Leopold’s Preserve is the 380 acre conservation area that surrounds the Villages of Piedmont community. The Preserve contains a network of 7 miles of natural surface walking trails, pedestrian bridges, viewing platforms and numerous interpretive boards that promote the flora, fauna, geological, hydrological, and historical features of this special property. It is uniquely situated at the midsection of The Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Scenic Byway.

The inspiration behind this community is a man considered by many to be the father of wildlife management and of the United States’ wilderness system, **Aldo Leopold**. He was a conservationist, forester, philosopher, educator, writer, and outdoor enthusiast. He was also a prolific writer. Leopold’s collection of essays—**A Sand County Almanac**—is one of the most respected books about the environment ever published.

“We abuse land because we regard it as a commodity belonging to us. When we see land as a community to which we belong, we may begin to use it with love and respect.”

**Aldo Leopold** 1887-1948
What is Conservation Development?

Conservation-based development is a tool some land developers, like Equinox, use to minimize disturbance to the natural landscape by preserving onsite resources identified during the planning stages of development.

Wetlands, streams, ponds, natural or sensitive habitat areas, view sheds, open fields, and agricultural lands have been successfully integrated into the development of this community.

Community Amenities

- 2 Swimming Pools
- 2 Clubhouses with rental space
- Tennis Court
- Basketball Court
- Volleyball Court
- 2 Large Playgrounds
- 3 Tot Lots
- Dog Park
- Interpretive Center
- Observation Areas

Benefits of Living in a Conservation Community

- Land that is protected by a conservation easement cannot be developed
- Higher home appreciation rates*
- Access to natural areas, open space, and walking trails
- Increased opportunities for healthy lifestyles
- Greater sense of community belonging and interaction
- Serene and aesthetically pleasing environment

*Urban Land Institute, Conservation Communities