



# Friends of Salt Springs Park September 2015

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## Fall Is Here

And with it comes blazing red, orange, and yellow leaves, cooling temperatures, migrating birds, the peak of apple season, Halloween, and maybe even some snow! From now till December we offer numerous ways to indulge in these seasonal delights. Our fall programs have been set, and full details are now available on the website.

## A Celebration to Remember!

Saturday, September 5, was as perfect as a day in our park can be. It was filled with warmth and sunshine, good friends and families, the smell of grilling sausages, the sounds of Appalachian music and laughter, intriguing animals, displays, and silent auction items, and much more. Thank you to all who participated—volunteers, vendors, donors, and visitors! Enjoy more photos on page 2 and on Facebook. All but those by DA are courtesy of **Peg Miller**, Miller Creative Garage, Brackney, PA. Thanks Peg!



The quilt show—many thanks to the Silver Needles Quilt Club—was a huge draw again this year.



Many brought their own chairs and made an afternoon of it on the lawn listening to the bands. By DA.



This year **George Cummings** shared his French and Indian War—era artifacts with us. Tools from the John F. McKeage Collection were displayed behind him. By DA.

## Mark Your Calendar

**Hawk Identification Workshop**  
**Saturday, September 26, 10 am**



An often unnoticed spectacle of nature occurs each fall as vast numbers of birds of prey migrate to their southern wintering grounds. The updrafts of warm air created along the ridge of the Appalachian Mountains form an invisible “highway” for these soaring birds. Locations like Hawk Mountain have made our Commonwealth famous as a place to observe this phenomenon.

Local birder **Evan Mann** will explain how you can identify soaring raptors by size, shape, and patterns of movement, with an emphasis on those most likely to be seen in Susquehanna County.

## Program Highlights

Full program details are available on the website.

**Lunar Eclipse Viewing**  
**Sunday, September 27, 8 pm**

Not only will there be a lunar eclipse this night but also the moon will be full *and* it will be a supermoon. Wow. Total eclipses of full moons are rare, having occurred only five times in the 1900s—in 1910, 1928, 1946, 1964, and 1982. It won't happen again until October 8, 2033. **Mike and Mary Sinkovich**, of the Lackawanna Astronomical Society, will have a telescope and tips to share.

**From Apples to Cider**  
**Sunday, October 18, 2 pm**

Once produced on nearly every farmstead, apple cider is now generally available only from the grocery store. Bring a bag of apples and an empty jug, **Dana Woods** will run those apples through his press, and you'll go home with that jug full of fresh cider. Or just bring a container, and we'll have some fresh cider for sale. Don't want that much? Come sit a spell, watch cider being pressed, and enjoy a glass with us for a donation.



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Exotic birds from **Feathered Kisses** aviary and rescue, Kirkwood, NY.



Exotic animals like hissing cockroaches, a chinchilla, and this armadillo from the **Binghamton ZooMobile**.



Concetta Schirra engaging young people in the natural world.



Dancing with dad! By DA.



Lasagna gardening display by the **Penn State Cooperative Master Gardeners**.