



Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve

Plant Stewardship Index Program

Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve (BHWP) is reaching beyond its 134-acre site to help protect and manage our local plant habitats. With the assistance of botanical experts from the Delaware Valley Region of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, the Preserve has compiled the **Plant Stewardship Index (PSI)**. By using this Index, you will be able to evaluate the relative ecological quality of each plant and plant community on a given property as well as calculate an overall standardized rating for the site. Similar tools have been implemented widely for habitat and wetland assessment, based on the Floristic Quality Assessment Index (FQAI) created by Floyd Swink and Gerould Wilhelm in the 1970s. The following courses are being offered by the Preserve in 2009 to support its Plant Stewardship Index initiative. All programs will be held at the Preserve unless otherwise noted.

DAY	DATE	COURSE TITLE	TIME	(MEMBER'S FEE/ NON-MEMBER'S FEE)
Wed.	MARCH 18	Introduction to the Plant Stewardship Index		(\$60/\$80)*
Sat.	APRIL 11	The Spring Ephemerals (<i>Knowing Native Plants Series</i>)	10am-1pm	(\$10/\$15)
Wed.	MAY 6	Field Identification of Violets	9am-12:30pm	(\$30/\$35)
Wed.	MAY 13	Introduction to the Plant Stewardship Index	7pm-9pm	(\$60/\$80)*
Thurs.	MAY 14	Introduction to the Plant Stewardship Index	10am-12pm	(\$60/\$80)*
Sat.	MAY 16	Plant Stewardship Index Field Training Workshop	9am-5pm	(\$165/\$185)*
(5/13, 14 & 16 offered at Duke Farms, Hillsborough, NJ Call Rosalie at 908-243-3602 to pre-register)				
Wed.	MAY 20	Introduction to the Plant Stewardship Index	8:30am-10:30am	(\$60/\$80)*
Sat.	MAY 23	Flowering Shrubs (<i>Knowing Native Plants Series</i>)	10am-1pm	(\$10/\$15)
Sat.	JUNE 6	Sedges Have Edges: A Carex Primer	9am-12:30pm	(\$30/\$35)*
Sat.	JUNE 13	Focus on Ferns (<i>Knowing Native Plants Series</i>)	10am-1pm	(\$10/\$15)
Wed.	JULY 8	Plant Stewardship Index Field Training Workshop	9am-5pm	(\$165/\$185)*
Sat.	JULY 11	Meander Through Our Meadow (<i>Knowing Native Plants Series</i>)	10am-1pm	(\$10/\$15)*
Sat.	AUG 8	The Puzzling Polygonums	9am-12:30pm	(\$30/\$35)
Wed.	SEPT 23	Introduction to the Plant Stewardship Index	8:30am-10:30am	(\$60/\$80)*
Sat.	SEPT 26	The Amazing Aster Family (<i>Knowing Native Plants Series</i>)	10am-1pm	(\$10/\$15)
Sat.	OCT 10	Trees of BHWP (<i>Knowing Native Plants Series</i>)	10am-1pm	(\$10/\$15)

*Pre-registration is **required** for these classes, and suggested for the remainder.

For more detailed course information, check www.bhwp.org or call the Preserve (215) 862-2924. To become a member or to pre-register for any of our course listings, call (215) 862-2924.

Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve
Located at 1635 River Road
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2 1/2 miles south of New Hope, near the Delaware River, convenient to I-95