

Dunesland's Mission

Illinois Dunesland Preservation Society is the co-founder of Illinois Beach State Park in Zion, Illinois and has protected it since 1950. The park contains the first state Dedicated Nature Preserve in the United States.

Our members are dedicated to preserving the natural beauty and integrity of the park, its surrounding environment, Lake Michigan, and the Illinois shoreline for future generations. We must be aware of the environmental impact of the area around the park and constantly be vigilant of the detrimental effects that pollutants and negligence have on it.

Illinois Beach is one of the most visited parks in the nation and the most visited park in Illinois. It has more endangered species than any other park in the state. It is a national treasure and a Natural National Landmark which must be protected so that it can be safe and sacred ground now and in the future.

Your contributions are gratefully accepted. This is a non-profit, all volunteer organization which needs your support! Be sure to explore our website for more detailed information. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

*Name _____

*Address _____

*Phone _____

Cell _____

Email _____

Do you know any current Dunesland members?

Please Circle Desired Membership Category

Regular, Individual	\$25
Regular, Family	\$40
Friend of Dunesland	\$100
Lifetime	\$1500
Full Time Student	\$15
Senior (over 65, upon request)	\$20

Membership is subject to board approval at the next scheduled board meeting.

Donations in any amount are gratefully accepted on behalf of park protection.

Donation Amount _____

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Invites You to Apply for
Membership to Help Support
the Preservation and Protec-
tion of Illinois Beach State
Park, Lake Michigan, and the
Illinois Shoreline for the Enjoy-
ment of Future Generations!



Protecting the Nation's First
State Dedicated Nature Preserve

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Excerpt from "Letter of Chief Seattle"



How can you buy or sell the sky, the warmth of the land?

If we do not own the freshness of the air and the sparkle of the water, how can you buy them?

Every part of this Earth is sacred to my people. Every shining pine needle, every sand shore, every mist in the dark woods,

Every clearing and every humming insect is holy in the memory and experience of my people.

The sap which courses through the trees carries the memories of the red man. So when the Great Chief in Washington sends word that he wishes to buy our land, He asks much of us...

Whatever befalls the Earth befalls the sons of the Earth. Man did not weave the web of life; he is merely a strand in it. Whatever he does to the web, he does to himself.

But we will consider your offer to go to the reservation you have for my people. We will live apart, and in peace.

One of the First Environmental Impact Statements in the U. S.

One thing we know, which the white man may one day discover, our God is the same God. You may think now that you own Him as you wish to own our land; but you cannot. He is the god of man; and his compassion is equal for the red man and the white.

This Earth is precious to Him and to harm the Earth is to heap contempt on its Creator. The whites too shall pass; perhaps sooner than all other tribes. Continue to contaminate your bed and you will one night suffocate in your own waste...

So if we sell our land, love it as we've loved it

Care for it as we've cared for it. Hold in mind the memory of the land as it is when you take it.

And with all your strength, all your mind, and with all your heart, preserve it for your children, and love it...

As God loves us all.

One thing we know, our God is the same God.

This Earth is precious to Him.

Even the white man cannot be exempt from the common destiny.

We may be brothers after all.

We shall see. 1854

Think about what today's "Great Chief" is doing to the environmental laws of this country.

The environment needs your help to protect the park. Would you please help Dunesland achieve that goal?

Message From Our Directors

Dear Friends-

Our precious park is under assault from industrial pollution. Please aid our efforts to protect the park and encourage our enforcement agencies to do what is needed to enforce environmental regulations to protect Illinois Beach State Park.

We are a volunteer organization and appreciate the financial support of citizens like you. People say that they are "for the environment," but in many busy lives, we know that time is not always available to help physically. Now is your opportunity.

Please sign up online or by email for our email announcements and newsletters.

This is an opportunity for you to offer financial assistance so that we can preserve the park on behalf of future generations. We welcome your Time, Talent, and/or Treasure!

Thank you for your support!

The Illinois Dunesland Board of Directors

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