



FRIENDS of BREAKHEART RESERVATION

News

Electronic newsletter

Our first "electronic" newsletter has proven to be quite successful. We have seen an approximate 65% drop in the printed version and more people signing on for the email version every day.

If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, as well as a weekly update regarding Breakheart going on, send us an email at: breakheart1@aol.com.

The scoop on poop

One of the most often heard complaints is about people who do not pick up after their dogs. We provide pick up bags at both gates and at Bark Place, and the DCR has adequate barrels available so it can't be said that we aren't doing our part. It comes down to individuals just being rude and inconsiderate. We plan to start an active leafleting campaign in the near future putting bags and information directly into the hands of dog walkers. In the meantime, if you see someone who is not being considerate of others by leaving doggy land mines along the roads and trails, perhaps you might want to tell them how you feel.

Breakheart bean supper

Our first fund raising meal was an unqualified success. We will be holding a pancake breakfast in April (see events calendar) and many new and exciting events in the future. ❁



It's sugarin' time again at Breakheart

Children's laughter, the mix of sweet steam and wood smoke in the air, fiddle music.

Once again the sights and sounds and smells remind us that before we know it, spring will be here.

Come join us as we continue well into our second decade of this springtime tradition. March 19th and 20th are our public days this year. Watch for posters and community event calendars for additional details. ❁

Food drive

As part of our continuing outward focus into the local communities, and encouraged by the huge success of our coat drive last November, the DCR and the Friends will jointly sponsor a food drive during the months of March and April. We will be looking for canned or bottled food only. Donations will be divided among area food banks. In addition, a can of food will earn you a one-dollar discount on your admission to maple sugaring. ❁

Where do my donations go?

The Friends recently purchased 10 new chairs for the conference room. The old ones were showing their age and the new ones are a much better looking match to the table and the carpeting.

The Friends funded a recent slide lecture and a tracking hike by naturalist David Brown.

A donation was made to the International Response Fund in the name of the Friends of Breakheart for tsunami relief. ❁

upcoming events

March 2, April 6, May 4 – 10 to 11 am

MEET the BREAKHEART STAFF Light refreshments will be served.

March 6, April 10, May 1 – 10:30 to 11:30 am

STORY HOUR at BREAKHEART

Nature related story, craft and snack suitable for preschoolers.

March 19 & 20 – 10 am to 2 pm

MAPLE SUGARIN' at BREAKHEART

Reservations not required. Self guided tour of the sugaring process with interpreters at each station. Pancakes, popcorn and hot cocoa served in front of the fire.

Admission \$3 per person, \$2 with donation of canned food for a local food bank.

March 26 – 1 pm EASTER EGG HUNT Call 781-233-0834 for details.

April 3 – 10 am to noon / \$5.00 per person

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Call 781-710-3129 for reservations.

Come and enjoy a pancake breakfast with all the trimmings.

April 3 – noon to 2 pm

CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS (CCC) HIKE

Join a ranger for an easy to moderate two mile hike as we explore some of the work of the CCC in Breakheart in the 1930's. The hike will be followed by a twenty minute slide presentation.

May 7 – 10 am to 2 pm

BREAKHEART CLEANUP and BBQ Call 781-233-0834 for details.

Join the Friends & the DCR in our spring cleanup. BBQ lunch served for all helpers.

May 14 – 10 am to 12:30 pm

BIRDING PROGRAM with NATURALIST DAVE BROWN

A combination hike, slide show and Q & A period at one of the better times of year to observe Breakheart's birds.

May 15 – 11 am FRIENDS of BREAKHEART 5K ROAD RACE

Free 5k fun run. Tee shirts while supplies last, raffle prizes, refreshments.

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FRIENDS of BREAKHEART RESERVATION

Attn: Membership Director

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