

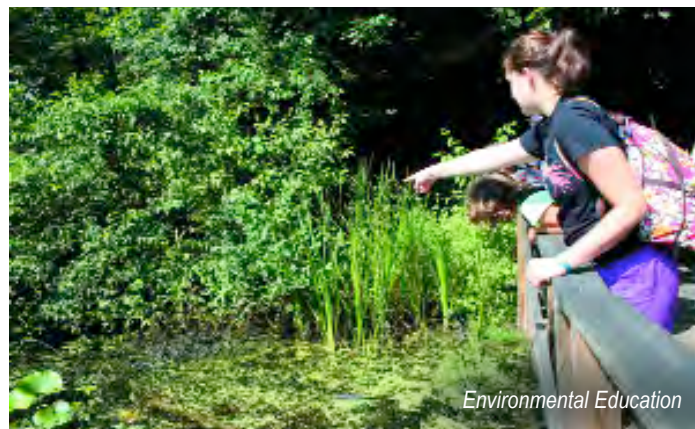


Engaging the Community in the Hudson Hills and Highlands



*Part of Croft Acquisition Project,
Teatown acquires Vernay Lake*

**Teatown Lake Reservation
Annual Report 2010**



Environmental Education



Stewardship and Science



Regional Conservation

Teatown Lake Reservation

TEATOWN LAKE RESERVATION

Teatown Lake Reservation is devoted to conserving biological diversity, teaching ecology and promoting nature-friendly living throughout the Hudson Hills and Highlands.

- 834-acre nature preserve with abundant fields, mixed forests, streams, swamps, farmland, gardens, lakes and ponds, including the 41-acre Teatown Lake and 9-acre Vernay Lake
- Fifteen miles of scenic hiking trails (easy/novice to moderately difficult)
- Wildflower Island, a unique two-acre sanctuary that is home to over 230 native and endangered species of wildflowers
- Nature Center with nature education exhibits and indoor and outdoor live animal collection of amphibians, reptiles, mammals, and birds of prey
- Weekday and weekend nature programs for adults, families and children, including lectures, guided walks, field explorations, and nature story telling
- Environmental education programs for school groups, scouts, corporate outings and other large groups of all ages
- Seasonal events including Hudson River EagleFestsm, Nature Friendly Plant Sale, Fall Festival and Annual Pancake Brunch and Maple Sugaring festivities



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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

This past year, we were reminded that both our well-being and economy depend on the health of the environment. The BP oil spill, climate change, spread of invasive species, and an over-abundant deer population bring home the need to protect the environment. We see again and again that human actions are key to well managed ecosystems. Perhaps as a result of a growing awareness about the fragility of our natural world, we are finding that students and adults are increasingly curious about "green choices" and how can they can participate in sustainable living. As a result, Teatown is experiencing increased attendance in its education, stewardship and regional conservation activities.

Teatown's Annual Report 2010 reflects its expanding role as a regional environmental education and leadership center. Students from area schools, who will lead the next generation of environmentally responsible citizens, are:

- Visiting Teatown to learn from and be inspired by our outstanding educators and scientists;
- Taking an Advance Placement Environmental Science and Sustainability Program, sponsored by Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES; and
- Participating in the Green Schools Coalition of Westchester, an alliance of administrators, teachers, students and parents (founded by Teatown, Westchester County, and the Children's Environmental Literacy Foundation) that advances sustainability in Westchester schools.

When students can not come to us, we go to them. For example, last year our educators taught 3,000 children in their schools. Teatown's highly regarded Summer Camp, Teens & Teatown Program, and weekend activities reinforced lessons learned in our school programs.

Teatown's education efforts go beyond youth programs to include families and adults. Last year, Teatown hosted its Hudson River EagleFestsm, Fall Festival, Pancake Brunch, and Nature-Friendly Plant Sale, all of which provided fun, tradition and opportunities to celebrate the benefits of nature in our communities. Teatown also participated in the 40th Anniversary of Earth Day and in a host of other community events, demonstrating our commitment to the Hudson Hills and Highlands. We are delighted to report significant accomplishments by Teatown's Environmental Leaders Learning Alliance (ELLA), a coalition of 140 civic leaders from 34 towns and villages. Also last year, we strengthened the Teatown Landowners Alliance, an adult program that improves stewardship across the entire Teatown area. We are grateful for the significant role that our volunteers play in our efforts. Last year alone, more than 300 volunteers donated 5,200 hours of service!

In 2010, significant improvements were made within Teatown's 834-acre preserve. A new children's garden was dedicated in remembrance of educator Cindy O'Hanley. Construction began on Wildflower Woods, a 3 1/2-acre habitat protected from over-abundant deer for teaching ecology and land stewardship. The Teatown-Kitchawan Trail, a 6.5 mile trail connecting Teatown to Kitchawan Preserve opened in October. The most significant 2010 activity, however, was the Croft Open Space Acquisition Project, an effort that led to a successful purchase of 59 acres of critically important habitat in the center of Teatown. The outpouring of community support for the Croft purchase was extraordinary! Please know that the all the activities highlighted in this annual report were only possible because of the hard work and support of our staff, board, volunteers, members and program participants. Rest assured, we will do everything we can to exceed your expectations and excel at building a more sustainable and healthy environment at Teatown and throughout the Hudson Hills and Highlands.



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Chairman

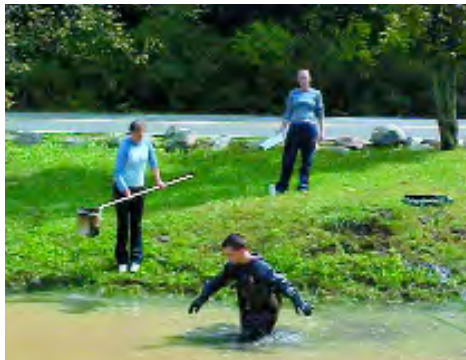
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Teatown educators take seriously their role in shaping the hearts and minds of the next generation of environmentally caring and responsible citizens. Last year, nearly 12,000 youth were exposed to the **"Teatown Experience,"** whether through a class trip to our preserve, a visit from an animal ambassador through our outreach program, or a birthday party. Total reach of our **YOUTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS** was 11,889 children, a 4.1% increase from FY 08/09.

- Between September 2009 and June 2010, 6906 students from 67 schools (33 schools that visited the Nature Center and 34 that went to Cliffdale) came to Teatown to attend **SCHOOL PROGRAMS**. We also provided **OUTREACH EDUCATION** programs that served 3633 additional children in their local schools and libraries.
- The **"NO CHILD LEFT INSIDE"** initiative provided the means for 1,445 at-risk children from 10 disadvantaged schools to learn about and experience nature through school programs at Teatown. **NO CHILD LEFT INSIDE** was funded this past year by St. Faith's House Foundation.
- Educators saw 106 children through 10 **SCOUT PROGRAMS**, 100 children during winter and spring **VACATION MINI-CAMPS** and 1,350 children at 68 **BIRTHDAY PARTIES**.
- Twelve teens participated in **TEENS IN TEATOWN**, completing special service projects in these six areas: Animal Care, Trail Maintenance, Teatown Ambassador, Sustainability, Special Events and Junior Interpreters. Teens volunteer weekly for special service projects and attend monthly meetings where they gain practical skills and leadership skills.
- A grant from the Rebecca and Arthur Samberg Foundation enabled Teatown to continue a collaboration with the Ossining Children's Center, to implement Teatown's **OSSINING NATURE EDUCATION PROGRAM**, for children attending Pre-K – 2nd grade. This past year, Teatown educators met with approximately 60 Pre-K – 2nd graders each week. Programs, following the cycle of seasons, were designed to include activities that use developmentally appropriate skills, such as observation, sorting, and classification. Lessons included role playing, imagination, imitation, questioning and experiments as methods to learn about animals, plants and ecological connections. Each week, the educator brought along an "animal ambassador."
- **SUMMER NATURE CAMP 2009** was filled to capacity with 670 campers.
- Ten youth participated in the **NEW VISIONS ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM** held during the school year 2009-10 at Teatown, sponsored by Putnam/Northern Westchester BOCES.
- Teatown educators brought the "Teatown Experience" to 450 White Plains Students as part of the White Plains Youth Bureau's afterschool program, **KID'S EXCEL**. They also provided Nature preschool classes for the Ossining School District's **LITTLE SCHOOL**.



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Teatown provides numerous opportunities throughout the year for adults to expand their appreciation for and knowledge of environmental conservation. These are but a few of the opportunities offered:

- **WEEKEND PUBLIC PROGRAMS** were attended by over 1,200 individuals who engaged in a diverse array of programs, including lectures, guided walks, field explorations, and nature story telling for children.
- The **FIRST THURSDAY ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP** included presentations on the following topics: white-tail deer and forest regeneration, healthy kids and the ecosystem, monarch migration and hawk migration, among others.
- Teatown's environmental educators joined the CLUB FIT HIKING CLUB on three outings to regional environmental areas. Educators also led **CANOE TRIPS** down the Croton River Gorge. More than 100 adults participated in these events that combined recreation, exercise and environmental awareness, as leaders shared the natural history and ecology of the Hudson Hills and Highlands.
- Fifteen participants in the **WILDLIFE REHABILITATORS WORKSHOP** (March '10) learned how to become volunteer rehabilitators.



COMMUNITY EVENTS AND FESTIVALS:

- Collectively, over 5,000 people attended one of Teatown's **SPECIAL EVENTS OR COMMUNITY FESTIVALS**. Each of the events was designed to increase public awareness of the unique features of the Hudson Hills and Highlands and to educate the public on how they can make a difference by conserving and protecting nature around us.



- **HUDSON RIVER EAGLEFESTSM** celebrated the annual winter gathering of bald eagles along the Hudson River. Nearly 3,000 participants were actively engaged in viewing and learning about bald eagles, their ecology, conservation status and ongoing stewardship efforts in the region. Major sponsors of EagleFest 2010 included: Westchester County; New York State Assemblyman Greg Ball; Club Fit; Friends of Westchester Parks; TD Bank; Gear to Go; and Saw Mill River Audubon. This year, we added an additional live bird show totaling three, based on their popularity.

- **FALL FESTIVAL 2009** brought over 600 people to Teatown to celebrate the fall season in the Hudson Hills and Highlands and to enjoy such fall favorites as pumpkin carving, hayrides and scarecrow making. Teatown's discovery tent displayed local flora and fauna and engaged people in interactive learning about Hudson Hills and Highlands ecology.



- **THE NATURE-FRIENDLY PLANT SALE AND WORKSHOPS** featured educational programs and an impressive array of native plants for sale. Environmental experts were on-hand to offer free advice and tips to successfully maintain plants. Over 500 people attended this 2-day event.
- March Maple Sugar Madness at Teatown including our **ANNUAL PANCAKE BRUNCH**, Teatown's salute to the art of maple sugaring, weekend sugarhouse tours and our Rent-a-Bucket program. More than 300 people participated in one of these "sweet Teatown events."
- Teatown participated in various **COMMUNITY EVENTS** throughout the Hudson Hills and Highlands, including Yorktown Community Day, Yorktown Street Fair, Green Chimney's Wing and a Prayer, IBM's Earth Day celebration, New York Life Earth Day celebration, and Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture's Harvest Festival.

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As home to many species of plants and animals that inhabit the Hudson Hills and Highlands, Teatown plays a vital role in contributing to a sustainable and healthy region by proactively managing the flora and fauna living in our preserve. A number of new environmental stewardship projects that incorporate science and research, as well as trail development were realized in 2009-2010.

- The **CROFT OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION PROJECT** was launched in spring 2010 in order to raise over 3 million dollars to purchase an adjacent property known locally as “The Croft” estate and to establish a stewardship fund (endowment) for the future care of the property. The purchase increased Teatown’s preserve and will add additional hiking trails and nature education opportunities.
- The **TEATOWN LANDOWNERS ALLIANCE**, launched last year by our Daniel Kampel Director of Environmental Stewardship, Dr. Mike Rubbo, continues to grow. The Alliance now has 90 members. Four educational workshops have been completed and a website (www.teatown.org/tla) has gone live. The TLA’s goal is to educate landowners that reside near Teatown on techniques that can be implemented to conserve ecological integrity at the landscape-level, and to develop a community based stewardship curriculum that can be implemented by any protected area.
- The **TEATOWN-KITCHAWAN TRAIL**, a 6.5 mile trail was a collaborative effort among Teatown, NYC Department of Environmental Protection, Westchester County Parks, and the NY-NJ Trail Conference, began construction in the spring of 2010 and opened in October, 2010. This trail crosses lands owned by Teatown, the NYC DEP, and Westchester County. The trail is an important east-west connector linking the North County Trailway and the Briarcliff-Peekskill Trailway, and also connects Kitchawan Preserve, John E. Hand Park, and Teatown.
- Two high school and two college students participated in **INTERNSHIPS** at Teatown. Projects included hibernation site selection of displaced box turtles, the relationship between pond nutrients and mosquito growth, the ability for larval amphibians to control mosquitoes in wetlands, and the impacts of the loss of forest vegetation on salamanders.
- Our dedicated volunteers gave hundreds of people a tour of **WILDFLOWER ISLAND** with its beautiful flowers and vistas.



Vernay Lake



County Executive, Robert Astorino and Honorary Teatown Trustee, Geoff Thompson, are joined by other dignitaries at ribbon cutting for Teatown-Kitchawan Trail.

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At Teatown, we are committed to the protection, restoration and long-term management of biodiversity in our region. We have taken a leadership role in promoting regional conservation as a means toward achieving environmental sustainability. Regional environmental activities in 2009-2010 included:

- Teatown's **ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERS LEARNING ALLIANCE (ELLA)** made significant progress this year. ELLA is a regional learning alliance of town-appointed volunteer environmental leaders dedicated to creating a healthier, more sustainable Hudson Hills and Highlands bioregion. This year ELLA involved 140 leaders from 34 towns and villages. Workshops on using SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review) to conserve habitat, biodiversity assessment, and green infrastructure and water conservation were held. ELLA members, in collaboration with NYSACC (New York State Association of Conservation Commissions) and NYAEMC (New York Association of Environmental Management Councils), planned the New York State Conference on the Environment, a weekend conference that was held at the Thayer Hotel in West Point in November.
- In November 2009, Teatown partnered with Hudson Highlands Land Trust to present the 5th annual **SUSTAINABILITY EXPO**, which took place in Garrison. Chef and food policy activist Michel Nishan provided "food for thought" at this year's expo, which focused on the importance of fresh and local food to a sustainable lifestyle. Over 200 people attended.



- Teatown, Children's Environmental Literacy Foundation (CELF) and Westchester County formally launched the **GREEN SCHOOLS COALITION OF WESTCHESTER (GSCW)** to meet the challenge posed by the Westchester County Climate Change Task Force Action Plan for K-12 Schools. The Westchester County Action Plan calls on all sectors in Westchester (county government, municipal governments, businesses, educational institutions, and households) to work together to solve the problem of climate change and global warming by dramatically reducing greenhouse gas emissions and planning to adapt for its impacts by focusing on sustainable development. To date, the Coalition has 31 member teams represented by 155 persons. Twenty-four Westchester County public school districts and 7 independent schools are participating.

- Teatown continued its relationship with the New York-New Jersey Trail Conference to implement the **HUDSON HILLS AND HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY TRAILS PROGRAM**, to provide assistance to local trail crews in Westchester and Putnam counties. We especially are seeking to build new, longer distance trails that link protected park lands and act as biotic corridors for wildlife.
- Teatown was a key participant in and sponsor of Westchester County Park's **CONSERVATION CAFES**, which are quarterly forums attended by 100+ people who discuss timely environmental issues. Topics this year were: Hydro-Fracking and your Drinking Water, Managing Deer in Westchester County, De-icing Roadways, and the Truth about Going Green.



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Between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010, several major projects were completed or started that improved or will improve Teatown's 834-acre preserve.

- **WILDFLOWER WOODS**, an innovative outdoor classroom teaching ecology and encouraging sustainable living was launched with a New York State Dormitory Authority grant and funds from the 2009 gala. Volunteers and staff cleared invasive plants and dead and dying trees to promote wildflower growth.
- **ASSESSMENTS OF TEATOWN LAKE** were done, which involved studying the water chemistry and ecology of the lake and identifying threats to the lake's health.
- **CINDY'S CHILDREN'S GARDEN**, named in remembrance of long-time Teatown nature guide and environmental educator Cindy O'Hanley, was created with the help of volunteers in the spring of 2010. We hope that in remembering Cindy's love for nature and children in this way that visitors to the garden will be inspired to cherish and protect the good green earth.



- Teatown completed the restoration of the **LAKESIDE TRAIL** with the construction of hundreds of feet of new woodchip-filled trails and the renovation of the "boat house." These improvements were made possible by a \$27,000 grant from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation and \$13,500 of generous donations from our members.



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From 7/1/09 – 6/30/10, Teatown Lake Reservation received financial support from a variety of sources, including: government funding; community and family foundations; business and corporate grants, sponsorships and matching gifts; and individual contributions and membership dues. We are very grateful to the following donors for their support and vision in working with us to achieve environmental sustainability for all.

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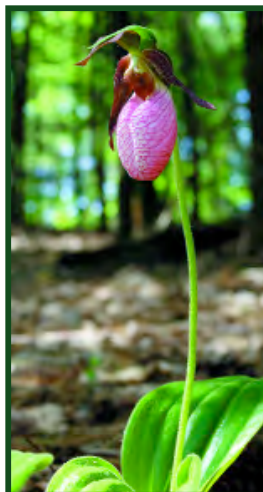
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On September 13th, 2009, at beautiful Sleepy Hollow Country Club Teatown held a Benefit and Live Auction entitled, **"A NIGHT IN THE WOODS"** to celebrate the opening of Wildflower Woods, with A tribute to Emily Wood Crofoot, Former Teatown Trustee, Elizabeth Scholtz, Director Emeritus of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, and The Brooklyn Botanic Garden. The Benefit raised \$200,000.



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SAMPLING OF GRANT HIGHLIGHTS:

- We received an award of \$52,066 from New York State as part of the Zoological and Botanical Gardens and Aquarium (ZBGA) program in support of our "living museums." We received \$29,070 from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for Lakeside Trail improvements. The Land Trust Alliance supported the Teatown Landowners Alliance with a \$17,000 grant. Westchester County helped us launch the Green School Coalition with a \$20,000 grant.
- Foundations recognized our efforts by supporting some of our signature programs. Our Environmental Leaders Learning Alliance program was supported by generous gifts from the Westchester Community Foundation (\$25,000) and \$50,000 from three private donors. St. Faith's House Foundation gave \$10,000 in support of our No Child Left Inside program. The Samberg Foundation supported a nature enrichment program at the Ossining Children's Center with a \$27,500 grant.
- Our events enjoyed a variety of support. For example, Hudson River EagleFestSM 2010 was supported by a \$20,000 New York State legislative grant made possible by NY Assemblyman Greg Ball, \$10,000 from the Friends of Westchester County Parks, \$5,000 from Club Fit, \$2,500 from TD Bank, \$10,000+ in media coverage from WHUD, and donated space from Westchester County.
- Con Edison, a long-time supporter of Teatown supported our fall environmental education programming with an \$8,500 gift. Other grants were received from Wal-Mart, New York Life, Pepsi Bottling Group, David Rockefeller Fund, Rice Family Foundation, and Tosa Foundation.



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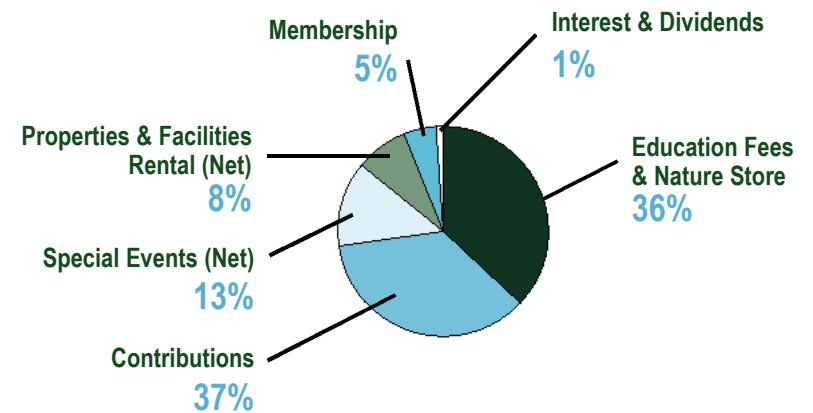
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REVENUES AND EXPENSES – Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010

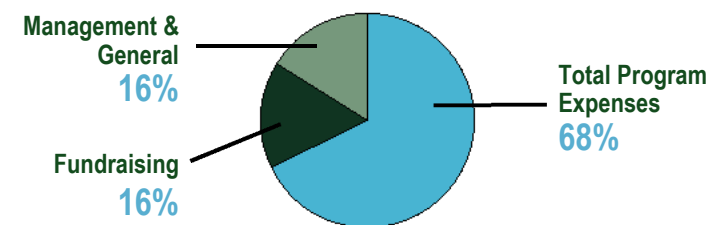
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REVENUES & OTHER SUPPORT		
Education fees & Nature Store	\$584,849	\$550,206
Contributions	\$586,975	\$606,611
Special Events (Net)	\$214,237	\$134,931
Properties & Facilities Rental (Net)	\$134,349	\$124,549
Membership	\$74,060	\$72,622
Interest & Dividends	\$11,749	\$43,647
REVENUE TOTAL	\$1,606,219	\$1,532,566
EXPENSES - PROGRAM		
Environmental Education at Teatown	\$868,580	\$934,584
Stewardship at Teatown	\$240,962	\$267,024
Regional Conservation	\$128,994	\$146,998
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$1,238,536	\$1,348,606
EXPENSES - SUPPORT		
Management & General	\$289,332	\$250,361
Fundraising	\$290,670	\$288,354
TOTAL EXPENSE TOTAL	\$580,002	\$538,715
NET GAINS (LOSSES) FROM INVESTMENTS & OTHER ASSETS	\$249,287	(\$1,003,038)
YEAR END NET	\$36,968	(\$1,357,793)
ENDOWMENT VALUE	\$1,951,206	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,947,428	

2010 REVENUES



2010 EXPENSES



Teatown Lake Reservation

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(AS OF JUNE 30, 2010)

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Becci Donnelly, *Environmental Educator*

Teatown Staff as of June 30, 2010



Teatown Lake Reservation

Teatown recognizes that volunteers are an important part of "our team." Teatown's success is most certainly a function of our volunteers' generous donation of time and talent given to our programs and events. We could not do it without them!

- Over 300 individuals, excluding board trustees, volunteered a total of 5,200 hours for Teatown between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010.
- Our Teatown Volunteer Programs (Raptors, Wildflower Island, Nature Guides, Special Events, and Board Service) once again provided essential service to Teatown. Teatown's programs are made possible because of our volunteers.
 - Our Bird of Prey collection got special attention from members of **TEATOWN'S RAPTOR GROUP**. These 15 volunteers came to Teatown every week to help us care for and teach others about our collection.
 - **WILDFLOWER ISLAND GUIDES**, totaling 45 individuals, led tours of the island and helped to maintain its unique habitat.
 - Our education staff is helped almost daily by **NATURE GUIDES** who teach schoolchildren about the natural world. During the 2009-10 school year, 17 nature guides participated in strengthening our educational message.
 - Over 250 **SPECIAL EVENT VOLUNTEERS** helped at our four major events: Hudson River EagleFestsm, Pancake Brunch, Nature-Friendly Plant Sale and Workshops, and Fall Festival.
 - During school year 2009/10, twelve high school students participated in the second year of our **TNT ("TEENS IN TEATOWN")** program. Two of the volunteers were recently mentioned in the Journal News. Some notable projects that they worked on included: maintaining our compost system and animal care. Chantal Noreika, a 2nd year TNT member, won the United Way New York Life Youth Leadership Award presented at The Volunteer Center of United Way's 2010 Volunteer Spirit Award celebration.
- **NEW YORK LIFE** sent 31 volunteers to work at the Hudson River EagleFestsm, the Pancake Brunch, and the Nature Friendly Plant Sale.

TEATOWN LAKE RESERVATION'S 2009-10 VOLUNTEER AWARDS WINNERS:

Distinguished Service Award: Becci Donnelly

Nature Guide Award: Erica Kolbrenner

Clerical Award: Colleen Seelke

Stewardship Award: Lisa Cohen

Raptor Guide Award: Roseann Monaro

WFI Award: Allison Buckley

Teen Volunteer Award: Walker Reiss



TEATOWN LAKE RESERVATION'S MISSION
is to conserve open space and to educate and involve
the regional community in order to sustain the
diversity of wildlife, plants and habitats for future
generations.



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