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scholarship winners; Courtney Villani Linden Chamber of

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Superintendent of Linden Public Schools.

# NEXT CHAMBER MEETING: IS IN SEPTEMBER Enjoy the Summer

#### COMPLETE 2010 SUMMER CONCERT AND MOVIE SERIES SCHEDULE CAN BE FOUND ON PAGE 9.

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# 9th ANNUAL LINDEN CHAMBER SCHOLARSHIP AND BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARDS DINNER

High School seniors.

The Linden Chamber of Commerce held their 9th Annual Scholarship and Business of the Year Awards Dinner on June 10th. Honored were Columbian Bank, Monarch Plumbing



(above, l-r) Small Business of the Year Leonard Kuznet of Monarch Plumbing & Heating is pictured with family, friends and colleagues.



(left, l-r)
Special
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Thomas Boland,
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of Commerce.

(right, l-r) Large Business of the Year Columbia Bank: Ana Vaz, Libby Bajgerova, Sharon Reddin, Mark Proudman, Sr. Vice Pres. Branch Administration, Joseph C Schweikert, Manager Linden Office, Lynne Lawson, Assistant Manager Linden Office; Sue Petty, Head Teller Linden Office

## THE LIBRARY IS NOW OPEN!

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9 am to 9 pm Monday through Thursday
9:30 am to 5:00 pm on Fridays
and 9 am to 5 pm on Saturdays



(above) Dekira & Ronnie Lee Overton & Taliah Clark relaxing at the Library over books and magazines.

#### **TRACK CHAMPIONS**

Linden High School Boys Track Luke Jarmolowski, Cory Stapleton, and Shareem Jenkins are Union County Champions in the 3 Man Shot-Put and 3 Man Discus.

Shareem Jenkins has achieved the Watchung Conference, Union County and the North II Sectional Championships in the Shot-put. Watchung Conference Champion in the discus for Linden High School is Luke Jarmolowski.



(above, l-r) Luke Jarmolowski, Cory Stapleton, and Shareem Jenkins.

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#### **TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES**

#### LINDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

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Conference meetings will be held in the Council Office. Regular meetings will be held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Linden, New Jersey.

Conference Meeting: July 19 - 6 p.m. Prior to Council Meeting: July 20 - 6 p.m. Council Meeting: July 20 - 7 p.m.

#### PLANNING BOARD

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Planning Room, City Hall, Linden, New Jersey.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:**

Meetings are held at City Hall, normally on the first Wednesday of each month at 7 pm. All meetings are open to the public.

#### **LINDEN BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular meeting July 21 - 7 p.m.

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Senorita's @ Hyatt Hills Golf Complex in Clark,
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JULY 23, 8 AM – SOMERSET HILLS BUSINESS NETWORK MEETING

Olde Mill Inn in Basking Ridge, 225 Route 202 (I-287, Exit 30B)

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AUGUST 3, 8 AM - SMALL BUSINESS COUNCIL

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#### **RECREATION EVENTS CALENDAR**

### GOLDEN FALCON BASEBALL CAMP IN LINDEN

The Linden Department of Public Property and Community Services is once again proud to present the Golden Falcon Baseball Camp in Linden. The dates of the camp are Monday, July 19th to Thursday, July 22nd (Rain Date, Friday, July 23rd). The times for each day are 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. The camp will be held at the Edward Flanagan Little League Complex located at So. Stiles Street in Linden. The camp is for boys and girls who will be completing grades K-8 during the 2009-2010 school year.

The Golden Falcon Baseball Camp will be starting its 12th year of developing youth in the game of Baseball. The camp has multiple locations throughout Northern New Jersey. This is the second year of having the baseball camp in Linden.

The camp is under the direction of Ed Ward, the Former Assistant Baseball Coach at Division I New Jersey Institute of Technology. Quality instruction will be given by Coach Ward's Staff and Former Players along with top High School Coaches from Northern New Jersey.

Every camper will receive a T-Shirt, a camp certificate, and a written evaluation on their performance for the week. The camp offers special awards for the campers that will be given throughout the four days of camp.

The tuition for the camp is an affordable \$150.00. For more information about the camp please give Coach Ward a call at (908) 347-6485 or the Linden Department of Public Property & Community Services at (908) 474-8600. Registration deadline for the camp is Wednesday July 14th.

#### **FALL SOCCER PLANNED**

The Linden Department of Public Property and Community Services has announced that the Little Kickers Fall Soccer Clinic has been planned for Linden girls and boys, ages 4 & 5 and will be held on 5 consecutive Saturdays: September 18, 25 - October 2, 9, 16. at Al Kalla Park from 10:00am to11:00am. Registration deadline -- Sept. 11, 2010 at a cost of \$25.00 per child. Payment may be made by cash, check, money order, Visa or Master Card. Sign ups are on a first come, first serve basis as the clinic is limited to 60 youngsters.

#### **FALL SOCCER LEAGUE 2010**

The 2010 Fall Soccer League is open to Linden Girls and Boys in the following manner: The Minor Division is for girls and boys ages 6-7. The Junior Boy's Division is open to boys ages 8-10 while the Junior Girl's Division is open to girls ages 8-10. League play will begin on Saturday, September 18, 2010 and continue through the playoffs.

Registration deadline is Sept.10, 2010. The cost: \$45.00 per youngster. Payment may be made by cash, check, money order, Visa or Master Card.

#### **REGISTRATION**

You can register at the Community Center Building at 605 So. Wood Ave., or the John T. Gregorio Center at 330 Helen St. or at the Linden Multi Purpose Center at 1025 John Street. You can also register on-line at www.Linden-nj.org and click onto Community Pass. All youngsters will be provided with a T-shirt and must wear shin guards at all times. Each child should bring ample bottled water.

#### **FISHING DERBY**

The City of Linden's Department of Public Property and Community Services has announced that its Annual George "Butchie" Scoles Fishing Derby will be held at the pond at Wilson Park on Wednesday, July 21, 2010. All Linden boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 13 are encouraged to participate in the derby that runs from 1:15 pm -3:15 pm. A rain date of Friday, July 23, 2010 has been established. All contestants must be registered and ready to fish at 12:45 with his/her own fishing pole. If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Public Property at (908) 474-8600 or the Linden Multi-Purpose Center at (908) 474-8639. Prizes will be awarded.

## FREE SENIOR CITIZEN SUMMER ARTS & CRAFTS CLASS.

The Senior Citizen craft classes will be held every Wednesday, July 7th through August 18th from 10:00 am -12:00 noon at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen Street, Linden. Call 908-474-8627 soon to register, as the class size is limited.

## A WEALTH OF LINDEN INFORMATION ONLINE

The next time you need to know what's going on in town, or to look for a municipal phone number, or who to speak to regarding city services check Linden's website.

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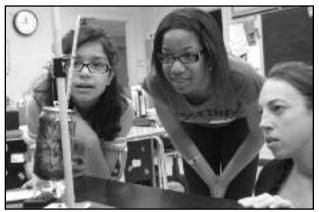
#### **LINDEN TEACHER CHOSEN FOR FELLOWSHIP**

Lisa Corona, a 6th and 7th grade science teacher at Soehl Middle School in Linden, NJ. has been awarded an Earthwatch Educator Fellowship. Through the fellowship Lisa will join an Earthwatch Institute research team for a nine day New York State wildlife expedition. The group will study a range of wildlife species and the quality of their varied habitats. The goal is to investigate the impact of urbanization across multiple groups of organisms. Lisa Corona was sponsored through a generous grant given by the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation.

From July 3rd to July 11th, Lisa will join other Earthwatch volunteers and researchers at Blue Mountain Park, New York and various other sites throughout the New York region. The team will be lead by principal investigator Dr. Catherine Burns, a research assistant professor at the University of Maine and a research affiliate with Wild Metro. The volunteers will assist the researchers in mammal tracking and camera-trapping, amphibian dip-netting and egg mass surveys, breeding bird point surveys, and exotic and native plant community surveys. The data collected will help assist regional planners in protecting urban nature and wildlife, and will help scientists better understand how and why urbanization affects animals and plants.

Lisa is looking forward to being a part of something as important as ensuring the diversity of species in the future, as well as gaining a great experience to bring back to share with her students, "I am so excited to have this opportunity to participate in scientific research that will not only have an impact on scientific studies, but will also provide me personally will skills, experiences, and excitement that I can't wait to share with my students."

Earthwatch Institute is a world leader in the field of experiential education providing opportunities in the field and online for volunteers to broaden their understanding of sustainability and support conservation research. There is no experience necessary to be involved and hundreds of teams worldwide that need support. Visit Earthwatch.org or call 800-766-0188 for more information.



(above, l-r) Soehl Middle School teacher Lisa Corona assists Soehl students Genesis Moron, and Hayley Miller burn various foods to compare the amount of calories each gives off.

#### **LINDEN'S GOT READING TALENT**

American Idol Gone Reading is a Linden School No. 1 Reality competition to find new reading talent. The concept was created by School No. 1 teacher Lindsay Guerriero and Reading Coaches Judy Gahr Patty Kowalski as a spin off from the television show American Idol.

A panel of judges who critique the contestants' performances included principal, teachers and School No. 1 families filled the audience.

The students were given a selection of poems to practice reading during reading sessions and at home. The students were judged on a scoring rubric. The rubric contained the categories of accuracy, smoothness, and expression on a scale from 1-3 (3 being the best). Approximately 26 students walked down a red carpet to perform in front of family members and other peers. First place went to Jessica Moreno (the host of the show), second place went to Jesse Valenzuela,

and third went to Courtney Theodule. This activity was fun, challenging, exciting and educational!" The students of School No.1 discovered an excitement for reading and learned valuable skills.



(above, l-r) School No. 1 American Idol- Gone Reading Winners Jessica Moreno, Jesse Valenzuela, Courtney Theodule.

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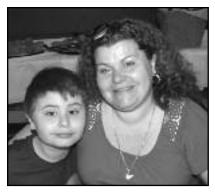
#### **PARENTS AS PARTNERS**

School One celebrated 100 Book Challenge in a special way. 100 Book Challenge is a motivational reading program that supports the Language Arts curriculum in Linden. There is a school / home component and parent involvement is essential for success. Parents and families were invited to a breakfast celebration before school started with their children to talk about additional ways that the parents could focus on comprehension, vocabulary and quick tips for improving reading overall.

Approximately 80 School One families attended and left with techniques and strategies to reinforce reading at home. A reading raffle was held for the families and 10 prizes were given out of course BOOKs.









(photos above, clockwise) Brianna Calle of School One & her mom Jasmin Noristz and her sister enjoy breakfast together; Melanie Robinson of School One gives her mom Valerie Robinson a hug for all of the support and encouragement; Aaron Pope of School One has involvement of the whole family for the 100 Book Challenge; Maria Rufo (mom) and Migel Rufo of School One spend time together.

#### **SOEHL ACADEMIC COMPETITION**



At Soehl Middle School, students volunteer to add hours of research to their already intense schedules. Each student is given a study guide covering the four major subject areas to prepare for the tournaments that are based on questions designed by their teachers reflecting parts of their curriculum and state assessment-style questions.

For the past five years, Soehl has been running Academic Team Competitions that invite students to sign up to compete against their peers in a friendly tournament. On average, sixty-four students participate in each event, which represents about 10% of the entire student body. The early rounds, comprised of thirty questions each, are conveniently held during school hours, but the "Final Four Trophy Rounds" are run at night so that family, friends, teachers, and members of the community can cheer on and encourage the students.

When asked how he measures the success of the school competitions, Social Studies teacher Michael D'Amato who organizes the tournaments. smiled. "First, and most importantly, is the joy of learning."

The third and final tournament of the school year was held in May and was won by the seventh grade team of Brett Musialowicz, Melissa Chaquea, Sehmon Burnam, and Genesis Moran. After answering the championship-winning question correctly they were awarded their trophies by Principal Joseph Picaro and were immediately congratulated by their fellow competitors.

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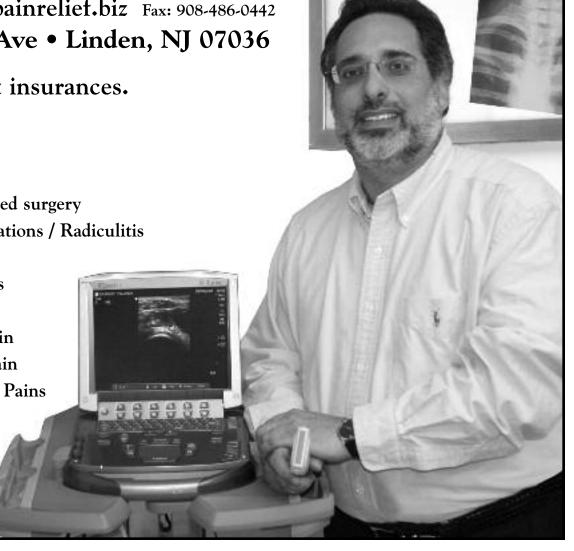
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#### **LINDEN BEGINS WARNING PERIOD FOR ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM**

The City of Linden advises motorists that the intersection safety camera warning period is in effect. Fines will not be issued during this phase of the program which began on July 1st, but photographs of red-light runners will be taken at designated intersections and courtesy warning notices will be issued to the vehicle's registered owners. At the completion of the 30 day warning period on July 30th, \$85 citations will be issued.

The intersection safety cameras are located at the following intersections:

- WEST EDGAR ROAD/U.S. 1 AND SOUTH STILES STREET
- WEST SAINT GEORGES AVENUE/ STATE ROUTE 27 AND NORTH STILES STREET
- WEST EDGAR ROAD/U.S. 1 AND SOUTH PARK AVENUE

corridor" designation. The fine amount levied against drivers who run red lights increases to \$140.

"The warning period will give residents an opportunity to become familiar with the system. We encourage people to slow down and definitely stop on red before the actual citations begin," said Police Chief Michael Boyle. "This is a public safety program, and our goal is to deter red-light runners and prevent collisions resulting from these violations."

Cameras will operate 24 hours a day and capture images of every vehicle running a redlight at the activated intersections. Still images will be taken of license plates and videos will be

The U.S. Route 1 corridor has a "safe made of vehicles that run red lights. Warning signs alerting drivers to the monitored locations have been installed.

> The program is administered by American Traffic Solutions Inc. with each violation reviewed and approved by the Linden Police Department prior to being issued.

> Intersection safety technology is just one way the city of Linden will make local streets safer for everyone.

> The city of Linden has contracted with American Traffic Solutions Inc. (ATS) which provides road safety programs for more than 240 communities across North America. More information about ATS is available at www.atsol.com.

#### **TELEPHONE SCAM ALERT**

On July 7, 2010 at 12:22 PM an 88 year old city woman reported to police that she received a telephone call from an individual who told her that she won \$250,000.00 in a sweepstakes. The caller identified himself as a "Michael Waters" and told her she needed to send him a copy of her driver license to verify her identity, and two "federal agents" would be coming to her house to deliver the prize money. The victim became suspicious and hung up the phone. She then called the police.

Citizens should be warned that residents, primarily the elderly, continue to receive telephone calls or letters in the mail stating that they have won a sweepstakes. In the event of these calls, report it to the police, and don't give any personal information over the telephone or send any money that is requested in order to receive a prize. Remember, you cannot win a sweepstakes if you did not enter a sweepstakes!

Detective Lieutenant James Sarnicki, Linden P.D. - 908-474-8551

#### **CON ARTIST ALERT**

Cutting grass, raking leaves, yard work can be hazardous to your "FINANCES". Keep your doors locked, thieves may be watching and waiting for an "OPPORTUNITY.

Be on the look out for, traveling repair crews,, people pretending to be sick or looking to use the phone. People coming to your door asking to enter your house to check on utilities or come into the backyard to check your fence or trees.

#### **THREE VETERAN OFFICERS OFFICERS PROMOTED TO SERGEANT**

Department were promoted to the rank of sergeant on July 1, 2010 in a ceremony at Linden City Hall. The courtroom was filled with colleagues, family, and friends of the three officers. Detective Alvaro Goncalves, a 19 year veteran, Officer Brian A. Fech, a 12 year veteran, and Officer Joseph A. Cacioppo, an 11 year veteran, were each sworn in by City Clerk

thanked Linden Mayor Richard J. Gerbounka and the City Council's Personnel and Finance Committee for approving the promotions. The three new sergeants will be assigned to the Uniformed Services Division as patrol supervisors. Refreshments for the ceremony were provided by the Linden Police Superior Officers Association.



(above, l-r) Sgt. Brian A. Fech, Chief Michael F. Boyle, Sgt. Joseph Cacioppo, Sgt. Alvaro Goncalves.

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#### **GRAND OPENING OF NEW EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER**

The City of Linden recently held a ceremony commemorating the grand opening of the new Emergency Operations Center which will serve the residents of Linden well for many years to come.

The trailer originally belonged to Merck & Co. and it was later given to Union County for use at the Union County Fire Academy. When it was no longer needed there, Union County donated it to the City of Linden. The trailer was relocated to its present location and an army of volunteers completed the extensive work involved in delivering the trailer, hooking it up to utilities, completely refurbishing it and finally, in equipping it. The endeavor was aided by obtaining a \$7,500 grant from the State of NJ.

An Emergency Operations Center is responsible for the strategic overview or the "big picture" of a disaster. It is intended to be a command center where affected department heads such as the Police Chief, Fire Chief, Office of Emergency Management Coordinator, the heads of the Board of Health, the Public Works Department or any other affected agency meet to collect, gather and analyze information, make decisions that seek to protect life and property, maintain continuity of an organization, and then disseminate those decisions to all concerned agencies and individuals. This EOC together with the Mobile Command Post that the city of Linden secured several years ago give Linden's emergency planners the tools that are needed to respond to any disaster.

The new EOC is equipped with radios that are programmed with channels for the Linden Police Department, Fire Department and Department of Public Works.

It is also equipped with computers capable if accessing the internet and containing software allows emergency responders to access all

programs that are currently being used in the Police and Fire Departments. This includes the CAD or computer aided dispatch in order to keep track of calls that are being dispatched to emergency service units as well as the status screen that shows which police and fire units are tied up and which are available. Also available is an Emergency Software Program (ESP) from the Fire department which gives emergency personal vital information such as a building's description and the location of equipment.

It also contains everything else that is needed for long term assignment such as a kitchenette, cots, a meeting room with a table and chairs, dry erase boards, maps of the City and of the major industries, the City of Linden Emergency Operations Plan as well as updated copies of the Emergency Operations Plans of all of our major industries and commercial establishments.



(above) Mayor Gerbounka (center) cutting the ribbon with Police Captain/OEM Coordinator Jim Schulhafer ad Union County OEM Coordinator Chris Scaturro.



(above, l-r) Police Chief Michael Boyle, Deputy OEM Coordinator Rick Davis, Police Lieutenant/ Deputy OEM Coordinator Dave Hart, Police Captain/OEM Coordinator Jim Schulhafer, Mayor Richard Gerbounka, Deputy OEM Coordinator Joe Stigliano, Police Sergeant/ Deputy OEM Coordinator Ed Chabak & Fire Chief/ Deputy OEM Coordinator Joseph Rizzo.

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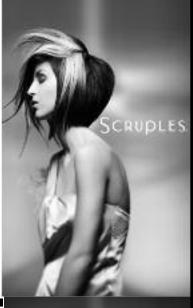
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#### **2010 MOVIE SCHEDULE**

Date	Concert	Genre Rain	Site	T 1 15	IID 6 0 26
7/13	Zydecco A-Go-Go	Mardi Gras Linden Style	L	July 15	UP – Sunset at 8:26pm
7/20	Tribute Show - Neil & The Diamonds	Neil Diamond Review	McM		" Exciting, Hilarious Animated Adventure" - Rated PG
7/27	The Kootz – A Night of Easy Listening	Jersey Shore Music	L	July 29	The Lion King - Sunset at 8:15pm
8/3	Joboanno & The Godsons of Soul	·		,	"Epic Animated Family Movie" - Rated G
	(National Nite Out Against Crime)		McM	۸ . 12	•
8/10	David Cedeño			Aug. 12	Hanna Montana – The Movie – Sunset at 7:59pm
	& His Salsa American Orchestra	The Best of Latin Music	L		"Teen Age Fun For The Whole Family" - Rated G
8/17	The Sensational Soul Cruisers	Motown Extravaganza	L	Aug. 26	The Princess Bride - Sunset at 7:39pm
8/24	Bronx Wanderers - Tribute Show	Frankie Valli & Dion DiMucc	i L	-	"Fairy Tales Do Come True" Rated PG
8/31	Jimmy Sturr & His Orchestra	Polka Night	L	Sept. 9	The Maltese Falcon - Sunset at 7:16pm
9/7	Jersey Sound	Golden Oldies	L	Sept. 9	"It's The Stuff That Dreams Are Made Of" - Not Rated
9/14	Verdict	Music of the Islands	L		it's The Stuff That Dreams Are Made Of . Not Nated
9/21	Tribute Show – 52nd Street	Billy Joel Review	L	Sept. 23	Invaders From Mars – Sunset at 6:53pm
9/28	Dara & Frank	Fire Prevention Night	L		"Science Fiction At Its Best" - Not Rated

#### **RAIN SITES:**

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#### **RETIRED MEN'S CLUB HOSTS HAWAIIAN LUAU**

celebrated the end of their fraternal year with a Luau. Party magic was created through the imagination and efforts of the Club's Vice President, Steve Zielinski and his wife, Mary

120 guests were greeted at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center with a fantasy version of Hawaii; complete with thatched roof Tiki Bars, decorated with flowers, and plants of Hawaii, catered food with a Hawaiian touch and

The Retired Men's Club of Linden recently entertainment featuring professional hula dancers.

> Tables were festive with multi-colored tablecloths and original center pieces made by Mrs. Zielinski. They were later raffled off. The Retired Men's Club whose President is Michael Pileggi is proud of the effort put fourth by Vice President, Steve and Ann.

> > (right, l-r) MaryAnn and Mike Zielinski organizers of the Luau..





(above) Seniors show their Hula skills at the Luau.

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(above) The Class of 2010 at commencement ceremony.

#### **RAMLAKHAN WINS FRENCH AWARD**

Linden High School senior Nadia S. Ramlakhan received a 2009-2010 American Association of Teachers of French Outstanding Senior in French Award. This award is made annually to a graduating senior. Recipients must have completed at least three years of French study at the time of graduation and be nonnative speakers of French.

Nadia has studied abroad in a French Exchange program, is an officer of the French Club and the National French Honor Society, performed well in the IB French SL exam, and has participated in National French Week activities.





(above) Tomusz Wronski shows off his perfect attendance award.

#### **TRACK CHAMPIONS**

Linden High School Boys Track Luke Jarmolowski, Cory Stapleton, and Shareem Jenkins are Union County Champions in the 3 Man Shot-Put and 3 Man Discus.

Shareem Jenkins has achieved the Watchung Conference, Union County and the North II Sectional Championships in the Shot-put. Watchung Conference Champion in the discus for Linden High School is Luke Jarmolowski.



(above, l-r) Luke Jarmolowski, Cory Stapleton, and Shareem Jenkins.

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#### LINDEN EMS ADVISES ON HEAT RELATED EMERGENCIES

Summer is here and most of us have been looking forward to this time of year for some time now. We do hope that everyone enjoys summertime weather; however there are some very important things to remember during this season. As the weather warms, we hope to enjoy the outdoors and sunshine, but can this put us at risk? Heat related emergencies can be a potential threat to all of the population. Most of us are aware of the dangers of being exposed to extreme temperatures for prolonged periods of time, but when can moderate exposure be dangerous? How can you recognize a heat related emergency? What precautions can be taken to avoid a heat related emergency?

Many people are concerned with heat exposure and health threat when temperatures soar well above 90 degrees Fahrenheit; however, studies have shown that heat related illnesses can occur with temperatures that are milder. There are several factors that will play a part in how the heat may affect someone. The first is the type of activities being done while exposed to heat; any type of exertion on the body can increase the core temperature. Consumption of water is needed to rehydrate the body. Soft drinks and sports drinks may be a taste preference; however they are not as beneficial to the body when the system is being taxed. Preexisting medical conditions will also affect the body's ability to compensate for the external temperature. Of course age is a large factor as well. The elderly population and children are

bodies cannot regulate their temperature as well and can be extremely sensitive to large variances.

How would you know if someone is suffering from a heat related illness? Well there are some simple things to look for, the first thing is sweating. If the person is still sweating this is a good thing! This means that the body can still attempt to drop its own temperature. Sweating and cool skin will often be seen with heat exhaustion, as well as a complaint of weakness, dizziness, lightheadedness, nausea, vomiting, inability to concentrate, or mild confusion. If the person is no longer sweating this means that the patient is probably suffering from heat stroke. Heat stroke is much more serious. In this case the person will be confused and may not be able to tell you a complaint but their skin will be hot and dry. If someone you know is

suffering from these symptoms please call for help and if possible remove the person from the hot environment.

Heat related emergencies are very dangerous and affect a large number of people. However, it is very easily avoidable. If you have risk factors that cannot be controlled such as preexisting medical conditions or fall into an age group that is at risk, avoid or limit your exposure to heat. If anyone has to be exposed to heat be sure to hydrate and do not stay in direct sunlight. Shade can provide a difference in temperature of 10 to 15 degrees. If you are staying indoors please remember to use the appropriate cooling system. Remember to limit activity and if this is not possible take breaks to hydrate and move to a cooler area to allow your body to replenish.

Linden EMS wishes everyone a safe, happy, and healthy summer!

#### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK**

National Emergency Medical Services Week brings together local communities and medical personnel to publicize safety and honor the dedication of those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicine's "front line." Linden School No. 5 participated in EMS Week

by having Linden Emergency Medical Services visit the school with an ambulance and speak to the students about staying safe and healthy. Education and prevention are two important ways we can keep our students and our Linden families safe from harm.



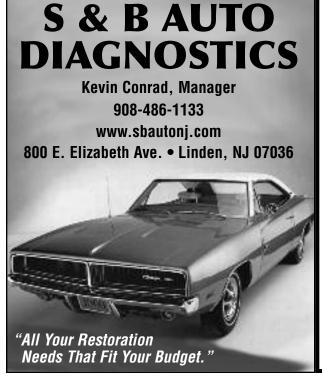
(above, l-r) Linden Emergency Medical Services Marcelo Rizzo, Brian Ginfrida, and Linda Przywara model for the students of School No. 5 what they do in an emergency and not to be afraid when they arrive. Photo by Chrisitne Hudak, Linden Public Schools.



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#### **E-MAP GRADUATION AND AWARDS CERAMONY**

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A business is developed by the students, inclusive of Business Plan, Budgets, Product and Graphic Design, Marketing strategies and all are executed with presentations for end of year review at the formal E-MAP graduation.

Visits are arranged to companies and other venues that support the process of orienting the students to the world of Entrepreneurship and the Arts...and how these experiences can be used to "follow their dreams and goals" by mature characteristics like developing "accountability", "responsibility" and doing it all "ethically" and to be caring to others.

The E-MAP intense course of study goes

Management through two semesters starting in October and ending in June. Although an after school program, many of the E-MAP students put in more time and are encouraged to collaborate with their daytime teachers, parents, relatives, local business leaders and professionals and with each other.

> The 2009-2010 E-MAP students named their business "OUTSIDE IN", which designed and marketed outdoor three season clothing. The "OUTSIDE IN" company, under the management of the students, decided to be involved with natural resource preservation (GREEN) and charitable causes and was successful at supporting both at the same time, creating beautiful designs and executing "presentations" of their efforts at their graduation event which was held at Robby's Banquet Facility in Rahway, NJ.



(above, l-r) Mayor Richard Gerbounka and Sy Mayerson, CEO of MGI and Founder and Director of E-MAP at E-MAP Graduation and Awards Ceramony on June 8th.

#### **BAYWAY COMPLEX CAP PROVIDES SCHOLARSHIPS**

Panel (CAP), an organization of local community and industry representatives, recently awarded \$1,000 scholarships to four distinguished scholars: Adam Staryak of

The Bayway Complex Community Advisory Linden High School; Ahmad Masi Abdul Zaher of Elizabeth High School Upper Academy; and Nicholas Joseph Fusco of Moore Catholic High School in Staten Island.

The Bayway CAP was formed in 1997 to Rahway High School; Daniel Niedzwiedzki of facilitate a dynamic forum between local

industrial companies and community members. The scholarship program is just one of the joint activities designed to promote education among local youth. Consistent with the member companies' outreach programs recommendations from the CAP Scholarship Committee, each of the four \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to local high school seniors who will be pursuing careers in engineering or process technology.

In addition, two high school juniors, Piterson Massenat-Desir from Linden High School and Chisom Emeana from Benedictine Academy in Elizabeth, received scholarships to attend New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT)'s Precollege Academy this summer, which also includes room and board.

The Bayway Complex CAP comprises community members from Elizabeth, Linden, Rahway, and Staten Island, as well as representatives from Cogen Technologies Linden Venture LP, ConocoPhillips Bayway Refinery, DuPont, and Infineum USA L.P, which are all located in Linden. CAP members meet seven times per year to share information on safety, health, the environment, security, emergency preparedness and response, and to improve the quality of life in local communities.



(above, front, l-r) The Bayway Complex Community Advisory Panel & (CAP) scholarship award recipients: Adam Staryak of Rahway High School, Daniel Niedzwiedzki of Linden High School, Ahmad Masi Abdul Zaher of Elizabeth High School Upper Academy, and Nicholas Joseph Fusco of Moore Catholic High School in Staten Island, NY. (back, 1-r)) Company representatives Walter Zacharewich of Cogen Technologies Linden Venture LP, Marcos Colom of Infineum USA L.P., Joseph Hausler of DuPont, and Michael C. Karlovich of ConocoPhillips Bayway Refinery.

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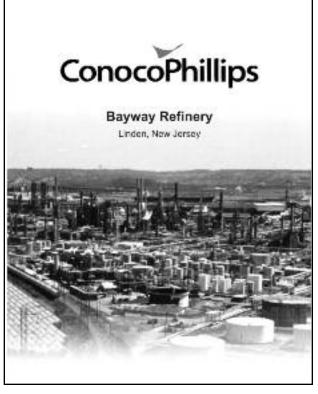
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