



Dear Friends,

In this time of reflection and thanks, we are reminded through your actions and gifts how lucky we are to have such strong community support from all our members and friends. Whether a volunteer, staff member, partner, or donor, **THANK YOU** for giving back to Acadia National Park through Friends of Acadia. Without you, we wouldn't have such positive impact on this extraordinary place.

Thank You for Taking Pride in Acadia!

Last Saturday, nearly 300 people turned out to help "put the carriage roads to bed for the winter" by participating in this year's Take Pride in Acadia Day. Teams comprised of individuals, businesses, college groups, Girl Scouts, and more! We loved seeing everyone back at Park Headquarters to celebrate a job well done with chili and cornbread from Big Cat's Catering – and cake and cider, too!



Thank you to all who participated, including many Acadia National Park staff members, and special thanks to our 2023 Event Sponsors: A.B. & J.R. Hodgkins, Acadia Bike/Coastal, Kayaking Tours, Acadia National Park, Acadia Park Company/Acadia Shops, Asticou Inn, Bar Harbor Bank & Trust, Bar Harbor Hospitality Group – A Division of Witham Family Hotels, Bar Harbor Savings & Loan, Bar Harbor Whale Watch Company, Beal's Lobster Pier, Bluenose Inn, Burdick & Associates Landscape Design, Jordan Pond House – ExplorUS, Fiore, Artisan Olive Oils & Vinegars, Galyn's Restaurant, John Williams Boat Company, The Knowles Company, L.L.Bean, Lynam Insurance & Real Estate Agencies, Machias Savings Bank, MDI Grows Landscape Services, Mount Desert Island Hospital, Nelson F. Goodwin Company, Orono Brewing, West Bay Acadia RV Campground, William Blair & Company, and Window Panes

Read more about this year's event: First Rake, Then Cake: [Take Pride in Acadia](#)

[Click here](#) to view photos from the event.

Seasonal Closures

The Wild Gardens of Acadia is now closed for the season. The Cadillac Summit Road and Park Loop Road (except for Ocean Drive) will close for the season on December 1.

To see a full list of closing dates, visit the [park's website](#).



Seasonal Positions

Friends of Acadia will begin to post our 2024 seasonal positions next month through early February. If you or someone you know is passionate about Acadia National Park and conservation, please watch [our website](#) for position listings. We will also post announcements on social media and in E-News.

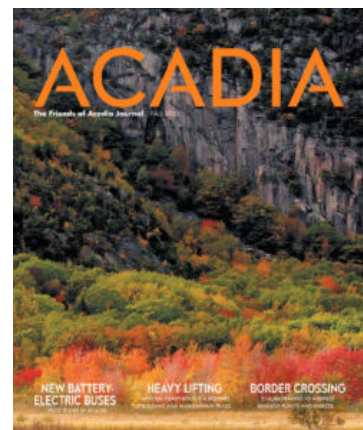


To learn more about all our seasonals do in Acadia National Park, watch this year's end-of-season presentation, which is [now online](#).

Acadia Magazine - In Mailboxes Now

The fall edition of Acadia magazine is in mailboxes and [online](#) now. It features articles on [trail work](#), [field observations from a Summit Steward](#), [organizational collaboration to combat invasives](#), and more.

Didn't receive Acadia magazine: 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.



Giving Tuesday

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 28, for the last opportunity to have your donation doubled in 2023. On Giving Tuesday, every



donation to Friends of Acadia, big and small, will be matched 1:1 until we reach our \$25,000 goal, thanks to a generous donor. Those doubled funds have twice the impact on the park. We'll send out a special email on Tuesday, November 28 (the link will also be shared on our website and social media), so pencil us in and keep your eyes peeled!

GIVING TUESDAY

Gift Mememberships for the Holidays

Looking for that special gift for the Acadia lover in your life? When you give a [gift membership](#) now, your loved one will be welcomed into Friends of Acadia's family of dedicated individuals committed to preserving and protecting the magnificent natural and cultural resources of Acadia National Park.

As a Friends of Acadia member, your gift recipient will also receive:

- **Special mail delivery with a personalized gift card** announcing your gift and including all Friends of Acadia membership materials
- **A one-year subscription to *Acadia* magazine**, published three times annually
- **A packet of six note cards** featuring stunning images from Acadia - and only available from Friends of Acadia.
- **A Friends of Acadia window decal**
- **The satisfaction of knowing that membership in Friends of Acadia helps to preserve Acadia National Park for current and future generations!**

Giving a [gift membership](#) or making a [tribute gift](#) this holiday season? Don't forget to print out or email a complimentary gift card from our website. [Click here](#) to see all the designs.



In case you missed it:

[That's a Wrap for Our Seasonal Teams! - Friends of Acadia](#)

[Acadia National Park Testing New Battery-Electric Buses - Friends of Acadia](#)

[Searching for Seasonal Staff - Friends of Acadia](#)



Until next month,

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