



Friends of Hog Island News 2019-20

March 2019 - March 2020



The mission of the friends of Hog Island is to preserve the legacy and support the conservation and nature programs and activities of the Audubon Camp at Hog Island.

A Note from the FOHI President . . .

In uncertain and frightening times—and these days certainly qualify—I find myself taking even greater comfort than usual in the eternal and faithful rhythms of the natural world. The ebb and flow of the tide, the green wave of spring moving north across the landscape, the return from distant places of songbirds; all of these are a balm when everything else seems dark and unsettled.

For many of us, Hog Island is one of those emotional anchors—for me (and perhaps for you, too) one of the most potent and important. As I write this, we are unsure how the pandemic will play out, and what impact it will have on the upcoming Audubon camp season. Obviously, we hope the storm passes quickly, and that we can welcome a fresh season of new and returning campers to our favorite island as planned, to be met there by an energetic crew of Friends of Hog Island volunteers.

But as you take solace from the memory of your time on the island (loon song at midnight, birdsong at daybreak, the scent

of spruce and fir mixing with the sea-air, the laughter of friends old and new), please also take comfort from knowing this. The island will endure, and so will FOHI. We have been careful stewards of the many gifts, large and small, that we have received over the years. We are in sound fiscal condition, and

prepared to continue our decade-long tradition of support—financial, in-kind and thorough sweat equity—for Hog Island Audubon Camp.

As the new president of the FOHI board, I can tell you of one other source of great solace: the fact that my predecessor, Juanita Roushdy, has transitioned into her new position as executive director of the Friends of Hog Island. In this, as she had as president, Juanita will be serving in a more-than-full-time volunteer capacity, a testament to her commitment to the organization. I sleep well at night, knowing Juanita still

has her hand on the tiller, guiding FOHI (with the board's advice) through these times.

Be well, until we meet again on the island.

Scott Weidensaul, FOHI board president



Juanita and Scott after the unanimous vote for the new president at the September 2019 meeting.

Here is 2019 in a Nutshell

FOHI's biggest news in 2019 was our signing of a contract with History IT in Portland, Maine, to digitize all the archives of Hog Island that FOHI had removed from the island for safe

storage, including photos, documents, videos, speeches, etc. This was a HUGE financial undertaking but the board unanimously approved the project. In May, History IT staff came to Bremen and picked up the archives and also visited the island.



Unfortunately, the web site launch has been postponed because of the Covid-19 pandemic. But it will happen!

A new native garden section was planted attracting many insects and birds, thanks to two generous donors.

Volunteers. FOHI volunteers, the foundation of all we are able to do,



continued to do the impossible. They finished FOHI's mystery project from 2018—two granite and stone outdoor buffet tables donated by another donor in honor of FOHI. These will outlast even the island! They opened and closed the camp, planted and maintained the gardens, cleaned buildings, made beds, helped in the kitchen, washed floors, replaced decking, and on and on. They gave their all and more. Every session had a volunteer waiting list! Tony Ferrara, our volunteer coordinator, has become a much respected leader with the volunteers.



Financials. Your continued generosity allowed us to go ahead with the digitization of the archives and continue to hire our volunteer coordinator for the second year. We also gave our annual \$50,000 check to the camp and \$11,545 to the Hog Island Endowment. The Statement of Cash Flow on page 7 shows a negative cash flow for the year, but we were expecting that with the undertaking of the archive project. We have always tried to maintain a three-year reserve. As you see, we finished the year on sound footing.

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Nutshell continued . . . An anonymous donor made a challenge pledge of \$10,000 to the board for the archive project; it was matched. We also purchased a 13-foot Carolina Skiff, electric motor, and trailer for the island and provided a scholarship to the camp for a young birder from the Maine Young Birders Club.



Camp News. The 2019 season was a resounding success with 439 campers, 17 bird camp sessions, and 65 days of programming. Two new programs, “Puffin Islands” and “Creating Bird Friendly Habitats,” were hits. The new native gardens were used as part of the new program. Many campers were returnees bringing new campers with them and bringing children finally “aging in.”



For 2020, the new sessions are “Building Better Birding Skills” and “Raptor Migration & Monhegan Island,” together with the tried-and-true sessions.

Staff for 2020 are Eva, program manager; Eric, facilities manager and instructor; Adrian, facilities assistant; Tony, FOHI volunteer coordinator; and Juanita, FOHI Executive Director and Hog Island store manager. Kitchen staff are Cleo, head chef; Julia, sous chef; and Chloe, kitchen assistant.

Welcome Back, Loree

Last year for personal reasons, Loree Niola decided to prematurely resign from the board. We are delighted that she now feels she is ready to resume her board duties. Welcome back! Loree volunteers on the island, does carpentry work, and brings her grandchildren to Family Camp.



FOHI Benefits from Shade-grown Coffee!

For a year, FOHIs have been buying shade-grown coffee from Birds & Beans online, entering a code and earning 5% off the purchase price and also a portion of each purchase benefits FOHI.



JB Smith, board member and volunteer, reminds us to continue purchasing to save bird habitat and encourage others. Go to Birds & Beans website, <https://birdsandbeanscoffee.com/>, read their story—100% certified by the Smithsonian. Order and enter the code: **FOHI2020**. Get the delicious coffee served on the island—Scarlet Tanager.

Duryea Morton (1924-2019)

Duryea Morton (1924-2019) came to Hog Island in 1946 as a dishwasher. How prescient were his words at the 75th anniversary celebration . . .

“This summer, 2011, marks the 65th anniversary of my first part-time job with the National Audubon Society. Carl Buchheister, then a Vice president of the Society and Director of the Camp, hired me as a Student Assistant to help wash dishes. I rode the overnight train, the Bar Harbor Express, from New York to Newcastle where Mr. B, as we called him then, met me.

. . .
And like you, my breath was taken away when we drove around the corner at the top of Nash’s hill and I saw Muscongus Bay for the first time. There is no question that, that

summer, here on Hog Island, under Carl Buchheister’s inspiring leadership influenced my life to follow a course that included 22 years of full-time employment with the National Audubon Society. One of my most important responsibilities during that time was the administration of the four Audubon Camps. In addition, I had the opportunity to direct, for a total of 14 summers, two of the four camps, Connecticut and Maine.

. . .
As we carry on our lives in the future, remember the inner feeling and rich history we all share. Remember, too, that in these uncertain times, it is more important than ever to recognize that there is reassurance in the cycles of life; the ebb and flow of the tides, the succession of the seasons, the sunrise



Dur narrates the trip out to Egg Rock.

and the sunset, for they provide our strength and our beacon. What better place to reaffirm our commitment to these truths and the glorious potential of this program, than on Hog Island at the Audubon Camp in Maine on its 75th birthday.”

Thank you, Dur, for inspiring so many.

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Mystery project finished

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Foundations and Audubon Chapters
Audubon Miami Valley
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Hog Island Endowment 2019
Betsy Cadbury and Art Borrer
Marion DeGross
Warren Howe
Elisabeth (Betsy) Phillips
Robert and Gaye Phillips
Kathryn and John White
Roberta Woodruff
Lydia Vorodi

Gifts in honor of
Friends of Hog Island for your important work in sustaining beloved Hog Island
by Adrienne Navon
Elisabeth Phillips
by Elizabeth Morris
Henry and Margaret Trail
by Fred and Beverly Trail

Juanita Roushdy
by Marilyn and Shawn DeIDonno
by James Farrelly
by Amy Simmons
by Barbara Trafton
by Mike Zeloski
Bill Thompson III
by Eva and Emily Matthews-Lark
Percival Ulsamer's 19th birthday
by Maureen Ulsamer
Loretta Victor and Eric Eichorn for their many years of volunteer service-materials support to Hog Island
by Gaye and Robert Phillips
Scott Weidensaul
by Mary Elfner

Gifts in memory of

David F. Cadbury
by Joel Cadbury
My dad
by Jenny Welch
Tom and Dudley Hanes
by Dudley Carlson
Duryea Morton
by Amy Campbell
by Howard Higley
by Joanne Sharpe
My wife Marilyn Howe
by Warren Howe
Peter Vickery
by Anne Douglas Williams

Gifts In Kind

Jay Collier
Nancy and Michael Dickinson
Holly Emmons
Kathleen Galligan and Warren Reiss
Loree Niola
Lorna Patrick
Juanita Roushdy
Helen Walsh



New Carolina skiff, motor and trailer

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Angela Sommers
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Rosemary and Edward Spreha
Kathy Stag
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You make our hearts sing!

Our 2019 Volunteers



At the camp

A
Peg Ackerson
Leigh Altadonna
Russell Anderson
Sue Avery

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Susan Barbour
Mary Bennett
Kristen Bibby
Debbie Blicher
Mia Branco
Claudia Burdett-Lerner

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Howard Higley
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Matthias Palm
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Don Quintenz
Patti Quintenz

Rollin Whitman
Haven Wiley
Minna Wiley
Benjamin Wong
Ching Wong
Justin Wong
Mei-Ling Wong

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Donna Yorkston
George Yorkston

Z
Tina Zacherl



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Joel Cadbury
Peggy Cadbury
Michael Clark
Diane Collins
Dave Compton
Kate Compton
Lane Compton
Lisa Compton
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Margaret Lechner
Lucie Lehman
Kathy Lena
Nancy Lendyak
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Juanita Roushdy

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John Sherman
Gary Shimmel
Maribel Sindlinger
Randall Sindlinger
Brent Smart
JB Smith
Charles Snyder
Pete Snyder
Rosemary Spreha
Ernesto Soriano
Cindy Stevens
Mark Stevens
Nina Stoyen-Rosenzweig

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Ayla Liss
Loree Niola
Jancie Olson
Sue Schubel
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Michelle Reilly
Juanita Roushdy
Chrissy Sirrat



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Karen Day
Mike Dickinson
Nancy Dickinson
Kathy Dodge

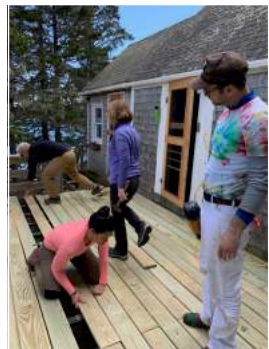
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Paolo Tabares
Maggie Taylor
Beverly Trail
Fred Trail

V
Katherine van Niekerk

W
Helen Walsh
Sabrina Watkins
Jenny Welch

Old Bristol Garden Club
Holly Emmons and family
Beth Morris



E
Neal Erickson
Ronna Erickson

F
Stephanie Foy

G
Michele Garrison
Roger Garrison
Janet Getgood

Volunteers: 118

Hours: 7,590

You Rock!



FOHI Volunteer News

Mary Bennett loved to do pots and pans, so much so that she stayed the whole season for several years. This year, Mary cut her year short and had to return home. Before she left she donated a barely used Swarovski ATS65 scope to FOHI for an aspiring teen camper. Isaiah Scott, a young teen birder from Georgia, was the choice. The Georgia Ornithological Society and the Ogeechee Audubon Society provided a scholarship for Isaiah to go to Hog Island, they were delighted to then offer



Mary Bennett

to purchase a tripod for the scope. On December 10, the two groups had a meeting at which they surprised Isaiah with his gift. To say he was stunned is an understatement. Working together we can make wonderful things happen. Thank you, Mary, for getting the ball rolling and for all the hundreds of hours at the pots and pans sink.



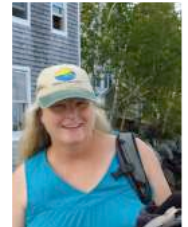
Isaiah Scott at camp

(Read a full version of this story and an article by Isaiah at: <https://hogisland.audubon.org/news/young-birder-georgia>).

Mary LaCreta has been a FOHI volunteer since 2011 and hasn't missed a year. She now regularly spends 2-5 weeks a season on the island. Being there inspired her to get an associate degree in environmental education. Mary hails from upstate New York.



Jennie Welch first came to the island as a volunteer in 2015 to escape Florida's heat and humidity. She's gradually increased her weeks. In 2019, she stayed for the whole season and will do the same in 2020. Jenny is a native plant expert and advocate.



Helen Walsh came to Hog Island in 1956 as a camper. She's been a FOHI volunteer since 2011 and is our "gardener." Despite saying that it gets more difficult each year to haul bags of mulch and flowers, Helen still comes to opening session and works longer than anyone in the garden; its a labor of love.



All of our FOHI volunteers are extraordinary!

Friends of Hog Island

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Stocks, securities are welcome.

Statement of Cash Flow - Cash Basis, 2017-19 (January 1 - December 31)

EXPENSES	2017	2018	2019
Hog Island			
Audubon Camp	\$99,813.94	\$81,615.11	\$170,824.30
Fundraising	5,365.49	6,697.45	5,476.99
Payroll Expenses	0.00	11,677.88	19,593.72
Other	<u>1,623.41</u>	<u>3,206.67</u>	<u>3,003.78</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$106,802.84	\$103,197.11	\$198,898.16
INCOME			
Donations	\$137,174.32	\$160,381.27	\$147,570.32
Other; sales	1,621.44	1,267.86	474.47
Interest; investments	<u>1,650.25</u>	<u>3,508.51</u>	<u>3,602.25</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$140,446.01	\$165,157.64	\$151,647.04
Cash Flow-Year to Date	\$ <u>33,643.17</u>	\$ 61,960.53	-\$ 47,251.75

Statement of Financial Condition - Cash Basis December 31

	2017	2018	2019
Net Assets			
Restricted Cash	\$ 25,512.01	\$ 50,549.42	\$ 9,023.73
Unrestricted Cash	<u>246,778.42</u>	<u>283,701.54</u>	<u>277,700.74</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$272,290.43	\$334,250.96	\$286,724.47

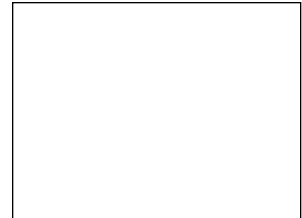
Note: TOTAL NET ASSETS includes \$238,647.26 accumulated up through 2016.



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Promises made; promises kept.



**Join Us at
Hog Island's 2nd Open
House
Saturday, September 19, 2020
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**



Cover group photo: FOHI opening work week

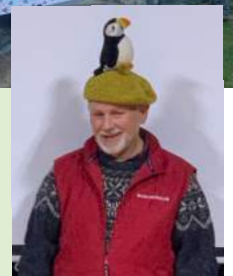
Do you have what it takes to be a FOHI Volunteer?

The ability to work hard, laugh hard, be part of a team, and make friends for a lifetime.



Every volunteer who works a one-week session gets a FOHI t-shirt for each week they work!

Check out www.fohi.org/support or sign up at www.fohi.org/support/volunteer-signup/.

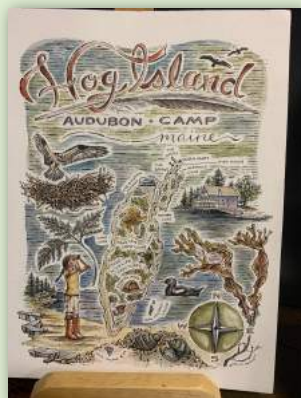


Don't wait!

Visit Hog Island's website. to learn more about the 2020 sessions and instructors.

www.hogisland.audubon.org/

When you come to camp you can shop at the island store and purchase this map of Hog Island drawn by Rosalie Hazlitt, an Artist in Residence in 2019



Steve Kress

In 2019, Steve Kress celebrated his 50th anniversary with Hog Island. The staff presented him with a hand-made "gold" knit tam and even perched a puffin on it. Later in the year, Steve retired from Audubon after a long and distinguished career, not least of which was introducing social attraction and puffins back to Maine and restarting the camp in 2010. He will occasionally return to Maine, Hog Island, and the puffins. So keep an eye out.