

## Great Peninsula Conservancy – March eNews

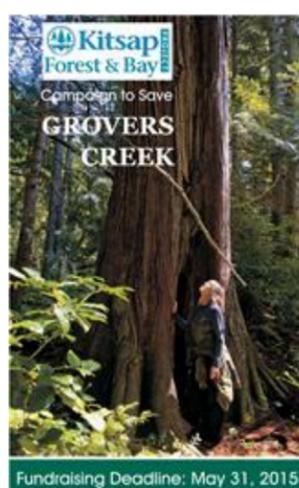


**Please join us for a wonderful evening with GPC friends at beautiful Kiana Lodge in Poulsbo.** Keynote speaker Joe Gaydos will share photos and stories from his new book, *The Salish Sea: Jewel of the Pacific Northwest*. (Copies of his book will be available for purchase at the event!) Shellfish hors d'oeuvres courtesy of Xinh's Clam and Oyster House and Taylor Shellfish Farms. Tickets \$100 & Tables \$800 include GPC membership! [RSVP](#) by April 16 (360) 373-3500 or [mary@greatpeninsula.org](mailto:mary@greatpeninsula.org). [Learn more](#).



### What a Great Day of Stewardship!

Thanks to 100 volunteers, 60 cubic yards of garbage (and more than 200 tires!) were removed from Port Gamble trailheads on February 21. Wow! We have a dedicated community! Thanks to our partners: Kitsap County Parks, Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance-West Sound, and North Kitsap Trails Association. Thanks also to Platypus Hydration for great giveaways at the event. See more [event photos](#). Learn more about the [Kitsap Forest & Bay Project](#). There are many ways to get involved.



### Tree Planting – Grovers Creek Preserve

Join us on March 7 (9 am – 2 pm) to plant seedling conifers at North Kitsap Heritage Park and GPC's Grovers Creek Preserve. Meet at North Kitsap Heritage Park's Miller Bay Road parking area at 9 am. Bring work gloves, pruners and shovels. Wear sturdy boots and dress for the weather.

The [first 21 acre parcel](#) of the Grovers Creek Preserve was purchased by Great Peninsula Conservancy in December. The future 270-acre preserve is rich in wildlife habitat and will provide a link in the future Sound to Olympics Trail. Other acquisitions are planned for this year. [Learn more about our Grovers Creek Campaign](#). [Learn more about the Kitsap Forest & Bay Project here](#).

### GPC Earns National Accreditation!

Great Peninsula Conservancy recently earned the distinction of being an accredited land trust. The accreditation seal, awarded by the Land Trust Accreditation commission, recognizes land conservation organizations that meet national standards for excellence, uphold the public trust and ensure that conservation efforts are permanent.

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Your donations to Great Peninsula Conservancy help protect lands that enrich your life – ensuring clean air and water, inspiring you with natural beauty, and providing you with special places to explore. **Please donate online through [JustGive](#)**. Or mail your gift to Great Peninsula Conservancy, 423 Pacific Avenue, Suite 401, Bremerton, WA 98337. Thank you!



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