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## **THE MONMOUTH COUNTY PARK SYSTEM INVITES YOU TO ENJOY SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES IN THE PARKS**

LINCROFT — The Monmouth County Park System invites you and your family to enjoy the beautiful county parks to welcome the gorgeous beginnings of autumn. Planning ahead? Be sure to check out a copy of the Fall Directory, which includes a complete listing of upcoming autumnal programs and special events. The Directory is currently available at most County parks and can be found on our website at [www.monmouthcountyparks.com](http://www.monmouthcountyparks.com).

### **Climb Time**

**Saturday, September 3 from 10am-2pm**

**Thompson Park, Newman Springs Road, Middletown**

**Sunday, September 25 from 11am-4pm**

**Holmdel Park, Longstreet Road, Holmdel**

Join us for a FREE chance to try our 25 foot rock climbing wall.

### **Open Shoot Archery**

**Friday, September 9 from 6-8:30pm**

**Thompson Park Activity Barn, Newman Springs Road, Lincroft**

If you're looking to try your hand at archery, join us for an open shoot. This is a non-instructional program; all equipment provided. Adults only; cost is \$5 per person, cash or check only.

### **Jersey Shore Rose Society Rose Show**

**Saturday, September 10 from 12:30-3:30pm**

**Deep Cut Gardens, Red Hill Road, Middletown**

Deep Cut Gardens will once again be the host of the Jersey Shore Rose Society's Annual Rose Show. Free tours; consulting rosarians will be on hand to answer questions. For information on entering your roses, please call (732) 688-4282.

### **Music Man Rich Marzec**

**Saturday, September 10 from 1-3pm**

**Historic Longstreet Farm, Longstreet Road, Holmdel**

Hear history come alive through music as Rich Marzec plays tunes from the turn-of-the-century.

### **Thompson Park Fall Canoe Rentals**

**Saturday & Sunday, September 10 & 11 from 9am-3pm**

**Thompson Park Marlu Lake, Newman Springs Road, Lincroft**

Take a relaxing paddle on picturesque Marlu Lake. All equipment provided; canoes available on first come, first served basis. Cost is \$15 per boat (1-3 people per boat) for 2 hours; cash or check only.

## **September 11<sup>th</sup> Memorial Ceremony**

**Sunday, September 11 at 2:00pm**

**Mount Mitchill Scenic Overlook, Ocean Boulevard, Atlantic Highlands**

Join us for a day of remembrance. There will be off-site parking at the Claypit Creek Section of Hartshorne Woods Park. Shuttle buses will be provided from 10:00am-4:30pm.

## **Open Ceramics**

**Sunday, September 11 from 12:30-4:30pm**

**Thompson Park Creative Arts Center, Newman Springs Road, Lincroft**

Choose from our selection of pottery pieces to glaze and make your own. Leave your piece with us and we will have it fired in about a week. Cost is \$6 per hour plus cost of bisque-ware; cash or check only. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

## **Blacksmith Demonstration**

**Sunday, September 11 from 1-3pm**

**Historic Longstreet Farm, Longstreet Road, Holmdel**

Come see what the Blacksmith is making in his workshop today!

## **Sailboat Rentals**

**Saturday, September 17 from 9am-12noon**

**Manasquan Reservoir, Windeler Road, Howell**

Are you a sailor without a boat? Rent a 15' American or 12' Laser Pico sailboat. Renters must provide a Red Cross, US Sailing, or MCPS sailing card. Adults only. Cost is \$80 per boat/2 person max; cash or check only.

### **Bonsai Day**

**Sunday, September 18 from 12noon-4pm**

**Deep Cut Gardens, Red Hill Road, Middletown**

Presented by the Monmouth County Park System and the Deep Cut Bonsai Society.

Experience this ancient art through demonstrations and displays, with experts on hand to answer questions.

### **Cornbread Contest**

**Sunday, September 18 from 1-3pm**

**Historic Walnford, Walnford Road, Upper Freehold**

Sweet or savory, traditional or trendy, put your best homemade cornbread to the test.

Entries will be rated by visitors as well as our select panel of experts.

### **Fiddler on the Porch**

**Sunday, September 18 from 1-3pm**

**Historic Walnford, Walnford Road, Upper Freehold**

Celebrate autumn while listening to the lively or lilting fiddle tunes performed by Pete Brady.

## **Great Fall Perennial Plant Swap**

**Saturday, September 24 from 10am-2pm**

**Deep Cut Gardens, Red Hill Road, Middletown**

Bring perennials in one-quart, one-gallon or two-gallon containers and take home the same size and number of plants. Please label all plants. Sorry, no annuals.

## **Paint a Pony**

**Saturday, September 24 from 2-3:30pm**

**Sunnyside Recreation Area, Middletown-Lincroft Road, Lincroft**

Let your child's imagination run wild as they use non-toxic sidewalk chalk to draw on a real live horse! They will take home a photo taken with their new equine friend! Please wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes. Cost is \$9 per child.

## **Harvest Home Festival**

**Sunday, September 25 from 11am-5pm**

**Historic Longstreet Farm, Longstreet Road, Holmdel**

Enjoy an old-fashioned fair reminiscent of the 1890s with contests, entertainment, games and so much more!

To learn more about these Park System activities, please visit [www.monmouthcountyparks.com](http://www.monmouthcountyparks.com) or call the Park System at (732) 842-4000. For persons with hearing impairment, the Park System TTY/TDD number is 711. The Monmouth County Park System, created in 1960 by the

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PHOTO CAPTION: Join us for a free chance to try out our 25 foot climbing wall on Saturday, September 3 from 10am-2pm at Thompson Park, Lincroft or on Sunday, September 25 at Holmdel Park, Holmdel.