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**BECOME A BIRD MONITOR VOLUNTEER  
WITH THE MONMOUTH COUNTY PARK SYSTEM**



LONG BRANCH— Help the Monmouth County Park System protect the nests of endangered shorebirds at Seven Presidents Oceanfront Park! Volunteers (age 18 and up) are needed to monitor known nesting sites of least terns, piping plovers and oystercatchers. Learn more about this exciting volunteer opportunity by joining Todd Pover of the Conserve Wildlife Foundation of New Jersey and Christina Davis of the state’s division of Fish & Wildlife for a ***Beach Nesting Bird Monitor Training Workshop*** from 1-3 p.m. on Sunday, May 7 at the Seven Presidents Oceanfront Park Activity Center, Ocean Avenue, Long Branch.

Volunteers that complete the training are invited to help monitor the birds over the summer and educate the visitors so that the nesting areas remain protected. Bird Monitors volunteer as their schedules permit, but are especially needed during peak summer usage and special events such as Fourth of July. For more information or to register, please contact the Park System volunteer office at 732-842-4000, ext. 4283, or [volunteer@monmouthcountyparks.com](mailto:volunteer@monmouthcountyparks.com).

For more information about the Monmouth County Park System, please visit [www.MonmouthCountyParks.com](http://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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