



Friends of Salt Springs Park October 2022

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Annual Meeting

The Friends of Salt Springs Park's Annual Meeting was held at the Williams Pavilion on September 18th, with nearly 100 members attending. We socialized for a bit and then had a terrific chicken and pork BBQ picnic dinner catered by **Red Rock BBQ** (Susquehanna Depot).

During the short business meeting afterward, the board of directors, employees, and committees were recognized, and the treasurer gave a short report. **Scott Spicer** and **Matt Lewis** were re-elected to a 3-year second term on the board, and **Dr. Jim Hayes** was elected to a 1-year first term. Next month's newsletter will contain a copy of the 2023 annual budget and introduce you to our newest board member, Dr. Hayes.

Cider Making

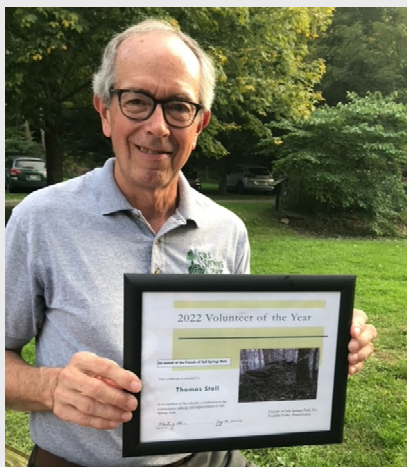
Thank you **Jayne's Orchard** (Laceyville) and **Russell Farms** (Brackney) for donating apples; the Susquehanna County Dairy Princess Alternate **Courtney Marvin** and her Ambassadors **Ava Hughes** and **Lynsey Zawiski** for bringing treats; and all these good people for their time and help with pressing the apples and keeping the cider flowing:

Bill Chance, Marty Kane, Brian Nelson, Scott Spicer, Dorothy Thomas, Ken Thompson, Diane Wurth, and Fabio Xavier.



2022 Volunteer of the Year

Most of you already know **Tom Stoll** from his 6 years on the board, but most don't know how much Tom continued to do for us since he stepped down a year ago. It's a lot. He was instrumental in restoring electricity to the campgrounds, upgrading office technology, and organizing several key events this year. In addition, he helped maintain trails and continued to host on weekends at the Wheaton House. *Thank you, Tom!*



Environmental Education Survey

If you have not already done so, please fill out and return Environmental Education Coordinator **Concetta Schirra's** survey. "As 2022 is coming to a close, we are turning our attention to planning successful environmental education (EE) programs and events for 2023. We want to hear from you about what EE issues and topics are of interest to you."

Mark Your Calendar Full Details on Our Website

Game Night. Friday, October 14, 7 p.m. We offer a family fun game night to learn about the environment on one Friday night of the month. **Fee: Free-will donation.**

Archery for Beginners. Saturday, October 15, 10 a.m. We provide the equipment, targets, and instruction. **Fee: \$5; \$15/family.**

Bird Feeding. Saturday, October 22, 10 a.m. **Evan Mann**, an avid bird-er who spent 30 years working in the wild bird feeding industry, will talk about the species you can expect to see, how to make good choices when buying seed, and the variety of feeders available. **Fee: Free-will donation.**



Discovery Walk: R is for Rambling Rocks. Wednesday, October 26, 1 p.m. In October, we will walk the Meadow Trail and note the changes in the landscape as the greenery fades and other features become more prominent. **Fee: \$5/person; \$15/family; members, free.**



Halloween Fest. Saturday, October 29, 4-8 p.m. Our popular family fall event is back, with lots of pumpkins, activities, games, and food. **Fee: \$5/person; \$20/family; members, 50% discount.**

Geocaching at Salt Springs Park. Sunday, November 6, 1 p.m. Whether you are just curious about geocaching or are a seasoned expert, we will have some tips and treasures for you today. **Fee: \$5; members and kids, free.**

Full Moon Hike. Wednesday, November 9, 6:30 p.m. Come see the park by the light of a full moon. **Fee: \$5/person; \$15/family; members, free.**

Game Night. Friday, November 11, 7 p.m. We offer a family fun game night to learn about the environment on one Friday night of the month. **Fee: Free-will donation.**