



*Planned Giving Program*

*An introduction to the George B. Dorr  
Society and options for legacy  
giving to benefit Acadia*



# KNOW WHERE YOUR MONEY IS GOING

Mary and Phil Galperin

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*We firmly believe that it is important  
to give back in any way you can.”*



For Mary and Phil Galperin, the love affair with Acadia National Park began 30 years ago while they were on their honeymoon in the park. The magnificent beauty of Acadia brought them back again and again. Now, they are year-round residents of Bar Harbor.

The Galperins are Friends of Acadia members and energetic volunteers who

have worked on the park's trails and currently are membership table volunteers at Jordan Pond House each summer. They often rise to the occasion when volunteer help is needed for other projects.

Having no children, they have chosen a few organizations to include in their estate plans, including Friends of Acadia. This was an easy decision, they say. "Having spent so much time in Acadia, we knew how well the park was maintained and how much of this was due to Friends of Acadia," Phil says. "We were impressed with Friends of Acadia's integrity and the fact that it is well managed and well operated. It was important for us to know that our bequest will be well safeguarded and well spent."

"As members of the George B. Dorr Society, we feel better knowing what our money is going for, and that we are sharing with others the joy of being here," Mary says. "We feel fortunate to be able to give back by our final bequest to FOA."



## JOYFUL GIVERS

Brenda Beckett and Howie Motenko

“We will do anything we can do to help sustain Acadia, so it continues to be a valuable cultural and natural resource.”



Originally it was the scenic vistas of Acadia, the mountains, ocean, and forests of the island that drew Brenda Beckett and Howie Motenko to visit Mount Desert Island. When they moved permanently to MDI, they became involved in many different activities throughout the community. Ask Brenda and Howie how they first heard about Friends of Acadia, and they'll just laugh. "It seems like FOA has always been there," explains Brenda.

The couple's relationship with Friends of Acadia was solidified when photographer Howie and expert planner Brenda designed a unique community event—Painting Bridges—to spotlight and photograph Acadia's carriage road bridges at night, and then chose to donate all the proceeds from the subsequent exhibit to Friends of Acadia. In addition to exhibit proceeds, they have supported FOA membership, the Second Century Campaign, and the George B. Dorr Society. They also make annual in-kind donations to the Annual Benefit and permit FOA to use Howie's images in social media, on notecards, and in publications.

As some of the youngest members of the George B. Dorr Society, they are a reminder to all that it is never too early to include FOA in one's estate plans. Their foresight for this gift, an unrestricted bequest to Friends of Acadia in their will, ensures a lasting legacy for their family and will help future generations enjoy a well-protected, robust Acadia National Park.



# A TRUE GIFT FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

Kate and John Salvato



*We give because we want to save Acadia for our children and grandchildren, and even those people who haven't visited the park yet."*

**C**an you imagine driving to Bar Harbor for your honeymoon without reservations? It is exactly what Catherine and John Salvato did in 1986 after a friend at work recommended the perfect destination. They loved it so much they have been back to Acadia every year since.

They come to relax, they hike, and they explore. When you talk with the Salvatos, you can feel their love of this place. It is that love that drives them to support Friends of Acadia and the mission to preserve and protect the park. They first joined Friends of Acadia in 2001 and made many annual membership gifts to FOA. Then, they notified FOA that they had left a bequest in their will, making them some of the earliest members of the George B. Dorr Society. Most recently they have joined the Trailblazers, the monthly giving club at FOA. They have supported FOA's operational needs, made tribute gifts, responded to challenges, supported special projects in the park, and much more.

Kate shared that what really motivates their giving to Friends of Acadia is their desire to save Acadia for their children and grandchildren, and even those who haven't visited the park yet. A true gift for future generations.



Salvato Grandchildren

## PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

For more information about bequests and estate giving,  
please complete and return this form.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please check all that apply:

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I would like more information on how to make a bequest  
or other planned gift to Friends of Acadia.

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I have already included Friends of Acadia in my estate plans.  
Please contact me so I can share information about my intentions.

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I have included Friends of Acadia in my estate plans  
but do not wish to share details at this time.

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I am interested in life income  
gift opportunities with  
Friends of Acadia.



**Please return this card in the envelope provided or contact  
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## GEORGE B. DORR

The George B. Dorr Society of Friends of Acadia was established in 2005 to recognize members and friends who have made future provisions for Friends of Acadia in their estate plans, regardless of value. Such provisions may be made in the form of bequests, trusts, annuities, life insurance, or other means.

The Dorr Society honors George Bucknam Dorr, a gentleman, scholar, and lover of nature whose dedication to preserving Mount Desert Island helped create Acadia National Park. Each year, the Society members gather for a special lunch of appreciation.



## FRIENDS OF ACADIA

The mission of Friends of Acadia is to preserve, protect, and promote stewardship of the outstanding natural beauty, ecological vitality, and distinctive cultural resources of Acadia National Park and surrounding communities for the inspiration and enjoyment of current and future generations.

Founded in 1986, Friends of Acadia is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization, independent from Acadia National Park. Friends of Acadia's Federal Tax Identification Number is 01-0425071.



## AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE GEORGE B. DORR SOCIETY

**T**hose who remember Friends of Acadia in a will, trust, life income gift, or other legacy, estate, or planned gift are welcomed into the George B. Dorr Society, regardless of gift size or giving vehicle. Planned gifts of all sizes help preserve the Acadia National Park visitor experience, protect the natural and cultural resources of the park, inspire the next generation of park stewards, maintain Acadia's 45-mile carriage roads system and 130-mile hiking trail network, and much, much more at FOA and Acadia.

The most straightforward way to become a member of the George B. Dorr Society is to name Friends of Acadia as a beneficiary of your will, trust, or retirement account. Other planned gifts might include life income gifts, such as charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder unitrusts, or gifts of life insurance.

If you've included Friends of Acadia in your philanthropic plans or intend to do so, please let us know. Sharing your intentions allows us to ensure details pertaining to Friends of Acadia are accurate and relevant for our current and future work. We also want to recognize you and your participation in the George B. Dorr Society in the best, most appropriate way for you and your family.

## STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

**M**ore than 100 Friends of Acadia members and donors have established a legacy gift. Members of all ages have made FOA a part of their charitable plans. If you haven't already done so, please join them. All are welcome in the George B. Dorr Society!

## SAMPLE LANGUAGE FOR INCLUDING FRIENDS OF ACADIA IN A WILL OR CODICIL

- *I give, devise, and bequeath \_\_\_\_\_ % of the remaining assets of my estate to Friends of Acadia, a Maine charitable corporation, for its charitable purposes...*  
or
- *I give, devise, and bequeath the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Friends of Acadia, a Maine charitable corporation, for its charitable purposes...*  
or
- *I give, devise, and bequeath the following property to Friends of Acadia, a Maine charitable corporation, for its charitable purposes... [Description of property].*

Please consult with your legal or financial advisor when creating a planned gift for Friends of Acadia.

For more information or to share a confidential statement of intent, please contact:

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