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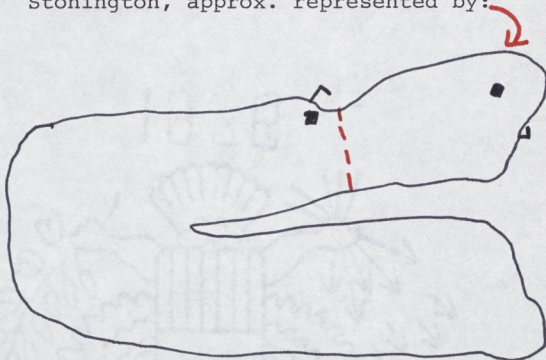
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Dear Dr. Porter,

In 1967 as a senior at Lake Forest High School I found a stunning book in a shop about a family's good fortune to have summered on an island in Maine, and as a wander-lust ridden teenager felt somehow that Lake Michigan and its dunes paled by comparison.

I'm now a 26 year old counsel to the House Judiciary Committee in Washington and have come to treasure my childhood summers on Lake Michigan, but I've never forgotten your display in words and photos of what the Penobscot offers. I made a point of accepting a friend's invitation to visit his home in Stonington two years ago. The place struck a cord in me that said I couldn't go away and never come back...so I went back, six times in a year and a half, looking at various island properties that were for sale.

Last spring I joined three friends in buying a 40 acre section of Crotch Island from the peculiar fellow who owns the bulk of it, and the purpose of this note is to extend to you and your family an invitation to see the island anytime next spring and/or summer. I understand that you've had some difficulties with our former owner, and should say that we've had some difficulties with him as well. I hope that this invitation will allow you to see at least part of a special island without raising bad memories. We own the section least touched by the quarrying work, but the history of an exciting era is everywhere. The property we own is that closest to Stonington, approx. represented by:



We will be working on the restoration of an old work building all next summer, particularly in August. It is the building with the bright (new!) green roof that one sees when passing the island on the way to Isle Au Haut.

My partners are Peter and Marilyn Fuchs. Pete's parents, Herbert and Frances, own a house on Green Head Lane in Stonington. Some<sup>me</sup> is at the house all summer, but of course feel free to land ( as best can be done, our wharf needs work!) if no one is about and take a look around.

I'd love to hear your comments and hope to get a chance to thank you personally for Summer Island.

Sincerely,

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