

THE SWINGING BRIDGE

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Swinging Bridge Nature Preserve is a sanctuary for all wildlife. As a property of Bluffton College it is dedicated to maintaining nature intact and undisturbed for the sake of observation, scientific study, and personal outdoor enjoyment. Over most of the area minimal control is exercised to provide selected kinds of habitats and plant life. Otherwise human marks and manipulation are avoided.

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

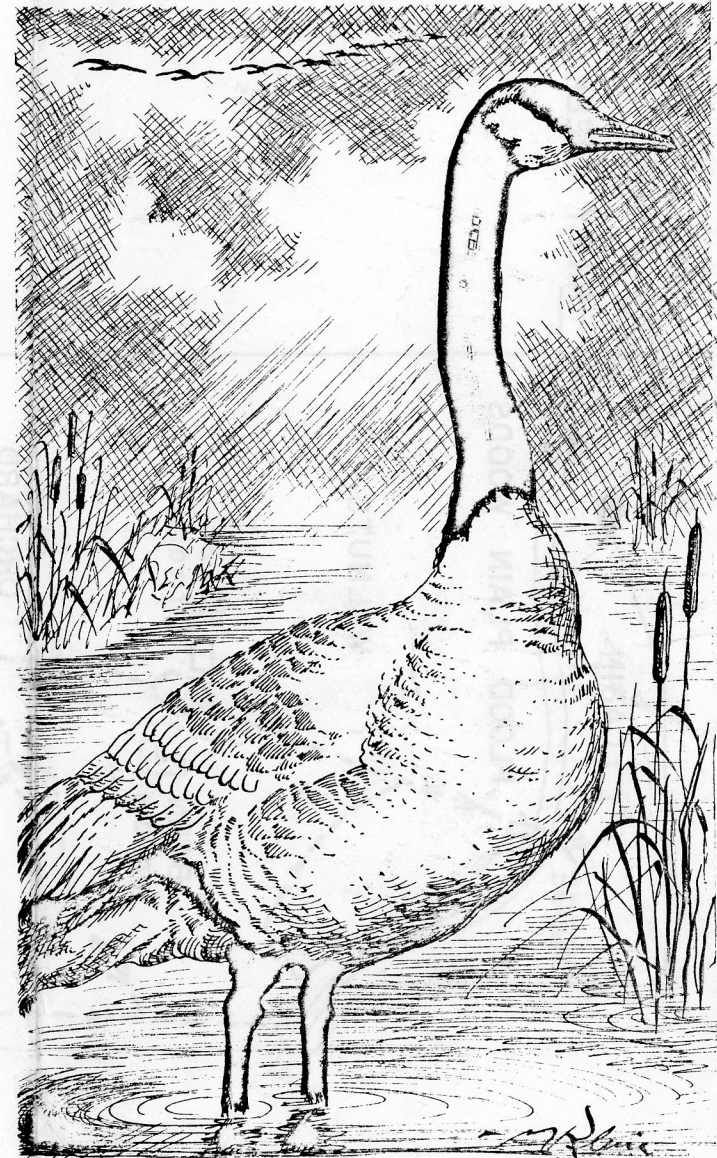
The Nature Preserve is maintained primarily through volunteer help and gifts. You are encouraged to participate in this effort in environmental education. For more information contact Robert Suter
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TO MAINTAIN THE NATURE PRESERVE THE FOLLOWING MUST APPLY:

Walk on trails only
No pets, wheeled vehicles or mechanized recreation
Pick no plants or berries
Approach the lake only at designated points
Picnicking, swimming, and fishing are not appropriate here
Leave no trash

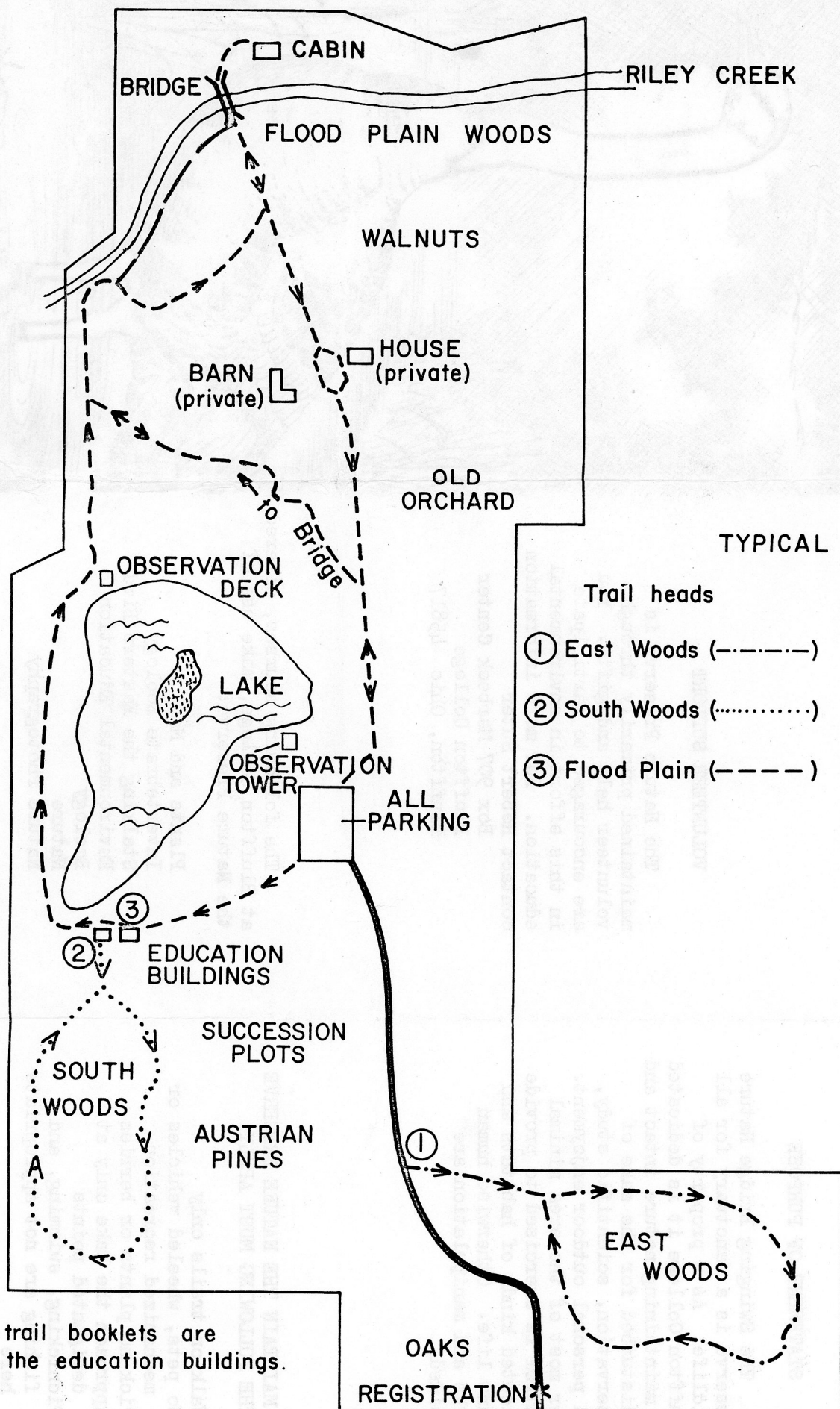
The following courses, offered at Bluffton College, make use of the Nature Preserve:

Plants and Man
Invertebrate Zoology
Stalking the Eastern Bird
Environmental Education
Ecology
Nature
Nature Photography



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Self-guided trail booklets are available at the education buildings.