



Friends of Salt Springs Park

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Annual Meeting

We had a wonderful turnout for the annual meeting this year. It was held at the Montrose Bible Conference. As is our way, emphasis is on catching up with good friends during a sumptuous meal. Dinner is followed by brief remarks from several board members and staff.

This year we were pleased to honor two special volunteers, Ellen Fortunato and Barry Berkowitz. Ellen tackles some rugged grounds maintenance tasks for us, like building stone walls and ridding the stream banks of Japanese knotweed. Barry and his accounting firm review our financial records every year.

The membership elected six new board members. Join us in welcoming Bette Brown, Susan English, Robert Fearnley, Kevin Gates, Mike Hornak, and Tom Norville.

Recent Scenes



Snow in late October . . . and



Swimming in early November.



Annual Game Commission pheasant release, October 21.



Stone abutment under the foot bridge being repaired, November 9.



Practice Day for Envirothon 2012, attended by 150 high school students from all six county school districts.

Looking for Something to Do?

Perhaps you could help us with one of these:

- Astronomy leader. We have a telescope. We need someone to run a class.
- Mappers. We need people with GPS devices to walk trails and locate landmarks, junctions, and other items so we can provide better descriptions of our trails.
- E3 teachers. We need qualified teachers, preferably with a science background, who are willing to spend most of a day teaching fourth graders, one or two days a year. Stipend available.
- Weekend hosts. We need people to greet the public on weekend days, help campers, and sell items in the Gift Shop.

Community Support

In the past month we received some significant donations, which we gratefully acknowledge.

Some people who donate to the United Way designate the Friends of Salt Springs as recipients. We just received our quarterly donations, \$357, and with gratitude will apply them toward our continuing flood repair expenses.

In support of our environmental education program for the local schools, E3, we received \$1,400 from the Susquehanna County Conservation District and \$3,000 from Talisman Energy. Talisman also donated \$400 toward our flood repair expenses.

Website Updates

We're now posting timely items, like road conditions, upcoming events, program changes, announcements, etc., on the Welcome page.

Like history? Check out the Historical Committee's new Local History page. Here you'll find historical information and photos on Salt Springs, the Wheatons, and the surrounding community.

Like pictures? Check out the new Birds, Butterflies & More page in the Photo Album, as well as the enhanced Wildlife and Mushrooms & Fungi pages. All new photographs courtesy of nature photographer, and good Friend, George Schreck.