



## Your donation dollars at work!



*This area at the entrance to the Park, is finally being landscaped. Working with the maintenance staff, Friends' volunteers have placed boulders, the elk and mapped out the walkway. The hardscape is next. Plants and trees will be added in the spring.*

## Message from our President

Dear Friends,

Thank you to those of you who visited our fine art show last weekend. Your support is appreciated. A big thank you goes to Friends, Barbara and Susan, whose hard work and long hours made the show another successful fundraiser, and another big thanks to all of the Friends volunteers who helped with the show.

We are sometimes asked what it is that Friends of Mueller does. A quick answer to that question is in our mission statement:

The mission of the Friends of Mueller State Park is to raise funds to support Park projects, especially those related to education and enhancing visitor experience, and to promote preservation of the Park's resources, history and culture.

A broader answer is that we raise funds, which then goes directly to the Park for projects identified jointly by the Park and the Friends. Our favorite project is supporting Linda Groat's wonderful programs for elementary student field trips to the Park, where they learn about life zones, flora, fauna, topography, geography, and how to use maps, compass and GPS.

The Friends has paid for field trip bus transportation for over 2500 students, partly with the help of the Woodland Park Rotary. We intend to continue doing this, and your donations will help us get more children away from screens and out into the natural world.

Donations can be made through our [website](#).

Thanks again for your support.

Ron Moore

### **Mueller State Park Programs for August 2019**

#### **WESTERN HERITAGE DAY, Saturday August 24**

10-2 pm at the Visitor Center and Livery

The Mueller family raised horses and cattle on this land, and homesteaders survived here. Celebrate the ranching history of Mueller and the old west with family-fun things to do and see from our Western Heritage! Pioneer crafts, cooking, leather work, live animals and more! Watch Facebook for more details! Hope you can join us.

## **Fine Arts Show & Sale**

The paintings were amazing. A portion of each sale was donated by the artist to the Friends of Mueller State Park. We thank everyone that purchased a painting. You are supporting local artists and the current and future Park projects.



*Visitors mingle with the artists.*



*Volunteers did an awesome job setting up the panels and the lights for the artists to display their paintings.*

## Did you ever wonder how the trails got their names?

**Dynamite Cabin** - Dynamite was used to blast out a road bed, for mining, or a stock pond. When some old timers discovered a box of the now highly volatile stuff in the old cabin, they were faced with a delicate and dangerous task of removal.

This information was provided by **Annie Carter** who is a Local Artist, Writer and Historian.

We need your support and input for park projects and programs. Please email your suggestions and ideas to [FriendsOfMuellerSP@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsOfMuellerSP@gmail.com).

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