

Mines of Spain State Recreation Area
E.B. Lyons Interpretive Center
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NEWS RELEASE

Mines of Spain Receives Grant from Dubuque Racing Association

The Friends of the Mines of Spain recently received a grant from the Dubuque Racing Association Ltd. in Dubuque, Iowa. The grant amount awarded was for \$4,958.13. The funds were used to purchase a laptop computer, portable theater screen, and a desktop computer. The equipment will be used at the E. B. Lyons Interpretive Center at the Mines of Spain Recreation Area. The desktop computer will be used to track volunteers, develop programs/ exhibits, design hands-on interactive media for visitors, and create documents for the Center. The laptop computer and portable screen will be used to provide programs on and off site. Each year thousands of people visit the interpretive center to explore the exhibits and displays and to attend numerous interpretive and educational programs provided by staff, volunteers, and guest speakers. Schools and other youth organizations come to the center as part of a field trip to learn about the Mines of Spain and it's natural and cultural resources. The staff at the Mines of Spain will be better equipped to design and provide exceptional programming and educational materials. The center has an auditorium that can seat up to 175 people for programs, seminars, training sessions, conferences and other educational venues. The equipment will be available for programming during these events. For more information on upcoming programs or to reserve the multi-function room at the center call 563-556-0620 or go to www.minesofspain.org

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