

The Bonnet Shores Land Trust is looking for new members

The primary goals of the Bonnet Shore Fire District Land Trust are to:

- 1) Preserve open space in Bonnet Shores
- 2) Preserve and protect Bonnet Shores' two beaches.

Since it was created in 1991, the Bonnet Shores Land Trust is charged with the preservation and protection of land in Bonnet Shores.

Important projects we are currently working on include:

- 1) A FEMA grant being performed by URI School of Oceanography to assess the waters off of Little Beach to assess the water and seaweed patterns and provide options for decreasing shoreline erosion at Little Beach. .
- 2) Signage for Land Trust properties including the Wesquage Wildlife Refuge, Kelly Beach, and the Bonnet Battery
- 3) Upkeep and enhancement of Community Center building and property for events, and community activities
- 4) Fund Raising for projects to enhance Land Trust properties for the enjoyment of all residents including Camden Landing, Kelly Beach, The Battery, Little Beach and Harbor, the recreational areas surrounding the Community Center and other areas
- 5) Fund Raising and Donation for memorial benches, plaques and other means to celebrate important people to our community.
- 6) Work with other Land Trust Organizations on common goals
- 7) Donations of land that would become part of the Land Trust and protected from development
- 8) Plus, many other projects to enhance our community!

In the coming year, we will be working on supporting these Land Trust projects, through funding and volunteerism. We are looking for residents who will play an active and constructive role working on these projects or who might have other ideas for the Land Trust. Any resident with the following skills/ talents would be tremendous assets to the Land Trust and our purpose.

- Legal expertise for contract reviews and land acquisitions
- Experience or interest in fund raising
- Ecology for help with the Water Shed Plan and water testing of Wesquage Pond