



2019 Events, Volunteer Opportunities, Activities & More

This page will be updated throughout the year—check back often!

May 13-24: “Island School” 6th Graders experience Wilderness Camping on Stockton Island

May 17: **Sandscape Restoration with Native Plants**

8:30am-4:30pm, Meeting Location: Roy’s Pt. Marina - Group Size: 6-7 Weather date: Sat May 18
Join Julie Van Stappen, Chief of Planning and Resource Management for a day of planting on an island sand spit or beach. Our efforts subsequently pave the way for other plants to help stabilize high traffic areas and prevent erosion. Your efforts on this project help to protect a fragile ecosystem. Dress in layers. Reserve your volunteer spot or inquire at: MikeandKathy.FOTA@gmail.com

June 1: **Native Plant Lovers Gaylord Nelson Flower Garden Restoration**

9:30am, Meeting Location: Bayfield Park Headquarters at Rice and N 4th Street, Group Size: Any
What to bring: water, work gloves, garden tools (shovel, trowel, clippers, loppers)
This garden is a wonderful collection of native plants that are in need of love and care if they are to reach their potential as an example to the community. Join us in learning how to identify them and their habitat needs, and release them from their weedy inhibitors. We will be part of Bayfield’s Garden Tour, and the only service-oriented stop. Plants will be identified and visitors encouraged to visit the Pavillion downtown where similiar plants will be for sale. Reserve your volunteer spot or inquire at: MikeandKathy.FOTA@gmail.com

June 3: **Michigan Island Light Station Gardening**

8:30am-4:30pm, Meeting location: Roy’s Pt. Marina, Group size: 6-7, Weather date: Thurs, June 6
Past years’ volunteer gardeners put in over a dozen historical perennial beds. We are anxious to see how they over-wintered and get them cleaned-up and ready for the next season of island visitors. We also will be planting annuals in the raised beds, some annual seeds for lasting color and dividing perennials. Old photos show that Michigan’s 1856 light station had beautiful, well-tended gardens and fruit trees. Reserve your volunteer spot or inquire at: MikeandKathy.FOTA@gmail.com

August 8: “FRIENDS” Annual Meeting Cruise aboard Ashland Bay Express. Our destination is TBD. Depart Bayfield City Dock @ TBD

October 4, 5 & 6: **Apple Festival** Stop at our booth during Bayfield’s famous Apple Festival See what fun and interesting things the FRIENDS & the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore have to offer!