



Friends of Salt Springs Park

June 2024

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Independence Party

Saturday, June 29, 11 am

Kick off the holiday at Salt Springs. There will be a Quilt Show in the historic dairy barn, a white elephant sale in the pavilion, and on the grounds will be a plant sale, a quilt raffle, and lots of food and music. Check out the lineup and come for some, or come for all.

- ◇ Quilts in the Barn Exhibit & Quilt Raffle, Upper Dairy Barn
- ◇ White Elephant Sale, Williams Pavilion
- ◇ Homemade-Pie Sale/Auction, Lower Dairy Barn
- ◇ Plant Sale
- ◇ Food Vendors: Cables General Store, with New England Lobster Rolls, \$25, Pinkie's, Mr. Pretzel, Firefly Acres Maple Syrup & Lemonade
- ◇ Dairy Princess Team with Treats
- ◇ John Burdick Vintage Photographs
- ◇ 50/50 Raffle
- ◇ 12:30 - 2:30: *Blue Velvet* Big Band music



This quilt will be raffled off throughout the Quilt Show. You need not be present to win.



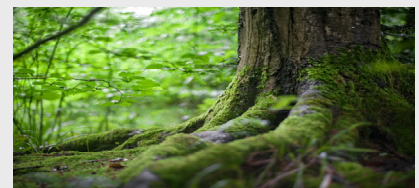
Blue Velvet is a 13-piece dance-oriented Big Band and have been entertaining people for over 2 decades. Their many popular dance music styles, from the 40s to the present, include swing, cha cha, tango, rumba, fox trot, waltz, polka, pop hits, and ballads.

Upcoming Programs

Butterfly Sweep. Saturday, July 13, 3 p.m. Butterflies are found in our yards, gardens, and parks, but naming them all can be a bit tricky. Join Tony DeSantis, EES at Lackawanna SP, for a stroll around our gardens in the West Meadow to learn which butterflies are found in the area and how to identify them. Nets will be provided. This program is designed for adults. **Fee: Free-will donation.**

Bat Count. Saturday, July 13, 8:30 p.m. Did you know that Salt Springs Park is home to a colony of bats? We want to learn more about this population, so we're taking part in the PA Game Commission's Appalachian Bat Count initiative to monitor the health of our bats, and you can help. After a brief introduction, we'll count our resident bats as they emerge from their maternal roost. Bring something to sit on and a flashlight. The count will be led by Lackawanna State Park's Environmental Education Specialist **Tony DeSantis**. **Fee: Free-will donation.**

Forest Bathing. Saturday, July 20, 9:30 a.m. Treat yourself to a mindful moment at the Park. Our time will include slow meditative moments as we allow nature to nurture us using our five senses. Enjoy this rejuvenating and healing experience with nature as you come away feeling refreshed and energized **Fee: Free for members/\$5**



Moth Party. Friday, July 26, 9 p.m. When the sun goes down, the moths come out. Moths are among the most diverse organisms on earth, and we want to see what is flying around the night skies at Salt Springs Park. We will set up drop sheets and lights to attract them in. Lackawanna State Park's Environmental Education Specialist **Tony DeSantis** will point out the different species and explain their roles in the ecosystem. You may come and go as you please. **Fee: Free-will donation.**

Archery for Beginners. Saturday, July 27, 10 a.m. until noon. Our beginner's program is based on the National Archery in Schools Program, which makes it easy for anyone to learn. We provide the equipment, and you bring your focus. All ages are welcome. This is a great family activity taught by **Diane Wurth**, a NASP-certified instructor. **Meet by the Dairy Barn Fee: \$5; \$15/family.**

Taste of the Endless Mountains

Beer & Wine Festival

Saturday, August 17



Mark your calendars for this relaxing fundraising event! Sample the products of local breweries, cideries, and wineries. We'll also have food and art vendors and live music.

Special Thanks

Thanks go out to Brian Carter, a Wheaton family member, for a donation of some historic photos. There is one of Philip Wheaton, Brian's great grandfather, another showing the road bridge, one of the Wheaton House and lastly one showing the iconic waterfall view. We hope to reframe and add these to our historical collection.

A note to our valued members—We have transitioned to sending renewal reminders via email whenever possible. This is to save printing and postage costs in addition to being more sustainable. If you wish to receive renewal notices in the mail, please let us know.

Renew your membership any time: <https://friendsofsaltspringspark.org/membership/>