# Because 'saving acres' isn't enough...

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Rhode Island Conservation Stewardship Collaborative

Monitoring Protocol, Version 1.0



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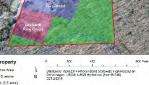


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In the end we will conserve only what we love; we will love only what we understand; and we will understand only what we are taught. Baba Dioum, 1968.









DR. FRANK GOLET IN HIS FAVOURITE ENVIRONMENT -A WETLANDS SURROUNDED BY HIS STUDENTS







Everyone deserves to live in a healthy community and enjoy a connection with nature.

# What do you love?



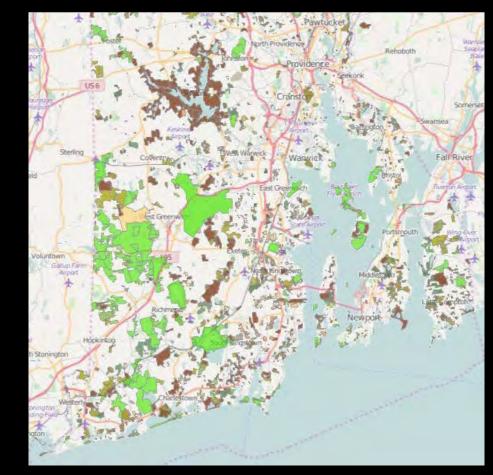
## Where are we in time?

- The first land trust in the nation, The Trustees of Reservations, was founded in Massachusetts in 1891.
- By 2010, according to the National Land Trust Census, there were over 1,700 active land trusts in the US.
- Approximately 600 of these are in the northeast.
- Together, over 47 million acres have been conserved.



## In Rhode Island...

- RI's first land trust, the Sakonnet Preservation Association was founded in 1972.
- Currently over 45 land trusts in the state.
- Most are private 501(c)3s, but 18 are municipal
- Together, we've protected over XXXX acres...



## According to our missions we...

- 1. Verb Preserve , protect, conserve
- 2. Object(s) open space, water quality, farmland, natural resources, rural heritage, scenic beauty, historical significance, cultural heritage, access, distinctive/rural/natural character

**Optional additions** 

- 3. As environmental, educational, recreational resources..
- 4. For conservation, recreation, aquifer protection, agricultural use...





**Protect:** to defend or guard from attack, invasion, loss, annoyance, insult; to cover or shield from injury or danger

**Preserve:** to keep alive or in existence; to keep safe from harm or injury; to retain

**Conserve**: to prevent injury, decay, waste, or loss of; to use sparingly; to preserve, to save

# What are conservation values?

### Conservation

- the act of conserving; prevention of injury, decay, waste, or loss; preservation
- protection, preservation, and careful management of natur al resources and of the environment

### Values

- relative worth, merit, or importance
- the worth of something in terms of the amount of other th ings for which it can be exchanged

### **Conservation Values** *as defined by the IRS...*

A charitable contribution made under the provisions of IRC § 170(h)(4)(A) (conservation easement) must be made exclusively for one of the following conservation purposes:

- Preservation of land for outdoor recreation by, or the education of, the general public.
- Protection of relatively natural habitat or ecosystem.
- Preservation of open space, where there is significant public benefit, and (1) the preservation is for the scenic enjoyment of the general public, or (2) pursuant to a clearly delineated Federal, State or local governmental conservation policy.
- Preservation of historically important land area or a certified historical structure.

### Conservation Values include...

- Agricultural / Forestry Values
- Wetlands & Water Resources
- Natural Communities, Flora & Fauna
- Historic & Cultural Values
- Educational & Recreational Values
- Scenic Values

## ALT's Tibbetts Property



# Buy land, they're not making it anymore. –Mark Twain



Population of Earth: 7,409,548,993

# People invest their energy in the things they care about.

#### Sakonnet PC eastbayri.com

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2016



Charlie at the Recycling Center." Told that another survey response was "Hot older men," Charlie (Simmons) said, "Maybe that one's about me too,"

What's to love? Beaches, buoys, Peepers, pond hockey ...

BY BRUCE BURDETT

From stone walls, safety and rf, to 'hot older men' and 'hearng the 2A buoy in the fog," there's ots to love in Little Compton. So say all those who took a noment to answer the question. What do you love most about Little Compton." That question was posed by ten folks in Little Compton." "Our purpose?" wrote Jana Porter and Don McNaughton

ack in early December. "To gather our community in conver-sation. With change creeping in all around us, we'd like to get a

See LOVABLE Page 3



Immortalizing a local icon Russell Warren's complete body of work will be assembled, digitized, and made accessible to all



VOL. 50, NO. 5 \$1.00 Harbormaster.

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TIVERTON - The Tiverton

Council was unanmous at im

last meeting in making four appointments to town boards

Tyler Loomis was named Tiverton harbormaster. The

appointment, under the Tiver

ton Home Rule Charter, runs for one calendar year, from

The appointment was made based on a unanimous recom-

nendation of the Tiverton Harbor and Coustal Waters

Management Commission, with which Town Administra-

tor Matt Wojcik said he con-

Mr. Wojcik wrote that Mr. Loomis had done "a com-

mendable job in the last 20

months managing this func-

tion. He is a responsible and

capable steward of the duties

Bruce Cox, the town's Har-

bor Commission chairman,

was appointed to serve as an alternate

member of the Coastal

Resources Management Coun-

cil. (CRMC) The appointment

fulfills a statutory requirement

that any CRMC subcommittee

that hears a contested case

affecting Tiverton have as one

of its members a town resi-

Kathy Clarendon was appointed to complete a three-

year term (that expires on Oct.

15, 2018) on the Tiverton Pub-

IJudith A. Jones, a member

of the Tax Assessment Board of

Review (whose term expired last October) was reappointed

expiring Oct. 15, 2018.

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#### LOVABLE: Lots to love in this little town

From Page 1 sense of what we sil value, and what is 'magic' about Little Comp-

To that end they and fellow participants John Berg, Ann Beards-Joy, Abigail Brocks, Sheila Mackinosh, Donna Pilkington, Heather teers, Mike Steers and Carol Lynn Trocki put up poster boards and markers at ten locations around own from Dec. 8 to 22.

"You're response was over whelming," they write in a letter to he Sakonnet Times this week. A grand total of 290 comments es.com/newsletter/pdfpdf

Some things many agree on ots of the replies suggest that this one beautiful place. They menion the sound and smell of the resan, the "Dask night sky," "Donkeys for neighbors," those cute "Little Peeps" in their blue hats, listening to owls and coyotes at night, the beaches, "The steeple gainst the blue sky hay bale verywhere, stone walls, open

pace and the beautiful beaches. There's noom for disagreement - people love both that "Republia school committee" and "The liberal democratic politics," as "Summer people on ell as bikes," and "When the summer people go home. They love that 'h's Little (Keep it

People you don't know wave when they pass you in the car." ittle)," has "Low taxes," "No stop lights," "Fond hockey," "The stuff And some count themselves fortunite for the opportunity to hat people sell at the end of their live in such a place. "Growing up here and being They love the people ... "Charlie at the recycle center," "The teachable to raise my children here," a

bunch of people wrote of feeling safe, "That my children want to See LOWABLE Page 4

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need 2 pair of shoes: flips and muck boots' Here Jack Nelson

ports an especially andsome pair of nuck boots in front o

the library. 'I wear them all winter then cut them down for spring." LEFT: "Hay

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to serve a three-year term

ers, past and present," "Nice police officer," the waitstaff at mmons Lunch, the Wilbur

## SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Southside Community Land Trust is helping people grow food – providing access to land, resources, and education.





All of SCLT's programs integrate community, ecology, and economy to build stronger neighborhoods and a healthier food system.





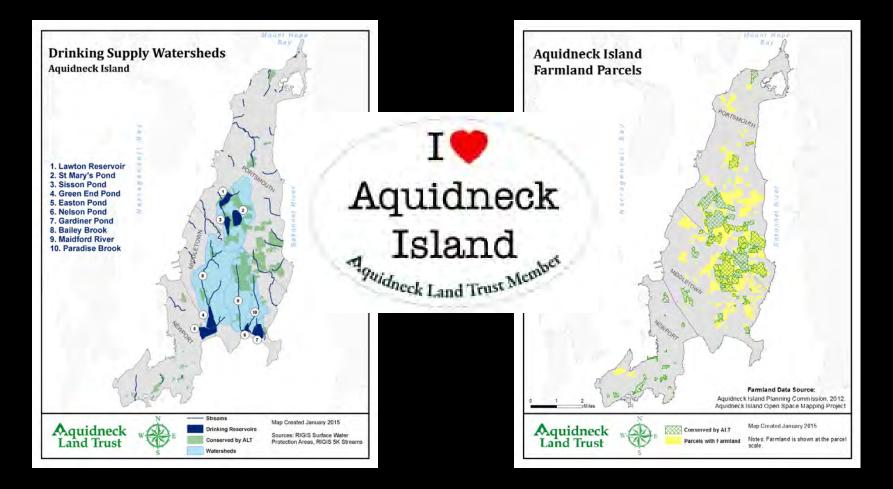
### Smithfield Land Trust Trail Blazing

- 75 trail signs posted on 7 miles of trail
- Chowder & clamcakes for 25, prepared at the trailhead, upon return

# Roy Najecki



## **Conserve Aquidneck Now**



http://ailt.org/2015/03/conserve-aquidneck-project/





### BLUE MOON KICKOFF CELEBRATION

July 315t The Barn in Matunuck





Connecting the dots...



### People thrive where land is healthy.



# We need a connection to land. It is hardwired. It's how we are made.



### We need to ask more questions.

What do you care about? Why do you love it here? How does the land speak to you?



# The answers to these questions are the path back to connection.



### When you feel connected, you care.

When you care, you invest.

# What would make you fall in love if you hadn't already?



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