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**MONMOUTH COUNTY PARK SYSTEM LOOKING FOR GARDENING  
VOLUNTEERS FOR HOLMDEL PARK'S ARBORETUM**

HOLMDEL — The Monmouth County Park System is looking for volunteers ages 16 and up to help rejuvenate the Arboretum at Holmdel Park, Holmdel. Devoted to the culture and study of the trees, shrubs and other woody plants that grow in the county, the Arboretum covers 22 acres in the park. Volunteers are needed to help tidy up the site and maintain the health of its plantings.

Those interested in participating in this beautification project are asked to attend a free *Pruning Trees and Shrubs Workshop* at the Historic Longstreet Farm Visitor Center, Longstreet Road, Holmdel. Held from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, the workshop is tailored for work to be done in the Arboretum. After the workshop, the Park System will add the Arboretum to its list of *Drop-In Volunteer Days*.

Held through October, volunteers are welcome to show up at their convenience and participate in volunteer gardening activities. The schedule is as follows:

- Tuesdays at Dorbrook Recreation Area, Colts Neck
- Wednesdays at Thompson Park, Lincroft
- Thursdays at Huber Woods Park, Middletown
- Thursdays at the Arboretum, Holmdel Park, Holmdel (starting June 19)

- Wednesdays and Saturdays at Deep Cut Gardens, Middletown

*Drop-In Volunteer Days* hours are 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at all locations. Please note that volunteers at Deep Cut Gardens must be 16 years of age or older.

For more information or to register, please call Melissa Kelly, Coordinator of Volunteers at 732-842-4000, ext. 4283, or email [mkelly@monmouthcountyparks.com](mailto:mkelly@monmouthcountyparks.com). To learn more about the Park System, visit [www.monmouthcountyparks.com](http://www.monmouthcountyparks.com) or call 732-842-4000, ext. 4312. 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 Chosen Freeholders, is Monmouth County's Open Space, Parks and Recreation agency.

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