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THE PARK SYSTEM FILLS NOVEMBER WITH FAMILY FUN



LINCROFT – Whether you’re looking to spend some time in nature, create memories, or just have a bit of fun, the Monmouth County Park System is the place to be this November. Here’s what is planned:

Milling Demonstrations

Saturdays & Sundays, October 31 & November 1, 7 & 8, 14 & 15, 21 & 22, and 28 & 29 at 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. & 3:30 p.m.

Historic Walnford, Upper Freehold

See the 19th century gristmill grind corn into meal. Each demonstration lasts approximately 15 minutes. **FREE!**

Open Mic Poetry - Gratitude and/or poems written as a set of instructions

Sunday, November 1 from 3-4:30 p.m.

Thompson Park Visitor Center, Lincroft

Explore or recite literary works during a time of alliteration, rhythm and verse. All are welcome to read your work aloud or read work from your favorite poet(s). Must be appropriate for a family-oriented audience. Pre-registration is recommended for readers. **FREE!**

Awesome Autumn Amble

Wednesday, November 4 at 10 a.m.

Freneau Woods Park, Aberdeen - Meet in the Visitor Center parking lot.

Wednesday, November 18 at 10 a.m.

Hartshorne Woods Park - Meet in the Rocky Point section parking lot in Highlands.

Explore the trails with a Park System Naturalist and discuss all manners of plant and animal phenomena. Open to all ages; under 18 with adult. **FREE!**

Historic Portland Place Tours

Wednesday-Sunday, November 4-8 and 11-15 at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.

Hartshorne Woods Park, Locust section of Middletown

Tour this beautifully restored 18th century house with exhibits that help tell the story of the region's history and the Hartshorne family legacy in Monmouth County. Tours are limited to 10 persons and may be suspended during severe weather conditions. Register on site at the Portland Place Visitor Center, day of tour. **FREE!**

Climb Time

Friday, November 6 from 12-3 p.m.

Thompson Park, Lincroft – Use Filly Run Parking Lot.

Try the Park System's 25' portable climbing wall. You must be 42" or taller to climb. Open to ages 8 and up; under 18 with adult. Weather and conditions permitting. **FREE!**

Fall Craft Show

Saturday, November 7 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Fort Monmouth Recreation Center, Tinton Falls

Get a jump start on your holiday shopping during this show that features over 40 unique, quality craft vendors. Admission and parking are free.

Blacksmith Demonstration

Sunday, November 8 from 1-3 p.m.

Historic Longstreet Farm, Holmdel

Head to the blacksmith shop and see craftsmanship in action and learn about the rich history behind the forge. **FREE!**

Open Shoot Archery

Saturday, November 14 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Thompson Park Activity Barn, Lincroft

All equipment is provided for this open shoot. No outside equipment permitted. This is not an instructional clinic and NOT designed for beginners. If you are new to archery, register for one of our instructional classes prior to attending. Open to ages 10 and up; under 18 with adult. The cost is \$10 per person; cash or check only.

Cookstove Demonstration

Saturdays, November 14 & 28 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Historic Longstreet Farm, Holmdel

See what's cooking on the woodstove and discover how recipes, cooking techniques and kitchens have changed since the 1890s. **FREE!**

Piano Ballads from the Turn-of-the-Century

Saturday, November 14 from 1-3 p.m.

Historic Longstreet Farm, Holmdel

Hear popular turn-of-the-19th-century ballads. **FREE!**

Nature Lecture: Nonnative Fish of New Jersey

Sunday, November 15 from 1-2 p.m.

Freneau Woods Park Visitor Center, Aberdeen

Hear about some of the nonnative and invasive fish species swimming in New Jersey's waters that threaten our native aquatic ecosystems during this talk by a Park System Naturalist. **FREE!**

Casual Birder

Tuesday, November 17 at 9 a.m.

Manasquan Reservoir, Howell – Meet in the Environmental Center Parking Lot. Join a Park System

Naturalist for a laid-back morning bird walk and meander for about an hour and a half and see what birds we can find. No need to be an expert at identifying birds to enjoy this walk. A limited number of binoculars will be available. **FREE!**

Accordion Melodies of the 1890s

Saturday, November 21 from 1-3 p.m.

Historic Longstreet Farm, Holmdel

Hear melodies of the 1890s played on the accordion during your visit. **FREE!**

To learn more about these Park System activities, please visit 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 Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners, is Monmouth County's Open Space, Parks, and Recreation agency.

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