

Conservator

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Announcing a Conservation Easement protecting THE ENDERLE-FLICK WETLAND RESERVE

A rare high-quality wetland, a prairie meadow, and stands of mature trees coexist where you might least expect it — on a single-family property on Cheviot Road in a built-up area of suburban Colerain Township.

In 2005, owner Trudy Enderle worked with the Land Conservancy to create a Conservation Easement that permanently protects natural resources and scenic views on the family homestead she shares with her mother, Margaret.

According to their wishes, the three-and-a-half-acre property that has been in the Enderle family for over 40 years is legally protected from all future development.

The Enderle-Flick Wetland Reserve, named in honor of Trudy's parents — Margaret Flick Enderle and the late Melvin Enderle — is preserved for all time.

Rare, fragile wetland

An unexpected wetland habitat at the rear of the property delights all who encounter it. Made special by a flowing water aquifer that supplies it, the wetland required many lifetimes to evolve to its present state. "Although small,



Margaret Flick Enderle and Melvin Enderle



Native plants and wildlife thrive in the sedge meadow wetland on the Enderle-Flick property



View looking into the property from Cheviot Road



Maples, walnuts, sassafras and redbuds

the fragile wetland — a sedge meadow of quite rare quality — is a great asset," said George Derringer with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, who helped document the conservation values on the property.

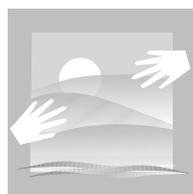
"It took centuries to create this superb sedge meadow wetland. Without careful conservation efforts, the loss of this wetland could happen in

one day. Replacing it with another of equal quality might require half a millennium," Mr. Derringer cautions.

Connected to the land

Trudy Enderle's spiritual connection to the land and her philosophy of private stewardship and thoughtful management led her to legally protect it with a Conservation Easement.

The CE is a deed restriction that runs with the property's title and binds future owners to its terms. The Land Conservancy's role is to monitor the property and enforce the CE in perpetuity.



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