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ENJOY FREE OCTOBER EVENTS AT THE MONMOUTH COUNTY PARK SYSTEM

LINCROFT — The Monmouth County Park System invites you and your family to visit your beautiful county parks this October to enjoy fun, free events. Planning ahead? The fall edition of the Park System Directory, which includes the complete line-up of autumn recreational programs and events, is currently available at most County parks, as well as online at www.monmouthcountyparks.com.

Bats

Saturday & Sunday, October 2 & 3 at 12:30pm

Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell

Learn about bats and make a craft to take home.

Walnford Day

Sunday, October 3 from 11:00am to 5:00pm

Historic Walnford, Walnford Road, Upper Freehold

Explore history through a variety of family friendly, hands-on activities, demonstrations and exhibits.

Where in the World Are We?

Saturday & Sunday, October 9 & 10 from 10:00am to 4:30pm

Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell

View a display showing the voyage of Christopher Columbus and discover how his mistake started our country.

Blacksmith Demonstration

Sunday, October 10 from 1:00 to 3:00pm

Historic Longstreet Farm, Longstreet Road, Holmdel

Come see what the blacksmith is making in his workshop!

Music Man Rich Marzec

Saturday, October 16 from 1:00 to 3:00pm

Historic Longstreet Farm, Longstreet Road, Holmdel

Hear history come alive through music as Rich Marzec plays tunes from the turn-of-the-century.

Fall Leaves

Saturday & Sunday, October 16 & 17 from 10:00am-4:30pm

Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell

Learn why leaves change their color once autumn arrives.

Corn Harvest

Saturday & Sunday, October 16 & 17 from 12:00 to 2:00pm

Historic Longstreet Farm, Longstreet Road, Holmdel

A visit to the farm will give you an understanding of the processes involved in harvesting corn. Weather permitting.

Thompson Park Day

Sunday, October 17 from 11:00am to 5:00pm

Thompson Park, Newman Springs Road, Lincroft

This annual fall event features fun family activities that include wagon rides, pumpkin painting, crafts, food, live entertainment, and so much more!

Fiddler on the Porch

Sunday, October 17 from 1:00 to 3:00pm

Historic Walnford, Walnford Road, Upper Freehold

Celebrate fall while listening to the lively or lilting fiddle tunes performed by Pete Brady.

Autumn Amble

Saturday & Sunday, October 23 & 24 at 12:00 noon

Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell

Enjoy the fall weather by joining us on a short guided nature walk.

Silly Spiders

Saturday & Sunday, October 30 & 31 at 1:00pm

Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell

Have fun making a silly spider to take to your Halloween Party!

What Is It? Exhibit

Running everyday through Friday, December 31 from 9:00am to 4:00pm

Historic Walnford, Walnford Road, Upper Freehold

Join the Walnford staff in exploring tools used two centuries ago for industrial, agricultural, and domestic activities at Historic Walnford.

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 TTY/TDD number is 711. The Monmouth County Park System is celebrating its golden anniversary of keeping the county green and livable, since the Board of Chosen Freeholders created the first county park in 1960. Today, the Park System has grown to over 30 sites totaling more than 14,500 acres and offers approximately 4,000 recreation programs and activities, making it the perfect place to come outside and play.