

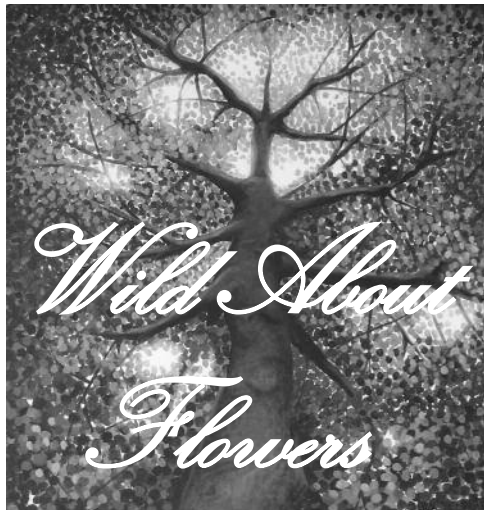


**Bowman's Hill**  
WILDFLOWER PRESERVE  
Where Mind, Heart and Spirit Bloom



## Twinleaf Newsletter Spring 2014

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## Spring Garden Gala

The 2014 *Wild about Flowers* Spring Garden Gala will be held at the Preserve on Saturday, April 26. This year the evening will be a celebration of the Preserve's spectacular collection of native trees. Festivities include cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and a silent auction at the Pavilion, followed by dinner featuring locally grown and organic selections. A spirited live auction and dancing round out the affair. Guests are also invited to explore the stunning spring wildflower beauty of the Preserve on a Naturalist led walk. In keeping with the theme of trees, we're pleased to add blooming specimen trees and original photography to our silent auction.

We are pleased to announce that Alison Hargreaves is serving as chair for our 11<sup>th</sup> annual Gala. Alison is supported by co-chairs Betsy Falconi and Jacqui Griffith, the fantastic Gala Committee, and Preserve staff.

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## Don't Miss Dale Hendricks at our Spring Native Plant Sale Members' Day

Hello volunteers, members, and friends of BHWP. In a word, we expect 2014 to be BUSY. The months leading up to our spring plant sale are always challenging, so spring will be busy as it always is. This spring we'll be hosting Dale Hendricks of Green Light Plants out of Landenberg, PA at our Members' Preview Event. His lecture, "Native Plants and Permaculture: Building Resilience, Diversity and Opportunity", will include discussion on native plants intrinsic role in permaculture. From edible natives to making peace with invasive plants, Dale will be offering fresh ways to live and garden in harmony with ones natural environment.

In addition to our bi-annual plant sales, we have significant plans to update the nursery which will allow us to improve our plant production. The good news is that the Preserve has received some grant money as well as some very generous private donations. These funds have been set aside specifically to renovate the nursery. At present we are in the process of replacing our dilapidated nursery fence. Come fall, the plan is to have a new heated greenhouse installed. This will allow us to propagate (and enjoy!) more unusual & rare species.

I'm excited, and I know you are too. As always, I want to send a special thanks to my volunteers and donors. You play a vital role in the success of the Preserve.

*-Bob Mahler*



*Mark your Calendar!*

## Spring Native Plant Sale Members' Preview Friday May 9

Preview Shopping: 2:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Preview Lecture: 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Dale Hendricks, Green Light Plants LLC

*"Native Plants and Permaculture:*

*Building Resilience, Diversity and Opportunity"*

MEMBERS' PREVIEW IS FREE FOR PRESERVE MEMBERS ONLY.

*Please note, Guest Passes can not be used for admission to Members' only events.*

Our spring Native Plant Sale opens to the public on Sat., May 10 and continues through Sun., June 1, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00p.m. Closed Mondays.



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The Preserve is located 2 ½ miles south of New Hope, PA at 1635 River Road (Route 32). Open year-round. The grounds are open from 8:30 a.m. – sunset daily. Visitor Center and Twinleaf Shop are open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, Memorial Day, and Labor Day; closed Thanksgiving Day and 12/24 through 1/1.

Admission:  
Preserve members – FREE  
Non-members – adults, \$5; seniors (62+), \$3; full-time students, \$3; children 4 through 14, \$2; children under 4, free.

**Preserve Staff :**  
A. Miles Arnott, Executive Director  
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Kelly Joslin, Education Coordinator  
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Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve inspires the appreciation and use of native plants by serving as a sanctuary and an educational resource for conservation and stewardship.

Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve is managed by the Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve Association, Inc. in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



Message from the Director

When you visit the Preserve this spring you will notice that the staff and volunteers have been very busy over the winter. Most noticeable are the upgrades to our nursery facility. Thanks to several significant grants from the McLean Contributionship, the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust, the generosity of individual donors, and the hard work of dedicated volunteers, we have erected a new fence to replace the dilapidated old one that was failing due to time and nature. We trimmed the trees that were encroaching on the growing areas, and we are building a new hoop-house and greenhouse to improve our production facilities. This means greater varieties and quantities of native plants available to you at our plant sales and for restoration projects around the state.

Additionally our staff and volunteers have been working on a butterfly safari -- a self guided exploration of the Preserve that focuses on the relationships between butterflies and the native plants they depend upon for food and shelter. We will also be producing and installing the educational panels on the Audubon Birding Trail, focusing on the plants of the Pidcock Creek floodplain and their relationship to the birds who live at the Preserve. These are just a few of the projects we have been focusing on as an organization – there are many more fresh new ideas in the planning stages to help us lead in the field of environmental education and conservation.

I invite you to visit the Preserve this spring and discover all of the interesting initiatives we have been working on to tell our fascinating story. With your help as members and volunteers we are exploring new ways to inspire action and change behavior. Thank you for your ongoing membership support – it is what keeps us vibrant and growing!

- Miles Arnott, Executive Director



Workers braved the January cold to install the new perimeter fence around our Nursery.

Special Thanks

To the Lingohocken Garden Club for trimming a holiday tree for wildlife.

We'd like to extend special thanks to the following instructors who have donated their time, talent, and expertise to our winter programs:

Mary Anne Borge, Ed Lignowski, Ph.D., Elena Tartaglia, Ph.D. & Sandy Unger

Wish List

After enduring this harsh winter, we would love to have a gas-powered snow blower in working condition to help keep our parking lot and walkways clear.

The bird feeders have been particularly active this winter. Both food and water are critical to the well-being of our feathered friends and they are eating through our seed supply at a record pace. Each day we've counted at least fifteen different species at the feeders. Please consider a small donation to help us help the birds. Donations of the following items would be welcomed:

- Black oil sunflower seeds
- Thistle (nijer) seeds
- A heated bird bath (or a donation to purchase one for approximately \$ 50)
- Tube feeder

Lastly we are seeking an i-Pad and protective case to be used as an electronic field guide, audio and visual aid during educational programs.

Thank you for your generosity!

People

Welcome to our Newest Trustee

We are pleased to welcome Robert Goodwin to the Board of Trustees. A Bucks County native, Robert has an interior design and architectural practice in New Hope. As a child his mother frequently took him and his brothers to both the Preserve and Upper Washington Crossing Park for picnics and walks. “We always enjoyed the sense of discovery and seasonal change.” Mr. Goodwin chose to serve as Trustee because, “the Preserve is a unique asset, not just for this area but for all of us nationally, especially today as we continue to minimize the natural habitat of our flora and fauna.” Robert has served as a member of the Board of Directors and a vice president for the New Hope Historical Society. He currently serves on the Board of the Riverside Symphonia. He hopes to “be part of the promotion and growth of the Preserve so that it continues to inspire.” We are grateful to have Robert lend his talents and expertise to the Preserve’s Board of Trustees.

Special Thanks to Betsy Falconi

Betsy Falconi, Chair of the Board of Trustees for Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve, completed her four-year term as Chair at the end of 2013. During her time as Board Chair, Betsy led the Preserve to many important accomplishments.

During Betsy’s tenure as Chair, the Gala doubled in scope, providing critical operating support for the Preserve and its educational mission. She helped guide the Preserve’s many development initiatives including the growth of the Annual Fund which allows us to deliver new and exciting educational programming year after year. Perhaps most notable was the successful fundraising campaign for, and subsequent construction of the Preserve’s breathtaking new Pond, a destination that combines beautiful aesthetics with unparalleled learning opportunities.

Not only has Betsy been a passionate advocate for the Preserve in the community, she also understands the importance of her personal touch to engage and lead her fellow Trustees. Her presence and hard work at so many special events, from Plant Sales to Volunteer Brunches, inspired the staff and volunteers and contributed so much to the spirit of teamwork and cooperation that defines the culture here. Thank you Betsy for being a role model, for leading by example, and for pouring so much of your heart and soul into this special place over the last four years. Your leadership has been inspiring.



Thank you to George Donovan

After 5 years of outstanding service the Preserve’s Vice-Chair George Donovan resigned from the Board of Trustees in order to oversee the growth of his business – Phillips and Donovan Architects, LLC. The Preserve completed several important projects thanks to George’s expertise and generously donated time. Perhaps most notable was his leadership on the Pond Committee. His experience was invaluable in helping to navigate the bidding process with contractors, and his pro-bono work on the design and permitting of the pond’s charming springhouse. George also provided pro-bono concept drawings for the Preserve’s Master Plan developed in 2006. Additionally, George’s leadership on the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce was key to the Preserve’s hosting of the hugely successful Business Card Exchange held in summer of 2013. Thank you George, for lending the Preserve your leadership skills, your incredible architectural expertise and sense of aesthetics, and for being an all-around terrific board member. You have contributed mightily to an amazingly productive Board and earned the respect and admiration of everyone here. We will miss you and hope you will continue to be part of the Preserve in whatever capacity you are able.

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# Preserve Celebrates our Dedicated Volunteers



Volunteers are an important piece to the success of our mission. Our annual Appreciation Lunch, held on November 16, 2013, is just one small way we can thank our dedicated and talented team of volunteers.

The theme of the event, “You’re an important piece of the Preserve” lent itself nicely in decorating the Visitor Center in puzzle pieces. Table arrangements, wreaths, and garland were all handmade from old jigsaw puzzles and recycled paper. Limited edition Bowman’s Hill Wildflower Preserve puzzles were given away by Myles Arnott, Executive Director, as prizes during a trivia contest.

The festive event was enjoyed by more than 65 of our hard working Volunteers, joined together with staff and Trustees, to mingle, eat, and celebrate.

Every volunteer, no matter how many hours they are able to donate, is greatly appreciated. Those who donated more than 50 hours to the Preserve in 2013 were recognized with a gift of appreciation. The top five volunteers with the most hours: Dave Horne - 375 hours, Michael Glenn - 285 hours, Stephanie Lovenguth - 249 hours, Barbara Bailes - 239 hours, Pat Saunders - 225 hours. Special recognition was given to our youngest volunteer, Nick Mount, who donated 70 hours of his summer vacation to the Preserve. Nick was honored with the Acorn Award and recognized for his broad knowledge of native plants and environmental issues. Gala Committee Volunteers, Trustees, and those with 5, 10, and 15 years of service to the Preserve were also presented with certificates of dedication.

Our event was made possible with the generosity of our neighbors and community who donated and discounted products and services for our celebration. We would like to thank: Feeney’s Wholesale Nursery, Olive-n-Grape, Riverside Symphonia, Solebury Orchards, Emily’s Café & Catering, and Starbucks-New Hope.

- Trish McGuire

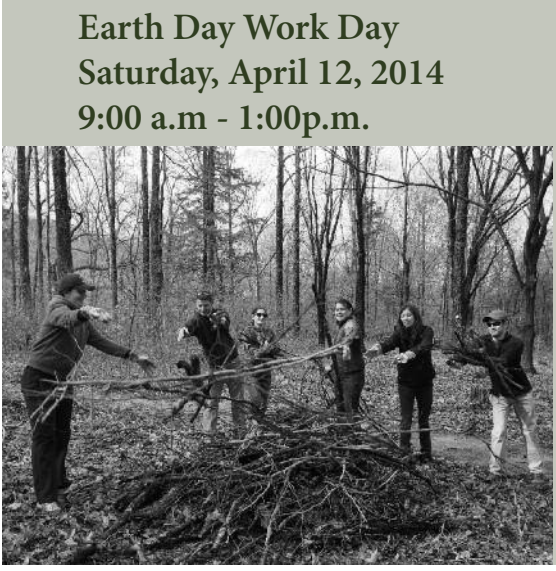


*Pictured:*  
1. Myles Arnott, Stephanie Lovenguth, Trish McGuire & Pat Saunders  
2. Jane Yeroukis selects a piece of the Preserve puzzle  
3. Chris DeWaghe, Don Parlee, & Diane Halasz  
4. Janice Rockmore, Rick Anderson, Nancy Putnam & Tim Abbott

*Photos by Gordon Neiburg*



*spicebush, Lindera benzoin*



**Earth Day Work Day**  
**Saturday, April 12, 2014**  
**9:00 a.m - 1:00p.m.**

## Celebrate Earth Day!

Join us for our annual Earth Day Celebration with hands on activities that help preserve native habitat. Spruce up the Preserve in preparation for nature’s extravagant spring display. The day begins with hot coffee and project registration. Then we head out onto the property and get to work. Your workshift ends with a delicious lunch in the Visitor Center and great conversation about the morning’s accomplishments!

Our Earth Day projects are suitable for groups, families, and individuals. Please call the Preserve to register by Wednesday April 9th.

# Welcome to our new Education Coordinator

I am delighted to introduce Kelly Joslin as the newest member of the Bowman’s Hill Wildflower Preserve team! Kelly was hired to fill the important position of Education Coordinator for the Preserve.



Kelly has worked as an environmental educator for 18 years and holds a Master of Science in Education from Northern Illinois University, with a specialization in Environmental Education. Prior to joining the Preserve’s staff, Kelly worked as the Environmental Education Coordinator for the Homewood-Flossmoor Park District at Iron Oaks Environmental Learning Center. Prior to that, she served as Director of Education for the Green Earth Institute.

Kelly’s passion for nature, particularly native plants and birds, was first ignited while exploring the forests, fields, and streams on the family farm in southern Iowa. As a young adult she began her career with the Morton Arboretum as a Naturalist-Guide, and ever since she has committed her personal and professional life to environmental conservation and stewardship, as well as sharing a sense of wonder with others.

Her passion for nature and education will serve Kelly well in her role as Education Coordinator. With a strong background in program development and delivery, her interest and experience make her an outstanding complement to the talented staff at BHWP. Please join me in welcoming Kelly and her husband Bryan, daughter Riley, and their rescue dog Maisy!

# Goodbye to Amy Hoffman Mawby



On October 26 we bid farewell to Amy Hoffman Mawby, our beloved Education Coordinator, as she transitions to her new role as Director of Public Programs at Tyler Arboretum. Many of you that know and love the Preserve have been inspired by Amy and all that she accomplished in her five years here. Amy led the redesign of our website and visitor map and created new interpretative signage at the Pond, Visitor Center Garden, Tree Trail, and Bird Observatory. She also started a display gallery in our Auditorium.

But where Amy made the most meaningful impact by far was in her interactions with all of us. We’ve all been inspired and excited by her expertise and contagious enthusiasm. Staff, volunteers, members, and Trustees will miss her intellect, energy, and friendship. Amy recruited, trained, and led our passionate corps of volunteer naturalists. But perhaps most importantly, Amy helped nurture the next generation of stewards of the earth. So many children will treasure their memories of storytime with Miss Amy and the outdoor adventures that ensued.

I will miss collaborating with Amy- it has been one of the most rewarding and productive relationships in my career.

- Myles Arnott

# Farewell to Sebastian

Sebastian Brown, the Preserve’s grounds manager resigned in early December to pursue his many interests. Sebastian was a ferocious weed warrior and he led a dedicated group of volunteers though the years to keep a whole host of pernicious invasive exotic weeds at bay. The Preserve’s diverse habitats are better for Sebastian’s invasive plant removal initiatives. During his time here Sebastian also became a sensei with the chainsaw, getting huge trees to drop with surgical precision. His work clearing debris and downed trees after so many storms was essential in keeping the Preserve and its trail system open and safe for the visiting public. Staff and volunteers alike will all miss Sebastian’s wit and his sense of humor, and we wish him the very best in his new endeavors.



*virginia bluebells, Mertensia virginica*



# Learning from a River: Plant Stewardship Index Update

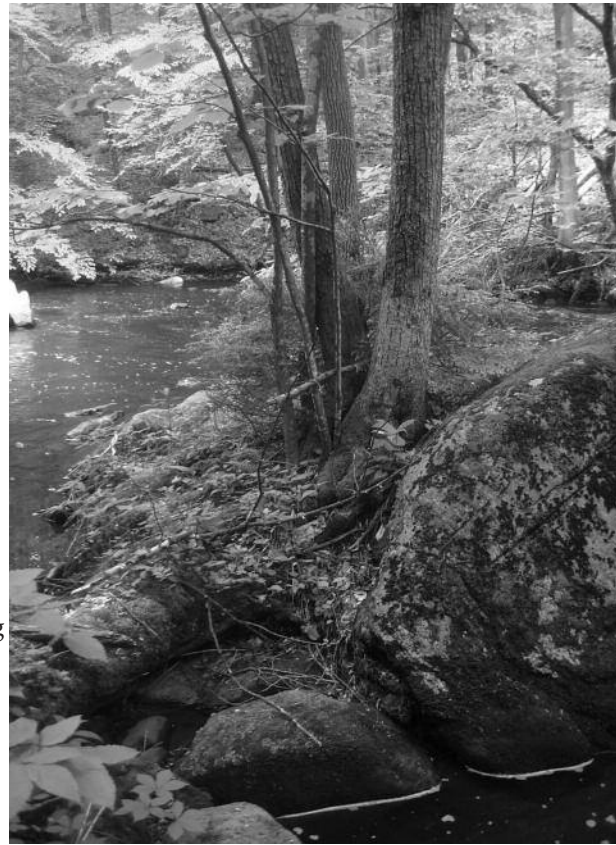
by Jared Rosenbaum, PSI Coordinator

Last summer, a nature preserve took me to school.

Across the season, I spent more than a dozen days walking into a steep ravine in New Jersey’s Highlands, noting every plant along the way, hiking from steep rocky rubble down to rich, glorious riparian lowlands along the Black River. We had been hired to do an extensive Plant Stewardship Index survey at the Black River Park – Kay Section – by the Morris County Park Commission. I had the pleasure of retaining senior botanist Steve Glenn to work with me on the surveys, and gleaned many precious tidbits of taxonomy from his comments and explanations.

The uplands at Kay were craggy, dry, and steep. Here was trailing arbutus beneath mountain laurel, on rubble with an exposed layer of mosses over the thin acidic humus. Here were Chestnut oaks with their deeply ridged deep gray bark, looking not too unlike the boulders at their feet. Unbrowsed pinxter azaleas, mapleleaf viburnum in bloom and fruit, and broad swaths of lowbush blueberry filled the understory with structure and color. The river – and if you’ve never visited, you may want to – is as scenic and untrammled as any in these parts. It winds through a cool, shaded hemlock ravine, fed by numerous seeps, negotiating monolithic boulders by swirling, falling, and meandering.

The edges of the river gave me an education in plant communities. Meadow-style wildflowers like golden ragwort and tall coneflower grew alongside classic woodlanders like trilliums and cinnamon fern. Rocky seeps dripped with miterwort and marsh blue violet. Each moist or dry niche, each inflection of sun and shade, had its own characteristic groupings. On a cool face of the ravine, northerly species like spikenard, purple-flowering raspberry, and whorled aster thrived beneath the purple shade of hemlocks. I completed the PSI metrics this month – many thanks to Preserve volunteer Pat Coleman for her work on compiling the data – and the core sections of the preserve rank as the highest quality we’ve yet surveyed, in multiple categories – highest Native Mean C, highest PSI, etc. The PSI corroborates the spirit of the place – so obvious to a plant lover and naturalist – and will inform stewardship of the preserve by the Park Commission. It was a wonderful place to see and observe wild plants, and a great teacher. Many times I stopped on the trail and quietly uttered my thanks that the place had been preserved, and for the privilege of documenting its flora.



## New this Spring!

### Beginning Birding

Saturday, March 22, 9 – 11 a.m.

Members: \$6; Non-members: \$10

Pre-registration required by Thursday, March 20.

If you've wanted to begin watching birds, but didn't know where to start, here is your opportunity. We will learn the basics of field identification through visual and behavioral cues, as well as some common song recognition. Then we will head out to test our new found knowledge in the field. Bring binoculars if you have them.

### Pennsylvania Amphibian & Reptile Survey (PARS) Volunteer Workshop

Saturday, March 29, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

\$3 per participant, all proceeds will be donated to PARS.

Pre-registration suggested.



Open your eyes to the fascinating field of herpetology! PARS is an atlas project that attempts to determine the current status of PA’s reptile and amphibian populations. These animals are important indicators of the health of our natural places, but very little information has been collected about them. The PARS project is creating an army of citizen scientists, from amateur naturalists to professional scientists, to thoroughly document the distribution of PA’s turtle, lizard, snake, frog and salamander species. Marlin Corn, PARS Coordinator from the Mid-Atlantic Center Herpetology and Conservation, will be recruiting volunteers and conducting a workshop on field survey techniques and other details of how to participate in this important project.

### Mindfulness Walks

8 Wednesdays, April 16 through June 4, 9:30-10:30a.m.

Members: FREE, Non-members: \$5

Pre-registration encouraged.

Part of our Wellness Wednesdays series. Modern life requires and rewards multi-tasking, but we miss out on fully experiencing the moment when our attention is scattered. Join us to reconnect with nature and yourself. Mindfulness is the practice of deliberately attending to the present and accepting it without judgement. Being in nature brings many of us into the present more easily than other settings. Walks at the Preserve will support the practice of mindfulness with our time spent in awareness and appreciation of whatever nature presents us that day. Designed as a drop-in series: dress for the weather and wear sturdy walking shoes.

### Long Pond Plant Explorer’s Tour

Wednesday, May 21, 8a.m.-5p.m.

Members: \$100, Non-members: \$120

Fee includes transportation and a boxed lunch.

Pre-registration with payment required by Thursday, May 1.

Join Executive Director Miles Arnott for a private tour of the Nature Conservancy’s Long Pond property. Nestled along the southern escarpment of the Pocono plateau, Long Pond embodies the region’s boreal heritage, harboring species tolerant of cooler temperatures reminiscent of its glacial past. Representing the only natural community of its kind in the world, the mesic till barrens at Long Pond are interspersed in a vast landscape of swamps, bogs, marshes and shallow ponds. Our trip is timed for peak bloom of *Rhodora* — a rare, pink-flowered, wild azalea that attracts photographers from around the world and makes Long Pond one of the most important moth and butterfly habitats in the state. Only 12 spaces are available for this very special tour --reserve early!

## New in the Twinleaf Shop



Looking for a place to shop for the budding naturalist in your life? Look no further! The Twinleaf Shop, located in the Visitor Center at the Preserve has a newly expanded children’s section. Among our new items for kids, a particular staff favorite is Folkmanis finger puppets. Folkmanis has been making the most innovative and engaging specialty puppets since 1976, delighting imaginations and winning nearly every industry and child development award multiple times. The gift of a puppet encourages imaginative, open-ended play, endearing hugs, and snuggly companionship. Choose from a bald eagle, black bear, praying mantis, monarch butterfly, and more! While visiting, we hope you also have time to browse a new collection of board books for younger kids, picture books and field guides for school age children, and a new selection of field guides, gardening books, and nature themed gifts and clothing for adults.

### Members’ Spring Fling

Saturday, June 7, 10:00 a.m. - noon

FREE for Preserve Members + one guest.

Pre-registration required by Thursday June 5.

Join us as we celebrate the Preserve’s 80th Anniversary! Members, bring a friend and learn the history of Pennsylvania’s Washington Crossing Historic Park which has served as an historical monument to the events of December 25, 1776 since its creation in 1917. Now encompassing almost 500 acres, the park promotes a variety of recreational pursuits and is home to Bowman’s Hill Wildflower Preserve. After the lecture, stay for outdoor history tours (weather dependent). Light refreshments provided.

Peter Osborne is a writer and an historian who has worked in the public history field for more than thirty years. Of particular regional interest, Peter authored a book about the history of New Jersey’s Washington Crossing State Park and his latest book, *No Spot in the Far Land is More Immortalized: A History of Pennsylvania’s Washington Crossing Historic Park*, includes a section on the Preserve.



Famed botanist Dr. Edgar T. Wherry at the Preserve in 1940. Learn more about Dr. Wherry’s role in the early development of the Preserve’s plant collection at our Members’ Spring Fling.



## Membership

### Welcome New Members

*Special thanks to all of you have joined the Preserve Family in the late summer and fall of 2013.*

Ruth Almond  
Adam Anderson  
Blanche Anderson  
Lorraine Anton  
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Bob and Beth Auwarter  
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Jane Barg  
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Sarah Wueschinski  
Matthew Zahirnyi



*spring beauties,  
Claytonia virginica*

### From the Membership Desk...

We extend our gratitude to all of you who have renewed your annual membership for 2014. Your on-going support is essential to both the health and growth of this special place. As Members you are the Preserve's best ambassadors. With that in mind, we hope you'll join us later this spring for our second annual Members' Spring Fling on Saturday June 7. (See event details on page 7.) This event is a first for us in that while it is a Members' exclusive, we encourage you to bring along a non-member as your special guest. The highlight of the event is an illustrated history of Washington Crossing Historic Park and the Preserve, presented by author and historian Peter Osborne. After the lecture enjoy guided history tours and light refreshments. Don't miss this great opportunity to learn more about our roots, and to introduce a friend to the wonders of the Preserve!

If you haven't yet renewed for 2014, please take a moment to return the enclosed remittance envelope and stay current. This year we've added to the many benefits of Preserve membership. Show your valid membership card and receive free admission and discounts at over 150 participating organizations through the ANCA Reciprocal Admission Program.

Thank you for your support.  
- Jennifer Pennington

### Share Your Stories

When did you first fall in love with the Preserve and why?

As our 80th Birthday approaches, we'd love to share your recollections in the June edition of our electronic newsletter. Poetry or prose, sentence or story, submit your memories by email to:  
[pennington@bhwp.org](mailto:pennington@bhwp.org)

## Membership & Developement

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### Join the Business Partner Program

Help keep us blooming for generations to come and let the community know you value our efforts to preserve the native flora of our region.

For more information about Business Membership contact Jennifer Pennington, Membership Coordinator:  
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[www.bhwp.org/get-involved/Business-Partners.htm](http://www.bhwp.org/get-involved/Business-Partners.htm)

### Preserve Receives a Special Gift: A New Truck!

Thanks to a very generous anonymous gift in 2013 the Preserve was able to purchase a heavy-duty truck to compliment our light-duty Toyota truck. The new addition to the fleet will be able to tow the horse-trailer we use to haul plants for our plant sales and will also be able to tow equipment like the generator we use for our fundraising Gala. It has a hydraulic dump so we will be able haul heavy loads of stone and soil and dump them where needed. The truck also came with a snow plow so we will soon be plowing our own roads – a very attractive option given the cost of plowing service and the amount of snow we had this winter!

We love our new truck and how efficient it makes us as we tackle a whole host of grounds projects. Thank you!

*Save the Date!*

### Flower to Tower Festival Coming this September



*photo by Emily Churchill*

The 2014 Flower to Tower Festival and Walk-a-thon will take place on Sunday, September 21, 2014. Take in the breathtaking fall foliage with a morning stroll on our trails, up to Bowman's Tower. The walk is followed by family fun and refreshments, all to support the Preserve!



# A Special Thank You To Our Generous 2013 Annual Fund Donors

The tremendous support we received in 2013 proves that this community truly believes in the mission of the Preserve and values what we offer to the community and the region. Our Annual Fund support touches every aspect of what we do here at the Preserve and is the backbone of funding for any non-profit organization. A strong Annual Fund provides important funding that an institution needs to maintain and grow its general operations, ultimately ensuring the longevity of the organization.

Your gifts provide support for our educational programs, botanist training, the renovation and maintenance of our trails, and helps us provide hands-on activities and special programs for our more than 1,600 members and over 50,000 visitors of all ages. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, myself, our staff, and volunteers, thank you once again for including the Preserve in your philanthropic giving and for helping to support our mission.

Each of you has made a gift that helps us fulfill our mission and your gifts are critical to the continued well being of the Preserve. I hope we can count on your support in 2014 and I look forward to seeing your name on our donor recognition list.

Warm regards,  
*Miles Arnott, Executive Director*

## 2014 Spring Garden Gala *(continued from cover)*

Thank you to the 2014 Gala Committee:  
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We extend our sincere gratitude to our generous event sponsors.  
Our 2014 Spring Garden Gala Sponsors (as of February 1) are listed at right.



Members of the 2014 Wild About Flowers Spring Garden Gala Committee gather after a planning session.

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Back Row, left to right: Dee Dee Bowman, Michael Glenn, Jacqui Griffith, Donna Lacey, Ruth McMonigle, Suzanne Eveland, Bill MacDowell, Miles Arnott

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