



MEDIA ALERT

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**PECONIC LAND TRUST'S
THROUGH FARMS & FIELDS COUNTRY LUNCHEON
AT WARD'S POINT, SHELTER ISLAND, AUGUST 3, 2014**

**HOSTED BY RICH HOGAN AND CARRON SHERRY
HONORING THE CONSERVATION PHILANTHROPY OF
BARBARA SLIFKA**

*Historic Location, Fabulous Local Food,
Online & Silent Auction featuring wonderful experiences,
make **Through Farms and Fields** a Unique East End Event, with
Mistress of Ceremonies **Cristina Cuomo***

JUNE 26, 2014. SOUTHAMPTON, NY. The Peconic Land Trust's 12th Annual "Through Farms and Fields" Benefit, a Country Supper, will be at the property of Peconic Land Trust board member **Richard Hogan and Carron Sherry**, on historic Ward's Point on Shelter Island. **This year's event will honor the conservation philanthropy of Barbara Slifka.**

Through Farms and Fields celebrates the local bounty of the East End – from the amazing salad greens, vegetables, herbs and fruits of our farms, to the fresh fish from our shores, to the wonderful wines of our vineyards. Please join us, and our Mistress of

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Ceremonies, **Cristina Cuomo**, editor-in-chief of BEACH Magazine, as we celebrate over 30 years of conservation on Long Island in this unique, private setting.

Founded 1983 by **John v.H. Halsey** and a small group of local residents, the Trust works to ensure the protection of Long Island's working farms, natural lands, and heritage. Since its inception, the Trust has worked diligently with landowners, donors, all levels of government, communities, and partner organizations to protect over 11,000 acres of land on Long Island.

This year, we thank Richard Hogan and Carron Sherry for hosting us at their beautiful home on Ward's Point on Shelter Island. The property, which has a long and varied history, was part of 200 acres owned on the island by advertising pioneer Artemas Ward, for which the point is named. Mr. Hogan and Ms. Sherry have been supporters of the Trust since 2009, joining the President's Council in 2011. Mr. Hogan joined the Peconic Land Trust Board of Directors in 2011. In addition to the Trust, Mr. Hogan and Ms. Sherry support other conservation efforts including the Agricultural Stewardship Association in Upstate New York.

At Through Farms and Fields, the Peconic Land Trust will honor the conservation philanthropy of Barbara Slifka. Ms. Slifka has been a member of Trustees Council of the Peconic Land Trust since 2007, and has generously supported the mission of the Trust and numerous conservation campaigns, including the protection of the Hopping Farmland (*home of the Pike Farmstand*), Bridge Gardens, and Quail Hill Farm. A fashion editor with *Harper's Bazaar* for 40 years, Ms. Slifka is the President of the Joseph and Sylvia Slifka Foundation. In addition to her support of the Peconic Land Trust, Ms. Slifka supports numerous East End and New York City charities involved in

conservation, education and the arts, including the Big Apple Circus, The New York City Ballet, The Nature Conservancy, Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation, The Parrish Art Museum, The Interfaith Center of New York, and Animal Rescue Fund (ARF) of the Hamptons. Ms. Slifka also supports The Graduate Center of The City University of New York, Byrd Hoffman Water Mill Foundation, Weill Cornell Medical College, The Retreat, and Hour Children. Please join us on August 3rd as we recognize Ms. Slifka's important contributions to our community.

Generous support for the event has come from our sponsors (*to date*): **Tate's Bake Shop, The Corcoran Group, Brown Harris Stevens, Bridgehampton National Bank, J.P. Morgan Private Bank, Bridge Abstract, LLC, Markowitz, Fenelon & Bank LLC, Artisan Mortgage Company, GreenLogic, Herrick Hardware, Renew Properties, Amaden Gay Agencies, LaCorte.**

Through Farms & Field Country Luncheon Details

Date: Sunday, August 3, 2014

Time: 5:00 pm

Where: Home of Richard Hogan and Carron Sherry, Ward's Point, Shelter Island

Honoring: The Conservation Philanthropy of Barbara Slifka

Hosts: Richard Hogan, Carron Sherry, John v.H. Halsey

Chair: Ed Krug

Mistress of Ceremonies: Cristina Cuomo

Supper by Chef Bryan Futerman, featuring wine from McCall Wines

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Event Committee: Emma Clurman, Richard DeVerna, Harriet Dresher, John Erwin, Perry Guillot, Jane Iselin, Richard Hogan, Shira Kalish, Linda Lacchia, Edie Landeck, Amy Rosi and Sally Van Erk; Peconic Land Trust staff: Rebecca A. Chapman, Yvette DeBow-Salsedo, Kathy Kennedy, Lisa A. Pepe.

To Benefit: The Peconic Land Trust

Tickets: \$15,000 for a Benefactor-level table of twelve (12); \$7,500 for a Patron-level ticket for six (6); Friend-level ticket for \$1,000 for two (2); Individual tickets at \$350.

To Purchase Tickets: Contact the Peconic Land Trust at 631.283.3195 or email to RHarris@PeconicLandTrust.org. Additional information is also available on the Trust's website, www.PeconicLandTrust.org.

About the Peconic Land Trust

August 1, 2013 was the 30th Anniversary of the founding of the Peconic Land Trust, which was established in 1983 to conserve Long Island's working farms, natural lands, and heritage. Since its inception, the nonprofit Trust has worked conscientiously with landowners, communities, municipalities, partner organizations, and donors, to conserve over 11,000 acres of land on Long Island. The Trust's professional staff carries out the necessary research and planning to identify and implement alternatives to outright development. While working to conserve the productive farms, watersheds, woodlands, and beachfront of Long Island, the Trust is also protecting the unique rural heritage and natural resources of the region.

The Trust has Stewardship Centers in Cutchogue, Bridgehampton (Bridge Gardens),

Southold (Agricultural Center at Charnews Farm and Shellfisher Preserve) and Amagansett (Quail Hill Farm) and its Main Office is in Southampton. *A common misperception, however, is that the Peconic Land Trust collects and distributes the monies raised through the Peconic Bay Region Community Preservation Fund (the CPF is also referred to as the 2% land transfer tax or the Peconic Land Tax). This is NOT the case. The CPF is a public program and the funds are used by the five East End Towns for the protection of farmland, open space, and community character.* For more information about the Peconic Land Trust visit www.peconiclandtrust.org or call 631.283.3195.

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