The Beacon Project is a non-profit corporation formed in April 2003 for the purpose of building an assisted living facility to meet the needs of elderly Islesboro residents. With strong volunteer and donor support, we raised sufficient funds to begin construction of Boardman Cottage in the fall of 2004. We opened our doors to residents in July 2005.

Through its fund raising activities, The Beacon Project provides support to the operations of Boardman Cottage and covers payments on a large construction loan. Every year we produce a calendar featuring photographs of Islesboro taken by island residents, and we offer a cookbook of recipes contributed by island cooks. Other popular annual events are the Memorial Day plant sale and a festive dessert gala with entertainment.

Our Mission
To make it possible for our elders to remain here on Islesboro with dignity and comfort as members of our island community.
The convenient location, friendly staff, and good kitchen aromas all contribute to the welcoming atmosphere of Boardman Cottage. Located near daily island destinations, it is a convenient stop for visitors and a center for many types of activities such as musical entertainment, birthday parties and discussion groups. In a small community like Islesboro, one resident’s visitor is likely to know everyone else. Family members and friends often join residents for tea served at 3:00 every afternoon.

Boardman Cottage is a licensed adult family care home and an approved MaineCare provider. Priority in admissions is given to island residents and their family members.

Boardman Cottage has six private rooms, each with a private half bath, a private phone and satellite TV hook up, a call bell system and access to an intercom system. Residents are encouraged to bring their own familiar furnishings. Shared areas include a large, sunny kitchen, dining room, living room, library, beauty salon, bathing facilities, and outside deck and porch areas.

The home provides residents with three daily home cooked meals, snacks, housekeeping and laundry service, assistance with activities of daily living, medication management, provision for intermittent nursing needs, assistance with managing personal affairs, and transportation to outside services and social events.

In addition to our human residents, Boardman Cottage is presently home to two dogs and two cats, all enjoying the comfort and sociability of their new environment.

“We’re absolutely spoiled, in plain English.”

Mary

Resident at Boardman Cottage

Companionship in a safe and secure environment.