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## **MONMOUTH COUNTY TO HOLD 9/11 CEREMONY**

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS — On Saturday, September 11, at 8:20am the Monmouth County Park System will host a brief remembrance ceremony at the site of Monmouth County's 9/11 Memorial. The memorial is located at Mount Mitchell Scenic Overlook on Ocean Boulevard in Atlantic Highlands. The ceremony will be held rain or shine, and all are welcome to attend.

Mount Mitchell Scenic Overlook will have extended hours on Friday-Sunday, September 10-12, from 8:00am to 11:00pm, to provide the public with additional opportunities to visit the 9/11 Memorial.

Monmouth County's 9/11 Memorial has three symbolic components: a timeline walkway to recollect the events of September 11, 2001; a stone base carved with the names, ages and hometowns of the 147 county residents who lost their lives that day; and an eagle sculpture with a beam from one of the fallen World Trade Center towers. Set against

views of New York City, the memorial honors both the lives lost and the fearless display of heroism by rescue teams and citizens who responded to the tragedy. Monmouth County's 9/11 Memorial was dedicated in 2005 and made possible through donations to Monmouth County's 9/11 Memorial Committee.

For more information about the remembrance ceremony, please visit [www.monmouthcountyparks.com](http://www.monmouthcountyparks.com) or call (732) 842-4000. For persons with hearing impairment, the TTY/TDD number is 711. The Monmouth County Park System is celebrating its golden anniversary of keeping the county green and livable, since the Board of Chosen Freeholders created the first county park in 1960. Today, the Park System has grown to over 30 sites totaling more than 14,500 acres and offers approximately 4,000 recreation programs and activities, making it the perfect place to come outside and play.

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**Photo Caption: Monmouth County's 9/11 Memorial is located at Mount Mitchell Scenic Overlook, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey. The eagle sculpture, with a beam from one of the fallen World Trade Center towers, is set against views of New York City. The Park System will host a brief remembrance ceremony at Mount Mitchell on Saturday, September 11 at 8:20am. Mount Mitchell will be open with extended hours, 8:00am-11:00pm, from September 10-12, 2010.**