



Volunteers are not paid ~
not because they are
worthless,
but because they are
PRICELESS.

About Friends of the Parks

'*Friends of the Parks*' is a volunteer organization that provides educational activities on behalf of Indiana County Parks & Trails and Yellow Creek State Park. Our programs supplement the educational and service activities of Indiana County Parks & Trails and Yellow Creek State Park.

The group was founded in 1983 by Joanne Henry with the assistance of community members and the staff from the parks. The organization is administered by a dedicated group of individuals interested in nature and ecological issues.

Since 1983, *Friends of the Parks* has sponsored approximately 40 programs per year with an annual average attendance of 1,200 participants. The programs are held in the Indiana County Parks or at Yellow Creek State Park. Our members and guest speakers cover a series of wide-ranging topics related to ecology, nature, animal life, and travels to distant lands and seas.

For more information on the sites where offer programs please visit the following websites:

<http://www.indianacountyparks.org>

<http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/findapark/yellowcreek>

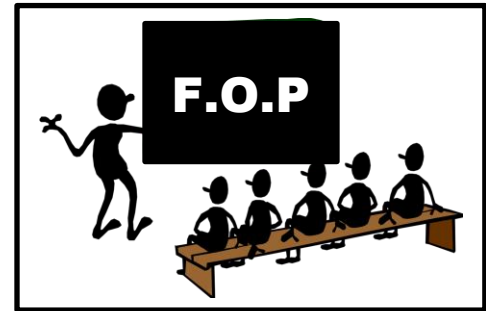
About the Friends of the Parks Board

The Board consists of between eight and ten members. The election of officers of the Board occurs at the fall meeting in November. The following are the board positions of *Friends of the Parks*. The positions marked with an asterisk are positions we are seeking to fill immediately.

- ✓ Chairperson
- ✓ Treasurer
- ✓ Publicity Coordinator
- ✓ Newsletter Editor(s)

- ⊗ Program Coordinator(s) *
- ⊗ Recording Secretary *
- ⊗ Public Relations Coordinator *

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Expectations and Responsibilities of a Board Member

- **Serve a term of four years.**
- **Attend four meetings per year.** The following are our scheduled meetings for 2012:
 - May 8th, 2012 6:00 p.m.
at Yellow Creek Environmental Learning Center
 - August 21st, 2012 6:00 p.m.
at Blue Spruce Park Office
 - September 25th, 2012 6:00 p.m.
at Yellow Creek Environmental Learning Center
 - November 13th, 2012 6:00 p.m.
at Blue Spruce Park Office
- **Host several programs each year;** these are generally on Saturday and Sunday. As a host you will record program attendance, introduce the speaker and assist the host with program presentation needs at the program site.
- **Assist with program planning by recruiting speakers and working with speakers to submit a program form and information.**
- **We are a non-profit organization that does not require major fundraising campaigns.** We do solicit memberships from our supporters via our program guide and newsletters to cover our limited operating costs.

Note: Serving on the Board does not require that you sell anything.



How You Can Help . . .

If you would be interested in serving on the ***Friends of the Parks Board*** and assisting us in our efforts . . . please contact Brenda, Jim or Rebecca.

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