



# In 'Sconset rust SUMMER 2015

### The 'Sconset Trust



# From the Board Chair

### Stewardship for future generations

Every year we send our membership annual appeal to you in the early spring. For 2015, we have decided to incorporate our appeal with this summer newsletter. This Newsletter mailing includes our 2014 Membership Report and our membership remittance envelope. Please do your best to support the Trust at a level you deem appropriate. Thank you for "underwriting" our mission and good works at the Trust. After what seems the longest winter in history for those not fortunate to be snowbirds, I think we all look forward to a summer filled with family and friends enjoying the beauty of the island and the unique village of Sconset. Hopefully you have noticed the new landscaping at the triangle as you enter the village and are planning on a visit to the Lighthouse, a walk on Ruddick Commons or the bluff walk and many days at the beach.

Our board has planned many events to gather and support the Trust including the Fourth of July family games at the Chapel lawn, the 31st Annual Meeting on July 10th at 5 pm at the Casino, and the annual Gala at Sankaty Head Golf Club on July 19th. We are selling raffle tickets for a 2015 Jeep to be given away at the Gala and hope you will support all of our events.

The Gala will be a very special event this year since we both honor Bob Felch's years of leading the Trust over the past 12 years and welcome Betsy Grubbs as the new Executive Director. As an organization, we have experienced huge changes under Bob's leadership: moving the Lighthouse, completing the first ever joint purchase with the Land Bank when we acquired the Coffin family acreage along Milestone Road. As President of the Trust, I do not know how I would have lasted one day without his wise counsel, incredible encyclopedic memory and most importantly his good humor. Bob, of course, has insured a smooth transition in leadership and helped Betsy Grubbs start her job fully briefed and ready to go. Betsy is well known to all in



the Nantucket non-profit community as well as in 'Sconset. Betsy has already ably assisted our dedicated board members with planning and organizing this year's gala.

We have much to celebrate this year and will continue to work on major issues affecting the village. We have successfully negotiated an alternative access plan for Baxter Road to Sankaty Road that will be used only in an emergency situation if Baxter Road becomes impassible. The plan as described in a memo of understanding was approved at a Nantucket town Board of Selectman meeting and represents a cooperative effort by the town, the Sankaty Head Golf Club, the Trust and individual landowners to create a series of easements to allow for road and infrastructure installation, if necessary. Fortunately last winter's storms were not as destructive as in past years and the Geotubes have performed as expected. We all hope that the threat to Baxter Road has been slowed if not averted.

We are grateful for your support (please note the enclosed 2015 membership envelope) and hope you will join us at all our events as we celebrate the accomplishments of the Trust and the people who make it successful and effective in preserving the cherished qualities of our Village.

### PRESERVATION REPORT & PROJECTS



8 Cottage Street

**Green Chimneys** 

**Milestone House** 

# Annual Historic House Tour

#### ELIZABETH CHURCHILL, Preservation Committee

The annual 'Sconset Trust historic house tour was held on Father's Day June 21st. Two houses were opened to the public under rainy skies.

Twenty Main Street, known as Green Chimneys, was originally constructed in 1837. In the 1930s the famous architect Fredrick P. Hill updated the structure. Hill created a series of Sconset cottage additions to the main house, forming a quaint courtyard opening up to McKinley Street. One block away from Main Street, 8 Cottage Street was constructed in 1873, perhaps as a stable for Charles Robinson's house next door. It was later converted into a dwelling in the Greek Revival style and is noted for its pointed arch windows.

We could not open 22 Main Street due the inclement weather – this home is called the Milestone House, for its Main Street milestone marker in the front yard, also dates back to the 1830s. It was built in the Greek Revival style and added on to over the years. The original cottage has been meticulously preserved, furnished and documented by the owners. Perhaps the Trust's 2016 open hour preservation tour can include 22 Main Street.

Many thanks to the following generous homeowners: the Strubbles, the Kellys and Ginger Ivey.

# 'Sconset Trust Land Committee

JIM POOLE, Land Committee Chair



Aerial view of 'Sconset with all land parcels identified. The Coffin land purchased by the Trust is highlighted. Not since 2002 has the Trust taken a hard look at the map of 'Sconset, our specific land holdings, and most particularly at land parcels with potential for "conservation" treatment. It is now the right time for us to examine the 'Sconset marketplace to understand what opportunities are available to us going forward. The Trust has done a tremendous job of conserving large open spaces for future generations. There are still other large open spaces, such as U. S. Coast Guard Loran property, which we all know and track.

Among our lead goals should be adding contiguous land to parcels we already own and exploring ways to make our larger lots more available to the community as public amenities. Stopping high density development should continue to be a core objective of the Trust. If we can lessen the impact of development in the greenbelt both on the south side near the LORAN property and on the north side near Ruddick Commons, this would be very beneficial to the entire community

The Land Committee members are in the early stages of completing the analysis of all 'Sconset land parcels and will be reporting to the board before the end of this summer. Then we might be in touch. The committee members are Rhoads Zimmerman and Kennedy Richardson for south 'Sconset, Matt Fremont-Smith and Paul Sheridan for north 'Sconset and Don Shockey for conservation easement opportunities throughout the village.

### The 'Sconset Trust

# The 'Sconset Triangle Project: 2015

On August 31, 1998, the 'Sconset Trust purchased approximately ½ acre (.45) of open land at 45 Main Street in 'Sconset (the triangle). The land owner at the time owned the abutting property at 43 Main Street, currently owned by Jim and Kathleen Poole.

Forty-nine Main Street, the point of the triangle at the split of Main Street and New Street, is owned by the Town of Nantucket. This lot comprises an area of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an acre (.79).

From the date of purchase 16 years ago the Trust has engaged in annual upkeep of the property with the initial installation of the split-rail fencing and wildflower plantings along with several tupelo trees at the tip of the point. The Trust has paid for seasonal, regular mowing of the two lots and the maintenance and repair of the fencing.

The Champoux Landscaping Company has been involved from the outset in maintaining the property on behalf of the Trust. In 2001 wild flowers were planted on the Trust property and over the years since 2005 daffodils have been planted on the Trust property. Former Trust President Huntington Block donated over 500 daffodils in 2005 and then the Champoux family has donated future drifts annually through 2014 which have been planted by local school children.

#### The Project

In recent years various groups in 'Sconset, both private and public, have expressed interest in launching a beautification program for the entire triangle. It is clear to residents of and visitors to 'Sconset that the properties and particularly the land owned by the Trust, have become overgrown and generally unappealing to the eye. The Trust's past policy of tightly managing costs on gifted and purchased land parcels has been, in part, responsible. Also a perceived detriment to upgrading the plantings at the site resulted from a lack of available water service and of an irrigation system.

After numerous meetings between Mark Donato, President



The top image shows the project in process, the bottom image with the maple trees in place on the Main Street side.

of the Siasconset Civic Association (SCA), Jim Poole, Land Committee Chair, and Bob Felch, the Trust and the SCA decided to ask the Champoux Company to help us create a beautification project to significantly improve the appearance of the property as a welcoming gateway to the village.

Please drive-by and take a look. We have added 7 Franksred maple trees to the Main Street side of the property to enhance the canopy entrance to the village. We expect to have the further clearing of the property on the New Street side completed later in the summer.

We thank the Town of Nantucket and the Board of Selectmen for supporting this project through a licensing agreement. This agreement will allow the Trust to maintain the joint properties in perpetuity. In addition we thank Mark Donato and the Sconset Civic Association for their planning guidance and financial support of the project.



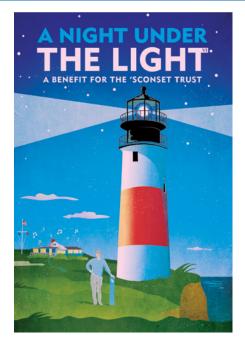
The beautiful daffodils were in full bloom this spring! Many of these bulbs were planted in memory of or in honor of loved ones by generous donors to the Trust.

Another batch of daffodil bulbs, officially named Sankaty Light can either be purchased and picked up at the 'Sconset Trust office or donated for planting at the Sankaty Lighthouse. For more information, contact the Trust office at

(508) 257–4100 or send an e-mail to info@sconsettrust.org.

DAFFODIL INCREMENTS	
50 bulbs	\$100
100 bulbs	\$200
150 bulbs	\$300
200 bulbs	\$400
250 bulbs	\$500
500 bulbs	\$1000
Sankaty Bulbs	\$10 each

### A NIGHT UNDER THE LIGHT



The Board of Directors of the 'Sconset Trust invites you to

# A NIGHT UNDER THE LIGHT Sunday, July 19, 2015

6:30 at Sankaty Head Golf Club

Cocktails Raw Bar \* Music \* Silent Auction \* Raffle

The Night Under the Light celebrates the work of the 'Sconset Trust. Thank you for supporting our mission.

#### Gala Sponsorships

1984 FOUNDER \$1984 (4 tickets to the Gala)'SCONSET LIGHT \$1000 (4 tickets to the Gala)'SCONSET ROSE \$500 (2 tickets to the Gala)TICKETS \$150 PER PERSON







2015 JEEP WRANGLER SPORT S 4X4

1 TICKET \$100 4 TICKETS \$250 25 TICKETS \$1000 2 TICKETS \$150 10 TICKETS \$50



2015 SUSAN RIED PRINT "FRONT STREET"

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### New 2015 customized 'Sconset Trust merchandise from Vineyard Vines!

#### to support the mission of the Trust

Men's tie \$100 Boy's tie \$60 Bow ties \$70 Classic tote bags \$100



Made in USA . Contact the Trust or purchase at the summer gala.

# Thank you to our Night Under the Light Sponsors

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NUTCRACKER TICKETS







PATRIOTS TICKETS

# Trust Holdings

1, 2	5.33 acres, donated by Mr. & Mrs. Amos B. Hostetter, 1985 Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Cashman, 1986 Mr. & Mrs. William Wilson, 1986
3	21.23 acres, purchased, 1988
4	.15 acre, donated by Mr. John A. Herndon, 1990
5	9.05 acres, purchased, 1991
6	11.98 acres, bequest of Mrs. Ruth L. Saunders, 1992
7	14.66 acres, gift from Mary & Peter Heller, 1994
8	.46 acre, purchased, 1998
9	.32 acre, donated by Mr. Stephen B. Cohen, 1998
10	.87 acre, donated by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Porter, 2000
11	1.17 acres, donated by Dr. Richard A.R. Fraser, 2000
12	1.02 acres, donated by the Cashman family, Mostly "C" LLC, 2001
13	4.71 acres, purchased, 2002
14	1.59 acre, received from 'Sconset Hydrangeas LLC, 2006
15	12.5 acres, donated by the United States Coast Guard, 2007
16	45 acres, purchased, 2012— The acquisition of the Coffin Land increased the Trust's land holdings from 85 to 130 acres, a 54% increase.

#### **Preservation Easements**

*	Atlantic House, 27 Main Street (2002)
*	The Siasconset Union Chapel (2007)

#### **Conservation Easements**



Mathey Property (2010)

### SUMMER CALENDAR

### The 'Sconset Trust



#### JULY 4, SATURDAY, 9:30 A.M. 'Sconset 4th of July Bike Parade decorating will begin at Casino parking lot

JULY 4, SATURDAY, 10 A.M. 'Sconset 4th of July Trust Fun Day at 'Sconset Chapel field

JULY 5, SUNDAY, 5 P. M. Charness Family - Chamber Music 'Sconset Chapel

JULY 10, FRIDAY, 5 P.M. 'Sconset Trust 31st Annual Meeting & Reception Business meeting to start at 5:30 P.M.

JULY 19, SUNDAY, 6 P.M. A Night under the Light VI Sankaty Head Golf Club

JULY 27, MONDAY, 8:00 P.M. On the Isle presents "The Trip to Bountiful" 'Sconset Casino

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JULY 29, MONDAY, 8:00 P.M. On the Isle presents "The Trip to Bountiful" 'Sconset Casino JULY 30, MONDAY, 8:00 P.M. On the Isle presents "The Trip to Bountiful" 'Sconset Casino

AUGUST 2, SUNDAY, 5:00 P.M. Joe Hale: Global Bright Light Foundation 'Sconset Chapel

AUGUST 9, SUNDAY, 5:00 P.M.

Gregg Swain — the game and Art of Mahjong 'Sconset Chapel

#### AUGUST 10, MONDAY, 7 P.M. Annual 'Sconset History Night

**Presentation by Michael May of the Nantucket Preservation Trust:** 'Sconset Cottages House by House—A sampling of early cottages along Broadway, Center and Shell 'Sconset Casino

AUGUST 13, SUNDAY, 5:00 P.M. Courtney Hardy and Alan Murchie – A Musical Post Card 'Sconset Chapel

AUGUST 16, SUNDAY, 5:00 P. M. Dr. David Nathan - Cancer Treatment Revolution 'Sconset Casino

OCTOBER 10, SATURDAY, 11–3 P.M. Open Day at Sankaty Lighthouse



## The 'Sconset Trust

OVER 25 YEARS OF CONSERVATION & PRESERVATION 1984 ~ 2015

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### SOIRÉE IND,C, FEBRUARY 11, 2015

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# **SCONSET** HISTORY NIGHT

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