

Complete the details below and send it to The Friends of Presqu'ile Park, PO Box 1442, Brighton ON, K0K 1H0. Alternatively, you can drop this form off at any office within Presqu'ile Park or with the Park Host.



I would like more information about volunteer opportunities.

Name

Telephone

E-mail

Please indicate the preferred day(s)/time(s) when you would like us to contact you

If you would like to contact us, please call 613 475 1688 or e-mail us at [info@friendsofpresquile.on.ca](mailto:info@friendsofpresquile.on.ca)

## THE LIGHTHOUSE INTERPRETIVE CENTRE

The Friends of Presqu'ile raised approximately \$65,000 towards exhibits including the Satellite Image at the Lighthouse Interpretive Centre.

We have helped to provide: the two interpretive programs about the History of Presqu'ile Park and the Recreational History; the cultural history displays about rumrunners, shipwrecks and pirates; and the hologram program about the 'Loss of the Speedy'.

## THE MARSH BOARDWALK

Between March 2007 and Sept 2009, we concentrated our efforts on our most ambitious project to date: the replacement of the 1.2 km Marsh Boardwalk, incorporating 900 metres of boardwalk, two viewing towers, three teaching zones, and three bridges.



Volunteer Boardwalk builders

Photo: J Alker

We raised over \$325,000 (\$100,000 of this came from the general public) and our team of volunteers built what is one of the most important features of Presqu'ile Park. We will cover the cost of the interpretive signage that will be designed and installed by Ontario Parks.

Our efforts are rewarded daily by the many visitors who now enjoy the new Marsh Boardwalk year-round.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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# Be a friend of the Park



# Volunteer



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## WE WELCOME YOUR SKILLS

We'd be very interested in discussing with you how you can enjoy all the fun and rewarding experiences by volunteering with the Friends.

**Many of our volunteers are members and many are not.** Being a member is not a prerequisite to volunteering with the Friends; it is your decision.

We are looking for many different skills to run our organization successfully and at a level of input to suit yourself.

Do you have:

- ◇ organizational skills
- ◇ experience in coaching, teaching or other method of instruction
- ◇ a friendly disposition with good interpersonal skills
- ◇ retail know-how
- ◇ a love of writing
- ◇ computer skills

Are you a handy person? We need people who would like to help with: carpentry, decorating, display, or maintenance.

Or, do you just like doing things for fun?

We need all of these.

**If you would like to find out more, please complete the form. We will contact you.**

## BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING

- ◇ Enjoy many rewarding and fun activities that take place throughout the year in the Park.
- ◇ You can help teach kids (both young and old) about the environment around them.
- ◇ You will be contributing to your community.

## WHO ARE THE FRIENDS?

We are a 100% volunteer organization consisting of people just like you, who share an interest in this beautiful resource, Presqu'ile Provincial Park.

## WHAT DO THE FRIENDS DO?

The Friends of Presqu'ile Park support the many educational and interpretive programs in the Park.

We have a fun and rewarding time:

- ◇ developing the new Kids 'n Nature program
- ◇ developing children's activity books and handouts for kids' programs in the Park
- ◇ designing and building displays
- ◇ staffing of the Friends' Lighthouse Gift Shop
- ◇ 'producing and directing' our Christmas at Presqu'ile Arts and Crafts Show
- ◇ staffing of the Nature Centre



*Visitors in the Nature Centre*

- ◇ developing trail guides, flora/fauna checklists; butterfly books; the deer book and Identi-wheel
- ◇ cooking and serving at our summer BBQs
- ◇ supporting and manning the Special Weekends, both historical and natural, such as: Waterfowl Weekend; Warblers and Whimbrels Weekend; History Weekend; and Monarchs and Migrants Weekend
- ◇ building viewing stations
- ◇ providing interpretive panels in the Park
- ◇ managing special projects, such as fund-raising for and building the new Marsh Boardwalk.

All of these produce our core product — fund-raising to support the programs in the Park and to help pay for the summer student interpreters.

According to Ontario Parks, the Friends' contributions over the last 21 years is valued at over \$4 million in funding and volunteer hours.

## HOW DO WE DO ALL THIS?

While our fund-raising may appear to be a major part of our efforts, we are very involved in the day-to-day running of some of the activities in the Park.

## THE FRIENDS' LIGHTHOUSE GIFT SHOP

Located at the Lighthouse Interpretive Centre, our Gift Shop carries a wide range of exciting and unique products. Our volunteers help to staff the Shop and we also provide employment for two students during the summer months.



*Joyce Boucher  
at the Friends' Gift Shop*

## CHRISTMAS AT PRESQU'ILE JURIED ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW

About 300 volunteers, members and friends of the Friends, help to put on our Arts and Crafts Show in early November. It has become among the most popular pre-Christmas events in Eastern Ontario.