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VOLUNTEERS HONORED BY THE MONMOUTH COUNTY PARK SYSTEM



COLTS NECK— On Sunday, March 5, the Monmouth County Park System honored its volunteers during its *Annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony* at Hominy Hill Golf Course, Colts Neck. During the event, Park System staff honored 110 volunteers who each gave 40 or more hours.

The ceremony also gave the Park System the opportunity to recognize volunteers who hit milestones in their service including Beth Clarke who gave 1,000 hours and Les Neiman who gave 3,000 hours. Both Jim Gault and Gerry Linger crossed the 5,000 hours mark.

On any given day, volunteers can be found gardening, assisting in offices, or leading a trip. They help with programs, lend a hand at cleanups, and build trails. Docent volunteers welcome visitors and share information about exhibits, programs and facilities. They are an essential part of the Park System's therapeutic riding programs. Many special events and races such as the *Wind & Sea Festival, Thompson Park Day* and the *E. Murray Todd Half Marathon* depend on volunteers to run smoothly. The Park System is grateful to each and every one of its volunteers for their service.

Volunteers who gave more than 40 hours in 2022 are:

Werner Aehlich, Holmdel Jodee Anderson, Brick Andrew Antoniolli, Brielle Charlotte Applegate, Middletown Basil Baccash, Holmdel Donna Baginsky, Eatontown Larry Batori, East Brunswick Cynthia 'Cindy' Bellino, Middletown Patricia Bernstein, Colonia Chris Bremseth, Tinton Falls Tracey Brown, Atlantic Highlands Joan Bruno, Highlands Don Bunnell, Rumson Rose Buono-Zimmer, Morganville Sandy Burn, Red Bank Maureen Byrne, Colts Neck Judy Cappello, East Windsor Joan Capriotti, Middletown Bobbie Carey, Keyport Tullio Carfagno, Whiting Susan Cartmell, Matawan Chung Chang, Holmdel Polly Chu, Red Bank James Church, Aberdeen Beth Clarke, Tinton Falls Dennis Costa, Old Bridge Marie Costa, Old Bridge Denise Day, Holmdel Matthew DeFelice, New Egypt Megan Delaney, Middletown Louise Delcollo, Colts Neck Joan Dubois, Wall Township Pat Duplak, Tinton Falls Kathy Elderhorst, Fair Haven Nancy Endresen, Holmdel Kathleen Evans, Tinton Falls Steve Fratini, Eatontown

Donna Fugit, Brielle

Jim Gault, Hazlet

Loma Gault, Hazlet

Mark Gorman, Philadelphia

Beth Gough, Leonardo

Susan Halle, Middletown

Kevin Harjes, Rumson

Ellen Harrold, Wall Township

Melanie Hernandez, Middletown

Amanda Hintelmann, Rumson

Dawn Johnson, Aberdeen

Alison Kugler, Morganville

Art Lackner, Eatontown

Gale Lackner, Eatontown

Bob Laue, Hazlet

Olivia Layton, Middletown

Susan Levantino, Fair Haven

Elizabeth Lilleston, Atlantic Highlands

Anna Lindberg, Keansburg

Dan Lingelbach, Navesink

Jeanette Lingelbach, Navesink

Gerry Lingner, Long Branch

Lois Lyons, Tinton Falls

Joseph Mazzatta, Manahawkin

Alice Mccaddin, Ocean

Cathie Merker, Leonardo

Gene Miller, Brielle

Jayne Miller, Spotswood

Mary Jean Milner, Aberdeen

Eileen Murphy, Holmdel

Grace Musumeci, Matawan

AnneMarie Narcini, New Egypt

David Nass, Red Bank

Laurie Nass, Red Bank

Bridget Neiman, Belford

Les Neiman, Belford

Han Nguyen, Marlboro

Trinh Nguyen, Marlboro

Brooke Norton, Middletown

Jim Pegg, Tinton Falls

Bill Perkins, Aberdeen

Thomas Puskar, Howell

Steve Ralling, Red Bank

Steven Reed, Matawan

Margo Reynolds, Freehold

Carolina Rivera-Colon, Jackson

Michael Roche, Freehold

Rocky Rockhill, Spring Lake Heights

Linda Rovder, Tinton Falls

Beth Rys, Red Bank

Walter Salzmann, Sea Girt

Fritz Schwager, Manchester

Samantha Shwartz, Middletown Holly Sieka, Red Bank Carla Sinclair, Old Bridge Carol A. Smith, Red Bank Rita Smith, Keyport Carol Smolinski, Freehold Robert Sollazzo, Morganville Leon 'Lee' Stab, Englishtown David Steward, Englishtown Eleanor Swanson, Long Branch Hailey Tay, Freehold Elise Teepe, Eatontown Sunanda Thali, Marlboro Township Rosemary Tunnicliffe, Tinton Falls Eva Valiant, Brielle David Wardell, Allentown Elaine Weigl, Barnegat CJ Weir, Oceanport Brian Wilson, Rumson Peter Zampella, Red Bank

Harry Shiau, Holmdel

To learn about Park System volunteers, please visit www.MonmouthCountyParks.com or call 732-842-4000. For persons with hearing impairment, the TTY/TDD number is 711. The Monmouth County Park System, created in 1960 by the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners, is Monmouth County's Open Space, Parks and Recreation agency.