

2019: PARK PARTNERS



In 2019, 1,226 volunteers contributed 25,989 hours to maintain and beautify the parks and staff park events. Highlights this year included hundreds of volunteers who attended Core Training events for pruning, trails and tool maintenance, invasive species removal, and how to be a docent, program assistant or endangered bird species monitor. Many volunteers also attended topic lectures and park hikes as part of a new "Just for You" Workshop Series.



Volunteers attend an informational "Just for You" hike to explore the trails at Hartshorne Woods Park and an invasive species lecture. Trail team experts repair the source of erosion on a trail at Huber Woods Park, while student volunteers help in the gardens at Longstreet Farm.



FRIENDS of the Monmouth County Park System, Inc.

Founded in 1991, this non-profit facilitates sponsorship and hosts fundraising events/activities to raise money for special projects in the parks. In 2019, this included 16 new memorial park benches as a tribute to the memory of loved ones (pictured); a new wheat thresher for demonstrations at Longstreet Farm; and trees, water lilies and roses for Thompson Park and Deep Cut Gardens. Funding continued for staff training, scholarships for urban youth to attend park camps and fees to support after school excursions, and special activities for volunteers and young adults with disabilities. www.friendsofmonmouthcountyparks.com



MCF MONMOUTH CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

Monmouth Conservation Foundation (MCF), now celebrating its 43rd year, is dedicated to saving open space, creating parks, preserving farmland, protecting wildlife, teaching environmental sustainability and safeguarding waterways throughout Monmouth County. MCF has directly preserved more than 6,500 acres of open space and farmland and is one of nearly 420 accredited land trusts out of 1,700 nationwide. Jointly, MCF and Monmouth County are working to restore the future home of Swimming River Park (formerly Chris' Marina and Deli, pictured) in Middletown and transform it into a beautiful park with riverfront access for all to enjoy. www.monmouthconservation.org



SPUR

Special People United to Ride (SPUR) is a non-profit organization that supports therapeutic horseback riding and equestrian programs at Sunnyside Equestrian Center. In 2019, participation continued to grow with 46 new SPUR students. A total of 188 volunteers participated in the SPUR program in 2019. The Equine Facilitated Learning and Horses for Heroes programs enjoy continued success. SPUR had 98 entries in one or more horse shows throughout 2019 including 80 riders in the SPUR Horse Show (the largest show to date, pictured). www.spuronline.org

HERE ARE THE GROUPS WHO VOLUNTEERED IN 2019 AND THE INDIVIDUALS WHO DEVOTED MORE THAN 40 HOURS OF THEIR TIME (MORE THAN 100 HOURS IN BOLD*)

CORPORATE GROUPS

Adapting Social
L'Oreal
Morgan Stanley
Ohana Rising Yoga School
PVH Clothing Company
Vonage

STUDENT GROUPS

Biotechnology HS
Brookdale College
Collier Youth Services
Colts Neck HS ROTC
Holmdel HS
Marlboro HS Key Club
Marlboro HS LEO Club
MAST
Raritan HS Interact Club
Raritan HS Key Club
Red Bank Catholic HS
Rutgers University
St. John Vianney Key Club

NON-PROFIT GROUPS

Affordable Housing Association
AmeriCorps NCCC
Boy Scouts of America
Girl Scouts of America
Monmouth Reform Temple
Primetime Eatontown
YMCA Camp Zhender

INDIVIDUALS

Werner Aehlich *
Daniel Aho *
Jodee Anderson
Andrew Antonioli *
David Armstrong
Basil Baccash
Mitchell L Berman
Patricia Bernstein
Denise Bixby
Nancy Bowe
Christine Bremseth *
Mary Briamonte
Tracey Brown
Sandy Burn *
Mary Byrne
Elissa Cahill
Monica Cantor
Barbara Carroll
Susan Cartmell
Anne Caruso
Dennis Chamberlain
Chung Chang
Emily Chen
Stefanie Wittenburg-Cheng
Nicole Cieluch
Elizabeth Clarke
Carol Cohen
Saul Cohen
Shayna Cohen

Dennis Costa
Marie Costa *
Evelyn Daino
Jennifer Dawson *
Denise Day *
Louise DelCollo *
Caroll DeRocco
Quinn DeRosa
Paul Drew
Barbara Duggan
Patricia Duplak *
Veronica Erofeeva
Harvey Evans
Dora Finamore
Ashley Finamore
Robert Finn
Carol Fornwald
Harden Fowler *
Judith Galarza *
James Gault *
Loma Gault
Bernadette Gilbride
Carolyn Giovanniello
Sarah Goldstein
Mark Gorman
Ellys Gorodisch
Beth Gough
Mary Green *
Cheryl Greenfield *
Susan Halle
Kathleen Harbort

Ellen Harrold *
Ciara Hayes
Kaitlyn Heller
James Henry *
Amanda Hintelmann *
Ida Hosseini *
Andrew Imperiale
Kalpana Jhaveri
Kelly Jones
Karen Kacani
Katie Kalfayan
Nadide Karacay
Christel Kavulia
Anne Kelly
Julie Kelly
Zoe Khachaturian
Serena Khan
Roberta Kilduff *
Joan Klayton
Molly Kocsik
Michael Kranis
Michael Kravets *
Arthur Lackner *
Elizabeth Lilleston
Daniel Lingelbach *
Jeanette Lingelbach *
Gerry Lingner *
Howard Litwack *
Chelsea Livingstone
Lydia Locke *
Lisa Loshiavo *

Lois Lyons *
Gabriel Maglione
Paulo Makalinalao
Ralph Maratea *
Daniel Martin
Danielle Martinez
Samantha Mastropaolo
JoAnn McAvoy
Owen McCaffrey *
Alexandra McCarthy *
Elaine McColgan
Thomas McConville
Nancy Meagher
Patricia Mehlem
Richard Merker
Catherine Merker
Carol Migrala
Nicholas Miller
Zachary Miller
Bonnie Muir
Eileen Murphy *
Grace Musumeci *

David Nass *
Magda Nassar
Les Neiman *
Frank Nofi *
Ayesha Nusrath
Kathleen O'Brien
John Olsen *
Alex Osnato
Deborah Palumbo
James Pegg *
Gabriel Podsvirow *
Ava Prestigiacomio *
Sophie Prestigiacomio
Cadence Price
Thomas Puskar
April Qin
Betty Randall *
Rachel Rau
Eileen Reed
Ann Reilly *
John Rivera-Ramos
Howard Rockhill

Lorraine Roy
Diana-Lee Salerno
Susan Salzmman
Walter Salzmman *
Marlis Schlegel-Steadman
Fritz Schwager *
Madeline Shanley
Regina Sieben
Carla Sinclair *
Carol Smolinski
Leon Stab
Nancy Stab *
David Steward
Benjamin Stillman
Lynn Stone
Damien Strollo
Margaret Swan
Eleanor Swanson *
Marianne Sweet *
Priya Thamburaj
Patricia Thul *
Olivia Townsend

Jennifer Tremper
Rosemary Tunnicliffe
Daniel Tutler
Jean Vail *
Donald Van Buren *
Alicia Van Sant
Barbara Venanzini *
Jeanne Wadle
Leon Wang
David Wasserman
Elaine Weigl *
Christopher Weir
John Wheelock
Lewis Whitaker *
Sandra Wolfe
Louise Wyhopen *
Christine Yovnello
Janet Zagata
Anna Zimmer

LIFETIME MILESTONES

1,000 HOURS

Barbara Carroll
Barbara Duggan
Amanda Hintelmann

Catherine Merker
Richie Merker
Frank Nofi
Betty Randall

2,000 HOURS

Loma Gault
3,000 HOURS
Jim Gault

4,000 HOURS

Gerry Lingner