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MONMOUTH COUNTY TO HOLD 9/11 MEMORIAL CEREMONY

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS — On Sunday, September 11, at 2:00pm the Monmouth County Park System will host a Memorial Ceremony at Mount Mitchill Scenic Overlook, Atlantic Highlands, the site of Monmouth County's 9/11 Memorial. The ceremony will be held rain or shine, and all are welcome to attend. The guest speaker will be Captain David J. Harrison, Commanding Officer at Naval Weapons Station Earle. Parking will be available at the Claypit Creek Section of Hartshorne Woods Park, 239 Locust Avenue, Middletown and shuttle buses will be provided to and from the Memorial from 10:00am to 4:30pm.

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.

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

For more information about the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony, please visit

www.monmouthcountyparks.com or call (732) 842-4000, ext. 4312. For persons with hearing impairment, the Park System TTY/TDD number is 711. The Monmouth County Park System, created in 1960 by the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, is Monmouth County's Open Space, Parks, and Recreation agency.

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PHOTO CAPTION: Monmouth County's 9/11 Memorial is located at Mount Mitchill 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 9/11 Memorial Ceremony at Mount Mitchill on Sunday, September 11 at 2:00pm. Mount Mitchill will be open with extended hours, 8:00am-11:00pm, from September 9-11, 2011.