

PLATER PROPERTY

- Marek Plater, along with his siblings, Stephanie and Zigmunt, granted the township a conservation easement
- May 1st, 2009
- A total of 74.823 acres preserved
- The entire Property is under Act 319, since 1982



One of the largest properties available for preservation in Nockamixon, the Plater property is part of an increasingly significant corridor of preserved properties in the Gallows Run Watershed. It is also part of the federally-designated Highlands Region. Numerous habitats exist on the site -- maturing hardwood forests; conifer woodlots to more open-canopied successional forests; open wet meadows and drier red cedar meadow-shrublands. Two particular habitats stand out as exceptional quality natural resources: the New Brunswick red shale west-northwest facing cliffs and the seasonally wet meadow-vernal pool complex.

Funds for the acquisition of the Plater easement were obtained from a Bucks County Natural Areas Program Grant and from Nockamixon Township by utilizing a portion of the local Earned Income Tax monies devoted solely to land preservation by township voters. By accepting an acquisition amount less than the aggregate value of the easement they granted, the Platers effectively donated the difference. Heritage Conservancy will provide stewardship of the land for its preservation in perpetuity. The easement is held jointly among the three entities.

“Leaving this land the way we found it is important and I’m excited that we did it,” responded Marek Plater when asked about completing his recent undertaking. On May 1st, along with his siblings, Stephanie and Zigmunt, Marek granted a conservation easement to Nockamixon Township on 75 magnificent acres they jointly own near the village of Kintnersville.