The Master Tree Steward Program of Union County

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Interested in TREES?
Enjoy Teaching KIDS?

Then consider being a MASTER TREE STEWARD!

Volunteer Master Tree Stewards teach 4th graders about tree appreciation

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Volunteer Master Tree Steward Ken Ilgavizis

All photographs in this brochure are provided by Volunteer Master Tree Steward Ken Ilgavizis
The Master Tree Steward Program is an enjoyable free educational program that teaches adult volunteers about the nature and life of trees. Learn how trees start, grow, and reproduce; how to plant trees; their importance to our environment; and fun ways to share this knowledge with children. Homework is easy reading and a simple project. There are no exams or quizzes. After completing the training program, graduates are given a teaching kit and supplies, and are scheduled to teach a one-hour program about once a month to groups of schoolchildren January—May.

Your commitment is SHORT term, but importance and impact is LONG term.

Training is from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesdays from September to December. Classes are held on the second floor of the Colleen Fraser building, (in the County Police Complex) 300 North Ave E, in Westfield. (across the street from the Westfield Diner)

To apply, or if you have questions, call 4-H Agent Jim Nichnadowicz at 908-654-9854.

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**TENTATIVE TRAINING SCHEDULE**

**September – December**

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<td>Noon–2pm</td>
<td>Tree Lifecycle &amp; Looking at Leaves</td>
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<td>10am–2pm</td>
<td>Field Trip to Helyar Woods (Rutgers Gardens)</td>
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<td>Trip to the Great Swamp Outdoor Center in Chatham</td>
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<td>Field Trip to Hacklebarney State Park, Long Valley</td>
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<td>Field Trip to Cheesquake State Park</td>
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<td>11:30am-1:30pm</td>
<td>Field Trip to Grammar School in Union County</td>
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<td>Noon-2pm.</td>
<td>Tree Teaching Kits—Tree Kit orientation and distribution.</td>
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<td>Noon-2pm</td>
<td>A chance to practice teach and hear an overview of the 4-H Program.</td>
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<td>Noon-2pm</td>
<td>Master Tree Steward Graduation Party and school sign-up.</td>
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**For More Information about Master Tree Stewards**

(Mail this form, call, or send an email message)

☐ Are you available to attend Master Tree Steward classes on Wednesdays, from September to December?

☐ Are you available from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for at least 8 Wednesdays from January through May?

Name

Address

Phone

Email address

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**Master Tree Steward Volunteer teaches about how peanuts grow.**