

## SPECIAL PROJECTS COMPLETED IN 2013

### **TIMOLAT FARM LANDSCAPE RESTORATION – \$75,940.00**

Timolat Farm, located in Huber Woods is graced with four tiered ponds which run down the hill to the Navesink River. These ponds were designed 101 years ago by James Timolat in order to irrigate his farm and orchard, utilized to harvest ice, and provided a scenic landscape. Over time nature has eroded and overgrown the lovely peanut stone features and ponds. This restoration project included tree removal, stump grinding, and invasive plant species eradication. Stone and concrete features along the streams and ponds were repaired and native flowers and ferns were planted along the front pond. The funding for this project was provided through a donation from Kimberly Timolat Short and Cecile Timolat McCaffery (daughters of the Timolat family).



### **HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION FOR BATTERY LEWIS – \$10,000**

Battery Lewis, located in Hartshorne Woods Park was part of the North Atlantic Coastal Defense System. During WWII, 16” batteries, i.e., cannons guarded the Atlantic Coast.

### **HISTORIC LONGSTREET FARM PARK – \$7,483**

Historic Longstreet Farm has some new additions for the house, farm, exhibit, and staff. The *Friends of the Parks* purchased a pair of 3 year-old black Percheron mules. These “Mollies” (which means female in farm talk) are named Jenn and Alice. The house has custom designed and manufactured shutters and hardware. The staff has new period costumes and a period Santa suit. Plus, there is a replica bathing suit in the exhibit.



### **HISTORIC WALNFORD EXHIBIT – \$1,113**

Visitors to Historic Walnford can take a trip back in time while exploring the new wayside turbine interpretive exhibit.

### **MANASQUAN RESERVOIR ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER – \$2,845.00**

Pavilion II has a new custom painted mural depicting a visitor’s experience when taking the trail. This colorful landscape highlights a visitor’s view of wildlife, flora, and fauna along the trail and reservoir.



## 2013 ANNUAL DISTRIBUTIONS

### CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS AND PROGRAMS FOR URBAN YOUTH – \$14,470

The *Friends of the Parks* continue to support the Recreation Assistance Program (RAP) by providing 20 scholarships for children from Monmouth County's underserved communities such as Asbury Park, Neptune Township, Neptune City, and Long Branch. These campers are able to participate in week-long summer camps (including door-to-door transportation), summer concerts, boat tours, farm tours, a trip to see the Harlem Globetrotters, holiday parties, and programs at the Park System's Coastal Activity Center in Asbury Park. Proceeds from our Annual RAP Appeal support this effort.



### EMPLOYEE EDUCATION AND TRAINING – \$8,041

Continuing education is an important component to keeping an organization vital. Monmouth County Park System employees were able to attend national training seminars and in-house training seminars for continuing education thanks to *Friends of the Parks* funding.



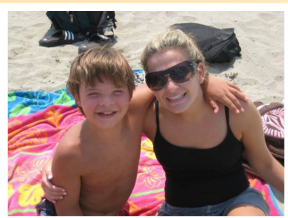
### PARK BENCHES AND MEMORIAL DONATIONS – \$5,866

Deep Cut Gardens, Huber Woods, Thompson Park, Sunnyside Recreation Area, the Henry Hudson Trail and the Manasquan Reservoir have new benches for visitors to enjoy, and enables the donors to memorialize the loss of a loved one.

### VOLUNTEER EVENTS, TRAIL TOOLS, NATIONAL TRAILS DAY LUNCHEON, AND HOLIDAY CARDS – \$3,648

The *Friends of the Parks* are proud to show our appreciation for the volunteers of the Monmouth County Park System. We sponsor the National Trails Day Luncheon on the first Saturday in June, provide dessert at the Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon in April, and pay for Thanksgiving cards and postage.

In addition, the *Friends of the Parks* were proud to purchase new tools for the volunteer trail team. These dedicated volunteers maintain over 125 miles of Monmouth County Park System trails.



### HOLIDAY TRIP, SEMI-FORMAL, AND DAY AT THE BEACH FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES – \$1,707

Each year the *Friends of the Parks* sponsor the Annual Therapeutic Recreation Semi-Formal at Tatum Park. The group also attended a beach outing and Disney on Ice – Let's Celebrate. The *Friends of the Parks* paid for admission, refreshments, and transportation for participants and chaperons.

### UPCOMING 2014 EVENTS:

**Wednesday, May 21** – Annual Golf Outing, Hominy Hill Golf Course, Colts Neck  
**Wed – Sun, July 23-27** – Monmouth County Fair, East Freehold Showgrounds

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