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Protecting land & water in our community

*Welcome to
Winter 2012*

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WHO GOES HERE?



THE BOBCAT
- a frequent visitor
at Greensboro Ridge Natural
Area.

Tell feline tracks from canine tracks (such as fox or coyote) by the rounded toes, no nail marks, and flattened, wide central pad.

Greensboro Ridge Biologists Present Findings Jan. 23

Visit [Greensboro Ridge](#) with us on Monday, **January 23 (7pm)** at the Howe Library. The Conservancy asked Watershed to Wildlife, Inc. to inventory natural resources at our 113-acre preserve. Over the past year these biologists, with our staff and members, pieced together a picture of the woods, wildlife, and wetlands of this fascinating property. Come hear what they learned, which will guide our future management and trail-building. Other upcoming events:



- **This Saturday**, 1-3pm -our family snowshoe ramble at **Balch Hill**, led by Rob Harris of our Balch Hill Stewardship Committee. [More](#)
- **Tuesday, January 31**, 7pm Howe Library - Hanover Conservation Commission presents "Reading the Forested Landscape" with naturalist & author Tom Wessels
- **February 5**, 2pm Black Center - [Green Fire](#), the much-acclaimed new documentary about legendary conservationist Aldo Leopold.



New Balch Hill Stewardship Fund

The Hanover Conservancy is delighted to announce a new stewardship fund dedicated to our beloved [Balch Hill Natural Area](#). The fund began with an initial gift in memory of Michael McGean from his family. A very generous contribution has just arrived from Balch Hill neighbor Dr. Greg Baker, who also shared this beautiful image of the summit maple for the cover of our 2011 [annual report](#). We're grateful to these friends for their leadership, since Balch Hill was conserved many years before land trusts like ours realized the need to plan for the future cost of caring for their protected lands. Further contributions to the Fund are warmly

welcomed!

Year-End Challenge a Success

Generous year-end gifts from many new and long-lost returning members were matched 1:1 by our board. In more good news, participation in our annual appeal jumped by 55%. *Thank you for giving us a good start in 2012!*

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