



Island Association Inc.

P.O. Box 152 La Pointe, WI 54850

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Dear Friends,

It's membership renewal time again! It's also a chance for us to share our news and achievements from the previous year. As you read through this letter you will be reminded of how valuable your membership is to the Island community. We owe these accomplishments, and those to come to you, our members. Thank you!

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About the Island Association

The Island Association is a nonprofit organization governed by a volunteer board consisting of year-round and summer residents. Our operations are made possible by annual memberships, fundraisers and additional contributions to our general and designated funds. This income enables us to provide grants for community organizations and community development. Our designated funds provide scholarships for Island graduates, training support for E.M.T.s and funding for the P.S.A./La Pointe Public School.



Grants 2010 – General Fund

Creative Arts Program, La Pointe Public Library \$800.00

This grant paid for half of student fees for the weekly piano lessons and purchased art supplies for sixteen free youth art classes held on Saturday mornings and Tuesdays following Story Time throughout the summer.

New Day Shelter in Ashland, WI (Kathy Roper Executive Director) \$500.00

A children's awareness program was presented at La Pointe as well as other area schools educating students about abuse prevention and strategies for dealing with violence in their homes and communities.

National Council on Youth Leadership, "Town Meeting on Tomorrow" \$1,490.00

The grant provided airfare and tuition for two La Pointe high school students to attend the nationally renowned three and a half day leadership training program held in October at Washington University in Saint Louis, Mo.



Scholarship Fund Awards – Designated Fund

\$1,000.00 – Erik Nelson is studying to become a Mechanical Engineer at Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan.

\$1,000.00 – Nadine Teisberg is attending Loyola University in Chicago, Illinois. Her emphasis is in the field of International Studies.



E.M.T. Training Support – Designated Fund

\$4,591.00 is currently available in the E.M.T. fund. This helps new trainees cover the motel and ferry costs accumulated over the course of their travels to certification classes in Ashland. Joan Martin, Sarah Welch and Dan Schuppe are presently enrolled in the training program and will graduate in 2011.

 **P.S.A./La Pointe School (Rowboat V - Evan Erickson Row to Duluth) – Designated Fund**
\$2,200.00 was used this year to fund the biannual May “Trip Around Wisconsin” for 4th and 5th graders of the La Pointe School. This fund combines donations from Evan’s rowboat trip, P.S.A. fundraisers, bake sales, and donations from individuals to bring a cumulative total of \$7,444.00. This hard work is well rewarded as the fund is not only used for the biannual field trip but pays for important classroom and extra curricular items.

 **More on Scholarships:** The Scholarship Committee met again this fall to continue working on finding a sustainable way to expand our scholarship program. The current program offers a one time gift of up to \$1,000.00 for each Island resident high school graduate applying to their first year of continuing education. Our goal is to extend financial assistance beyond that freshman year. The committee has proposed the Island Association offer two new \$500.00 scholarships to be offered each year for applicants in their second year and beyond. The details are being finalized by the board and we hope to make a formal announcement of the extended program at our June membership meeting. The Island Association would like to thank the committee members Sally Ross, George Shapiro, Sara Owen, Beth Griggs and Andy Herriott who volunteered their time.

 **Fiscal Receiverships:** The Island Association is available to receive fiscal agent requests enabling community organizations to receive private donations or grant funding from a variety of sources, provided the project is in keeping with our mission.

The Island Association was instrumental in assisting the Madeline Island Community Gardening Project and its fiscal agent, St. John’s United Church of Christ, with receiving a \$3,079.00 grant for start up funds from the Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation.

The Island Association acted as a fiscal agent for the Alternative Energy Committee/Town of La Pointe so they could receive \$1,600.00 from the Minneapolis Foundation. This funding helped the A.E.C. cover the cost of removing the wind testing tower from the State Park and return it to the Bad River Reservation.

Public Meetings and Events in 2011

- May 30th - Memorial Day Breakfast Buffet Fundraiser at the Beach Club Restaurant. Enjoy a delicious breakfast buffet before Memorial Day Events. All proceeds go to support our Scholarship Fund.
- June 25th 10:00 a.m. - June Membership Meeting at the Public Library. Scholarship award presentation, news and refreshments. Members and public are welcome.
- July 21st 5:30 p.m. - Hot dog and Ice Cream Sundae Fundraiser before the fabulous Library Talent Show. Located at the La Pointe Public School.
- September 3rd 10:00 a.m. - Island Association Annual Meeting at the Public Library. News, granting up-dates, financial reports and refreshments. Members and public are welcome.

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Island Association is to help in the preservation and enhancement of Madeline Island for its residents, both permanent and seasonal, as well as its visitors. The Island Association will accomplish this by directing financial and other resources to projects which are cultural, educational, celebratory, and health and safety-oriented in nature. It is also a vehicle through which members can provide input that has tangible effects on the Island, and whereby anyone can donate resources to projects sponsored by the Association.