

Friends of Cape May NWR

What can Friends do?

- **Visitor Center Greeters** at the Two Mile Beach and Kimble's Beach Rd. Visitor's Centers.
- **Interpretive Leaders** for bird watching and nature walks throughout the Refuge.
- **Support Refuge Staff** for ongoing projects and at special events throughout the year.
- **Solicit Public and Legislative Support** for issues related to the Refuge and the Friends.
- **Encourage the Public** to become Friends and to be involved in supporting their Wildlife Refuge.
- **Fundraising** for Refuge and Friends' projects.

We invite you to be a Friend.

Your membership/ contribution helps support the mission and programs at Cape May National Wildlife Refuge.

You will also receive the following benefits:

- Our newsletter (proposed)
- Invitation to our Annual Membership Meeting in November (proposed)
- Your dues and contributions are tax deductible
- Discount on purchases at the Friends' Nature Store (proposed)
- A sense of accomplishment in providing many opportunities for wildlife-related recreation, education and research.

Membership Opportunities

Please make checks payable to:

Friends of Cape May NWR

New members are always welcome in our Friends Group. Many projects are planned and your continued support is needed to make those plans a reality. New opportunities for volunteering are open and your participation would be most welcome. Indicate below your level of participation:

___ \$10 Sanderling (student/senior)

___ \$25 Piping Plover (individual)

___ \$40 Red Knot (family)

___ \$75 Brant (Affiliate/Group)

___ \$100 Barred Owl (Supporter)

___ \$250 Peregrine (Corporate I)

___ \$500 Bald Eagle (Corporate II)

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email _____

Phone _____

About The Friends Group

The Friends of Cape May National Wildlife Refuge is an independent, non-profit organization established in the Spring of 2009. Our Mission is to

- *Promote awareness of the Cape May National Wildlife Refuge*
- *Foster public understanding, appreciation and support of the Refuge, and the entire NWR system*
- *Advocate for the conservation and protection of the wildlife, plants and their habitats in our communities for the benefit of current and future generations.*

We welcome residents and visitors alike to join Friends and help us accomplish our goals! Contact us at:

**FRIENDSOFCAPEMAYREFUGE
@gmail.com**



About the Cape May National Wildlife Refuge

*The Refuge was established as part of the National Wildlife Refuge System in 1989. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has acquired about 11,500 acres already, and the Refuge continues to grow. Ultimately, it will protect 21,200 acres of precious wildlife habitat in the Cape May Peninsula. With only **five full-time staff**, they need the help of Friends!*

*CMNWR is comprised of three divisions. The **Great Cedar Swamp Division** is in the northern end of the Refuge in Dennis and Upper Townships.*

*The **Delaware Bay Division** is located in Middle Township and extends along five miles of Delaware Bay. Bayshore, salt marsh, wet and dry forests, vernal pools and grasslands are found in this division.*

*The **Two Mile Beach Unit** is a barrier island with beachfront, tidal ponds and maritime forest in Lower Township.*

*For more information, contact the office:
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"If birds are good judges of excellent climate, Cape May has the finest climate in the United States, for it has the greatest variety of birds." (Alexander Wilson, 1766-1813, Father of Ornithology)

"Birds have wings. But the funneling effect of Delaware Bay and the Atlantic traps many of them for a time in the Cape May peninsula, where they are almost certain to be spotted by their human admirers. Anything is possible in Cape May." (Roger Tory Peterson, ornithologist, 1964)