

Grand Views



**KEEP IT
GRAND!**

The Middle Park Land Trust is dedicated to helping landowners preserve Grand County's scenery, agriculture, water, wildlife and biodiversity for today and the future.

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51 Acre Conservation Easement near Kremmling



376 Acre Conservation Easement near Kremmling

Ranchland near Kremmling Preserved Forever

Middle Park Land Trust (MPLT) has preserved an additional 91 acres of agricultural land for the future by helping two adjacent landowners in the Troublesome Valley area near Kremmling.

Primarily working ranch and rangeland, both properties are located approximately 6 miles north of Kremmling. This brings the total acres protected by the Land Trust in the Kremmling area to 427 acres.

MPLT President Mike Braddy states, "We are enthusiastic about preserving Land in West Grand County. Agricultural land is extremely important in our county and we are thrilled to be protecting the natural resources on these adjacent properties. This partnership benefits both the property owners and the public. The public is assured the rural heritage that defines our county will remain intact on these properties while the landowners can continue to ranch and use the land as they always have."

MPLT thanks you, our members for helping us provide the resources to be able to accept and protect land such as this. You are the core of this organization, and with your continued support, together we can protect and preserve some of the most beautiful parts of Grand County - we can KEEP IT GRAND! Thank You Members!

Annual Meeting Moved to Summer!

The Board has decided to join the rest of Grand County and hibernate for the winter. Because of this, we have moved our annual meeting from a chilly January evening to a warmer time of the year - say June, when spring is springing and the birds are singing. This year, we will be holding the meeting on a weekend day at a property under Conservation Easement so you, our members and supporters can see what you are helping to preserve. Hopefully, this will provide a more enjoyable event for us all! We will keep you updated on the exact time and place.

Volunteers Do A Wonderful Job At Stewardship Day

Each year MPLT volunteers are invited to a property held under Conservation Easement to help the land owner with some of their land maintenance needs and we call it "Easement Stewardship Day". This year, Easement Stewardship Day was held on a 35 acre property near Fraser. Volunteers Brock and Angela McCormick arranged the day, with generous donations of food and drink from Pizza Hut and Safeway. A total of 12 people showed up to help, and did an amazing job clearing brush and cleaning up the property. THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS! We could not do this without you.



Volunteers working hard on stewardship day



Brock McCormick, Barbara Belknap and Angela McCormick

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact us at (970) 887-1177 or mplt@middleparklandtrust.com

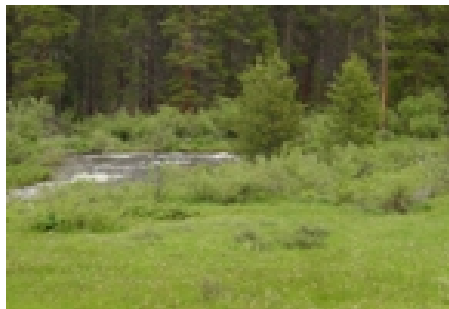


City Market Cares Program is working great, but we still need your support! Participation in this program does not cost the cardholder anything. City Market donates money to MPLT based upon support, so sign up everyone you know. This program works with any King Soopers, City Market or Kroger Card. Call the office at (970) 887-1177 or send us an email at mplt@middleparklandtrust.com with the name, address, phone number and number located on the back of the card.

9th Annual Photo Contest a Huge Success

Our 9th Annual Purely Grand Photo Contest was the largest ever. Thanks to our judges, Byron Hetzler, Steve Unruh and JD Scott who had a difficult time picking the winners with 84 entries to choose from. The winners can be seen on our website- www.middleparklandtrust.com.

We want to thank all contestants for such amazing entries, as well as the Fraser Valley Library for holding a reception showcasing all photographs and Gary Nordloh for speaking at the event. A drawing was held for three \$20.00 gift certificates donated by Dennis & Fran Finnigan of Fraser Valley 1 Hour Photo. Winners were Susie Lenhart, Marty Todd and Marsha Wiles. Patty Berman won a MPLT screensaver that highlights this years photos.



35 Acre Conservation Easement Near Fraser

5 New Businesses Have Joined MPLT in our 1% for Land Conservation Program

The Jane Creek Grille and the Winter Park Sushi Bar, both in the Winter Park area, recently agreed to participate in our 1% for Land Conservation Program.

Two Grand Lake businesses, the North Shore Resort and Jerry Peirce Construction have also joined the program. Peirce represents the first construction and building business to participate in the program. Customers, he said, are supportive of contributing to preservation efforts.

“We’re pleased to assist the Middle Park Land Trust in protecting the very reasons that people choose to build homes in Grand County,” said Jerry Peirce, owner of Jerry Peirce Construction.

The Paper Clip, an office supply store in Granby, has also decided to support the program through regular donations. The addition of these five businesses brings the total number of participants in the voluntary contribution program to 27.

“This program allows businesses to contribute to the protection of the natural resources that bring thousands of people to Grand County every year,” said Mike Braddy, President of the Land Trust Board of Directors. “Donations from this program, combined with our members and land owners, allow us to work toward balancing development and preservation, both of which are keys to Grand County’s economic future.”

Great Stocking Stuffer!

MPLT Version 2 Screensaver is now available for sale at the MPLT Office in Granby and at Fraser Valley 1 Hour Photo. They cost \$10.00 each and feature photographs from the 2005 photo contest as well as a few from earlier contests. Version 1 is still available also. A great gift idea for Christmas, stop by and pick one up today at 52 N. 1st Street in Granby or call (970) 887-1177 for more information.

**Thank you Safeway and the Parade
of Homes for placing our flyers in
your bags and packets!**

1% for Land Conservation Program

**Support these Businesses that
Collect or Donate 1% of Their
Revenues:**

Alpine Classic Strings
Cookies n’ More
Devil’s Thumb Ranch Resort
Devil’s Thumb Nordic/Fishing Center
Engelmann Pines B&B
Fraser Valley One-Hour Photo
Fraser Valley Properties
Grand Lake Lodge Restaurant
J.R.’s Grill BBQ Caterers
Jane Creek Grille
Jerry Peirce Construction
Miller’s Inn Massage
New York Life Insurance
North Shore Resort
Ore Communications
Ripple Works
Silk’s Dental Hygiene Service
The Vintage Hotel
Walden Hollow Enterprises
Whistle Stop B&B
Winter Park Sushi Bar

Other businesses that support this program are:
George Edwards Photo, Grand County Internet
Service, Grand County Title & Escrow, Homes
James Transportation, The Paper Clip and Winter
Park Market.

