

WOODLAWN TRUSTEES, INC.
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WOODLAWN TRUSTEES DONATES 1,100 ACRES OF LAND TO FOUNDATION

Preservation of Open Space Honors Mission to Benefit Community

Wilmington, Delaware (January 1, 2012) – The administration and Board of Trustees of Woodlawn Trustees, Inc. of Wilmington, Delaware has announced plans for the conservation of nearly 1,100 acres of land in the Brandywine Valley.

On December 15, 2011, approximately 1,100 acres owned and managed by Woodlawn Trustees was transferred to The Rockford Woodlawn Fund, a non-profit organization. The properties consist of land stretching north of Brandywine Creek State Park along the Brandywine Creek, and were acquired over the last century by Woodlawn Trustees.

Woodlawn Trustees, Inc., a not-for-profit organization, was founded by William P. Bancroft in 1901. Mr. Bancroft, a successful Quaker businessman, created Woodlawn in order to give back to the community in which he lived by creating an organization whose mission would be to concentrate on providing affordable housing for the working people of Wilmington, and to acquire land for parks and open space for the community to enjoy in and around the City of Wilmington. As the City grew and the population moved north and west, Mr. Bancroft and Woodlawn Trustees acquired hundreds of acres of land that would provide open space for public enjoyment and segments along Concord Pike that could be developed to provide funding for its missions of affordable housing and preservation of open space. Over the years, Woodlawn Trustees has provided hundreds of acres of land for conservation, including a significant portion of Brandywine Creek State Park.

The Rockford Woodlawn Fund, Inc. is a non-profit organization founded in 2004 to promote the preservation of open space for public enjoyment. Woodlawn Trustees, Inc. is proud to support this mission through the donation of land, strengthening and continuing a commitment to its own mission of preserving open space.

For additional information or press inquiries regarding Woodlawn Trustees or the Rockford Woodlawn Fund, contact Vernon J. Green, directly at vgreen@woodlawntrustees.com or (302) 655-6215.

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Woodlawn Trustees is a not-for-profit (but tax-paying) real estate business managed by a board of directors with earnings channeled back into the company. The objectives of Woodlawn Trustees are threefold; to preserve open space for public enjoyment, to provide affordable rental housing in the City of Wilmington, and to guide orderly planned development to benefit the community and provide funding for Woodlawn activities. All above content generated for Woodlawn Trustees, December 2011.

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