# The Master Tree Steward Program of Union County



## Volunteer Master Tree Stewards teach 4th graders about tree appreciation



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Interested in TREES?
Enjoy Teaching KIDS?

Then consider being a MASTER TREE STEWARD!



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#### 4-H Master Tree Stewards

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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Master Tree Steward Volunteer teaches about how peanuts grow.

# TENTATIVE TRAINING SCHEDULE September – December

TIME	TOPIC
Noon—2pm	Tree Lifecycle & Looking at Leaves
10am—2pm	Field Trip to Helyar Woods (Rutgers Gardens)
10am-2pm	Trip to the Great Swamp Outdoor Center in Chatham
9:30am-2pm	Field Trip to Hacklebarney State Park, Long Valley
10am-2pm	Field Trip to Holly Forest, Sandy Hook
9am-2pm	Field Trip to Forest Resource Center, Jackson
9:30am-2pm	Field Trip to Cheesequake State Park
11:30am-	Field Trip to Grammar School in
1:30pm	<u>Union County</u>
Noon-2pm.	Tree Teaching Kits—Tree Kit
	orientation and distribution.
Noon-2pm	A chance to practice teach and
	hear an overview of the 4-H
	Program.
Noon-2pm	Master Tree Steward Graduation
	Party and school sign-up.

### For More Information about Master Tree Stewards

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

	Are you available to attend Master Tree Steward cla on Wednesdays, from September to December?	isses
	Are you available from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at least 8 Wednesdays from January through M	
	Name	
	Address	
	Phone	
-	Email address	

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