MILESTONES

FIRST CONSERVATION EASEMENT — donated by John Witrig and Family, Winfield

FIRST MUSIC VIDEO — Common Ground with the Awful Purdies, produced by Ron Reynolds

FIRST VIDEO INTERVIEW — by Action Aid, with George and Patti Naylor, Denise O’Brien and others.

FIRST BOOK CHAPTER — in Women and the Land, SILT founder Suzan Erem profiled alongside Liz Garst, Chris Henning, Sarah Willis and many other leaders.

2017 BY THE NUMBERS

4 showcases educating 86 landowners about land protection

6 House Parties drawing 77 people

16 conferences with exhibits/sponsorships

17 speaking engagements (including 2 national conferences)

300 new acres protected

950 (average) readers of the SILT Monthly Update

1,354 new friends and connections

83,000 Iowans fed (at full food-production capacity)

HIGHLIGHTS

• SILT Hosts bestselling author Raj Patel’s film crew documenting Malawian women discussing the effects of climate change on their lives. Tour included Tyler Franzenburg’s and Denise O’Brien’s farms and a gourmet-style farm supper served up by Ed and Tricia Jackson’s family.

• SILT introduces ourselves to the Farm Bureau and the Iowa Soybean Association and discusses partnerships.

• SILT hosts a panel of agri-community experts at the Sustainable Communities Conference, Dubuque.

• PLUS: SILT joins the USDA’s State Technical Committee, serves on the Healing Living Systems national board, speaks at numerous landowner gatherings, marches in parades, participates in the Johnson County Long Term Plan committee and meets with scores of landowners interested in protecting their land.
2017 INCOME
$13,000 Other
$108,000 Individual donations
$879,000 Luzum Farm (net)

2017 EXPENSES
$23,000 Fundraising
$42,000 Program
$99,000 Management and General

ASSETS
- Current Assets (cash)
- Fixed Assets (Land/Buildings)
- Total Assets

$216,228.82
$757,764.00
$973,992.82
$193,004.85
$1,860,940.00
$2,053,944.85

2017 SILT PARTNERS*
Abbe Hills Farm
American Farmland Trust
Bur Oak Land Trust
Cienega Investments
Cliff Bar Family Foundation
Decorah Bank and Trust
Donald C. Brace Foundation
Grinnell College
Hickory Hills Land and Livestock
Hitchcock Nature Center
Iowa Alliance for Responsible Agriculture
Iowa Appraisal Corp.
Iowa City Bird Club
Iowa Environmental Council
Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation
Iowa Organic Association
Iowa Watershed Management Authorities
Jensen and Jennings Appraisal Co.
Johnson County Local Food Systems
Jupiter Ridge Mushrooms and Veg
Kane County IL Planning Dept.
Land for Good
Land Stewardship Project
Land Trust Alliance
Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Service (MOSES)
National Young Farmers Coalition
Northeast Iowa Community College
Oneota Food Co-op
Practical Farmers of Iowa
Prairie Crossing
Quad City Pollinators
Red Fern Farm
Rolling Acres Farm
Slow Money
Sundog & Local Harvest CSA
Sustainable Living Coalition
University of Iowa Urban and Regional Planning Dept.
Women Food and Agriculture Network

*Organizations and allies that have helped SILT grow through networks, expertise, funding or joint events.

We do our best to keep track and recognize our friends. If you spot an omission, please let us know!

SAVE THESE 2018 DATES!
June 8 Phoenix Farm Showcase, Iowa City
June 21 SILT House Party, Fairfield
Sept. 14 Honey Creek Creamery Showcase, Honey Creek
Sept. 21 SILT Annual Celebration, Windsor Heights

Check in on the SILT Event Calendar at silt.org for details.