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### **VOLUNTEERS HONORED BY THE MONMOUTH COUNTY PARK SYSTEM**



*Coordinator of Volunteers Tracy Shiffman, Alex Osnato, Gerry Lingner, Public Information Officer Karen Livingstone, and James Henry.*

COLTS NECK— It was all about the volunteers on Sunday, March 5 when the Monmouth County Park System held its **Annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony** at Hominy Hill Golf Course, Colts Neck.

Throughout the year, 997 people volunteered a total of 23,294 hours assisting the Park System with recreation programs, special events and park facilities. During the event, Park System staff honored 152 volunteers who gave over 40 hours in the past year.

A poignant moment came when the Park System recognized volunteers who hit milestones in their service hours. Gerry Lingner of Long Branch and Alex Osnato of North Middletown each gave over 3,000 hours and James Henry of Lincroft crossed the 9,000 hours mark. Mr. Henry is a dedicated volunteer who gives his

time freely, gardening in several parks, helping lead the Trails Team, and assisting with volunteer training and at numerous event throughout the year.

Working as a team with Park System staff, volunteers can be found helping in countless ways. They act as historic interpreters and demonstrators at Historic Longstreet Farm and Historic Walnford, serve as leaders on bus trips to sporting and cultural events, and assist in offices. They are invaluable to the Park System's therapeutic horseback riding program by assisting riders during individual lessons. Volunteers can also be found acting as docents, participating in beach clean ups, gardening, maintaining trails, and serving as educators in the Beach Nesting Bird Monitor program. They help make special events and races such as **WinterFest**, the **Wind & Sea Festival** and the **Woods Hollow Bike Race** run smoothly as well as assist with programs and camps. The Park System is grateful to each and every one of its volunteers for his or her service.

Volunteers who gave more than 40 hours in 2016 are:

Werner Aehlich, Holmdel  
Jodee Anderson, Point Pleasant  
Andrew Antonioli, Brielle  
Alyssa Austin, Colts Neck  
Jane Banahan, Fair Haven  
Catherine Bannon, Lincroft  
Paula Belem, Edison  
Joan Berg, Lincroft  
Paige Biebel, Middletown  
Denise Bixby, Howell  
Janice Blake, Freehold  
Pamela Bluish, Upper Freehold  
Sara Bonardi, Middletown  
Amanda Bossert, Holmdel  
Christine Bremseth, Tinton Falls  
Janet Breslin, Jackson  
Mitchell Bundschuh, Freehold

Sandy Burn, Red Bank  
Mary Byrne, Middletown  
Stephanie Camp, Neptune  
Monica Cantor, Morganville  
Barbara Carroll, Colts Neck  
Anne Caruso, Long Branch  
Hanna Ceppaluni, Freehold  
Elizabeth Clarke, Tinton Falls  
Shayna Cohen, Holmdel  
Helen Cole, Freehold  
Kathleen Culver, Red Bank  
Judy Curry-Phipps, Atlantic Highlands  
Cody Dalton, Oakhurst  
Bethany Darby, Brick  
Denise Day, Holmdel  
Radhamani Dayanidhi, Tinton Falls  
Darlene DeBarba, Fair Haven  
Louise DelCollo, Colts Neck  
Emma DeSantis, Fair Haven  
Barbara Duggan, Freehold  
Deborah Elsinger, Shrewsbury  
Harvey Evans, Tinton Falls  
Kathleen Evans, Tinton Falls  
Barbara Finazzo, Jackson  
Carol Fornwald, Long Branch  
Harden Fowler, Tinton Falls  
Kathleen Freeman, Hazlet  
Cheryl Fulmer, Freehold  
Ruth Gariepy, Hazlet  
James Gault, Hazlet  
Loma Gault, Hazlet  
Trevor Gokusinski, Red Bank  
Cheryl Greenfield, Freehold  
Angelo Grimaldi, Red Bank

Dolores Grimaldi, Red Bank  
Erin Gross, Holmdel  
Judy Hands, Red Bank  
Donna Hansen, Freehold  
Kathleen Harbort, Fair Haven  
James Henry, Lincroft  
Susan Henschel, Neptune  
Hope Hershman, Colts Neck  
Liz Hesper, Middletown  
Amanda Hintelmann, Rumson  
Catherine Holler, Holmdel  
Lucy Hopkinson, Colts Neck  
Karen Kacani, Metuchen  
Katie Kalfayan, Morganville  
Nadide Karacay, Wall Township  
Mary Kardauskas, Arlingtone  
Laura Kavanagh, Colts Neck  
Roberta Kilduff, Middletown  
Kristen Kircher, West Keansburg  
Maya Konefal, Lincroft  
Sherry Kosberg, Shrewsbury  
Michael Kranis, Shrewsbury  
Arthur Lackner, Eatontown  
Belen Lacosta, Hazlet  
Katie Lasko, Morganville  
Linda Lawton, Eatontown  
Brooke Lichter, Holmdel  
Elizabeth Lilleston, Atlantic Highlands  
Jeanette Lingelbach, Navesink  
Daniel Lingelbach, Navesink  
Gerry Lingner, Long Branch  
Ulrike Lirosi, Little Silver  
Lois Lyons, Tinton Falls  
Joy Malysko, Neptune

Gayle Mancari, Long Branch  
Ralph Maratea, Lakewood  
Nicholas Marrero, Fords  
Danielle Martinez, Holmdel  
Susan Mazur, Port Monmouth  
Alice McCaddin, Ocean  
Elaine McColgan, Middletown  
Emily McNeill, Colts Neck  
Kelly Meade, Clark  
Nancy Meagher, Middletown  
Amy Meechan, Wall  
Anna Meechan, Wall  
Catherine Meechan, Wall  
Riana Melillo, Lincroft  
Richard Merker, Middletown  
Catherine Merker, Middletown  
Robert Moe, Atlantic Highlands  
Benedict Montalbano, Middletown  
Bonnie Muir, Long Branch  
Eileen Murphy, Red Bank  
William Murphy, Red Bank  
David Nass, Red Bank  
Les Neiman, Belford  
Frank Nofi, Manalapan  
Madelyn Oliveira, Lincroft  
Alex Osnato, North Middletown  
Deborah Palumbo, Monmouth Beach  
Martha Pineda, Holmdel  
Stewart Prince, Matawan  
Thomas Puskar, Howell  
April Qin, Holmdel  
Eileen Reed, Matawan  
Anna Maria Riccio-Mandala, Long Branch  
Patricia Richter, Red Bank

Joseph Rossi, Long Branch  
Linda Rovder, Monmouth Beach  
Diana-Lee Salerno, Little Silver  
Walter Salzmman, Sea Girt  
Ben Sammarco, Colts Neck  
Brea Saunders, Laurence Harbor  
Kara Sayre, Tinton Falls  
Elizabeth Scharmann, Navesink  
Patricia Schoenfelder, Keansburg  
Alexa Setteducati, Brick  
Mary Jeanne Shaughnessy, Ocean Grove  
Regina Sieben, Long Branch  
Elyse Spinelli, Middletown  
Noel Stoll, Aberdeen  
Christina Sundt, Red Bank  
Margaret Swan, Bricktown  
Eleanor Swanson, Long Branch  
Dianne Swenson, Highlands  
Ellen Terry, Millstone  
Shayla Thompson, Cliffwood Beach  
Nora Thomson, Lincroft  
Margo Thornton, Tinton Falls  
Patricia Thul, Eatontown  
Michaela Tovar, Lincroft  
Daniel Tutler, Belford  
Ann Tvaroha, Fair Haven  
Anna-Marie Van Brunt, Jackson  
Barbara Venanzini, Matawan  
Gerald Vernon, Jr., Fair Haven  
Elaine Weigl, Barnegat  
Nicholas West, Colts Neck  
Lewis Whitaker, Howell  
Christine Yovnello, Red Bank

To learn about Park System volunteers, please visit [www.MonmouthCountyParks.com](http://www.MonmouthCountyParks.com) or call 732-842-4000.

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