

April 23, 2025

Letter from the Friends

Dear Fellow Friends,

It's hard to believe it's
things going on at the



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of Potato Creek President

already April of 2025! There are lots of
Park and with the Friends group.

Most significantly the FOPC has restored our Friends webpage. We are posting activities, photos and information as well as registrations, donations and memberships. We have a QR code to direct you to the website. We have had a current Facebook presence now for over a year. Thus our communications within the community have dramatically increased.

FOPC sponsored an Invasive Plant Symposium March 29, 2025 featuring 3 speakers. What a wealth of information was shared that day! And as importantly was the networking between groups and individuals in our area.

FOPC has been awarded two grants to plant native plants in the parking lot islands near the Nature Center. We will begin the preparation and planting of this area soon. We will post information and photos on Facebook and the web site so you can track our progress. The grants were awarded by Indiana Native Plant Society and Indiana Parks Alliance.

Our Summer Concert Series has been very popular over the last few years. We began our series some years ago with grants from Indiana Arts Commission. During Covid these grants were discontinued. The Friends have continued to sponsor concerts from private donations from businesses or persons in our community. If you or your family or business would like to sponsor or partially sponsor a concert at the park, please let us know! The last few years the Friends group has sponsored speakers on some weekends during the warm months. We have had everything from authors to woods on Wheels to an expert on Bats to one on bobcats. This year will be no exception. Watch our media sites for dates, details and times.

We appreciate all of you! Thank you for your support. There are many volunteer opportunities at the Park due to budget cuts. Call Marie our DNR Naturalist at the Nature Center if you would like to help out. The Friends group also needs help at our events. It's another way to meet like-minded new Friends.

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