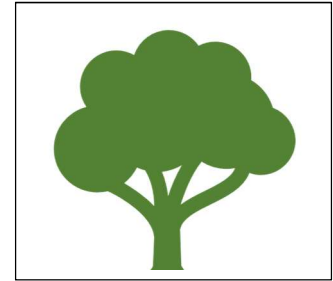


# Friends of Spring Mill Newsletter Summer 2019



## Memorial Day at the Spring Mill Village

The Friends of Spring Mill put the bang in the Living History Weekend over the Memorial Day holiday again this year. The Friends were able to donate \$225 to the Civil War Reenactors Group to purchase the powder to fire the munitions during the battles.

The soldiers appreciate our financial support of their battles. Many visitors to the park enjoyed the encampments and battles that took place.

### Upcoming dates to remember!

**Adopt a Highway Cleanup June 23**

**CRIST Motorcycle Ride June 29**

**Abe Lincoln June 29**

**Concession Stand Dates:**

**Independence Day July 6,7**

**Grissom Day July 20**

Friends President Teena Ligman and Treasurer John Castrale presenting a check to one of the reenactors.



## Concession Stand Update!

The Friends of Spring Mill set a record for sales over the Memorial Day Weekend!

Over \$600 in sales were made in the three days the stand was open.

This sale greatly improves the shape of our budget.

We are still looking for unique items to sell. We cannot offer items that the park already sells, so the unique souvenirs made by our members are greatly appreciated. Visitors appreciate the fact that many of the items are created by our members and /or manufactured locally.

If you have an idea for a sale item, please contact Tina so the item can be approved to sell.



## CRISP Motorcycle Ride

The Friends of Spring Mill will be collaborating with the Lawrence County Tourism and Spring Mill State Park in sponsoring the CRISP Motorcycle Ride on June 29.

Riders will be visiting three state properties, of which Spring Mill is one. They will be having a catered lunch in the Red Cross Cabin at Spring Mill. Riders receive a passport that will be stamped at three different locations within the park.

All groups start at Hardy Lake. According to the CRISP website, route one riders go from Charlestown State Park to Spring Mill State Park where they can stop at points of interest and learn about the park including information on native son Gus Grissom. After the ride they can enjoy lunch provided by the Spring Mill Friend's Group.

A portion of the registration is going to support Friends of Spring Mill.



## Thank you to VFW

A BIG THANK YOU to the Bedford VFW who recently donated \$2000 to the Friends of Spring Mill. The donation will help fund our goal of purchasing an All-Terrain wheelchair for use by park visitors. We now have \$4500 of the \$12500 needed to purchase the vehicle.

## Adopt a Highway

The Friends group adopted a two mile stretch of Highway 60 along Spring Mill Park last year. As part of the agreement, The Friends need to clean the stretch four times a year.

Come join us for the next clean-up on June 23 at 1 P.M. Meet at the park entrance

## Trees

Friends of Spring Mill received a grant from the Indiana Parks Alliance to plant trees in the park.

Pictured at left, Rowena Cross-Najafi receives a check from Tom Hohman of the Indiana Parks Alliance.

John Castrale will meet with Park Manager Mark Young to select the trees and look at sites for the plantings.

## NEW BOARD MEMBERS!!

The Friends groups has two new board members. They are

## Abraham Lincoln Visit

Friends of Spring Mill State Park is bringing the Faces of Lincoln exhibit to the Pioneer Village from June 29 through July 25. This program is on loan through the Indiana Historical Society. The Friends group has joined the Historical Society with the purpose of being able to bring educational exhibits, such as this Lincoln Program, to the park. On June 29, to help kick off the display, Lincoln (Danny Russell) will be performing in the Pioneer Village at 3:30 P.M.

## Trail Challenge

Friends of Spring Mill will be sponsoring a Trail Challenge in the near future. It will run through Labor Day Weekend. Visitors who hike all the trails in the park will be eligible to purchase a Park Trails shirt online for \$25. The honor system is being used in this challenge. President Teens Ligman is designing the Spring Mill shirt. Proceeds from the Trail Challenge will be donated to Friends of Spring Mill.

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Meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month at Spring Mill State Park. In the warm months they are in the Lakeview Activity Center. In the cool months they are in the Park Office.

