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## **SPRING IN THE PARKS**

LINCROFT — Although it feels like winter never really began, it's almost over. March marks the official arrival of spring and brings with it plenty of opportunities to enjoy the Monmouth County Park System. Here's what's planned for the month:

### **Ceramics for Seniors**

**Thursdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 12:30-2:30pm**

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

Try something new! The cost is \$15 per person and includes studio time, glaze, firing and selected ceramic bisqueware. Staff will be on hand to help with tips and easy techniques.

### **Vernal Wetlands**

**Saturday & Sunday, March 3 & 4 at 1pm**

**Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell**

Learn about vernal wetlands and the animals that use them.

### **Roving Park System Naturalist**

**Saturday, March 3 at 1:30pm in Bayshore Waterfront Park, Port Monmouth Road, Port Monmouth**

**Sunday, March 11 at 1:30pm in Shark River Park, Schoolhouse Road, Neptune**

**Sunday, March 25 at 1:30pm in Perrineville Lake Park, Agress Road,  
Millstone**

Join our roving Park System Naturalist for a walk and learn about seasonal points of interest.

**Open Ceramics**

**Sunday, March 4 from 12:30-4:30pm**

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

Choose from a large selection of bisque-fired pottery pieces to glaze and make your own. Leave your piece to be fired and pick up in a week or so. The cost is \$6 per person per hour plus cost of bisqueware. All ages welcome, children 12 and under with an adult.

**Music Man Rich Marzec**

**Sunday, March 4 from 1-3pm**

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

Hear tunes from yesteryear as Music Man Rich Marzec performs.

**Open Shoot Archery**

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

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

Try your hand at archery during this open shoot at the Activity Barn. All equipment will be provided. This is a non-instructional program open to ages 8 and up (under 18 with adult). The cost is \$5 per person, cash or check only.

Please note that the barn is not heated.

**Blacksmith Demonstration**

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

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

Come see what the blacksmith is making in his workshop!

**Ssssnake Sssstop**

**Sunday, March 11 at 1pm**

**Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell**

Let a Park System Naturalist introduce you to one of our native snakes.

**Peruse the Past**

**Saturday & Sunday, March 17 & 18 from 1-4pm**

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

Turn back the pages of time while reading bound volumes of early 19<sup>th</sup> century newspapers and other periodicals saved by the Waln family.

**Signs of Spring Nature Walk**

**Saturday & Sunday, March 17 & 18 at 11am**

**Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell**

Join a Park System Naturalist and look for signs of the coming season during this nature walk.

**Kite Making**

**Saturday, March 24 from 12:30-2:30pm**

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

Let's hope for a windy day as we make old-fashioned kites!

**What's a Watershed**

**Saturday & Sunday, March 31 & April 1 at 1pm & 3pm**

**Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell**

Discover what watersheds are and their significance.

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 Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, is Monmouth County's Open Space, Parks, and Recreation agency.

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PICTURED – *Ssssnake Ssstop* will be offered on Sunday, March 11 at 1pm at the Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Howell.