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The Welcome Celebration is the official kick-off of Selected's Annual Meeting and it sets the stage for the unique exchange of knowledge and ideas that takes place during the week by fostering friendships old and new. The Trust Reception is a very special affair held immediately preceding the Welcome Celebration, to honor friends of the Trust, old and new. The Trust Reception also features the Ambassador of the Year Awards ceremony, honoring two individuals who have demonstrated their commitment to the Trust and its mission. We gratefully thank each of the sponsors that made these two phenomenal events possible!

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