

About Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary

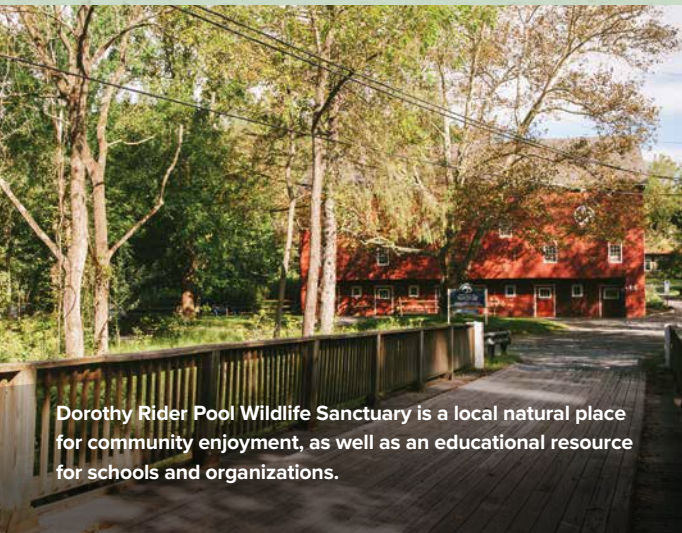


As late as the 1970s, this property was a working dairy farm complete with grazing pastures, crop fields, and orchards throughout much of these 77 acres.

Today, the property is a thriving nature preserve where stewardship has restored native forests, wildflower meadows, floodplains, and wetlands to flourish along the Little Lehigh Creek, a tributary of the Lehigh River.

Thanks to Pool's vision and the committed support of like-minded businesses and individual donors, Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary is a special place that encourages nature discovery and learning all the days of the year. Its diversity of plants, pollinators, and wildlife, including more than 130 different bird species, provides the perfect, natural environment to help educate future environmental stewards, keeping conservation alive for the Lehigh Valley and Lehigh River watershed today, tomorrow, and always.

Here, against the backdrop of an ever-urbanizing Lehigh Valley, the sanctuary stands as a tucked-away destination that is enjoyed by hikers, birders, trail runners, families, and more, offering respite and recreation for the local community, as well as critical habitat for the wildlife who call these irreplaceable acres home, too.



Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary is a local natural place for community enjoyment, as well as an educational resource for schools and organizations.



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About Wildlands Conservancy

60,000+ acres protected forever
14 nature preserves totaling **3,000+** acres

Wildlands Conservancy is the Lehigh Valley's nonprofit land trust. We've been creating lasting connections to nature since 1973 through land protection, environmental stewardship, and education.

Our mission is to protect and restore critical natural areas and waterways and educate the community to create a legacy of a healthy, sustainable environment for future generations.

All we do is kept alive through the committed support of the community and like-minded businesses.

Get Involved!

- Join us for a program! Visit wildlandspa.org/events.
- Follow us on social media: @wildlandspa.
- Volunteer.

Donate today to make a lasting difference in your backyard, the Lehigh Valley, and Lehigh River watershed.



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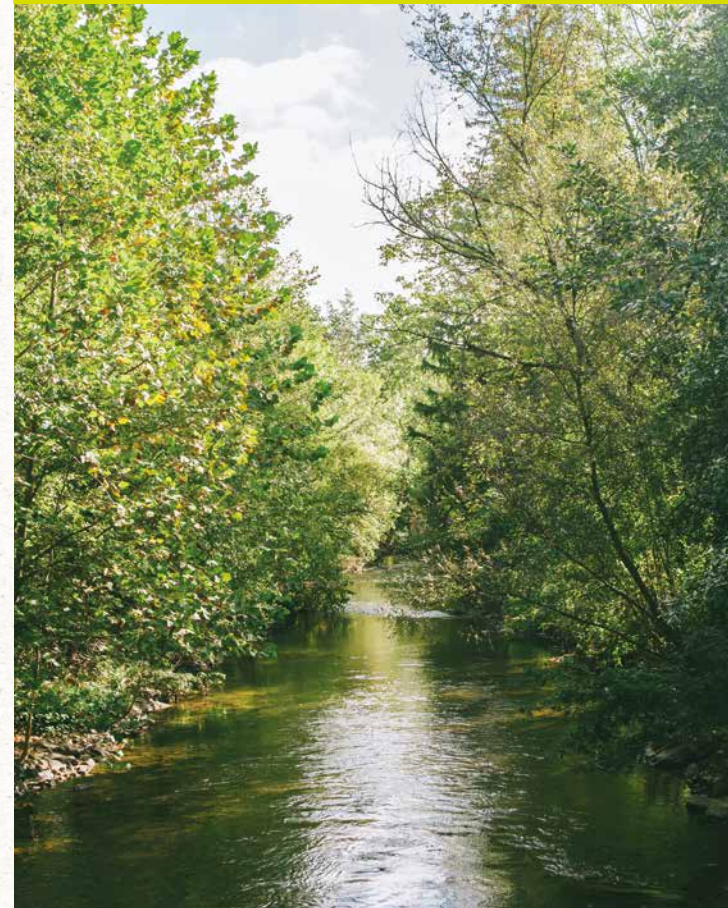
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Trail Map & Guide Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary



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The Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary boasts nearly three miles of trails on 77.5 acres that are open to the public from dawn to dusk. Visitors can explore unique ecological features, catch views of birds and other wildlife, and access the Little Lehigh Creek along the boardwalk of the property's highly sought-after Floodplain Trail, which is ADA accessible with a parking area nearby.

The Air Products Environmental Education Center

The sanctuary is Wildlands' environmental education hub, benefiting community members of all ages, from Scouts to organized groups, along with more than **20,000 school-age children** annually.

To commemorate the Air Products Foundation becoming the largest philanthropic investor in Wildlands' history in 2012, Wildlands named the environmental education building at Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary the Air Products Environmental Education Center.

The foundation's generous gift vitally supports the growing demand for nature-based educational programming and celebrates Leonard Parker Pool's legacy.

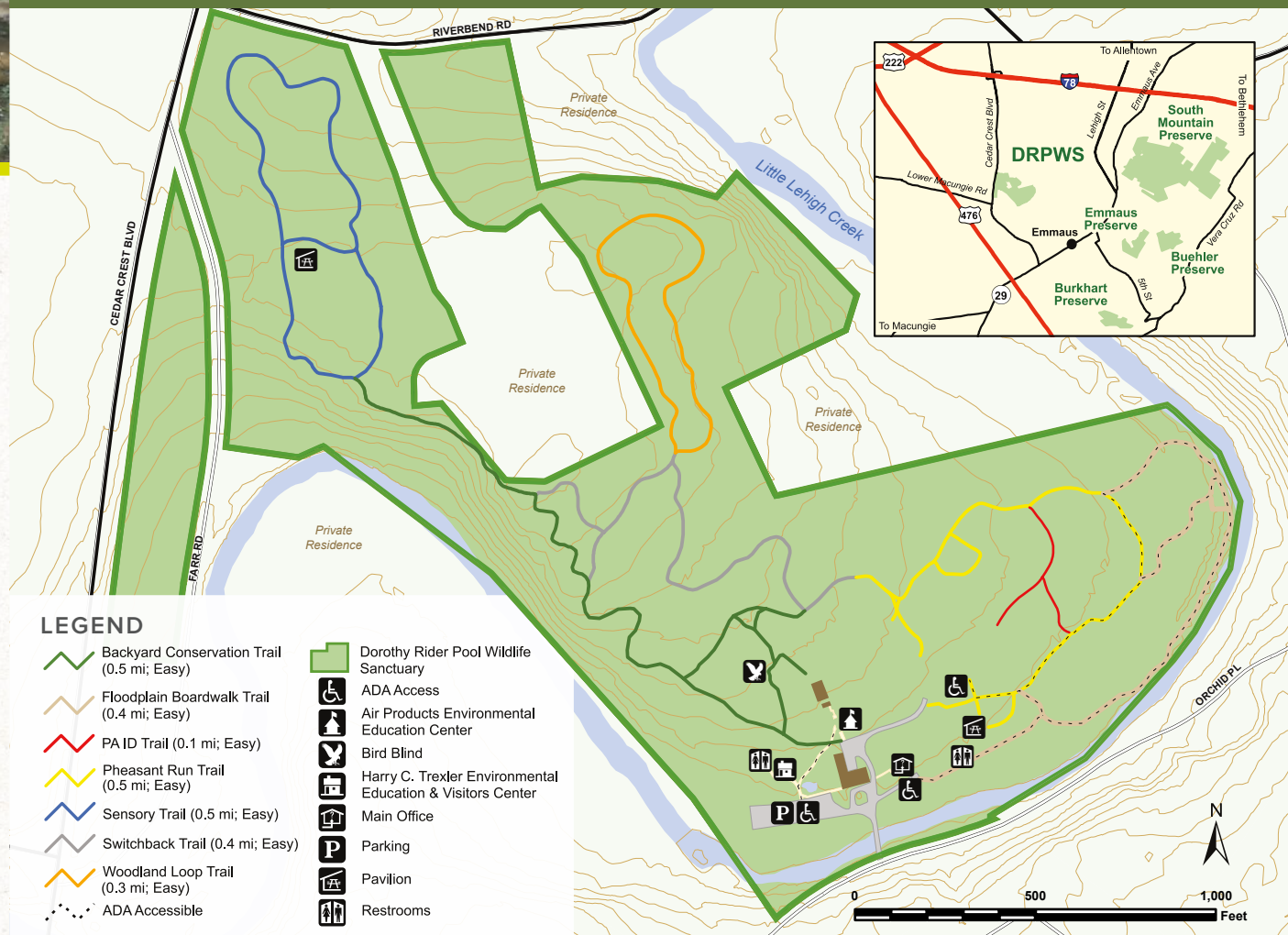
The Legacy of Leonard Parker Pool



Air Products founder Leonard Parker Pool and his wife, Dorothy Rider Pool, cared deeply about the local natural environment and educating future environmental stewards – so much so that, in 1975, Leonard entrusted his 72-acre property to

Wildlands Conservancy to preserve, “for its open space, aesthetic and wildlife values, and the enjoyment of those values by the public.”

Today, the property known as the Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary provides the opportunity to connect thousands of people to nature each year.



Please abide by the following: Hours are from dawn to dusk • Hunting and trapping are prohibited • Collecting of plants, animals, and rocks is prohibited • Be respectful of others using the property • No motor vehicles • Please stay on the trails • Do not litter – please carry out all trash • Pets must be leashed, under control at all times, and cleaned up after • Do not smoke or start fires • No camping • Alcohol, illegal drugs, and weapons of any type are prohibited • No glass containers

Wildlands Conservancy is not responsible for injury, theft, or accident. In case of an emergency, call 911.