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Martha Taylor Liaison to the Farmland Preservation Artists of Central Pennsylvania As this year comes to an end and darkness descended, I have been looking forward more and more to the Winter Solstice, which is simultaneously the longest night and the shortest day of the year.

To me, it has always indicated a time of renewal and that fresh promise is at hand as we move toward the growing season.

This has become even more meaningful to me as a Trustee of the Centre County Farmland Trust. My involvement makes me think every day about sustaining the beautiful Central Pennsylvania farmlands we live within, and conserving land for future generations. Our beautiful area sees increasing forces driving development of all kinds, including highways and business and residential growth pressures.

Land preservation benefits everyone by helping to secure clean water and safeguarding our food supply. Healthy soils help us adapt to a changing climate. Farmland and open space are simply beautiful.

We know you share our love of land.

CCFT continues to evolve and change. We are so grateful for our generous supporters who are helping to sustain our work financially and for our dedicated volunteers. This year, every board member participated in the annual monitoring visits to at least one of our 17 properties preserved from development by a conservation easement. We have learned stewardship skills from our partners at ClearWater Conservancy. Trustees continue to build our knowledge and capacity to both steward our current easements and prepare for working with more landowners to preserve their lands in perpetuity.

Please join us.

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You are our critical partners in this effort. A year-end gift will help us in supporting landowners who see the future in preserving their land and families who make a huge commitment to the environment and the community by donating the valuable development rights of their land to protect it forever. Your supporting gift allows us to fund the considerable costs of farmland preservation and ongoing easement maintenance, including land surveying and analysis, documenting the current conditions of the land, and real estate closing costs.

## Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution to support this important work.

You can mail a check with the reply form below to "Centre County Farmland Trust, PO Box 604, Centre Hall, PA 16828".

Thank you for all that you do to support farmland preservation! Protecting farms like this is only possible because of your support.

Linda

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Linda Friend, Secretary Centre County Farmland Trust Board of Trustees

P.S. Please **give your gift today** to support farmland preservation for current and future generations in the heart of Pennsylvania, These are the hands and lands that feed us.

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