

Pennsylvania Master Naturalist Annual Meeting Agenda - 2025

Friday, November 7, 2025 (Pre-meeting Offerings)

Time	Location	Field Sessions: Vary by location		Time	Field Sessions: Vary by location
12:30 - 4:00	Field Sessions	Rivers to Ridges at Bear Run: Geology and Plant Life at Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater's Landscape with Fred Zelt and Ephraim Zimmerman: limited to 12 people			
1:00-2:30	Field Sessions	Restoring Indian Creek: From Scarred Waters to Living Streams with Carla Ruddock: limited to 20 people	1:00-2:30 Nature Journaling with Mary Patterson at Penguin Court: limited to 11 people	1:00 - 3:00	Restoring the American Chestnut: Field Insights at the Flight 93 Memorial: limited to 25 people
3:15-4:45	Field Sessions	Exploring Penguin Court: A Brandywine Conservancy Preserve in Westmoreland County: limited to 15 people	3:15-4:45 Conservation in Action: Tour of the International Conservation Center with Jennifer Torpie: limited to 80 people	3:15-4:45	Plant Communities of the Laurel Highlands with Burlton Griffith at Laurel Hill State Park and Spruce Flat Bogs: limited to 15 people
5:00-6:00	Seven Springs Resort - Matterhorn	Reception Check In			
6:00-7:15	Seven Springs Resort - Matterhorn	Graduation/Recognition and Reception			
8:00 - ?	Powder Mill Avian Research Center	Saw-whet Owl Banding at Powder Mill Avian Research Center: limited to 30 people			
Evening		Chapter Time: check with your local chapter about gathering for dinner or holding a chaper meeting			

Saturday, November 8, 2025

Time	Agenda	Seven Springs Resort - Grand Ballroom	
8:30		Registration and Coffee Break	
10:00	Opening Speaker	Natural History of Laurel Highlands and Central Appalachians	
		Grand Ballroom	Conference Room
11:00	Session 1	Telling the Story of Stewardship — how PMN volunteers can advocate for conservation in their communities	From Ridges to Valleys: Conserving Pennsylvania’s Elk Country with Keystone Elk Country Alliance
11:45	Lunch Break	Lunch in the Ballroom	
12:15	Keystone Speaker	Naturalists at Work: Building a Legacy of Conservation - Shaping Wilder Tomorrows with Dr. Mammie Parker	
		Grand Ballroom	Conference Room
1:15	Session 2	Leave No Trace with Amy Eldredge PSU	If You Give a Trout A Mayfly...with Rebecca Whitson
2:00	Break		
2:30	Session 3	Seeing Home Through New Eyes: Reflecting on Nature in Alaska and PA with Sandy Stanko	Stewarding Change: an Update on Climate Stewards with Marisa Nagele
3:15	Session 4	Boost Your Volunteer Potential with Steve Jones, Cindy Stockton Moore, Marion Rector	
4:30	General Session	Annual Meeting/Bioblitz/Chapters Meet	
6:00	Dinner/Bowling	Bowling and Seven Ten Bistro	Additional Fee: \$40 per person (includes bowling and food)
6:00	Dinner	Dinner on your own	
		*Plenary Sessions and Exhibits will be in the Grand Ballroom	

Sunday, November 9, 2025

Time		Seven Springs	Time	Seven Springs	Time	Field Sessions: Various Locations	Time	Longer Field Trips
7:00 - 8:00	Breakfast	Explore different table topics with your favorite PMN staff, other volunteers, and presenters						
8:00	Session 5	Getting to Know Mushrooms with Barbora Batokova	8:00-9:30	Understanding What's Underneath: The Nature of Native Soils with Margaret Cullinan (Workshop)	8:00-9:30	Exploring Ohiopyle: Ferncliff Loop & High Bridge Trail with Keith Terney and Chris Reed: limited to 15 people	8:00 - 10:00	Birds, Banding, and Conservation Science at Powdermill Avian Research Center: limited 30 people
9:00	Session 6	Watching Wildflowers: Studying Phenology through Nature's Notebook with Sara Klingensmith					9:00 - 12:00	Rivers to Ridges at Bear Run: Geology and Plant Life at Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater's Landscape with Fred Zelt and Ephraim Zimmerman: limited to 12 people
9:45	Break							
10:00	Session 7	Tadpoles in the Classroom: Providing Purpose and Service with Aaron Capouellez and Moira Smith	10:00-11:30	Shinrin-Yoku: Guided Forest Therapy Walk with Martha O-Grady at Laurel Hill State Park: limited to 12 people	10:00 - 11:30	The Secret Life of Lichens: Exploring Ferncliff Peninsula with Stephen Bucklin; limited to 15 people	10:00 - 12:00	Design in Nature: Touring Frank Lloyd Wright's Kentuck Knob and Woodland Trails: limit
11:00	Session 8	The Secret Life of Bats with Paula Purnell						
12:00	Sessions at Seven Springs Conclude							