Friends of Merrymeeting Bay  
2017 Accomplishments

Media
- Print: (Over 12), Archaeology, Kennebec dredging, Presumpscot River CWA, Education, Speaker Series, the Bay, Outings, etc.

Volunteers
- Approximately 4009 volunteer hours (501 days)
- 150 volunteers

Membership
- 442 households
- Speaker Series – (336 people)
- Outside 2017 (Paddle Series, Walks, etc.) – 130 people.
- Newsletters – 4

Grants
- $10,000- Staffing
- $3,400- Dresden Falls Archaeology-Ground Penetrating Radar Survey

Outreach Presentations
- Maine Maritime Museum Cruises & Paddles (80 participants)

Education
- Two Bay Days (363) students, 10 schools
- School Visits (69 visits, 1180 students, 43 teachers, 12 schools)
- Non-School Visits (450 people): library summer series and science night
- Web site updates

Conservation and Stewardship
- Complete 46 acre easement
- Additional easements in progress
- Continuous landowner outreach
- Ongoing stewardship activities
- Control two phragmites stands in Bowdoinham
- Monitor all easement & fee properties

Research
- Water Quality Monitoring – 18 sites
- Carp Tracking Study Completed
- Thwings Pt. Archaeology Dig
- Dresden Falls Ground Penetrating Radar Survey
- Begin 10-year Vegetation and Land Use Update process

Advocacy (postings, letters, testimony, etc.)
- Submit Lower Androscoggin Upgrade Proposal
- Lawsuit-GMO Atlantic salmon
- Healthy Rivers/Healthy Gulf promoting safe fish passage
- Smart Meters
- Posting Fish Consumption Advisories
- Presumpscot R. CWA-FERC & agency comments

Primary Partners
- Friends of Casco Bay
- The Archaeological Conservancy
- Kennebec Reborn
- Avian Haven
- Maine Coalition to Stop Smart Meters
- Bowdoin College Environmental Studies
- Bowdoin College Arctic Studies Center
- Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
- Maine Maritime Museum
- Department of Marine Resources
- Bowdoinham Public Library
- Maine Land Trust Network
- Friends of Sebago Lake
- Department of Environmental Protection
- Patagonia Outlet, Freeport
- Chops Point School
- Piti Theatre Co.
- Curtis Memorial Library