



Friends of Salt Springs Park

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Celebrate with Us! Saturday, September 1

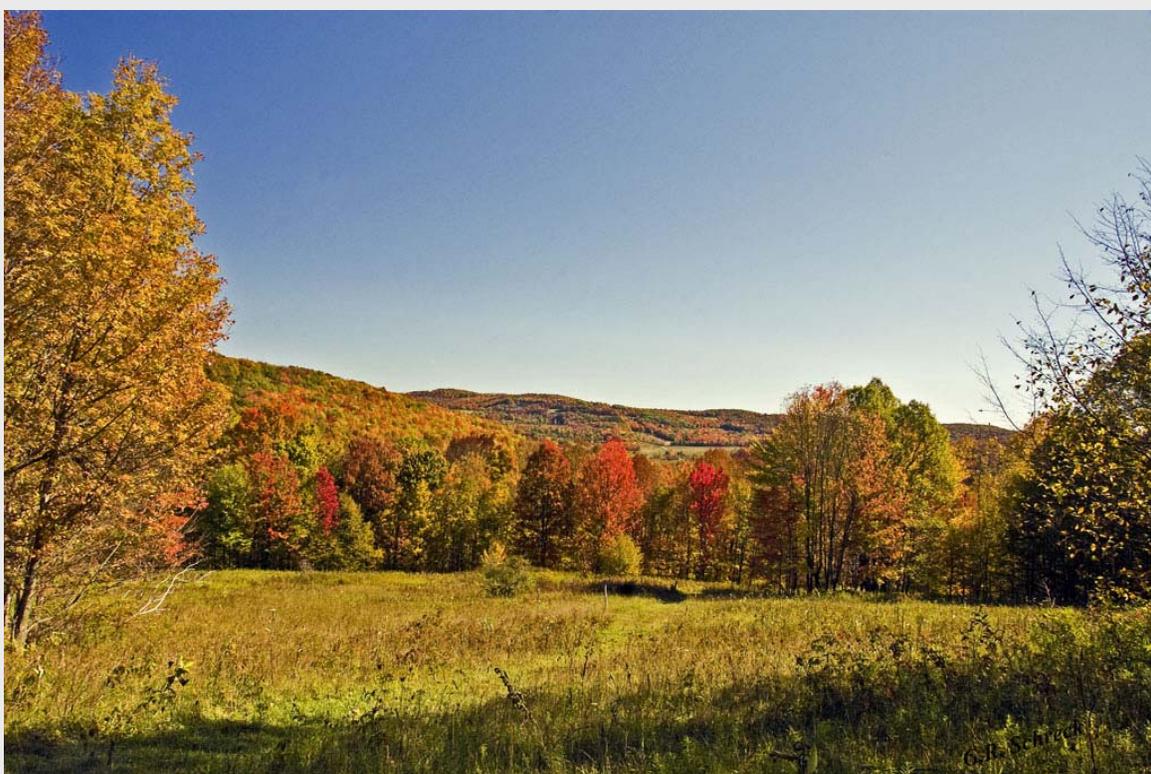
It is mid-August, which means we're busy getting ready for the annual Celebration on Saturday of Labor Day weekend. Mark your calendar for **September 1**. Festivities run from 11 am to 5 pm. Here are some highlights — so many we need two pages!

Name Your View

Imagine sitting on a bench on the Friends land, at a certain spot along the Cliff Trail. This view (photographed by George Schreck last fall and again this spring) is what you would see, and it can be yours.

The right to purchase a bench and name the view will be auctioned off during the Celebration. The name will apply for 5 years and be publicized as much as possible. This is open to individuals, and, to ensure that the name is appropriate for all individuals, the name must be approved by the board.

The minimum bid is \$2,500. Those not attending the Celebration can submit one bid via phone or e-mail; these will be available to those bidding at the Celebration.



Celebration 2012

Labyrinth Walk

Carol Ohmart-Behan will again bring her rope labyrinth for people to experience. This is a Classic Labyrinth design and will be laid out near the joining point of the two streams. Carol will be available to share information on the labyrinth and the work she does with this ancient "walking-meditation path." She leads annual pilgrimages to the sacred sites of Southwest England and Cornwall. Visit her website to learn more: <http://goldenspiraljourney.com>. Pictured is Carol's labyrinth at Salt Springs last year.



Gathering and Counting Water Bugs (a.k.a. Water Quality Monitoring)

Join **Courtney Sperger** and colleagues from Wilkes University in Fall Brook at 2 pm to scoop up and study critters that live in the water — several different kinds of flies and worms, as well as scuds, snails, and midges. It is important to know exactly what is living in the water to determine if the water and its ecosystems are healthy or polluted. The goal of such biological sampling is to help determine if the natural gas industry is affecting surface water quality in northeastern Pennsylvania. Pictured are Wilkes students sampling Fall Brook in March 2012.



We always have food! **John and Marian Miskell** provide a spread with something for everyone. From homemade salads, desserts, and specialty sandwiches to good old grilled hamburgs, hot dogs, sausage, and veggie burgers.

And

Cheese Making demonstration by **Laryssa Zahajkewycz**

Historical Bands photo exhibit by **Betty Smith**

Delicacies from the **Wooden Spoon**

Llamas from **Bruce Gurney** for petting and walking

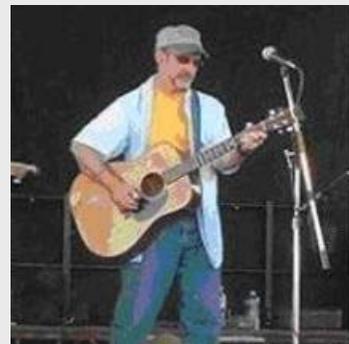
Exotic birds from **Feathered Kisses** to hold and talk to

Weaving demonstration by **Libby Anderson**

Purple Pepper Farms produce

Hat making and felting demonstration by **Denise Tarbox**

Music on the Porch



With acoustic guitar and flute, **Corky Staats** starts the day with folk, blues, bluegrass, rock, and country. 11 to noon.



Kelly and Susan Pratt and Friends. From Irish to folk to classic . . . come clap and sing along to new and old songs alike. Noon to 1:30.



Guess what **Marv Williams** plays? He joins us this year to share his acoustic music reminiscent of 60s and 70s classic rock. 1:30 to 3 pm.



Brian Wahl, Victor Lay, and Brother Randy, of Binghamton, share with us the finest in rock and roll, bluegrass, and reggae. 3 to 5 pm.