



# Maudslay Views

News from the Maudslay State Park Association

## Volunteers Make a Difference at Maudslay

As evidenced by the number of people present at Maudslay on April 25th for Park Serve Day, the volunteer spirit at the park is going strong. During this statewide day of volunteer service, participants across Massachusetts worked to get parks and beaches ready for summer. At Maudslay, volunteers picked up a half ton of trash along the edge of the river and cleared brush from two overlooks. The park will host another similar project in late summer or fall.

In the past, the park has benefited from numerous volunteer-led construction, renovation and landscape projects. If you are interested in organizing a service project for your group, please send us your proposal. We welcome your ideas and are grateful for the support of the Boy Scouts, parents, contractors, and park friends.

Just recently, volunteers from the Link House in Newburyport helped the Garden Committee divide phlox, plant hosta and till the beds. In addition, a crew from the Women in Transition program helped with shrub planting and garden maintenance.

Hopefully you will be able to visit Maudslay soon and enjoy its unique setting and interpretive programs. And, if your schedule permits, there are a number of ways you can volunteer: come weed in the formal gardens on Monday or Saturday mornings; organize the park's historical photos; or use your skills to repair an old structure. It's with everyone's assistance that we can ensure the beauty of the park for this and future generations.

*For volunteer opportunities, please contact Sandee Liversidge via email at [gardenwork2@earthlink.net](mailto:gardenwork2@earthlink.net).*

## About MSPA

The Maudslay State Park Association (MSPA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and protection of the natural, historical, and horticultural resources of Maudslay State Park.

The MSPA aims to promote educational, cultural and recreational use of the park consistent with the conservation of its terrain; to support the quiet enjoyment of the land; and to foster research and education about the history of the Maudslay property.

MSPA President Terry Berns invites all who would like to become active participants in the park's care or are interested in learning how the park is managed, to attend an upcoming MSPA board meeting.

### 2009 Meeting Schedule

May 28  
July 23  
September 24  
November 26

Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. and are held at Park Headquarters, 74 Curzon Mill Road, Newburyport. *For more information please contact Terry Berns at [tjbtj@comcast.net](mailto:tjbtj@comcast.net).*

## Generous Donations to Beautify Gardens

The Garden Committee is grateful to Patricia Baker of Newburyport for her recent donation. Thanks to Trish's generosity, 28 Green Mountain boxwood have been purchased to replace an existing yew hedge in the Italian Garden. This hedge has been ravaged by deer and is not thriving.

Since boxwood is not palatable to deer, this new hedge is expected to reach a mature height of 6 feet, while at the same time bringing a regal presence to the gardens.

Trish has also offered to donate 42 dwarf English boxwood plants that

will be used to fill in many holes among the rows of low boxwood hedge.

The Garden Committee would also like to recognize Corliss Brothers of Ipswich for providing all the new boxwood at a substantial discount. They have gone out of their way to arrange the special purchase and delivery of these plants.

These wonderful donations will go a long way toward rehabilitating the gardens and bringing them back to their earlier splendor. The Garden Committee thoroughly appreciates all who donate time and money to make the gardens at Maudslay so beautiful.

# Adopt-An-Acre Program Enters 12<sup>th</sup> Year



This year marks the 12th year that MSPA has offered the Adopt-An-Acre program. It's a great way to sponsor the preservation of an acre of Maudslay State Park for a donation of \$50 per acre, per year.

Funds raised by Adopt-An-Acre sponsorships are earmarked for programs that enhance the park such as restoration projects and educational programs that are offered free to the public. An acre may also be adopted in honor of, or in memory of someone.

## ***Thank You to Our Generous Adopt-An-Acre Sponsors***

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## Become a Supporter Today!

Thank you to everyone who has renewed their membership. Your contribution shows that you share our goal of preserving and protecting the natural beauty of this unique state park. MSPA member benefits include a seasonal calendar of events and newsletter. To join or renew, please send in the form below. Thank you.

YES, I would like to assist the Maudslay State Park Association.

I would like to Adopt-An-Acre at the one-year sponsorship fee of \$50 per acre which includes *FREE* MSPA membership.  
Number of Acres \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50/Acre = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please enroll me as a member:  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$15/Yr Individual \_\_\_\_\_ \$20/Yr Family

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make a tax-deductible gift to:  
\$\_\_\_\_\_ General Fund \$\_\_\_\_\_ Garden Committee

*Please make check payable to Maudslay State Park Association and return this form to:  
MSPA, 74 Curzon Mill Road,  
Newburyport, MA 01950*