



Friends of Salt Springs Park

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Giving Thanks

At this time of year many look inward and think about the things they are thankful for. The Friends have a great deal to be thankful for, including the 188+ people who volunteered at the park in 2016; the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for continuing to allow us to manage and care for Salt Springs on their behalf; and all who became new members in 2016—Charles Babcock, Susie Baier, Tony and Linda Baroni, Eric Best, Anuraj Bismal and family, Mary Ann Bryant, Cheryl Carpenter, Wayne Chudleigh, Lorraine Clune, Carolyn and Paul Cooper, Walton Dahlander, the Elias family, Kathy Goff, Paul Helm, Suzanne Hickok, Eileen Hripto, Jim Kasten, Richard Kennicutt, Brad Killian, Karen Leonard, Gerald Michael, David Miller and family, Jim Nowik, Mary Ann Nute and Bill Martin, Eileen and Walter Platek, Eugene and Mary Ploucha, Patsy Robinson, Cindy Seeger-Shearing and family, Suzanne Smith and family, Frank Srebro, Fran and Steve Straight, Liz Thomas, Joe and Karla Toman, Nancy VanCott, Marc and Linda Wadel, Joan Webster, Robert Whitehead, and Andy Wilmore. *Thank you.*

Mark Your Calendar

Holiday Nature Crafts. Sunday, November 20, 1 pm, and Sunday, December 11, 1 pm.

Let's take a walk to gather some of nature's treasures and create a piece of art—maybe a wreath, ornament, or centerpiece. Bring your creativity, a container for your artwork (like a shoebox or a picture frame), and any accessories you might want to add. Bring your own tools—scissors, glue, glue gun—if you have them; we'll have a limited supply available to share. Children 3 to 103 welcome! Free-will donation.

Winter Snow Fun. Saturday, December 10, 1 pm. Get

out to see some winter wonders—animal tracks, dazzling snow drifts, whitened landscapes. Bring snowshoes or cross-country skis or just winter boots. Take pictures or gather some natural elements to make a festive winter centerpiece. Free-will donation. If no snow, the outing will be the next Saturday or Sunday with snow. Date tba.



2016 Volunteers of the Year



Please join us in honoring our 2016 Volunteers of the Year, **Donna Foster** (pictured left) and **Betty Marshall**.

In 2011, when we asked Betty to be a Weekend Host, she said yes and immediately enlisted her friend Donna. The two have hosted together ever since. And, not only do they sign up for more hours a summer than we ask for, but they always help us out during the Celebration, too.

We are fortunate to have them, as volunteering is part of their way of life. Donna has volunteered for the county library, the Red Cross, and Interfaith, and "Salt Springs is my favorite." Betty also gives her time to the county library and to her church.

Betty values her time at Salt Springs for the opportunity to both enjoy the quiet and the beauty as well as meet new people from near and far. For Donna, it is a way to give back to her community.

An important part of being a Weekend Host is to ensure that visitors enjoy their experience here. "Hi, Aunt Betty, when are we going to Salt Springs?" is a familiar greeting of one of Betty's nephews—and just one indication that these friends are an invaluable asset of Salt Springs and the Friends.

Apartment for Rent

We joke about adding a clause to our lease something like "And none of that falling in love stuff" after "no smoking," because love is the number one reason tenants move out of our apartment. It must be something in the air, or the atmosphere, but a terrific single person will move in and 6 months, a year later move on . . . with someone else.

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