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Brendan T. Byrne Fund for the Pinelands

PROTECTING A BOLD VISION -OUR LEGACY, THEIR FUTURE

PPA to Complete \$4 Million Campaign - Help Us Get There

by Carleton Montgomery, Executive Director and Steve Sebastian, Director of Philanthropy

The 1.1 million-acre Pinelands National Reserve is America's most innovative effort to show we can have successful cities and towns side-by-side with a world-class ecosystem in the nation's most crowded state. Governor Brendan T. Byrne committed himself and his administration to passing the Pinelands Protection Act, which became law in 1979. Because of his leadership, the region still has hundreds of thousands of acres of forests, pristine streams and unbounded opportunities for enjoying nature – all easily accessible to the 22 million people who live within 60 miles of the Pinelands. The Pinelands also provides fresh water from the Kirkwood-Cohansey aquifer to millions of residents and visitors, including New Jersey's shore communities.

We have seen an onslaught of extraordinary threats to the Pinelands in recent years in the form of unnecessary pipelines, political interference to benefit favored development projects, and the failure of state agencies to enforce Pinelands rules on a consistent and even-handed basis. The Pinelands will only

survive the pressure of sprawling land development if there is a broad and deep public allegiance to its protection. The greatest dangers to the Pinelands lie ahead, as the pressure only grows to break down the protections Governor Byrne and so many others worked to create.

With Governor Byrne's support, we are excited to announce the "public" phase launch of the *Brendan T. Byrne Fund for the Pinelands Campaign*. This transformational initiative aims to raise a total of \$4 million to fight for the Pinelands and build the community of people who know about, love and take action to protect this globally unique treasure. The Byrne Fund will provide a stable source of funding to expand our work, respond to emerging challenges, and reach more people with the Pinelands message (see the sidebar on pg. 5).

Campaigns of this scale typically have two phases: the "quiet" phase to demonstrate the campaign's viability and secure lead and major gifts, and the "public" phase to bring the campaign to a successful conclusion. We launched the "quiet"

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Native Pinelands Plant Sale April 23

A Sure Sign of Spring

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Planting native species around your home or business instead of non-natives limits your impact on the surrounding environment.

Native plants serve as hosts for many native insects and are well adapted for growing in the sandy, acidic pine barren soils. Native plants don't require the additional fertilizers and watering that many non-native ornamentals do. This not only saves money, but also limits the negative impacts fertilizers may have on



our unique pine barren soils and water. Providing cover for animals and attracting native bees and butterflies are some of the other benefits to planting a native garden. Add to the plant diversity of your home or business by planting a native garden this spring!

PPA will hold its annual Native Plant Sale on April 23rd at our Bishop Farmstead in Southampton from 11am-2pm. A special PPA members-only sale will take place Friday, April 22nd from 3pm – 6pm.

We will have over 60 species and varieties of plants with prices ranging from \$2.50 for plugs to \$20.00 for larger trees and shrubs. Plants that are native to South Jersey and the New Jersey Pine Barrens will be for sale.

Before you come to the plant sale we urge you to explore a new website www.JerseyYards.org. This innovative website allows you to search for native plants based on the ecoregion you live in. You can even create a username and save your list to review later. This website was launched in November and is a joint project between the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Ocean County Soil Conservation District and the Barnegat Bay Partnership. Planting natives is a great way to eliminate lawn fertilizers and reduce the impacts of stormwater runoff.

We are proud that PPA Trustee, Kevin Sparkman and his company FusionSpark Media, were hired to create the website. We think you will agree that it is a great resource for residents hoping to make their yards Jersey-Friendly!

Come out to our Plant Sale and meet our staff, we hope to see you there!

Check our website to see what plants we will have available at this year's Native Plant Sale. Contact Ryan Rebozo, Director of Conservation Science, with any questions regarding the native plant sale – phone 609-859-8860 ext 26, email ryan@pinelandsalliance.org.

Conservation Trailblazer: Don Kirchhoffer

by Michele S. Byers, Executive Director of the New Jersey Conservation Foundation

Editor's Note: The following column was written by Michele S. Byers, executive director of New Jersey Conservation Foundation, for her weekly series, The State We're In. Here at PPA we had the great honor of knowing Don as an employee and trustee. Don had an extraordinary love of the Pinelands and he played a crucial role in protecting it. He had a big impact on our organization. He kept us on our toes, and it was always a lot of fun to explore the Pine Barrens with him! Reprinted with permission.

Chances are you've never heard of Donald Kirchhoffer, who passed away on January 10 at the age of 93.

Don was many things in his life, including a Navy torpedo man during World War II and a corporate human resources executive at RCA for nearly three decades.

But his love of the land – especially the Pine Barrens, the place he called home for many years – led Don to a vital second career as a conservation advocate.

While many people settle into a retirement filled with hobbies and relaxation, Don proved that it's never too late to follow your passion ... and follow it fiercely!

After moving to Shamong in the heart of the Pine Barrens – where he gardened, tended bees and cared for dogs and ponies – he became a reporter in the late 1980s, covering Pinelands Commission meetings for the *Central Record* in Medford.

“The major tumult over implementation of the Pinelands Protection Act was over, but there were definitely plenty of fires still burning,” recalled Michael Gallaway, an eye doctor and trustee for the Pinelands Preservation Alliance, who met him during this period. “I soon found out Don could be an objective journalist on the record, but he was very tuned in politically and was an avid environmentalist.”

Don was reinventing his life at the age of 67.

He came to work for New Jersey Conservation Foundation around the time

that it founded the Pinelands Preservation Alliance in 1989. He soon became the alliance's first full-time staff member.

There, he turned into what his friend Lee Rosenson describes as “the kindest, friendliest, most thoughtful, most caring and warm-hearted nasty old curmudgeon imaginable.” The kind who might vociferously oppose a Pinelands Commission policy, while at the same time maintain a cordial and respectful relationship with individual commission members.

“The irascible curmudgeon part was reserved for, and often verbalized at, people he believed to be on the dark side,” explained Lee, a former Pinelands Preservation Alliance trustee. “He was, though, able to control his curmudgeonly side when it came to Pinelands Commissioners. He made it a point to get to know each of them, even those he most disagreed with, and spent many an evening chatting over beers with one or two of them.”

In his eight years at the Pinelands Preservation Alliance, Don brought two vitally important assets to his work: a thorough knowledge of the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan, which spells out regulations protecting this ecologically sensitive region, and a deep love for the Pine Barrens.

In 1997, Don came back to work at New Jersey Conservation Foundation, where he turned his considerable skills toward preserving the land and agricultural heritage of the Delaware Bayshore counties, South Jersey's farm belt.

“Don Kirchhoffer was a humble man who embraced Salem County as if it was his home,” recalled Nancy Merritt, the former chair of the Salem County Watershed Task Force. “He was giving and selfless in his efforts through New Jersey Conservation Foundation to educate and empower many county residents on the blessing it was to live in a rural and agricultural community such as Salem County.”

“He worked with everyone and anyone

who sought out help and assistance,” she added. “He never took sides, never judged. He was not one to grandstand, never one to boast. Humility and intelligence were his strong points. Don was a mentor to all, a sage to many.”

Don retired from New Jersey Conservation Foundation in 2006, having made huge contributions to land conservation efforts in both the Pinelands and Delaware Bayshore. His legacy will live on in the thousands of acres of land in New Jersey that he helped to protect and preserve.

Here's to second careers ... and to a man who used his to truly make a difference!

For more information about preserving NJ's land and natural resources visit www.njconservation.org or contact Michele at info@njconservation.org.

Pinelands Commission

Next Monthly Meeting:

Fri., May 12, 6:00 pm

Fri., June 10, 9:30 am

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Pinelands Adventures Opens for the 2016 Season

by Rob Ferber, Director of Pinelands Adventures

The first season at Pinelands Adventures was a rewarding and educational experience. We spent the first months of 2015 completing many lists of things to do: getting the proper permits, insurances and licensing (Have you ever heard of a “Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity”? Neither had we.); registering vehicles; branding and designing our logos; building our website and social media platforms; ordering signage; interviewing prospective staff members; renovating the Adventure Center; and, as you can imagine, much more.

Despite being on the wrong side of the digital divide, forest fire, damaging storms, drought and lack of experience, our inaugural season was a resounding success. We built an all-star team of passionate Pine Barrens enthusiasts who were eager to share their knowledge and love of the forest with our guests and assure that they had a positive experience from the moment they arrived until the last car left the lot. More than 3,500 people utilized Pinelands Adventures services this season, paddling on the lakes and rivers of Wharton State Forest. We helped hundreds of campers experience overnight canoe trips in the heart of the Pine Barrens and we launched a land-based tour program.

Pinelands Adventures has robust plans for the 2016 season. Our goals include expanding our educational programs for the public; increasing outreach to school and community groups; enhancing our trip options; extending our hours so we can be open every day to better serve our clients; and improving our infrastructure.

Find out more about our guided trips and canoe or kayak rentals on www.PinelandsAdventures.org. The paddling season opened April 1st with rentals available Thursday through Sunday. We anticipate expanding the hours soon.

In addition to the successful programs we started last year, such as our Pinelands Discovery and Cranberry Farm Tours, a number of new trips have been added:

Hike the Batona Trail in three 10-mile sections with naturalist John Volpa

Spring (April 2): Ong’s Hat to Pakim Pond (Rt. 72)

Summer (June 25): Through the new Franklin Parker Preserve section (Route 72 through 532)

Fall (November 6): Route 532 to Carranza Memorial

Hampton Furnace Exploration, a two hour trip perfect for families. Explore the story and history behind Hampton Furnace and probe the edges of the upper Batsto River to learn about Pine Barrens ecology.

Jersey Devil Hunt, this once popular Pinelands Preservation Alliance program is returning with a new generation of story tellers and special guests. Learn the history of the Jersey Devil around the campfire along with other Pine Barrens tales and then set out on the trail to find him!

Mullica River 101, take a three hour trip down the Mullica River with our guide and learn about the unique nature and history of this ecosystem.

Industries in the Pines Tour, the Pine Barrens are a post-industrial forest. Find evidence of bygone eras which still lie hidden along the quiet stream beds and below the thick patches of wild huckleberry. Participants will travel by bus and make several stops to explore on foot. (5-hour Small Group Bus Tour)

We are also excited that the number of trips scheduled for school and community groups continues to grow. Education Director John

Volpa spent the winter reaching out to teachers and group leaders to share information about our programs. We have been focusing on outreach and offering scholarships to districts with students who may not have opportunities to participate in the types of programs Pinelands Adventures offers due to economic or geographic constraints. As a result we’ve booked trips for students from Camden and also expect to work with students from Newark this season.

If you’ve never been paddling on the Mullica and Batsto Rivers you are missing out on some of the most beautiful areas of the Pine Barrens. If you have experienced these rivers then you know you need to come back to see them again. It’s just like visiting an old friend.

Pinelands Adventures is located at 1005 Atsion Road in Shamong, NJ. For more information or to make a reservation please visit our website www.PinelandsAdventures.org or call 609-268-0189.

PPA members receive 10% off their rental or registration fee!

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

ACUA EARTH DAY FESTIVAL
Egg Harbor Township, 10am - 4 pm

SATURDAY, MAY 21

GREENFEST 2016
Patriot Lake, Galloway
10:00 am - 4:00 pm
(*rain date May 22nd)

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

BARNEGAT BAY FESTIVAL
Wanamaker Field, Island Heights
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Stop by our table at these events!

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phase of our campaign in late 2013. Since then, we have been overwhelmed by the support we have received from new friends and long-time supporters. We have now **raised over \$3 million**, which puts us in a strong position to reach out to our broader membership and the general public for support to complete the campaign this year.

PPA is already putting this money to work. We know that the Pinelands is one of Earth's great natural treasures. Its story is a compelling tale of natural history, people power, and politics done right. But too few people know that story and too few know how they can become effective voices for the Pinelands.

Last May, PPA launched Pinelands Adventures with funds raised by the Byrne Fund Campaign. Setting up Pinelands Adventures required an investment of money and energy that would never have been possible without the Byrne Fund Campaign. In its first season, Pinelands Adventures gave over 3,500 guests a variety of experiences in the Pinelands including guided and unguided trips on the Batsto and Mullica Rivers and land-based tours. The feedback has been incredible. In 2016 Adventures is launching special guided programs for schools and community groups, including programs for urban and disadvantaged communities.

Another key objective of the Byrne Fund Campaign is to renovate the 1932 historic Louden Barn at our headquarters. We have municipal approvals to renovate the 3,000 square foot ground floor to create a multi-purpose public space, plus work and office areas. This will allow us to attract larger audiences for a variety of programs and exhibits. This project is within our reach because of the exceptional support we are receiving through the Byrne Fund Campaign.

We are grateful to our supporters who have made the initial phase of

our campaign so successful. Former Governors Brendan Byrne, James Florio, Tom Kean and Christine Todd Whitman have actively supported our campaign and we offer them special thanks. This is a strong, bi-partisan endorsement for PPA and a testament to the importance of preserving the Pinelands.

Robert & Joan Campbell Challenge

We are excited to announce a challenge gift from Robert and Joan Campbell. The Campbells have pledged to **match, dollar-for-dollar, all Byrne Fund donations up to a total of \$250,000 over the next 12 months.** As lifelong residents of New Jersey, Bob and



Joan have deep connections to our region. After a distinguished 40-year career with Johnson & Johnson, Bob retired as Vice Chairman of the Board in 1995. "Our choice to support the Pinelands Preservation Alliance comes from our belief that it is important to hold the line. You don't appreciate what you have until you don't have it anymore. It is imperative that we don't wait to fully appreciate the Pinelands until it disappears."

We hope you will help PPA meet this challenge. A *Brendan T. Byrne Fund for the Pinelands - Robert and Joan Campbell Challenge* letter will go out to our members in May. With your support, we will reach our \$4 million goal by year end!

Brendan T. Byrne Fund for the Pinelands

To learn more please visit our webpage www.byrne.pinelandsalliance.org

[Check out two short videos:](#)

The Man Who Preserved the Pines and Pinelands Under Siege

Brendan T. Byrne Fund for the Pinelands

Advances Pinelands protections by the following objectives:

Securing the Future

Establishing a board-directed fund to support PPA's advocacy and outreach work, address emerging issues that arise without warning and require major resources, and provide a secure fiscal foundation to sustain PPA through good times and bad.

Building Support & Expanding Education Programs

Through the creation of Pinelands Adventures and other new initiatives we will reach more families, young people, educators and schools with the Pinelands story and will create motivated, successful students and lifelong lovers of the natural world.

Investing in the Michael Huber Center for Pinelands Policy and Education

Improvements to our headquarters, including the renovation of our historic barn, will attract larger audiences for training programs, workshops, presentations, and art exhibits making us the center for all things Pinelands.

Learn more about the

Brendan T. Byrne Fund for the Pinelands:

www.byrne.pinelandsalliance.org

Contact Steve Sebastian, Director of Philanthropy, at 609-859-8860 ext. 24



The Death of a Pine Snake

by Jason Howell, Stewardship Coordinator

Editor's Note: The following column originally appeared as a blog post on March 17th. You can find our blog at www.pinelandsalliance.org/blog.

The warm spring air drifted into the chamber that protected her during the long winter months, signaling the coming of spring. A female Northern Pine Snake, she trusted her ancient instinct to rise to the surface of her hibernaculum to greet the warmth of the day. With a careful flick of the tongue, she inspected the air for any sign of danger. When the time felt right, she moved deftly out of her chamber and into the pine needles, oak leaves, and shrubs that give her a near perfect camouflage against predators both on the ground and in the air. Then she may have sought out a patch of open canopy, not too exposed to allow easy identification by predators, but just enough to allow her to absorb the beneficial rays of the sun that filter through the pines.

Unfortunately, the spot she chose was a defacto trap, a path near her den with the exact requirements she instinctually seeks is used by dirt bikers to drive their machines illegally and at high speeds. She may have sensed the vibration through the earth, but she had no chance to avoid the fast coming machine.

An off-road vehicle is a thing that advances without careful inspection of the environment, it isolates its driver from the realities of nature and at the same time empowers them with immense destructive capability - a dangerous combination for the plants and animals they come into contact with. Many of these informal paths were created years ago by Enduro competitions, where riders compete in timed events at set speeds. The paths are then kept open by illegal use after the routes become popularly known from the competition. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection may now be considering allowing Enduro events to maintain and use these presently illegal paths, a step that could have grave conse-

quences for species already under tremendous pressure.

In this case, it was this female Northern Pine Snake who paid the price for this hobby. As a successful individual of a threatened species, this would have been her 13th season of life in the New Jersey Pine Barrens and if she was allowed to live, she would have been afforded another precious opportunity to reproduce, to hunt, and to exist. Before her death, she was tracked for two years by Dr. Joanna Burger, Robert Zappalorti, and Emile DeVito to study her behavior and habitat requirements. She was found dead by these researchers on March 13, 2016 as they attempted to establish the site of her hibernaculum.

If this Northern Pine Snake did not have a radio tracking beacon, her death would have been just another mysterious loss of a protected species. Judging from the recent tracks, the path on which she was found, and the mechanism of injury, her death was most likely caused by a dirt bike--thirty-three days before Enduro event season ends in the Pinelands. Clearly, the dates of allowable ORV events need to be re-examined given the great risks they pose to this and other species. There was an Enduro event and a Jeep Jamboree scheduled for the weekend of March 20th in Wharton State Forest, the date of the spring equinox. The scheduling of these events is in clear conflict with the emergence of Pine Snakes and Timber Rattlesnakes who are now at their most vulnerable period.

Additionally, to protect snakes and other wildlife from illegal use, old Enduro trails need to be closed because of the immense danger they currently pose to wildlife in all seasons. Park Police have almost zero ability to enforce this informal spaghetti network because of

the impossibility of pursuit and the ability of riders to flee into the forest network upon sight of a police vehicle. Our dedicated police officers are left



Dr. Emile DeVito, Dr. Joanna Burger and Robert Zappalorti

frustrated by the lack of will of upper-management of the DEP to manage the trail networks used by off-road vehicles, preventing the officer's from effectively punishing the crime.

Already these rare animals need to survive the danger of motorized transportation on paved roads, poaching, and habitat loss, they should be strongly protected from any further incursion into their habitat. A hobby is not as important as an entire species and our policies should reflect that.

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Calendar of Events

Pinelands Programs and Field Trips

April - May 2016

The events listed below are just a few of the great Pinelands trips this summer.

Visit www.pinelandsalliance.org and click on **Event Calendar** for a complete listing of Pinelands programs and trips provided by a wide variety of groups and organizations



Learn more on the web:

www.pinelandsadventures.org

Canoe and kayak rentals, guided tours, and other outdoor programs. Pinelands Adventures is an initiative of PPA. Join the email list today or call 609-268-0189.

2016 Annual Native Plant Sale

April 23, 11am-2pm, PPA HQ, 17 Pemberton Rd, Southampton

Thousands of plants native to the Pinelands and South Jersey are available. PPA Members Only sale on April 22nd from 3pm to 6pm. Must be a PPA member or become one that day to purchase plants. Call 609-859-8860 for more information - or www.pinelandsalliance.org

Full Moon Night Hike

Sat., April 23, Offered by Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge (Medford, NJ)

Experience the refuge in a exciting new way, at night! Enjoy a guided hike under the light of the full moon to visit nocturnal habitats that are home to owls, raccoons, opossums, and other wildlife that emerge after dark. Be there as the "night shift" awakens. Program begins at the Nature Center. 7:30-9:00 pm. Wear comfortable shoes, bug spray recommended. Hike is 1-1.5 miles. \$10/person. Ages 8 and up please. Advanced registration required. Contact the

Refuge at 856-983-3329 for information.

Arbor Day Hike (Burlington Co.)

Fri., April 29, 10:00 am, Sponsored by the West Jersey Chapter of the Sierra Club

Hike 4 - 5 miles, easy pace at Historic Smithville Park in Mount Holly, NJ. NJ's state tree is the Northern Red Oak and perhaps we'll see one on our hike. The Park features a diverse collection of habitats and terrain and also offers Rancocas Creek vistas. Meet at the Smith's Woods access parking lot, East Railroad Ave. Option for lunch at Vincentown Diner after the hike. Leashed dogs are welcome. Leaders: George & Leona F 609-259-3734 or Leona@pinkeypaddlers.com

Canoe/Kayak the Wading River (Burlington Co.)

Thurs., May 5, 9:00 am, Sponsored by the West Jersey Chapter of the Sierra Club

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo on our annual 10-mile trip from Hawkin Bridge to Beaver Branch. Boats can be rented from Mick's Canoe and Kayak Rental 609-726-1380 or www.mickscanoerental.com Contact leaders to confirm trip and participation. George & Leona F, 609-259-3734 or Leona@pinkeypaddlers.com

Spirit of the Jersey's State History Fair

May 14, 11 am to 5pm, Monmouth Battlefield State Park, Manalapan, NJ

The 2016 Fair will feature some familiar faces from the past like Clara Barton, George Washington and Walt Whitman as well as such favorite activities as 19th baseball, horse-drawn plowing demonstrations, Phydeaux's flying flea circus and period music.

New to the Fair will be several Civil War themed programs to coincide with the exhibit of President Lincoln's casket. This replica casket, manufactured by the Batesville Casket Company of Indiana, will be on display in the park's Visitor Center. There is something for everyone - so come on out and enjoy the Fair!

Rain or shine. Parking \$10 per vehicle.

Antique Glass & Bottle Show (Burlington Co.)

May 15, 9:00 am, Historic Batsto Village, Wharton State Forest

Enjoy antique bottle and glass displays and restored cars presented by the Cruisin' Classic Car Club. Handmade items from a variety of crafters will be available for purchase as well as food and drinks. Music provided by area artists. There is no admission or parking fee for this event. Batsto Mansion tours will be conducted between 10am and 3pm. The Nature Center will be open with science and nature exhibits and special activities for children. Batsto Village approximately 7 miles east of Hammonton on Route 542 and about 15 miles west of Exit 50 on the Garden State Parkway. For more information call the Batsto Visitor Center at (609) 561-0024.

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Save the Date! 2016 Tour de Pines

Bicycle the length and breadth of the Pinelands National Reserve over 5 days!

The 2016 Tour de Pines will begin on **Wed., Sept. 28th** and ends on **Sun., October 2nd**. Participants may ride one, two or all days of the Tour. Ride as many days as you want for one price.

Visit www.pinelandsalliance.org for more information. Sponsors welcome.

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 Benefactors receive *The Pine Barrens of New Jersey*, a photographic history of this region
 Chairman's Circle members receive the book *Seasons of the Pines* and a personalized tour of the Pinelands

Our mission is to protect and preserve the natural and cultural resources of New Jersey's Pinelands.



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