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COME OUT TO THE PARKS THIS WINTER

LINCROFT — Looking for a good New Year's Resolution? How about spend more time in the parks? It's never been easier thanks to Monmouth County Park System and its offerings. Here's what the Park System has planned for January:

Open Shoot Archery

Saturdays, January 7 & 28 from 1-3:30pm

Thompson Park, Newman Springs Road, Lincroft

Try your hand at archery during this open shoot at the Activity Barn. All equipment will be provided. This is a non-instructional program open to ages 8 and up (under 18 with adult). The cost is \$5 per person. Cash or check only.

Please note that the barn is not heated.

Open Ceramics

Sunday, January 8 from 12:30-4:30pm

Thompson Park Creative Arts Center, Newman Springs Road, Lincroft

Choose from a large selection of bisque-fired pottery pieces to glaze and make your own. Leave your piece to be fired and pick up in a week or so. The cost is \$6 per person per hour plus cost of bisqueware. All ages welcome, children 12 and under with an adult.

Blacksmith Demonstration

Sunday, January 8 from 1-3pm

Historic Longstreet Farm, Longstreet Road, Holmdel

Come see what the blacksmith is making in his workshop!

Ceramics for Seniors

Thursdays, January 12, 19 & 26 from 12:30-2:30pm

Thompson Park Creative Arts Center, Newman Springs Road, Lincroft

Try something new! The cost is \$15 per person and includes studio time, glaze, firing and selected ceramic bisqueware. Staff will be on hand to help with tips and easy techniques.

Giant Snowman

Saturday & Sunday, January 14 & 15 at 11:30am

Manasquan Reservoir Environmental Center, Georgia Tavern Road, Howell

Let's build a giant snowman! If there is no snow to play with, we will try to build a snowman inside using recycled paper.

Seashore Open House

Sunday, January 22 from 1-4pm

Seven Presidents Oceanfront Park, Ocean Avenue, Long Branch

Stop in during our Open House for seashore fun and light refreshments. Engaging hands-on activities will entertain and educate you and your family about the shore and the sea. Speak to a Park System naturalist about your own shell collection or the aquatic animals on display. You can even create a beach keepsake to take home. FREE

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 Park System 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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