The Gerard and Marjorie Swope Planned Giving Society

The Gerard and Marjorie Swope Society is an honorary association of individuals whose planned gifts have already been received or will someday go to Teatown Lake Reservation. Named for Gerard and Marjorie Swope who, with their family, gave the gift of 190 acres in 1963 and began Teatown, the Gerard and Marjorie Swope Society pays tribute to those who have ensured the future of Teatown Lake Reservation through their thoughtful, planned generosity.

Forms of planned giving may include gifts of life insurance policies, IRAs or a bequest in the form of gifts of cash, personal property or other assets provided in your will or personal estate plan. Planned giving also may include current planned gifts such as a charitable remainder trusts.

Careful gift planning offers each individual the opportunity to make an endowed gift that will continue to help Teatown for generations to come. Regardless of the method or the gift amount, we are deeply grateful to each and every member of the Gerard and Marjorie Swope Society, and especially appreciative of their thoughtful commitment to the future financial wellbeing of Teatown.

Membership in the Gerard and Marjorie Swope Society also offers important benefits to you. The most satisfying reason to join is knowing that your planned gift will have a part in ensuring that Teatown’s programs and properties remain vital and diverse for future generations. Other benefits include:

- Invitations to interesting and exclusive membership events
- A special memento designed exclusively for the Gerard and Marjorie Swope Society
- Interesting and updated information throughout the year about the latest philanthropic endeavors from our most dedicated friends and supporters
- Acknowledgement in each year’s annual report and publications (unless anonymity is requested)
- Affords you the opportunity to fulfill both your financial and charitable goals

Please let us know if you have already included or intend to include Teatown Lake Reservation in your plans, or if you are considering the idea of providing for Teatown in your estate.

For further information about making a planned gift to Teatown, please contact Jean Costello at jcostello@teatown.org or consult with a financial advisor or estate planner to create a planned gift that meets your needs.