
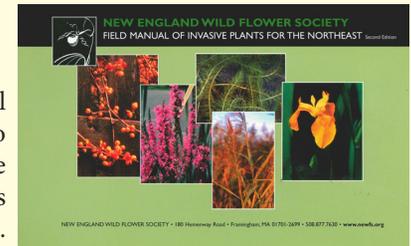
And there are benefits to you: fresh air, exercise, a sense of doing the right thing and helping our town! We hope to see you out there!

**R.I.P.  
REMOVE INVASIVE  
PLANTS**

- Be vigilant
- Best tool? *Garden Fork!*
- Goal? *Stop seed production!*
- Black bag it - *kills roots & seeds*
- Watch for seedlings - *easy to pull*

**SAVE THE NATIVES**

A few helpful guides to identify the invasive plants in your yard.



## What is the Lee Land Trust?

We are an independent, non-profit, tax-deductible Trust founded in 1992 AND we are your neighbors! We want to preserve Lee's natural and historic heritage by working with individuals or organizations to protect their lands. We envision saving our farmlands, woods and water ways.

Lee has many offerings of sites to explore. You can begin with Ferncliff Reservation just off downtown Lee, Longcope Park on Church Street in South Lee, Golden Hill Town Forest on Golden Hill Road, Lee Sandy Beach, the Trust's new joint venture with the Trustees for our Donato's Trail on Rt. 20 in East Lee and our large state forests at October Mountain and Beartown. For more information, visit our new website: [LeeLandTrust.org](http://LeeLandTrust.org).