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MONMOUTH COUNTY PARK SYSTEM TO HOST GARDENING WORKSHOP FOR VOLUNTEERS



LINCROFT— Have a green thumb and love spending time in the parks? You might have what it takes to become a member of the Monmouth County Park System’s ***Pruning Team***. This group of dedicated volunteers helps the Park System tidy up and maintain the health of trees and shrubs in several park locations. Those interested in learning more are invited to attend a free workshop on ***Pruning Trees and Shrubs*** at the Thompson Park Visitor Center, 805 Newman Springs Road, Lincroft. The workshop will cover correct pruning techniques, tools and safety. Open to ages 14 and up, sessions will be held on Tuesday, April 9 and Thursday, April 18 from 9am-12noon.

Gardeners are sure to enjoy the flexibility of the Park System’s gardening ***Drop-In Volunteer Days***. Held mid-April through October, volunteers are welcome to show up at their convenience and participate. The schedule is as follows:

- Tuesdays (starting April 16) at Dorbrook Recreation Area, Colts Neck

- Wednesdays (starting April 10) at Thompson Park, Lincroft
- Wednesdays & Saturdays (April 10) at Deep Cut Gardens, Middletown
- Thursdays (starting April 11) at Huber Woods Park, Middletown

Drop-In Volunteer Day hours are 9am-12noon at all locations. Please note that volunteers at Deep Cut Gardens must be 16 years of age or older. Volunteers do not need to attend the training session to be part of the ***Drop-In Volunteer Days***. On-site training will be provided as needed.

For more information or to register for either workshop, please contact Melissa Kelly at (732) 842-4000, ext. 4283, or mkelly@monmouthcountyparks.com. For more information about the Monmouth County Park System, please visit www.monmouthcountyparks.com or call (732) 842-4000. 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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