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# The Greenway Gala

D&R GREENWAY'S ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY

*Johnson Education Center*

Sunday, September 12, 2010



A Farm Field in Mannington Township

## PRESERVING NEW JERSEY'S VEGETABLE GARDEN

Mannington Township is in Salem County, in southern New Jersey. Its prime agricultural soils make it “New Jersey’s Vegetable Garden” with numerous family farms and thousands of acres producing spinach, peppers, tomatoes and other vegetable crops.

Many of these farms surround the 18,593-acre marsh known as Mannington Meadows, an internationally-significant habitat for breeding populations of imperiled species of birds, waterfowl and bald eagles.

Most of the lands that surround Mannington Meadows are in private ownership. Situated in sight of the Delaware Memorial Bridge, within a 20 minute drive of Wilmington, the broad open landscape invites development consideration.

This is why the Trustees of D&R Greenway have chosen to present the Donald B. Jones Conservation Award to Mannington’s Preservation Leaders – the Carpenter, Hancock, Seabrook and Sparks families. Among them they have preserved over 2,729 acres of family farmland that also borders and protects the Mannington Meadows ecosystem.

This pioneering group of land owners are truly conservation heroes. Their personal example and advocacy is inspiring other families to partner with D&R Greenway to preserve their land.

## THE TRUSTEES OF D&R GREENWAY Invite You to Our Annual *Greenway Gala* at the

Johnson Education Center

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2010

3:00 PM Greenway Meadows Guided Walk  
and Native Plant Preview Sale

4:00 PM Wine and Hors d’oeuvres  
Featuring Farm-Fresh Mannington Produce

*Presentation of the  
Donald B. Jones Conservation Award*  
to

MANNINGTON’S PRESERVATION LEADERS  
THE CARPENTER, HANCOCK, SEABROOK AND SPARKS FAMILIES

*Special Exhibit and Silent Auction*

Preserving Integrated Landscapes...

Where Farmland and Conservation Meet

Featuring the Fertile Farms and Magnificent Marshes of Mannington  
Captured by Local Artists

