



Friends of Salt Springs Park

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Donations Gratefully Accepted

The damage caused by the August flood represents a huge financial blow to the Friends. We expect our costs alone (in addition to the \$250,000 anticipated to be spent by the Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources) to reach, if not surpass, \$75,000. We have started a GoFundMe campaign and are grateful for the donations received both through the campaign and in the mail and in person. Please join those who have contributed to our flood restoration fund. There is a link to the GoFundMe campaign on both our website homepage and our Facebook page, and our mailing address is PO Box 541, Montrose, PA 18801.

Help Still Needed for Flood Restoration

Volunteers and the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) have put a lot of time and effort into repairing damage from the disastrous flood at Salt Springs Park on August 14. DCNR started in the next day and volunteers began arriving soon afterwards, culminating in the work day on August 25. The Friends truly appreciate everything accomplished so far!

With that said, there is still much more to be done and the Friends can still use your help. We are looking for the following:

- Mini excavators with operators to:
 - ◊ Dig a 150' +/- trench for new electrical conduit to the Barn Pavilion area
 - ◊ Clean out our namesake salt spring and deepen the exit drainage channel
 - ◊ Reopen the main channel in Silver Creek to divert water from the campground
- Tracked skid steers or small tractors with buckets (both with operators) to:
 - ◊ Remove downed trees, snags, and debris in the campground
 - ◊ Fill washouts under Cabin 3
 - ◊ Remove drifts of gravel around the grounds
 - ◊ Start to clear rocks from the picnic area near the salt spring
- Carpenters to build a small kiosk near the Barn Pavilion for new electric service
- Electricians to:
 - ◊ Install conduit in trenches leading to the Williams Pavilion and the Barn Pavilion
 - ◊ Install electric service at a new kiosk by the Barn Pavilion
- Individuals or groups willing to:
 - ◊ Clean mud off floors in the Calvin House and cabins
 - ◊ Clean up the yard around the Calvin House
 - ◊ Spread grass seed on bare areas
 - ◊ Reinstall the wayside sign by the salt spring
 - ◊ Cut up and remove downed trees around the site
 - ◊ Remove stones and other debris from the lawn in front of the Barn Pavilion
 - ◊ Help restore the Organic Garden

And much more...

If you can help with any of these tasks, please call the park office at 570-967-7275 or email friends@saltsspringspark.org. Thanks in advance for your ongoing support!



Art Exhibit & Soup Sale

October 6, 7, & 8

Salt Springs is Number 18 on the **Artists Open House Weekend art tour** this year, featuring our artist-in-residence **Earl W. Lehman** in the historic Carriage Barn every day from 10 a.m. till 6 p.m. Your art collection needs at least one of Earl's landscapes or collages in your "Outstanding Local Artists" section. And, from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m. on Saturday, the 6th, we'll be offering hot soup and bread for sale. Stop for a bite as you enjoy meandering through the countryside on a fall afternoon. A portion of the art sales and all of the soup sales will help support our flood restoration efforts.



Making Fresh Apple Cider—Another Fall Tradition

Sunday, September 30, 2 pm



Once produced on nearly every farmstead, apple cider is now generally available only in stores. Bring your apples (1-bushel *minimum*) and an empty jug, and help **Dana Woods** run those apples through his press. Or, come sit a spell and enjoy watching the fun while listening to the tunes of **Canary Circus**. The **Dairy Princess** and members of her team will be on hand with some free cheese and crackers, and we'll have a few jugs of fresh-pressed cider for sale (whatever we can produce that morning!). \$5; kids 12 & younger, free.

More Weekend Activities

Trees in Our Back Yard. Saturday, September 29, 1-3 p.m. Fall is a glorious time to admire our native Pennsylvania trees. Hike with us to learn the basics of tree ID and some fun facts. \$5; members and kids, free.

Two-Wheeled Tour of Salt Springs Park. Sunday, September 30, 1 p.m. We'll explore some roads and trails, with easy to moderate riding. Free.