



Friends of Salt Springs Park

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Salt Springs Celebration

It is August already! Which means the Friends are busy organizing the annual Celebration on Saturday of Labor Day Weekend. Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 3. Festivities run from 11 am to 5 pm.

The Celebration is also a major fund raiser so that we can continue to keep Salt Springs Park safe, serene, and open.

New this year:

- ◇ Civil War Photographic Display, created by Betty Smith, Susquehanna County Historical Society Museum Curator
- ◇ Cheese making demonstration by Laryssa Zahajkewycz
- ◇ Labyrinth walk with Carol Behan-Ohmart
- ◇ Hat making and felting demonstration by Denise Tarbox
- ◇ Story telling with Al Winters
- ◇ Weaving with Libby Anderson
- ◇ Local writers Sherman Wooden and Eileen Patch
- ◇ Face painting with Kristi Hoffa

Check out the Events page on our website for more details!

Four Season Photo Contest

Give Us Your Best Shot!

We know you take beautiful pictures while at Salt Springs Park. Now you can share your experiences with the thousands of people who love this park.

The year-long contest begins at this year's Celebration. It spans four seasons in four categories, so you have plenty of time and choices. Complete rules are available at www.friendsofsaltspringspark.org/html/photo_contest_rules.pdf. You can also e-mail George Schreck (geosankie@frontier.com) for more information.

Here's some inspiration!



July at Salt Springs Park

Numerous couples hold their weddings at Salt Springs Park, usually at the Pavilion. July is perhaps our busiest month for weddings.

Each year Unitarian Universalist Church of Binghamton members come to Salt Springs for a family camp out. This year they came in July.



Mark Your Calendars

SALT SPRINGS ART & MUSIC SHOW. Saturday, August 13, Noon till sunset.

Enjoy the creative works of local artists. Try your hand at some artistic activities, join other musicians in open jam sessions, listen to performances, stroll through art displays, learn from experienced artists and musicians in workshops, and relax and enjoy some community fun, food, and entertainment. **At the Pavilion.**



PERSEIDS METEOR SHOWER FULL MOON NIGHT WALK. Saturday, August 13, 8:30 pm.

The full moon usually makes a meteor shower hard to see, but the Perseids shower offers a brilliant display and a good chance for surprises in the sky. The full moon will make this walk luminary. **No fee.**

MEDICINAL HERBS. Saturday, August 20, 4 pm.

Many plants hold qualities to heal and nourish our bodies. Come explore medicinal herbs and learn how to make salves and tinctures using locally growing wild plants to create your own unique medicinal blends. Instructor: Brooke Shingler. **Program fee: Members, \$5; Non, \$10.**

PHOTO-SCAVENGER HUNT. Sunday, August 21, 1-5 pm.

This will be an ongoing challenge with scavenger hunts of varying degrees of difficulty, from beginner to advanced. Bring a camera if you can, join up with a team, or go at it on your own, and see if you can find the features of the park. Advanced competitions involve challenges such as duplicating photos and identifying species. Prizes will be awarded for each photo-scamper hunt competition. **Contest entry fee: Members, free; Non, \$5.**

AUTUMN BIRDING HIKE. Saturday, September 10, 8 am.

Join Naturalist Nancy Wottrich for an autumn birding hike during the peak of land bird migration. Many birds will be making their long journey to the south, including warblers and shorebirds. **No fee.**



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