



An Invitation to the 2008 **Joint Field Meeting of the Northeast Section of the Botanical Society of America, Torrey Botanical Society & Philadelphia Botanical Club**

Sunday, June 1 – Thursday, June 5, 2008

The New Jersey Pine Barrens, a Biosphere Preserve

The joint field meeting will be held at the Lighthouse Center for Natural Resource Education on 194 acres of woodland and diverse coastal habitat (including brackish and salt marsh) on Barnegat Bay in Waretown, Ocean County, NJ.

Field Trips: There will be three all-day field trips by vans to such communities as Atlantic white cedar swamps, wet savannahs, quaking bogs, spongs, upland forests, cranberry bogs, and the globally rare Pygmy Pine Plains. Focus, in part, will be on members of the *Ericaceae* (heath family), fire ecology, and early flowering orchids.

Evening Programs: Beginning on Sunday, there will be four evening programs of botanical, ecological, and geological interest.

Housing: Housing and meals will be in the lodge consisting of a dining hall, a large meeting room for programs, and 22 newly renovated rooms of 2 beds each. Each suite of 2 rooms shares a complete modern adjoining bathroom. Three cabins have the same arrangement. Participants must bring their own linen, towels, and pillow.

Meals: Included are 4 breakfasts, 3 bag lunches, and 3 dinners – including Wednesday night's buffet at a nearby restaurant. Sunday evening dinner will be on your own.

Registration Fee: The price of the meeting is \$300 double occupancy. This fee includes lodging, 10 meals, field trips and handouts, van transportation, 4 evening programs, and honoraria to leaders and speakers. **Accommodations are limited to 50 participants so register early.** Very few singles available at \$40 extra on a first come basis.

Commuter Registration: The fee for the meeting including everything above except housing is \$200 per person.

Day Tripper: Field trips and programs, but no housing, no meals, no transportation: \$60.

Registration Deadline: April 21. Send the enclosed registration form with your check made out to: Botanical Society of America. Mail with form to:

Karl Anderson, Treasurer, 46 North Childs Street, Woodbury, NJ 08096-1535

Directions to the Lighthouse Center, a list of participants, a schedule, & additional information will be mailed out in early May.

For further information contact:

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Southampton, NJ 08088-9465

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2008 Joint Field Meeting Registration Form

June 1-5, 2008

Lighthouse Center, Waretown, NJ 08758

Participants Name(s) _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Emergency contact, name, address and phone _____

Registration:

A. Meeting with meals and double occupancy

Number of participants x \$300 _____

Name of requested roommate: _____

(If none specified, we may have to assign one.)

B. Meeting with meals and single occupancy \$340

(call re: availability T. Gordon 609 859 3566) _____

C. Meeting with meals, without housing

Number of participants x \$200 _____

D. Day Trippers: Field trips & programs but no meals,
no housing, no transportation

Number of participants x \$60 _____

Make checks payable to the Botanical Society of America and mail
with this form to **Karl Anderson, Treasurer**

46 North Childs Street

Woodbury, NJ 08096-1535 (856-845-7075)

Please indicate your membership(s) in the following: ___ Botanical Society of America;
___ Torrey Botanical Society; ___ Philadelphia Botanical Club; ___ Other _____

In making this application participants affirm that they are in general good health, are physically able to keep up with the group in the ordinary course of field activities, and accept as their personal risk the hazards inherent in any outdoor activity and will not hold the Botanical Society of America and other sponsoring organizations, the meeting organizers or trip leaders responsible for the same.

Signature and date: _____