

## Volunteers come in many shapes

I read with interest "Help Wanted" (Editorial, July 29), on the need for volunteers in the region. I wonder if The Record took into consideration beforehand the many volunteer organizations in New Jersey.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is made up of 100 percent volunteers. There are approximately 110 lodges and thousands of members statewide.

The volunteer work we do generates the money necessary to run the only camp for multiple-disability children in New Jersey. We donate many thousands of hours to our veterans homes, helping to make daily life for America's heroes a little happier.

We also use the funds generated by our volunteer work to provide scholarships for local students. We run drug awareness programs in our schools. We run peer leadership conferences for exceptional students. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Little League and numerous other programs all derive money from the volunteers of the Elks.

Volunteers come in all shapes and forms. I am sure that the Volunteer Center of Bergen County and the United Way are wonderful organizations. However, it is necessary for all volunteers to be included.

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