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FEI RECEIVES NEW YORK STATE GRANT!

Tomoko Werbe, Grants Chair

Friends of Eagle Island, Inc. (FEI) is excited to announce that it was recently awarded \$498,825 through the 2016 Regional Economic Development Awards from the State of New York. FEI's project, Preservation and Restoration of Eagle Island Camp, is one of the 77 projects totaling \$61.4 million within The North Country.

The Grant is specifically for the Rehabilitation of Eagle Island

Camp, an Adirondack Great Camp and National Historic Landmark on Upper Saranac Lake in that was acquired in 2015. Work will be completed on historic buildings to include electric, water, and sewage upgrades. The restored Eagle Island will operate as an environmentally responsible camp for youth.

This matching grant enables FEI to make significant strides towards meeting its substantial capital goal required to reopen this historic youth camp. The capital needs are projected to be \$1.5-2M and include new water supply system, septic upgrades, new electrical supply, foundation and work and kitchen upgrades. The entire Grants committee must be commended on the success of this application. It was a FULL committee effort writing, reviewing, and documenting the application.

FEI's Newest Board member:

~ ~

Karin Walsh Rutledge

Karin grew up in NJ and lives in Washington, DC. She currently works at the U.S. Department of State where her focus is foreign assistance policy, programs and budgets for the former Soviet States.

Karin has a Master's in finance concentration from the University of Maryland and a Bachelor's in Russian Studies and International Relations from Colgate University.

Karin credits her independence and sense of adventure to her experiences at Eagle Island where she was a camper and junior counselor from 1976-1980 and attended family camp with her husband and son for three summers prior to the closing of the camp. Karin achieved the sailing rank of Seaman First Class while a camper at Eagle Island and earned the Gold Award as a Girl Scout.

Karin is now heading up the Fundraising Committee with a group of active and dedicated volunteers.

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LOCAL LAND USE APPROVAL

Group Camp is Permitted!

On Thursday, January 12, the Town Board of Santa Clara voted unanimously to amend the local Land Use Code to reestablish group camping on Eagle Island, located on Upper Saranac Lake.

Friends of Eagle Island (FEI) has been in discussions with the Town of Santa Clara to reestablish group camping on Eagle Island through a petition to amend the Land Use Code thereby enabling our treasured camp to re-open. This multi-step process has been quite involved; preparing and filing a petition for an Amendment with the Town Board, review of the Amendment by the Planning Board, a Public Hearing on December 8 and the vote by the Town Board.

The resolution adopting the amendment set forth specific restrictions to limit the use to the "historic uses" which include all activities that campers and others remember: traditional summer camp, family camp, work

and women's weekends, low impact water activities, with limited/scheduled access for historic tours.

FEI appreciates all the tremendous work done by everyone involved and sincerely thanks the Town of Santa Clara Board, our many supporters, attorneys, and partners.

This action puts FEI and Eagle Island one step closer to its goal of instituting camp in 2018 and opens many doors for fund development and future partnerships. While there is still major work to be done and funds to be raised in 2017 to transition from the planning stage to a work phase. FEI is thrilled to have started out the new year with such good news and we are confident in our ability to make it happen.

CELEBRATION & GET TOGETHERS

Plan a regional party!

A few weeks ago several friends had an informal gathering to celebrate and say **farewell to Bob Goodsell** as he takes a sabbatical to serve as a Peace Corps Volunteer for 27 months in Tanzania.

We'd like to give our thanks to Bob for all the hard work and the amazing things he accomplished for the Friends of Eagle Island. Bob was instrumental in the fight to save Eagle Island and FEI's subsequent successes. He has been with us since 2011; we owe him an extreme debt of gratitude for where we are today. We wish him well and send him off with great affection as he leaves to join the Peace Corps.

The FEI family is stretched far and wide, and we've learned that mini-reunions are the best way to remember our camping days and friendships that were formed.

If you and your friends from the island get together, wherever you may be, we'd love to see it! Send us your photos! If you'd like to host a larger event and need some materials, a slideshow, a speaker, posters, pamphlets please reach out to info@eagleisland.org

2016 FUND DEVELOPMENT

Successes!

Our amazing team of volunteers and dedicated supporters and followers provided an outstanding year in fund development setting us on an achievable path toward our mission of opening Eagle Island as a youth camp. **THANK YOU!**

In addition to the nearly \$500,000 grant awarded FEI from the New York State, a total of **\$232,500** from **627** individual gifts was raised.

FEI's 2017 Fund Development objectives are aggressive if we expect to open in 2018. Leveraging on the NYS Grant, we are developing a **Capital Campaign Appeal** to tackle the **\$1.5 to \$2.0 million dollar INFRASTRUCTURE & PROGRAM** related project.



Pledges Received	\$106,180
Donations Gifts	\$ 65,750
Mimi Harrington Memorial Fund.....	\$ 20,195
MacBeth Fund (Beth Rubin Memorial) ...	\$ 5,375
NYS REDC Grant	\$ 498,892
Other Grants	\$ 35,000

DONATIONS and In-Kind Donations

Adirondack Architectural Heritage
Adirondack Foundation
Adirondack Mountain Club –
Algonquin Chapter
The Benevity Community Impact Fund/
American Endowment Foundation
Cloudsplitter Foundation
The Max & Victoria Dreyfus Foundation, Inc.
National Trust for Historic Preservation

Anonymous
Lauren Ackerman
Kathleen Adam
Nicole Ambrosio
Charlene Antonelli
Ruth Aoki
Mark Asofsky
Mary Ausman
Pat Ausman
Mara Dorkin Ayuso
Elizabeth Bacigalupi
Rebecca Bar
Barbara Beckwith
Owen Beeder
Clare Bensley
Gail & Harry Benson
Patricia Benson
Sarah Benson
Sally & Sanders Berk
Michael & Ellen Bettmann
Linda Blain
Christina Blythe
Ilse Blythe
Diana Bochantin
Laura Bolger
Ruth L Bolger
Jim Bowes
Sarah Hoover Boyd
Carol Bradof
Clare Smith Broadbent
Karen Broussard
Joyce Witting Brown
Joan Brubaker
Alan Burden
Mary Burke
Sheila Callahan
Deborah Canzano
Ann Marie Capuzzi
Martha Carrellas
Stephanie Carson
Priscilla Caskey
Laura Chew
Sally Chew
Elizabeth Childress
Jane Claffey
Wendy Cohen
Lori Coleman
Marty Crandall Coleman
Rita Coney
Joan Connolly
Kathleen Connolly
Maureen Connolly
Ellen Connors
Kathleen Cook
Michael Cowan
Elizabeth Crandall
Jim Crane
Ellen Curry
Eleanor Danziger
Michael Danziger
Rebecca Davis
Mary Timiras & Christina Davitt
Cynthia De Cambre
Byrne & Carole de Grandpre
Mary Pat Deane
Lisa Diorio
Janet Rowe Donus
Stephen & Esther Dorkin

Kara Dorso
Donna Dowton
Mary Beth Dugan
Susan Eagle
Janet Eaker
Judy Eichinger
Caitlin Ennis
Jane Evans
Ellen Fein
Sandra Ferris
Sue Fershing
Phoebe Fiddler
John & Anne Fitch
Patricia Foody
Rose Foody
Kathy Fortier
Lisbeth Kelshaw Fowler
Walter & Eileen Frees
Lisa Frey
Alice Fried
Pamela Gabryel
Ellen Gagne
Karen Garrett
Rowena Gerber
Kathy Gilroy
Kathleen Goertz
Meredith Goldberg
Irene Goldie-Petras
Irene Goldman
Daisy & Bob Goodsell
Robert Goodsell
Paula Gottesman
Sally Gottesman
Allyson Goulet
David Gow
Marilyn Graber
Sam Graber
Henry D Graves, Jr
Patricia Green
Juli Greenberg
Carol Greengrove
Cheryl Greengrove
Robin Greengrove
Elyse Greenwald
Lynn-Ann Gries
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Allison Grill
David Grill
Gary Grill
Hannah Grill
Joan Grimbirt
Denise Groenefelt
Robert & Devora Gronauer
Denise Gruben
Nancy Hale
Susan Hall
Charlotte Hangorsky
Dorcas Hardy
Lorraine Harmon
Julia Harper
Susanne Harper
Bill & Susan Harral
Jill Harris
Paula Harris
Fiona Harrison
Joan Harrop
Ann Hartmann
Tricia Hawley
Dorothy Healey
Susan Hearn & Greg Dickson
Margarete Heber
Rose Heim
Pamela Henry
Mary Beth Hernandez
Susan Herrmann
Mary Hesselgrave
Anna Hickerson
Chris Hildebrand
Ginny Hildebrand
Tucker Hirsch

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Susan & Lew Hopkins
Rachel Horowitz
Mary Hotaling
Nancy Howard
Nancy Husbands
Carol Jackman
Lynn Jacobs
Linda James
Casey Johnson
Kathleen Johnson
Rowain & Joseph Kalichstein
Ann Kaplan
Barbara Kelshaw
Patricia Keyser
Richard & Christine Kirsche
Howard Kirschenbaum
Pamela Klingler
Linda Klose
David Knapp
Miriam Kotsonis
Luanne (Gaykowski) Kozma & Ellis Boal
Dolores & Ed Kresge
Bruce Laire
Tish Lamb
Danielle Larson
Elizabeth "Sunny" Larson
R C Laskey
Thuy Anh Le
Irene Leiwant
Joanne Leonard
Anita Liebman
Madeleine Liebman
Janice Lilien
Kathryn Linarducci
Kate Lindsay
Livingston Troop 743
Marina Lowry
Gail Lozier
Anne Mackenzie
Carole Mackenzie
Liz Madara
Dawilla Madsen
Stephen Maikowski
Constance Marchese
Fay Marks
Hollis Marrs
Elizabeth Marshall
Jill Martin
Kathleen Martin
Jane Martinez
Lorraine Mathis
Adrienne McCarron
Diane McGary
Elise McGovern
Paula Michelsen McGovern
Patricia McLaughlin
Charlotte Mehrtens
Les Menkes
Kathy Meyer
Deborah Michelsen
LeeAnn Millar
Olga Mitchell
Alan Brown & Susan Moody
Carol Morman
Marilyn and David Morrison
Elizabeth Moulthrop
Joyce Moulthrop
Maria & Lee Murry
Lora Myers
Anna Nelson
Rachel Newcombe
Joanne Ng
Nora Nolan
Sarah Nolan
Karen L Norris
Martha Novick
Cary Nulton
Candie Oldham
Judy O'Neil

Kathleen O'Neil
Noreen & Donald Oslander
Deanna Pagano
Victoria Palmer
Bonnie Parker
Bennett Parmington
Katie Parmington
Nancy Pasanen
John S Pasiano
John Pearson
Jacqueline Porter
Claire Powell
Elizabeth Price
Ellen Prottas
Elizabeth Psycyk
Barbara Racioppi
Laura Racioppi
Michele Racioppi
Susan Raskin
Lois Redmond
Emily Reich
Steven Reich
Trudi Renwick
Margaret Retz
Dorna Richardson
David Rinas
Jane Jacobs Rosen
Emily Rosner
James Rothschild
Candace Ruitenberg
Ronni Russell
Teresa Russo
Jane Rutkoff
Karin Rutledge
Karen Ryan
Mary Ryan
Kyra Saulnier
Judith Saxe
Kathryn Schackner
David Schaeffer
Elizabeth G. Scharmann
Helen Schiff
Mary Schrot
June Schultz
Joanne Schwartz
Mary Schwenkler
Adrienne Seelig
Stephanie Sen
Kathleen Shanley
Mary Shellenberg
Jan Shepard
Ingrid Sheremeta
Nancy Sherwood
Sue Shove & Helen Kittle
Joan Silbersher
Henrietta Siodlowski
Ginny Slack
Sheila Smith
Wendy Erlich Sosson
St Peters United Methodist Church
Marjorie Staub
Kathryn Steck
Meredith Steck
Cerea Steficek
Jocelyn & Jay Stein
Deborah Steinberg
Mary Steinberg
Lynn Sternstein
Elizabeth Stevens
Sally Stevens
Jen Strugger
Patricia Sylvan
Anita Thibado
Katherine Troendle
Janet Trombly
Julia and William Valliere
Lucy Van Essen-Fishman
Patricia Van Houten
Jeanne Van Steen
Karen Vasko

Coralyn Vossler
Catherine Walz
Marc Wanner
Diana Webster
Allie Weill
James & Jeanne Weill
Joanna Weill
Susan Wendel
Tomoko Werbe
Catherine White
Ellen Winn
Megan Wolff
Cindy Woolworth
Sylvia Woolworth
Vicki Woolworth
Christine Wubbolding
Joy Yagid
Theresa Zimmer
Bennett Zurofsky

In Memory

Millicent Anisfield
in memory of Ruth Jacoby Gang
Miriam Frank
In memory of Judy Frank and Diana (Dee) Fantl
Louise Frankel Gantman
in memory of Dane (Ozzie) Keating
Constance Garbutt
in memory of Dorothy (Dot) Emerson
Connie Daloz Gray
in memory of Ruth Hardy
Lisanne Hegman
in memory of Cindy Dooman
Alan Herzig
in memory of Jeanne Wohlers
D Lloyd Jones
in memory of Howard & Margaret Lloyd Jones
Constance Marchese
in memory of Rita J Oldham
Thomas & Elizabeth Metz
in memory of Helena Douglas
Mia Morse
in memory of Jesse Morse
Janne Roehm
in memory of Elisabeth Jensen

In Honor

Jill Harris & Rebecca Bar
in honor of Kathy Gilroy
Patricia Bard
in honor of Anne Gair-MacMichael
David and Linda Burpee
in honor of Sarah & Kendra Burpee
Frances Englund
in honor of Carol Jackman
Carolyn Fowler
in honor of Helen "Happy" Stickle
Cindy Gise
in honor of Jan Shepard
Lucille Goff
in honor of Marilyn Graber & Joanne Rosenthal
Peter Gow
in honor of Pat Ausman
Marilyn Graber
in honor of Lucille Goff
Connie Daloz Gray
in honor of Dorcas Hardy
Ellen Sickles James
in honor of Thelma Sickles
Marilyn Jones
in honor of Elizabeth Crandall
Ruth (Kip) King
In honor of Camp Staff 1971 & 1972

Patty Kircher
in honor of Madison & Bailey Malone
Kircher
Carolyn Klinge
in honor of Jill Martin
Ron & Sandy Leiser
in honor of "Cricket" Snearing
Barbara Lowell
in honor of Jane Evans
Thomas & Elizabeth Metz
in honor of Jane Claffey & Fran Schiff
David and Nancy Napalo
in honor of Tucker Hirsch
Todd Parmington
in honor of Lauren Parmington
Mikhail Rutman
in honor of Patricia Sylvan
Thomas Ryan
in honor of Mary Ryan
Marilu Sherer
in honor of "The Rat Pack"
Marlene Stager
in honor of Karen Stager
Martha Vaananen
in honor of Katie Parmington

In Memory of Mimi Harrington

Kader Adjout
Pat Ausman
Beaver Summer Camp
Pete & Beth Benson
Rebecca Boucher
Thomas Boucher
Carol Bowen
Barbara M Brady
Marcia P Brooks
Kathryn Buckley
Cecilia Bulter
Charles W Cammack
Deborah Canzano
in memory of Rita J Oldham
Linda Casertano
Jane Cheever
Thomas Chiari
Susan Christie
Marian Clouse
Katherine Cochran
Matt Collins
Ellen Connors
Kathleen Cook
Crater Club, Inc.
Daniels-Radin Family
Andrew David
Nancy, John & Nora Demick
Joan Datlton
Judith Duncan
Debra Ellman
Erin Epker
Jeanette Evans
Kathy Felcon
Angela Fiori
Elizabeth Fitzpatrick
Sara Forman
Kathy Fortier
Jill French & Family
Anne Gair-MacMichael
Karen Garrett
Paula Goodrich
Robert Goodsell
Peter Gow
Julie Hagan
Dorcas Hardy
Stephanie Hartwell
Tiffany S Hendryx
Chris Hildebrand
Ginny Hildebrand
Suzanne Ibbeken

Carol Jackman
Jonathan Joseph
Rowain & Joseph Kalichstein
Morgan, Parker & Taylor Kendall
Jane Keough
Beatrice Kleppner
Kraftworkin Kitsch (Jenna Wolf)
Mr. & Mrs. John Leith
Diane Maluso
Tim Mann
Jill Martin
John McClain
Lisa McDonnell
Paula Michelsen McGovern
Tred & Lizzie McIntire
Erika Merrell
Taylor Moor
Elizabeth Morgenthien
Marilyn and David Morrison
Christine Nicholas
Naomi Nichols
Nora Nolan
Sarah Nolan
One School House, Inc.
Judy O'Neil
Cynthia & Bill Palen
Lauren Parmington
Meredith & Ed Parsons
Laurel Spina Petersen
Melissa Philbrick
Kathy Randel
Jocelyn Randles
Cheryl Ringelheim
Marta Robertson
Caroline Robinson
Janne Roehm
Nancy Rogers
Jane Rutkoff
Kate Schoener Bellfy
Sue & Joel Sherman
The Sinnott Family
Mike and Martha Smiles
Mary Ellen Smith
Melinda W Sowder
Spears Family
Patricia Sprague
St. Andrew's School
Beth & Paul Steier
Mary Steinberg
Sally Stevens
Susan Stock
Linda Welter
Purr Whalley
Theresa Whitehead
Ellen Winn
Kraftworkin Kitsch (Jenna Wolf)
Christine Wubbolding

In memory of Beth Rubin and MacBeth Sailboat

Anonymous
Ann Marie Capuzzi
Suzanne Clark
Elizabeth Crandall
Emanuel Fish
Leonard Fisher
Kathy Fortier
Barbara Fox
Vivian Friedman
Meg Green
Jane Grossman
Pam Herrup
Mary Hesselgrave
Chris Hildebrand
Ginny Hildebrand
Gail Jaffe
Rowain & Joseph Kalichstein
Howard Kamler

Nancy Krivit
Christopher Lee
Edward Lefrak
Rachel Lightbourne
Gail Lozier
Susan Mackinnon
Christian Messenger
Alan Brown & Susan Moody
Ian & Roxanne Rosengarten
Eric & Lisa Rubin
Jane Rutkoff
David & Roberta Schwendeman
Wendy Solomon
Gary Schwartz
Douglas Vernet
Vicki Wolff
Barry Yeskel
Rita Yohalem

In memory of Mariana Hernandez

Donna Beaton
James Boardman
Beth Boily
Ann Marie Capuzzi
Judith Croman
Dawn Erawoc
Vivian Friedman
Chris Hildebrand
Ginny Hildebrand
Deborah Jamison & Steven Patt
Rowain & Joseph Kalichstein
Gale Kobray
Eloise Linger
Kathryn Maloney
Carol Morman
Jane Rutkoff
Donna Louise Solomon
Beth Steele
Betsy Swan
Betty Whitten
Christine Wubbolding



REMEMBERING MIMI HARRINGTON

Lauren Parmington

It was with the heaviest of hearts that friends and family said goodbye to our beloved Mimi Harrington this past fall. Mimi was a true inspiration on every level - a dear friend; an intensely loving mother, wife, sister, daughter; a thoughtful educator, mentor; and an incredibly caring person, who marked every life she touched.

I had the good fortune of meeting Mimi when I was just ten years old as a camper at Eagle Island and from then on, was very lucky to have her looking out for me, pushing me, and reminding me never to get "too deep." When I was a CIT, she taught me life skills and instilled in me values that I will carry throughout my life. When I got my first job out of college working in finance, she grilled me on what my plans were to make the world a better place within my new role. When I had a baby and felt a little lost and overwhelmed in my new

world, she reminded me again of what's important in this life and advised me to slow down, keep it simple, and remember to find the joy, even when it felt like changing another diaper might just be the end of me. She also bought my daughter a few books - 167 of them to be exact, because she really wanted to make sure Penelope would be able to read one

day and preferably before her first birthday. :)

Mimi absolutely adored Eagle Island and all that it stands for and throughout her life she worked tirelessly to support it. She spent an inordinate amount of time in particular this past decade working to secure the Island's future. I was grateful to work side by side with her in that endeavor, sharing in all the many ups and downs, and learning again about fighting for the things that matter most. "It's important," she'd frequently refrain, "to leave the world a better place than you found it."

When I think about Eagle Island, I will always think about Mimi and how proud she was of our community of thinkers and doers and the level of support we continually provide one another, both on individual levels and also in terms of working successfully together to keep the Island alive so that the joys and experiences there may be shared with future generations. Eagle Island is a magical place and Mimi was a magical person. I can't wait to see kids back on the Island, feeling the thrills of the wind in their sails and the rich earth beneath their feet. And at the risk of sounding "too deep", I can't wait to see kids finding themselves and lifting each other up. Thank you, Mimi, for leaving this world a far, far better place than you found it. We will miss you, always.



CALENDAR

Board Retreat
March 5

Adirondack Committee
March 8

@ Bitters & Bones, Saranac Lake, NY

Mid-Atlantic Reunion
April - TBA

New England Reunion
TBA

Sign-up for 2017 Volunteering
March 15

Open Island Visitor Days
July & August

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is now

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The original domain name is still active and routes you to the right place but in the name of progress, this new shorter one will be much easier to use and remember.

General Dynamics President's - 2016 Volunteer Award

-- Carole Mackenzie --

Carole Mackenzie was recently awarded the General Dynamics President's 2016 Volunteer Award. This award recognizes Carole's exceptional volunteer service to the Friends of Eagle Island. FEI is indebted to Carole for her dedication, sound financial management and contributions to the overall management of the organization in her role as Treasurer and now also Vice-President. Carole was also involved in the outreach to and project management of the 140 volunteers last summer.

Carole was part of the initial group of Girl Scout leaders and camp alumnae that joined together in 2009 and became the 'friends' of Eagle Land. Carole started as Assistant Treasurer of the newly formed non-profit in 2011, joined the Board in 2014.

With all the developmental changes of FEI in 2016, the need for Carole's passion expanded right along with FEI. She readily took on new roles and responsibilities with enthusiasm, skill and dedication volunteering over 350 hours!!

Carole has been with General Dynamics for over 20 years and is currently a Senior Advanced Engineer.



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