



From the President

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In the aftermath of the epic relocation of Sankaty Head Lighthouse, the 'Sconset Trust is planning for the future with an energized commitment to conservation and preservation. Our efforts are not only of benefit to our village and its residents but to the island-wide community. The move of the Lighthouse taught us that what we do here is important beyond our geographical boundaries.

2008 calls us to complete the preservation and restoration of Sankaty Head Lighthouse in its new location and to prepare the site for you and future generations to enjoy. A great deal of planning and work remains. It is our hope to reopen the site this fall and offer all an opportunity to visit inside the Lighthouse with a trek up and down the spiral staircase. The timing depends on our ongoing analysis of the best preservation methods and the execution of the work with our contractors. We'll keep you posted on our progress. And please join us at the Lighthouse Gala on July 6.

At the Trust we have reconfigured our board level committees with an emphasis on strategic and long term planning for each committee. If you have scanned these messages from me over the past 4 years, you will know that conservation and preservation are the cornerstones of our mission.

We recently published a new, attractive Trust brochure that highlights our mission in words and images. The initial feedback has been over the top. Thanks to Betsy Grubbs, Erika Mooney and our graphics consultant Eileen Powers. An important panel in the brochure contains a map of 'Sconset and identifies owned parcels of land and large tracts of land at risk of major development. The Land Committee is assessing target parcels in the greenbelt and methods for minimizing density and new development. Of course, it is critically important for the citizens of 'Sconset to work closely with us.

A keynote for 2008 at the Trust is **preserve your historic neighborhood.**

We are looking for those who are committed to historic preservation to join us on our Preservation Committee. We have talked at recent board meetings about creating neighborhood liaisons for the Trust so that we can work on preservation agendas neighborhood by neighborhood. We need your help. Please contact any board member at the Trust with your ideas and interest in working with us on the preservation needs of 'Sconset.

We are offering numerous Trust sponsored events this summer. We are pleased to expand our co-sponsored educational offerings including bird, geology and historic preservation walking tours in the village. Check the calendar for more information.

An important note of thanks – Erika Mooney is stepping down this spring as the Trust's first full time, paid Executive Director. Her commitment to and love for 'Sconset and the Trust are her legacy. We wish her well as her commitment to her growing family is her top priority. Erika, thank you for working with us over the past 5 years. We'll miss you.

We would like to welcome Jeanne Miller as our new Acting Executive Director. Jeanne comes to us after 25 years as Executive Director of Children's House of Nantucket. She brings with her many talents and we look forward to her being an integral part of the 'Sconset Trust and our community.

Betsy Grubbs, as our development consultant, has helped us focus on and define the transition at the board level and in our office while following up on our incredibly successful Lighthouse campaign – many thanks to her for her leadership and guidance. Betsy has been and continues to be a great asset to the Trust.

To our members, we thank you for your commitment, your talents and your financial resources that help us achieve our mission.

Executive Director Stepping Down

It is with deep regret that we announce the resignation of Erika Davidson Mooney as executive director. She has served the Trust with diligence, enthusiasm and great skill for five years. Erika has accepted the position of full time mother in anticipation of the birth of her second child. Nevertheless, this devoted 'Sconset native is already volunteering to work on the Lighthouse Gala. We will miss her leadership but are counting on her continuing participation in the Trust.

As of April 1st, Jeanne Miller has begun working with the Trust as Acting Executive Director. Please welcome Jeanne at 'Sconset Trust events throughout the summer.

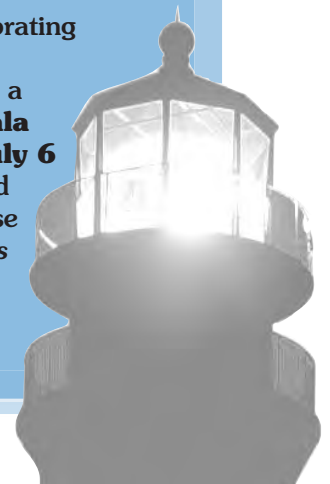


Jeanne Miller, Acting Executive Director and Erika Davidson Mooney, Outgoing Executive Director

Save the Date!

Sunday, July 6th Lighthouse Gala

We will be celebrating Sankaty Head Lighthouse with a **Lighthouse Gala on Sunday, July 6** at Sankaty Head Golf Club. Please see the *Keeper's Log* for more information.





The 'Sconset Trust

FOURTH ANNUAL 'Sconset Trust Soiree

New York City | April 11, 2008



Bob Felch, David St. Clair, David Cheek, and Mark Pagon



Jane & John Loose, Bill Charlton, and Bruce Miller



Liz Cheek, Kendall Brown, and Holly Blanchard



Above: Larry Guido and Mary Lathrop Will



At right 'Sconset Trust board meeting in New York

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SUMMER 2008 EXHIBITION

**A CELEBRATION of the
PATCHWORK VILLAGE**



**Peter Foulger Gallery of the Nantucket Whaling Museum
May 23 – November 11, 2008**

With support from the 'Sconset Trust and the 'Sconset Civic Association, the NHA announces that its 2008 major summer exhibition in the Peter Foulger Gallery of the Nantucket Whaling Museum will be 'Sconset: 02564, A Celebration of the Patchwork Village. The exhibition will feature the history, architecture, personalities, and "character" of this unique village at the eastern end of Nantucket, often described as the most charming in America, following its evolution from a fishing village to a world-renowned summer resort.



**'Sconset Trust
MERCHANDISE**

Available for purchase through the Trust

- **Forrest Rodts' "Sconset Rotary" prints**
- **'Sconset Trust tennis/golf shirts**
- **A collection of books**

Contact us at 508 228 9917 or
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Remembering Bucky Block

The 'Sconset Trust and the Nantucket community lost a charming and devoted friend on February 26, 2008 with the death of Huntington T. "Bucky" Block. Bucky served on the Trust board from 1997 through 2003 and was the board president from 1997 to 2000. Bucky and his family have summered in 'Sconset for several generations. His children and brother, Roger Block, will continue to brighten the island but there will never be another Bucky. He will be greatly missed.



Bucky Block

Land News

Black Fish Lane Update

Last summer we informed you about the proposed subdivision plan of 8.8 acres of the former Dammin property on Burnell Street. At that time the Nantucket Planning Board had approved a preliminary plan for a 15 lot subdivision including the construction of a 940' +/- private Black Fish Lane.

The Burnell Street neighbors and the 'Sconset Trust, aware that little could be done to prevent the development, came together to work with developer John Keane. Weeks of back and forth negotiating by both sides ended with a subdivision plan that addressed a number of our concerns.

The definitive subdivision plan of Black Fish Lane was approved by the Planning Board on July 23, 2007. The number of lots was reduced to 14 and 60% of those will be restricted to no secondary dwellings. Burnell Street will be paved from New Street to just beyond the intersection with Clifton Street. Subsequently one abutter has purchased a parcel from John Keane thus reducing the lot plan to 13.

John Keane has informed us that the paving of Burnell Street, which was slated for last fall, has been put on hold for the near term. Construction of the Black Fish Lane development will not begin until the paving of Burnell Street is complete.

Coffin Estate Land and the Old 'Sconset Golf Course

Last spring the Coffin family received wetland delineation approval from the Nantucket Conservation Commission for 'Sconset Golf Course and remaining estate land to the east. This approval put the family in a position to move forward with future subdivision plans for the 120 acres. There is potential for build-out on 64 lots totaling 128 potential dwellings. Discussions between the Trust and the Coffin family and their legal representatives are ongoing, as well as with other island land organizations. We will continue to work on this and other major open land tracts in 'Sconset.



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

- Help with special mailings—coffee and conversation always served
- Registration at the Annual Meeting and other events
- Committee work for preservation and special events

For more information, please call the Trust office at 508 228 9917.



2008 Calendar

May

16, 30 Architectural Walking Tour of 'Sconset. 4 p.m. at Pump Square. Space is limited. Call the Nantucket Preservation Trust for reservations 508 228 1387.

25 'Sconset Trust Preservation House Tour 2-4 p.m. at Wade Cottages.

June

10 Architectural Walking Tour of 'Sconset led by Michael May/NPT. 9 a.m. at Pump Square. Pre-registration required. Call the 'Sconset Trust 508 228 9917.

July

4 Bike Parade. 9:40 a.m. at the Casino. Helmet required.

4 'Sconset Trust Field Day after the Parade at the Siasconset Union Chapel. Refreshments.

4 Fireworks display. 9 p.m. at Jetties Beach.

5 St. Mary's Church Summer Fair. 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

6 Lighthouse Gala. Sankaty Head Golf Club.

7 'Sconset Bird Walk led by Dr. Bob Kennedy/MMA. 8:30 a.m. at the Casino. Pre-registration required. Call the 'Sconset Trust 508 228 9917.

7 'Sconset Civic Association meeting at the Casino.

8 Architectural Walking Tour of 'Sconset led by Michael May/NPT. 9 a.m. at Pump Square. Pre-registration required. Call the 'Sconset Trust 508 228 9917.

10 St Paul's Church Fair. 9:30a.m. - 2 p.m.

14 'Sconset Geology Walk led by Dr. Bob Kennedy/MMA. 8:30 a.m. at the Casino. Pre-registration required. Call the 'Sconset Trust 508 228 9917.

16 Community Green Thumb Flower Show. 10 a.m.-5p.m. at the Nantucket New School. Nantucket Garden Club

17 Annual Rummage Sale. 9 a.m. at the Casino.

18 'Sconset Trust Annual Meeting & Reception at the Casino.

23-27 On the Isle's week long celebration of the Performing Arts - CENTERSTAGE

26-28 Circus Flora. Tom Nevers Field. Nantucket Atheneum

August

Patrons' Party for Leadership Donors. Date and location to be announced.

1-3 Nantucket Historical Association August Antiques Show. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Nantucket New School.

2 First Congregational Church Fair & Auction

4 'Sconset Bird Walk led by Dr. Bob Kennedy/MMA. 8:30 a.m. at the Casino. Pre-registration required. Call the 'Sconset Trust 508 228 9917.

4 'Sconset Civic Association meeting at the Casino.

6 St. Paul's Church Dinner Auction. 6p.m.

7 Nantucket Preservation Trust August Fete. 6-9p.m.

9 Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra. 7 p.m. at Jetties Beach. Nantucket Cottage Hospital Benefit

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12 Architectural Walking Tour of 'Sconset led by Michael May/NPT. 9 a.m. at Pump Square. Pre-registration required. Call the 'Sconset Trust 508 228 9917.

13 Nantucket Garden Club House Tour. 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

16 Sandcastle & Sculpture Day. 12 p.m. at Jetties Beach.

17 Opera House Cup. 10a.m.-4p.m.

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