

## It's finally Spring!



## Happy Easter

Photo taken by Nancy Remmler

### Message from our President,

## **Gretchen Darlington**

Dear Friends,

The robins are back, so Spring must be coming soon! Now that we're almost dug out of the snow, we've started a couple of our 2019 projects.

The Friends are funding the purchase and installation of two water bottle filling stations at the Park. It is hoped that these will reduce the use of plastic water bottles and, in turn, reduce the amount of non-degradable litter as well as increase access to clean water for Park visitors. One station will be located in the Camper Services building and the other in the Comfort Station. Thanks to our maintenance staff, Barry and Dan, for getting these stations installed.

We are also making plans for our first Art in the Park event. On May 25 -27, the Friends will hold a mixed media show as our first fund raiser. What is a "mixed media" show, you may ask (I did). This show will have a variety of art e.g. watercolors, ceramics, paintings, batiks, woodworking, fused glass, pottery and greeting cards. Please plan to come, enjoy the park and maybe find an item or two that you can't live without. A portion of each sale is donated by the artist and will go directly to the Park to help fund activities and projects.

Gretchen Darlington

#### Mueller State Park Programs for April 2019

Interested in become a Park volunteer? Check out the New Volunteer training session on Saturday April 27 beginning at 10 a.m. in the Visitor Center. For more information, contact **Linda Groat**.

### SAVE THE DATES: May 25 - 27 Spring Art Festival



This is a list of artists that will be a part of the Spring Art Festival. More info will be on our website soon about the artists or Email **Susan** if you have specific questions.

Anna Carrillo - Fused Glass Steve Castle - Watercolors Dixie Clare - Paintings Diane Evergreen - Jewelry Eric Fetsch - Watercolors Russ Frisinger - Photography Aline Joy Goodchild - Small Watercolors Elizabeth Hacker - Photography + Pottery Sue Marion - Watercolors Diane McMicken - Small Pencil Baby Critters Carol Milisen - Photography + Woodworking Mikayla Moors - Young Artist + Photographer Vaness Rose - Critter Prints Carmen Ramirez - Paintings Jimmie Sims - Watercolors Bill Smith - Photography Umeno Smith - Paintings Mary Taylor - Batik Annette Williams - Photography

Some artists will have greeting cards for sale!

## To Make You Smile:)

Naturalist Cindi started writing down comments from her hikers and decided to share these.

Can bring my cat on the hike? He is leash trained and will walk right beside all of us. ■ Is there а map in the Visitor Center that ONLY shows all

of the downhill and flat trails? Please pave the trails, SO they can be plowed to remove the snow. ■ From а camper on one of my hikes: Please keep the coyotes quiet. They kept me up all night. Can I get my husband lost on this

trail and leave him here? From а 6 year old visitor-Does Santa let Rudolph live here during the summer?

# Next Friends Meeting is 04/17/2019, 3-4:30 p.m. at the Visitor Center.

We need your support and input for park projects and programs. Even if you cannot attend a meeting, please email your suggestions and ideas to **FriendsOfMuellerSP@gmail.com**.

Have you taken an amazing **photo** at the Park that you would like to share on our Newsletter or Website? Email it to us at **FriendsOfMuellerSP@gmail.com**.

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