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**DORBROOK RECREATION AREA TO EXPAND THANKS TO DONATION FROM
THE NEW JERSEY CONSERVATION FOUNDATION**



The 5.1-acre addition is located near Dorbrook Recreation Area's soccer fields.

COLTS NECK – The Monmouth County Park System is pleased to announce that 5.1 acres have been added to Dorbrook Recreation Area, Colts Neck, thanks to a donation from the nonprofit New Jersey Conservation Foundation. On February 25, New Jersey Conservation donated a residential property on Route 537 to the Monmouth County Park System. Future plans for the property include demolishing the vacant residence and restoring the 5.1 acres as parkland.

“I am very pleased that the Marion Huber property has become part of Dorbrook Recreation Area,” said Freeholder Lillian G. Burry, liaison to the Monmouth County Park System. “My personal gratitude is extended to the memory of Marion Huber and the New Jersey Conservation Foundation.”

New Jersey Conservation received the property in 2006 from a trust established by the late Marion Huber, who passed away in 2001. Marion's nephew, the late Michael Huber, was a New Jersey Conservation Foundation trustee.

"Marion Huber felt strongly about preserving open space, and it was her intention that the property would eventually be used as parkland," said Michele S. Byers, executive director of the Far Hills-based New Jersey Conservation Foundation. "We're very pleased to donate it to the Monmouth County Park System, and I know that the land will be well used by local families as part of Dorbrook Recreation Area."

One of the Park System's most popular sites, Dorbrook Recreation Area features the barrier-free playground Challenger Place, the Sprayground (a water-enhanced play area), tennis courts, an inline skating rink, basketball courts, athletic fields, and 2.3 miles of paved trails. It also hosts numerous recreation programs and summer camps each year. Dorbrook Recreation Area is just one of Park System's 43 sites. In total, the Park System manages over 17,000 acres of land throughout the county, preserving more than 5% of the county's area for current and future generations to enjoy.

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. For more information about the Monmouth County Park System, visit www.MonmouthCountyParks.com or call 732-842-4000, ext. 4312. For persons with hearing impairment, the Park System TTY/TDD number is 711.

The New Jersey Conservation Foundation is a private non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve land and natural resources throughout New Jersey for the benefit of all. Since its inception in 1960, New Jersey Conservation has protected 125,000 acres of open space, farmland and parks. For more information about New Jersey Conservation Foundation and its programs and preserves, visit www.njconservation.org or call 1-888-LANDSAVE (1-888-526-3728).

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