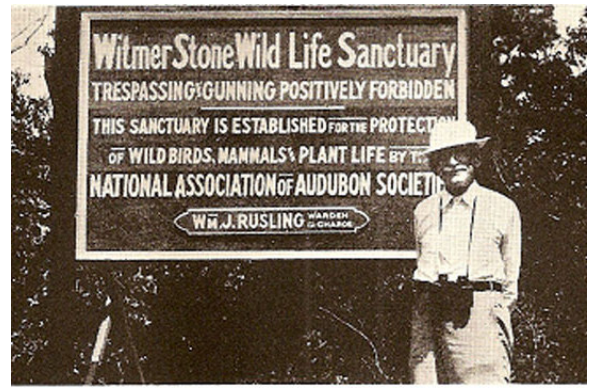


Support the re-establishment of the Witmer Stone Wildlife Sanctuary in Cape May, New Jersey!



In 1935, the Witmer Stone Wildlife Sanctuary was established in Cape May, NJ. As a result of habitat destruction the sanctuary was abandoned sometime in the 1950s. The DVOC is sponsoring an effort to re-establish this sanctuary on a portion of the original site.

We propose to rename a section of Cape May Point State Park as the Witmer Stone Wildlife Sanctuary and place three signs on the site: one dedicating the site, and two educational signs.

The Cape May Point State Park Superintendent has approved the placement of two educational signs on the proposed site for the new Witmer Stone Wildlife Sanctuary. One sign will inform visitors about Witmer Stone's accomplishments. The second sign will describe the annual hawk slaughter which took place in Cape May and how the sanctuary brought the slaughter to an end.

The signs and more information about the project can be found on the DVOC website.

The educational signs are the first step; once in place, they will give DVOC leverage to move the New Jersey legislature toward renaming the site in honor of Witmer Stone. Once the sanctuary is renamed we will be allowed to place the dedication sign on the site.

The three signs will cost \$10,000. The state of New Jersey cannot provide funding for the project. Witmer Stone deserves this recognition, and in gratitude for his leadership and guidance the DVOC owes him this honor. It is our responsibility to raise the funds for the signs. No one else will do this.

This may be the first time that you have heard of this project. However, our fund raising efforts started August 6, 2009. From over 300 club members, we have only received 11 donations.

We need your donation now!

Our goal is to have the approved educational signs in place by the summer of 2010.

Tax deductible Contributions should be sent to:
Delaware Valley Ornithological Club
Attn: Bert Filemyr
1314 Lenore Road
Meadowbrook, PA 19046

Please make checks payable to DVOC and note on the check Witmer Stone Wildlife Sanctuary.
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