The Annual Report is a wonderful place to publicly thank the dedicated staff, directors, committee members, volunteers, neighbors and friends who make it possible for the Land & Garden Preserve to fulfill its mission to preserve beauty, history, and culture in our community. The organization has pursued this goal since its inception as the Island Foundation in 1970. For the first 30 years, the Asticou Azalea Garden, built by Charles K. Savage in the late 50s, was its only holding. In 2000, the Preserve assumed ownership of the Asticou Terraces Trust, properties that include Thuya Lodge, Thuya Garden, and the Asticou Terrace Trail. The gardens are visited by tens of thousands of people annually and have become known worldwide for their beauty, serenity, and sense of place.

Twenty-fourteen will be remembered for several reasons. Early June marked the official opening of the Meeting House and the Beth Straus Meeting Room in the Asticou Azalea Garden, and the third lantern stroll in the Azalea Garden was enjoyed by hundreds of visitors in late July. Due to its popularity, we anticipate the lantern stroll will become a biannual event. Thuya Garden held its first monarch butterfly release in mid-July which resulted in frequent monarch sightings throughout the remainder of the season and raised over $500 for the Monarch Watch Project, a national effort to protect monarch habitat throughout North and Central America. In addition to the excellent care and maintenance given the gardens, the Preserve has expanded its focus to the surrounding lands and trails. Closer collaborations among the Preserve, Acadia National Park, and the NEH and Seal Harbor Village Improvement Societies has facilitated collaborative work on the extensive trail system that crosses private and public lands, and the Preserve initiated construction of a new east-west trail between Thuya Garden and the carriage road on the western side of Little Long Pond.

The Preserve is a public charity relying entirely on gate receipts, contributions from friends, neighbors, and visitors, and earnings from endowment funds. For more information on our activities, history, newsletters, annual reports, and other publications, please visit our website, www.gardenpreserve.org.

Carole Plenty, CEO
2014 Financial Report

Statement of Financial Position

 Assets (December 31)          2014          2013
Property and Equipment             2,379,972  2,348,840
Investments                         27,311,906 26,178,223
Real Estate held for Investment       3,119,414  3,119,414
Other Assets                         344,201     370,989
Total Assets                        33,155,493 32,017,466

Statement of Activities

 Revenues          2014          2013
Contributions             410,196   674,901
Fees and Other            62,018     74,604
Returns on Investments     1,412,588  4,428,873
Total Revenues           1,884,802  5,178,378

 Expenses          2014          2013
Program Services          541,251   501,128
Supporting Services, general 160,764   143,758
Fundraising and RE Expenses  44,759     55,600
Total Expenses           746,774   700,486

2014 Sources of Funds for Operations

- Annual Giving: 40%
- Special Project Gifts: 10%
- Gate Donations: 7%
- Other Revenues: 43%
- Draws from Endowments: <.5%
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