



Dear Friends,

We're two days away from the 33rd Annual Friends of Acadia Benefit! *The* event of the year for those who celebrate and support our favorite national park is back under the tent at the Asticou Inn this Saturday, August 13. If you're not registered for the Annual Benefit's in-person event, you can still participate online to support our beloved Acadia. Read more below.

Raise Your Paddle to Help Combat Climate Change in Acadia

[This year's Annual Benefit Paddle Raise](#) will support Friends of Acadia's Wild Acadia 2.0 initiative focused on investing in protecting our natural resources and preparing for climate change. Wild Acadia 2.0 is helping to restore important park habitats with an innovative, forward-thinking approach that focuses on managing for future expected environmental conditions, rather than looking to the past.



Our work is getting national attention as Acadia leads the way in this new approach to how national parks respond to climate change.

[Click here](#) to learn more about how you can support this work by raising your paddle at the live auction on August 13 OR [donate online](#) by clicking on the button below. A donation in any amount is appreciated and your gift to the Wild Acadia 2.0 Paddle Raise will help contribute to the long-term resiliency of park ecosystems.

Donate Now to Wild Acadia 2.0

Silent Auction Open Now–Bids Accepted Until Noon on August 14

The Annual Benefit's online silent auction is now open for bidding and bids will be accepted now through the auction close on Sunday, August 14 at noon, the morning after the Annual Benefit. The auction features long-time Benefit artists, jewelry, experiences, and other unique offerings.



View All Items or Place a Bid

View Items Before You Bid at Our Pop-Up Shop

If you would like to preview some of our spectacular silent auction items in person, visit the Friends of Acadia Benefit Pop-up Shop located at the Asticou Inn, now through Saturday, August 13. The Pop-Up shop is open from 12-4 pm. [Click here to see a video walk-through of the Pop-Up Shop.](#)

We have a VERY exciting addition to the silent auction now available for viewing at the Pop-up Shop. Martha Stewart has donated a beautiful Carroll Sargent Tyson lithograph of a Common American Crow. [Check it out and bid here.](#)



Live Auction Featuring One-of-a-Kind Antique Car

We are thrilled to have a beautiful antique car in this year's Annual Benefit Live Auction. The car is a [1941 Ford Model Super Deluxe Convertible Sedan](#). The car will be on display from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 13th at the [Seal Cove Auto Museum's Cars & Coffee: Ford Day event](#). Friends of Acadia Director of Development Lisa Horsch Clark will be on hand at the event to answer questions



and take absentee bids.

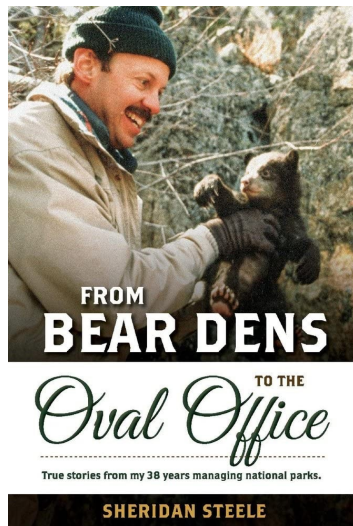
If you can't make it to the Cars & Coffee event, [click here to see a video of the car in action!](#)

Absentee bidding on this and other live auction items is available until the noon on August 13th. Please contact Lisa@friendsofacadia.org for more information and an absentee bid form.

Pints for a Purpose

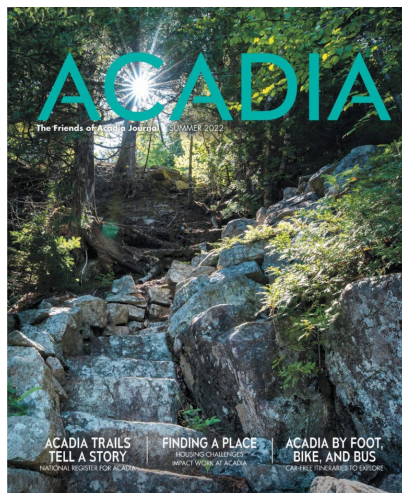
Join Friends of Acadia at Terramor Resort for Pints for a Purpose as we host Sheridan Steele, retired superintendent of Acadia National Park. He will discuss his 36-year career in the park service, his time at Acadia, and his new book: *From Bear Dens to the Oval Office*. Sheridan will have books for purchase and signing at this small, informal, and fun night. One dollar from every beer sold at the event is donated to Friends of Acadia.

Read about the book [here](#) and learn more about Pints for a Purpose [here](#).



Acadia Magazine Summer Edition in Mailboxes Now

The summer edition of [Acadia magazine](#) is in mailboxes now. It features articles on Acadia's trails making the national register of historic places, volunteers living at the Bass Harbor Head Light Station, Acadia's retiring trails manager Gary Stellpflug, tips on how to visit Acadia Car-Free, and more. Didn't receive *Acadia: The Friends of Acadia Journal*? [Become a member today](#), and you'll receive an annual subscription as part of your membership! [Click here](#) to read the most recent Journal.



In case you missed it:

[Acadia celebrates a landmark investment in the great outdoors - Friends of Acadia](#)

[National Park Service Director Chuck Sams visited Acadia National Park](#)

[Acadia recognized as national leader on climate-smart restoration - Friends of Acadia](#)

[Raymond "David" Vela, former Acting Director of the National Park Service gave a talk on his book "Hola Ranger" at the Jesup Memorial Library](#)

[American Aquafarms drops lawsuit against Maine over failed salmon farm application](#)

[Wheelchair Accessible Carriage Available for Acadia National Park Tours by Reservation](#)

Header Photo: A composite image shows light trails from fireflies flickering along the edge of Jordan Pond. (Photo by Avery Howe/Friends of Acadia)



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