



MISSION

Enhance the quality of residents' lives through the preservation of open space,

Educate all residents as to the value of the islands' natural ecosystems, and

Act as an environmental advocate on behalf of Islesboro and the surrounding Penobscot Bay region.

Letter from Our President

Since I am newly installed in this office, I feel that I don't have the experience to make a report on the state of IIT as the outgoing president does. I am sure that Chuck will do his usual thorough and informative job with even a touch of descriptive writing in it!

I am honored to have this position entrusted to me and hope that I can bring a beneficial perspective to the mission of IIT.

Community is my focus for IIT, not just the human community which supports the good work of IIT but the natural communities which we are committed to protect and to live in harmony with and to educate the human one about. No one is an island and indeed, we could not live without the ecosystems of the island, the bay and the entire natural world.



I think it is vital for us all to examine how we live on the earth as individuals and as community members. In the 21st century it is vital that we conserve the earth's resources and attempt to restore balance in the damaged ecosystem and in the damaged human communities.



I would be a fool to advise our residents to limit their use of natural resources to the point that the economic fabric of the island was destroyed. It is wonderful for year round, summer and in between residents to want to be here and to love what the island offers. However, everyone can be open to a new aesthetic sense that does not depend on toxic chemicals to create and maintain beautiful homes or grow food. Somewhere along the aesthetic timeline from sheep grazed meadows, small farms and country lanes, some have come to accept as

desirable the modern interpretation of this historic landscape as manicured grounds, huge scale agriculture and everything wrapped in plastic. The costs of these practices are huge from an environmental aspect and will be the death of us all. The loss of pollinators to allow food to grow, the use of herbicides for weed-free driveways and lawns, the use of petrochemicals in all aspects of our lives are some of the ramifications of our current cultural stance on what is beautiful and what is necessary.

Letter from Our President

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Since the growing world is my focus professionally and personally, this is what I first think about, but this also extends to other aspects of what we consider acceptable in our society of speed driven cultural homogenization. Giving humans good work to do rather



than taking all possible short cuts with chemicals and machines, finding ways to enhance and improve our relationships to each other and the ecosystems, and finding ways to educate everyone about the natural world are small personal ways to lessen the negative impact of too many people using too much of the world's resources.

I hope to meet with all of the island's social and civic groups over the next year to find out how we can collaborate more closely and

help each other with our unique missions. I hope that anyone who has ideas and thoughts about IIT's missions will communicate directly with me.

I can be reached by phone: 207 734 6407, email: hatch6652@gmail.com, text: 207 930 5273 and letter: P.O. Box 289.

In the meantime Steve Miller, Chloe Joule, Richard Coombs and Jon Kerr are continuing their work on island at the Cregar Center, the IIT Preserves, the school and sometimes off island pursuing Penobscot Bay advocacy, and the Board of Trustees are working away to keep the whole program humming.

New Trustees this year include Devie Hamlen Jr. and Isabel Jackson. We have new advisory council members as well: Johanna Brazier, Pam Schreiber, Pam Larson, Mike Hutcherson, Dustin Reidy, Janis Petzel, and Jennifer West.

Please continue to think of IIT and your island home as one of the best things you have been given among the many blessings of this life and foster what they stand for everywhere you find yourself on the home planet!

Sue Hatch, *President*

Letter from Our Past President

Dear Friends of IIT,

For the last six years, it has been my privilege to serve as President of IIT, a unique and splendid organization dedicated to the preservation of Island land through easements and preserves and to advocate supporting conservation principles throughout the Bay.

In taking leave of this position, I want to express my gratitude for the support I have received from the members of the Board of Trustees, all of whom share my commitment to IIT, Islesboro, and Penobscot Bay. That support invigorates and inspires the President and I am sure will be at the back of my very worthy successor, Sue Hatch, and help her to lead IIT to an even greater role in the life of the Island in the years to come.

I owe a special measure of praise for Steve Miller, a founder of IIT, and tireless leader since the Trust opened its doors. Steve is an imaginative, creative, hard working Executive

Director...the only one IIT has known. He is as adept with creative thinking as he is with a chainsaw. We, and those who come after us, will take pleasure and comfort from the many products of his commitment and leadership.

I am fortunate to have been elected a Life Trustee and look forward to continue working with Sue, with Lang Smith, our splendid treasurer, with Sue Stafford who magically organizes a team of easement monitors, and with the other members of the Board.



It is, I assume, common knowledge on an Island where there are few secrets, that I have sold the East Shore Drive house I lived in, nurtured and thoroughly enjoyed for nearly 40 years. I have, however, retained land on East Shore Drive and across from the Community Center. And, my beloved MAKO will continue to bob at its mooring

In closing, I am reminded of a poem by Robert Frost, "Good-bye and Keep Cold." After reminding us that "no orchard's the worst for the wintriest storm," Frost concludes:

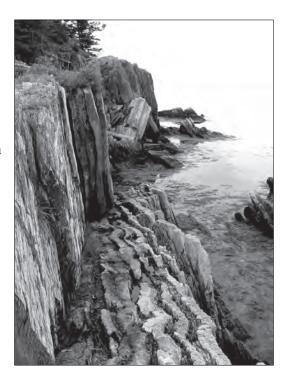
"I have to be gone for a season or so My business awhile is with different trees Less carefully nourished, less fruitful than these."

> Warm regards to all, Chuck Verrill

Will The Future Look Anything Like the Past?

I suspect that somewhere in the recesses of my consciousness, the famous (or infamous) George Orwell novel aroused suspicion that 1984 would be historic. But at the time, I do not actually recall thinking all that much about that work of fiction published in 1949, the year I was born, even though it seemed important in a socio-political formative kind of way for me in high school.

Instead, as the father of two young children and husband of a seventh generation islander, full-time work obligations, building a new home, growing food, making gardens and all of the continual yet essential householder duties commanded almost all of my time and attention. "Almost," because in 1984, Islesboro Islands Trust ascended from an idea to reality.



Early in 1984, a *Downeast Magazine* piece by Davis Hartwell, executive director of the early Maine Coast Heritage Trust and Land Trust Exchange, passionately extolling the virtues of Maine's scenic landscapes as a good reason to protect and conserve their beauty, resonated with my own sensibilities. My life-long love of Maine had much to



do with the awe I felt on a spring morning overlooking the blue bay and the uplifting swell of connection experienced when seeing rich Maple reds and bright Birch yellows in autumn.

So, I called the Maine Coast Heritage Trust's office in Northeast Harbor hoping to speak with Hartwell. Instead, Bruce Jacobsen, a friend of Missy and Sue Hatch's who I met when he lived on Islesboro in the seventies, answered the phone as the executive director who succeeded Hartwell. We talked about land conservation and Bruce agreed to speak at a public meeting on the island later that summer.

That meeting was a disaster. Convened in the Historical Society hall, only a handful of people attended and, of those, one vocal person complained about how the Trustees of

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Reservations', established in 1891 by the Massachusetts Legislature, handled a family land gift years before. After the meeting, Bruce suggested that the time might not be ripe for a new land trust on the island. I demurred. Islesboro's first real comprehensive plan, a Hermit's Point subdivision proposal that shocked, disappearing public access to the shore, affordable housing woes, talk of a major new school building all indicated change. Change washed over the island like the persistent southwest winds. Yet my instincts said to continue the conservation conversation.

In October 1984, Lily Guest, who participated in several small group land conservation meetings that summer, assembled a pivotal gathering at her Warren's Mountain home, at the end of which Ed Lawrence, Dev Hamlen and I were charged to create the Islesboro Islands Trust.

Thirty-four years later, IIT owns 13 properties that protect a vast array of ecological services and provide nearly 12 miles of trails for access to the shore, exercise and communing with nature. IIT presents environmental education programs for adults and children year round at no cost to participants. Thirty-three conservation easements protect crucial natural resources and habitat. At least in part because of IIT's willingness

to step into potentially catastrophic regional development, such as the DCP Midstream proposed LPG terminal in Searsport, real improvements in water quality throughout the Penobscot bay and watershed and a resurgence in anadromous fish benefit us all.

During those 34 years, IIT steadfastly acted as the



"environmental conscience of the community," to use a phrase coined by one of the first IIT Trustees, Liberty Redmond.

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Bay region. Preservation suggests mitigating, perhaps normalizing change, or at least presenting a slowing effect on change.

The *Islesboro Update* (predecessor to the *Islesboro Island News*) quoted IIT founder and first President Devens Hamlen in 1985, at a grand event held on the lawn of the Islesboro Inn to celebrate the formation of the trust, concerning the trust's mission, "We think IIT is an extraordinary endeavor for people to get together and help each other. One should be able to control one's own destiny, rather than be controlled by outside forces."

Change is very much on my mind these days. Climate change already washes over the island but this wave is more like a southeasterly hurricane than the more gentle southwesterly winds of the 1980's. Change at historic speed. Constant, non-stop change fills every day with uncertainty and drives away repose.

Now is the time to mitigate and adapt to climate change, to begin what may be the greatest work of humankind ever, since human-caused climate change already wreaks havoc

throughout the world. Seems that everywhere we turn these days, another storm or fire or horrendously powerful weather event dramatically illustrates our urgency.

Species extinctions, peak oil, climate change, sea level rise, plastic polymers and laboratory chemical traces literally everywhere – it is no wonder we suffer from a kind of global post-traumatic stress disorder. "It is the destruction of the world in our own lives that drives us half insane, and more than half. To destroy that which we were given in trust: how will we bear it?" Wendell Berry *A Timbered Choir*.



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Last winter IIT launched a Climate Change Initiative to foster a community process seeking and prioritizing local adaptive efforts. Because climate change is massive and quite literally affects everyone and everything, communities elsewhere talk about and organize climate change actions into seven sectors, including energy, land use, transportation, waste, food, water and human health.

At a community potluck dinner this fall, we will review an island-specific climate change adaptation planning process and look for a small number of volunteers to initiate and then shepherd that process over the next year, with an eye to an on-going, evolving process well into the future as the effects of climate change batter our world.

Responding to climate change with courage, creativity, resilience and determination, Islesboro may well evolve into the new world with minimal trauma. It is, for example, fortuitous that most major wetlands on the island remain intact. Wetlands are a huge mitigating resource for storm surge, rising sea levels and carbon sequestration. Back in 1984, those of us working on the Islesboro Comprehensive Plan understood even then,

"Because sea level is rising relative to the land, storm tide surges can have significant impacts. Such knowledge should be a factor in prudent decision making for coastal development projects."

However, more, much, much more stands in front of us as we stare into tomorrow's fury, perhaps starting with the understanding that humans are not different from, in fact share a tremendous similarity and consilience with trees, fishes and all nonhuman ecology. Connecting. As the



Upanishads acknowledge, "As all the spokes are held together in the hub and felly of a wheel, just so all things, all gods, all worlds, all breathing things are held together."

Understanding that humans are part of a grand system, a "web of survival," and that all parts of this system matter greatly, becoming attuned to all that flows, flies, moves, sleeps around us, brings adaptation into perspective and eases the angst.

Walking along Elaine's trail next to the Hutchins Marsh in the early autumn sun reminds me of our solidarity with the given biosphere, what Timothy Morton in *Being Ecological* refers to as our part in the "unavoidable interconnectedness of everything."

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Or, as Wendell Berry so well revealed this truth: "A path is little more than a habit that comes with knowledge of a place. It is a sort of ritual of familiarity ... It is not destructive. It is the perfect adaptation, through experience and familiarity, of movement to place; it obeys the natural contours; such obstacles as it meets it goes around... My mind is never empty or idle at the joinings of streams. Here is the work of the world going on. The creation is felt, alive and intent on its materials, in such places..."

Elizabeth Rush, in her just released collection of essays, *Rising: Dispatches from the New American Shore*, quotes a scientist who spends time charting the demise of Artic sea ice, "It's a terrifying and wonderful time to do the work that I do."

Grappling with change is in IIT's DNA. We cannot control the forces of climate change but we can mitigate and adapt to them. And so it is a wonderful but terrifying time for Islesboro Islands Trust to, in close concert with the depth and breadth of our community, once again and perhaps always, confront change, climate change, with all the gusto and vigor the emergency demands.

Steve Miller
Executive Director



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Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements For the Years Ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2018

RECEIPTS	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2018
Contributions:	ф ээ т ээт	¢20E 262
General Operations Penobscot Bay Advocacy	\$ 227,307 62,000	\$205,262 0
Fisheries Project	15,000	10,000
Preserve Stewardship	0	20,000
Miscellaneous	2,792	20,000
Land— Johnston Property	0	35,000
Bequests	0	16,000
Total Contributions	\$307,099	\$286,262
Other Income	400	0
Transfer from Conservation Fund	12,647	0
Total Receipts	\$320,146	\$286,262
DISBURSEMENTS		
General Operations		
Salaries, Taxes & Health Insurance	\$161,162	\$144,276
Professional Fees & Bookkeeping	11,397	5,124
Island Explorations & Expeditions	3,478	3,653
Insurance	8,334	8,807
Legal Fees	2,508	1,967
Preserve Stewardship	5,224	16,468
Maintenance & Repairs	7,719	8,378
Office & Supplies	5,017	3,004
Printing & Reproduction	5,465	4,262
Property Taxes	11,042	11,084
Utilities & Internet	6,532	5,689
Fund Raising	1,623	2,961
Miscellaneous	3,655	3,588
Total Operating Expenses	\$233,602	\$220,022
Special Projects and Capital Expenses		
Hinkle Property	\$ 1,000	\$ 0
Penobscot Bay Advocacy	22,000	26,478
Fisheries Project	72,272	11,000
Islesboro Energy Project	258	775
Total Special and Capital Expenses	\$95,530	\$ 38,253
Total Disbursements	\$329,132	\$258,275
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements	\$ -8,986	\$ 27,987
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Balance Sheet Summary As of June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2018

ASSETS Current Assets	June 30, 2017	7	June 30, 20	18
Operating Accounts	\$68,466		\$70,374	
Easement Stewardship Fund	16,341		16,349	
Preserve Stewardship Fund	7,681		18,339	
Penobcsot Bay Advocacy Fund	53,806		27,328	
Conservation Society	73,132		89,174	
Total Cash/Savings		\$219,426		\$221,564
Pledges Receivable				
General Fund		16,750		22,000
Total Current Assets		\$236,176		\$243,564
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Equipment Net of Depreciation		1,144		332
Land, Building & Easements		3,142,845		3,177,845
Total Assets		\$3,380,165		\$3,421,741
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	\$ 0		\$ 503	
Accrued Payroll	4,790		4,124	
Total Liabilities		\$4,790		\$4,627
Total Equity		\$3,375,375		\$3,417,114
Total Liabilities and Equity		\$3,380,165		\$3,421,741



(July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018)

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Ms. Maria Christina Forney

Mrs. Elenor Stayton Gammon

Mrs. Susan Gardner

Mr. Harry Grassick

Mr. Nigel MacEwan

Mrs. Anne Owsley

Mr. Langhorne B. Smith

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Julia Pershan and Jonathan Cohen
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The Johnston Family
The Dillon Fund
Robert G. McNeil



Maine Osprey

Philip and Elisabeth Allen Allen Family Foundation Estate of Peter Allen Brigham Rebecca and Samuel Campbell Maisie and James Houghton Charles J. Serns Susan and Walter Stafford, III Landon Thomas Virginia Valentine



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Helen and William Elkins
The Gill/Forkner Family
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Sandy and Devens Hamlen
Jockey Hollow Foundation
Amanda and Gladstone Jones, III
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Joyce and Edward Lawrence
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Susan Wolf and Stephen Reynolds
Marilyn and Langhorne Smith
Dena and Charles Verrill, Jr.

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Janet and Thomas Willson
Candy and Joseph Ledbetter
Lars Richardson

White Pine

Tracy and Alexander Babbidge
Jan and John Belmonte
Pauline and Clayton Brown
Darcy and Reynolds Burgund
Helen Colcord
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Alisa and Harden Crawford, III
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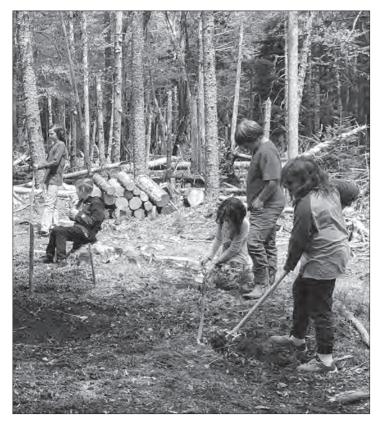
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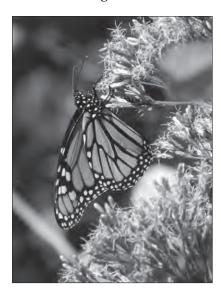
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Barry Wherren

Accomplishment Highlights

Land Preservation:

- Constructed a Hutchins Island trail to allow educational access to the island's rich land use history, including a Penobscot Tribe shell midden and the foundation of a former residence on Hutchins.
- Built four new or replacement bridges on IIT trails.
- Working with William Pendleton and the Yarmouth, Maine, Pine Tree Council Boy Scout Troop, created shore access on the western side of the Turtle Head Preserve.
- Paul Bernacki and his crew finished the Turtle Head shore access and added erosion control in its vicinity.
- Received a donation of seven acres of property on the NE side of Islesboro from the Johnston family; subsequently sold to generate funds for other IIT land protection efforts.
- Continued to maintain and monitor close to 12 miles of trails at Turtle Head; the Hinkle, Hutchins Island and Marsh and Herbert Preserves; Big Tree Beach; the Narrows, Broad Point and Lily Guest.
- Thirty-two family and individual easement volunteers visited, took pictures and filed monitor reports on 32 conservation easements that protect more than 750 acres.

Education:

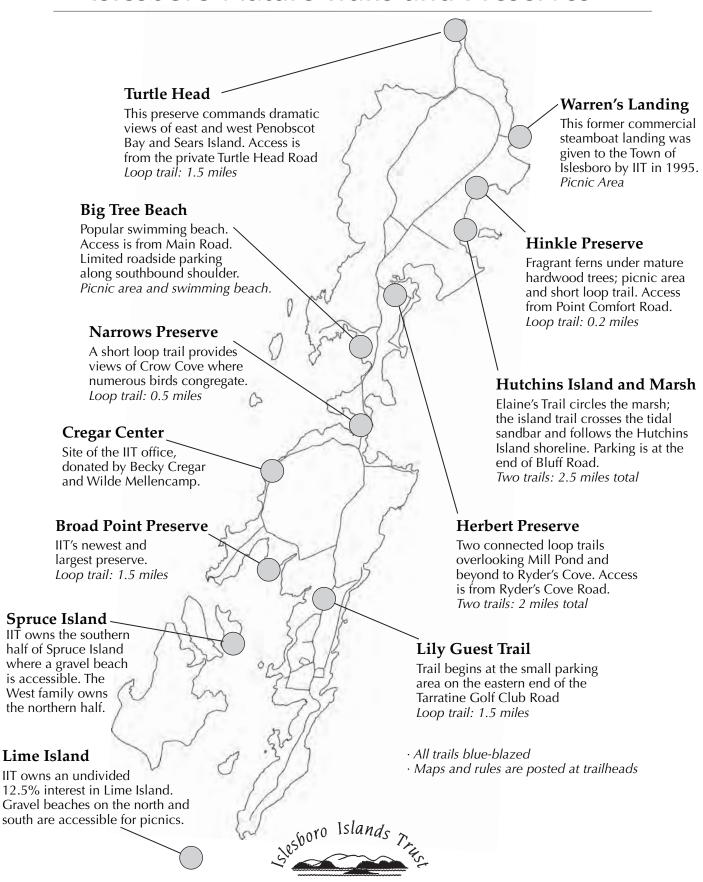
- Provided six well-attended Adult Nature Walks, Talks & Events over the summer season, including an early summer exploration of a Hutchins Island shell midden from an archaeological and anthropological perspective, a guided kayak trip, a recycling over-view, a Backyard Herbalism talk, a guided morning yoga session and a late summer look at the native parasitic plant, Northeastern Dwarf Mistletoe.
- Provided four extended season IIT Adult Nature Walks and Community Events from fall through spring to the island community at no cost to the attendees.

- Hosted a Climate Change Potluck to discuss adapting to and mitigating climate change impacts on Islesboro.
- Continued to see between 10-15 children attend the Island Explorations summer program for youngsters.
- Participated in the annual Islesboro Preschool's winter and spring fairs, where IIT provided trail maps and "I'm a Friend of IIT" buttons and sold gift memberships as well as IIT note cards.
- ICS intern Olivia Kelley surveyed Islesboro Farmers' Market participants and assisted with other aspects of the market.
- Agreed to sponsor the newly formed Islesboro Farmers' Market Committee and the fall Community Supported Agriculture program.
- Continued leading field trips and outdoor education with Islesboro Preschool and Islesboro Central School classes.
- The Alice L. Pendleton Library and IIT brought a third year of **StoryWalk**® to IIT's Hinkle Preserve with the book, *The Magic Ball of Wool*, by Susanna Isern.
- Continued to sponsor the Islesboro Energy Team.

Advocacy:

- Continued to provide logistical and facilitator leadership for the Penobscot Watershed Coalition, an emerging effort to provide support and inspiration for those working to conserve, protect and restore the health and integrity of the Penobscot Watershed; promote clean water and improve water quality; explore current, planned, and potential future efforts that advance a sustainable economy and a high quality of life for all people in the Penobscot Watershed; and identify and discuss Penobscot Watershed research.
- Monitored two, large upland salmon aquaculture proposals in the Penobscot watershed.
- Testified in support of Maine Department of Environmental Protection water classification upgrades to segments of rivers in the Penobscot watershed.

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