

April 10, 2012 Friends of Harmonie State Park (FHSP) Minutes

The April meeting was held at the Red Bank Library in Evansville, IN. 30 people were present.

Minutes for March meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report for March was read and approved. Ending balance was \$2538.16.

A brief background discussion was held to get new attendees up to speed about "why" the friends group started and our goals.

Fred will send a Thank You card to Tom Pfender of Creative Craftsmen, Inc. for the stainless steel band he donated. The steel band was installed on the tree cookie by Joe Stoltz to keep the cookie from further splitting. The tree cookie is one of the best teaching aids to children and adults on things happening in a tree and environmental effects on trees.

Amelia gave a brief update on Harmonie State Park activities. The second playground in the Campground was recently finished. They are working on the third playground near the back of the campground. Several volunteers will be needed to drill holes and install the rods in the borders when completed. At least one restroom is now open for public use and several more are being readied.

Bob Peak, a member of Friends of Lake Barkley State Resort Park, gave a very interesting and informative presentation to the group on Bluebirds. Bob showed a video on Bluebird habitat, what predation they face, the different types of nests and eggs and how to identify bird species. A question and answer session ended the presentation. Denny Hargett and Rita Hoefling were winners of bluebird houses given away by Bob and Judy Peak.

The next FHSP meeting will be Tuesday, May 22 at 6:00 pm at the Alexandrian Library in Mt Vernon IN. Please bring a friend!