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A SEPTEMBER TO REMEMBER IN LINDEN

The Linden Cultural Committee sponsored a street fair on Saturday, September 4th. More photos can be found on-line at: Lifeinlinden.com























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Message from the Mayor



LINDEN'S MUNICIPAL CHARTER

Linden's form of government is out of date and in need of an overhaul.

The City of Linden operates under the Wildwood Act, commonly known as the city form of municipal government, which was established in 1897. Under this form of government the mayor does not propose the budget, vote on the budget, nor can he veto the budget. The entire budgeting process is the responsibility of city council. Most New Jersey municipalities operate under the 1950 Faulkner Act. This form of government

gives the mayor the authority to propose the budget and city council decides whether to accept or reject it.

The Faulkner Act delineates the separation of power between the executive and legislative branches of government and is no different than how budgets are prepared by our president, our governor and most other New Jersey mayors.

The time has come to bring Linden government into the 21st century and change our antiquated form of government. Linden needs a drastic change if we are to stabilize our taxes and keep our city an affordable place to live. That is why concerned Linden residents will be knocking on the doors of registered voters with a petition to give the Mayor the authority to propose the budget.

When we get approximately 20% of Linden's registered voters to sign this petition designating a change in Linden's charter to the Faulkner act, it will be put on the ballot. A majority of voters will then decide if our current form of government is in need of replacement.

It is my belief that one person should be held responsible for proposing a budget, instead of a committee of four council members who point fingers of blame at each other. I am able and willing to accept this responsibility.

Mayor Richard J. Gerbounka

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2010 CONCERT SCHEDULE

Date	Concert	Genre
9/14	Verdict	Music of the Islands
9/21	Tribute Show - 52nd	Street Billy Joel Review
	Dara & Frank	Fire Prevention Night
RAIN SITES:		

Linden High School - 121 W. St. Georges Ave.

2010 MOVIE SCHEDULE

Sept. 23 Invaders From Mars – Sunset at 6:53pm "Science Fiction At Its Best" - Not RatedMovies Movie will be cancelled in the event of rain or inclement weather.

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Email: TinaRenna@RennaMedia.com Phone: 908-418-5586 Fax: 908-709-9209

TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES

LINDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

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

Prior to Council Meeting: Sept. 20 - 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting: Sept. 21 - 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 September 15, 2010 McManus Middle School Located at 300 Edgewood Road, Linden

RENT LEVELING BOARD

Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Planning Board Room at City Hall.

HYPERTENSION SCREENINGS

SEPT. 10 TH, FROM 2:00PM – 4:30PM

Sponsored by the Linden Board of Health 301 No. Wood Ave., Linden City Hall

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Towels, Water and Exercise Mat required Fee: \$75.00. Registration deadline: Sept. 13th Classes are held at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center located at 330 Helen St.

For more information call: 908-474-8627.

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.

linden-nj.org

Find the Linden Chamber website through the "Affiliates" link on: **gatewaychamber.com**

FARMERS MARKET

The Linden Cultural Committee's Farmers Market, held every Monday from Noon to 6:00 p.m. (rain or shine) at Raymond Wood Bauer Promenade between June and October, has been a huge hit with Linden residents. Fresh-grown produce is available, ranging from lettuce and tomatoes to beets and okra, carrots, apples, oranges and beans. You'll also find homemade specialty foods including cakes, pickles, olives and peppers, gourmet items, baked goods, and flowers. One taste and you'll be back for more!"

SENIOR CITIZEN BOWLING LEAGUE

The Senior Citizen Mixed Bowling League, sponsored by the Department of Public Property and Community Services, will begin their 2010-2011 bowling season, Thursday, September 9th at 9:30am, at the Linden Lanes on Stiles Street, Linden.

Any Linden senior citizen interested in joining the league as a team member or substitute bowler, please call the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center at (908) 474-8627.

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CONOCOPHILLIPS AND INFINEUM RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

Employees from ConocoPhillips Bayway Refinery and Infineum USA L.P. teamed up at Jersey Lanes in Linden to raise funds in support of the Junior Achievement of New Jersey (JANJ) programs.

Catherine Milone, president of JANJ, expressed her gratitude to the volunteers by noting, "ConocoPhillips and Infineum USA L.P. are truly terrific corporate community partners to JANJ. We are so appreciative of everyone's time and energy spent on JA both in fundraising and in the classroom."

JANJ volunteers, Mary Phillips, Lisa Barra, and Lissette Gonzalez



(above) ConocoPhillips Bayway Refinery Team "The Killer Beez" are ready to roll. (front row) Bob Fetchko, Karen Kaulfers, and Mary Phillips. (back row) Danny Brauer, Cari Alicea, and Kevin Brauer.

coordinated this year's "Party With a Purpose." They rallied six teams to bring in a grand total of more than \$4,000 to help fund JA's economic educational and financial literacy-based programs for local youth. Across the Garden State, more than 35,000 students participated in JA programs during this past school year through the efforts of JANJ's volunteer network, which includes ConocoPhillips and Infineum classroom volunteers.

According to Milone of JANJ, ConocoPhillips and Infineum employees still came through in their fundraising efforts, despite a challenging economic climate in recent years. She also offered congratulations from JANJ to the members of all the teams for their tremendous efforts on behalf of New Jersey students.

JANJ encourages people interested in participating in next year's Bowl-A-Thon, or becoming a classroom volunteer role model, to please contact Michael Troutman at 609-419-0404 x101.

ABOUT JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

Junior Achievement's (JA) mission is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy. Through a dedicated volunteer network, JA provides in-school and after-school programs for students in grades K-12. JA offers work readiness programs that focus on seven key content areas: business, citizenship, economics, entrepreneurship, ethics/character, financial literacy, and career development. JA Worldwide reaches 9.8 million students per year in 367,305 classrooms in 123 countries. For more information, visit www.ja.org. Locally, Junior Achievement of NJ (www.janj.org) will impact nearly 39,000 students this school year.

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LINDEN PAL TO HOST SEPT. 11 REMEMBRANCE EVENT

The Linden Police Athletic League (PAL), building off of the success of last year's inaugural "Battle of the Badges" flag-football event, is again remembering September 11, 2001, by bringing together the community through a day of family involvement and city outreach.

The Linden Police and Fire Departments will take the field one more time in a friendly flag-football competition to determine bragging rights for the upcoming year. The game and day's events will be held on September 11, 2010, at the Linden PAL baseball fields on South Stiles Street. The day will begin with children's flag-football games and culminate with the rivalry

'Battle of the Badges II' game at 8 p.m. There will also be food, music, and entertainment for the entire family.

"It is important for the youth of Linden to know that police officers and firefighters are willing to come out and support them," said PAL Director Officer Daniel Kuczynski. "The two departments are arguably the most public faces of the city. On any given day, we see the kids and they see us around the city. But, these types of events provide a real chance for us to interact on a more informal level to build those stronger bonds."

Kuczynski, who led the L.P.D.'s team to a victory last year, also pointed out that local

businesses have also stepped up and donated to help fund this event.

"It is truly a city-wide effort. And it is encouraging, to say the least," he said. "You have, obviously, the police and firefighters, but then you also have local businesses, elected officials, and regular residents. It is a team effort to help these kids. It is what the Linden PAL is all about."

Sponsors such as Brick Brothers Construction and KSM Investigations have already promised their assistance to make this event a success yet again. If you or your business would like to learn about a sponsorship opportunity, please contact the Linden PAL Office at (908) 486-6677.



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Classes will be held Friday afternoons 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. starting October 1, 2010 through November 19, 2010 at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen Street.

Cost for the program is \$55.00. Class size is limited. Pre-registration is required.

Registration deadline is September 30, 2010 and available at the John T. Gregorio Recration Center, 330 Helen St, Community Center Building, 605 S. Wood Avenue or Linden Multi-Purpose Center, 1025 John Street or you register online at www.linden-nj.org.

For further information please call 908-474-8627.

BOXING NIGHT SET OCTOBER 8, 2010 IN LINDEN

Linden Boxing Association President, Alfred A. Volpe has announced that the only fight night in Linden this year will be held on October 8, 2010 when the Linden Boxing Association, in conjunction with the Linden Public Property and Community Services Department presents the 77th Annual New Jersey State Finals of the Diamond Gloves Boxing Tournament.

The full night of championship boxing entertainment is being sponsored by the Conoco Phillips Bayway Refinery and will be held at the Linden High School Gymnasium, located at 121 W. St. Georges Ave. The first fight is scheduled to begin at 8:00p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$10 each. Doors open at 7:30p.m.

According to Linden Boxing Association Founder, Tony Orlando, "This is the eleventh consecutive year that we are hosting the Diamond Glove Tournament State Finals here in Linden and also the eleventh consecutive year that our friends from the Conoco Phillips Bayway Refinery are sponsoring the event. Without their sponsorship, we wouldn't be able to have this successful night of amateur boxing that annually supports, through its proceeds, a varied amount of programs for our city's youth."

This year, the Linden Boxing Association will be honoring Michael Karlovich, the Manager of Strategic Communication at Conoco Phillips Bayway Refinery in Linden for his exceptional commitment to the sport of boxing and the youth of Linden throughout the past eleven years. During this time, the Linden Boxing Association has donated in excess of \$329,000 to Linden Recreation supported youth programs and has

sponsored three scholarships annually to graduating Linden High School students. Without the support from people like Mike Karlovich, this could not have been accomplished.

Expecting to be in attendance at this year's championship bouts are, Bobby Czyz, Former World Light Heavyweight and Cruiserweight Champion; Emile Griffith, Former World Welterweight, Junior Middleweight and Middleweight Champion; Chuck Wepner, former heavyweight contender and Lou Duva, the Hall of Fame Boxing Trainer and Manager who has handled some of the greatest fighters in the world including 19 World Champions.

Tickets can also be purchased at the Community Center Building, 605 S. Wood Ave., Linden until October 7th. Don't forget your autograph books. For further information on the Diamond Glove Finals, please call the Linden Department of Public Property and Community Services at 908-474-8600.



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LINDEN BOXING ASSOCIATION RECEIVES SAM'S CLUB DONATION

The Linden Boxing Association, Inc. in conjunction with the Linden Department of Public Property and Community Services will be presenting a "Knockout of an Evening" on October 8, 2010 when the 77th Anniversary "New Jersey State Finals" of the Diamond Gloves Tournament is held at the Linden High School Gymnasium. All proceeds from the Finals will be presented to the Linden Recreation Department to support their Youth Programs and other varied youth projects throughout the City.

(right) Gary Luciano, Secretary/Treasurer of the Linden Boxing Association, Inc. accepts a Gold Sponsor check from Elvis Lopez, (left) Advantages Coordinator and Edison Nanan, (right) Membership Assistant Manager from Sam's Club of Linden. For ticket information, please call the Linden Department of Public Property and Community Services at 908-474-8600.





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(above, l-r) Officer William Mack, Lt. David Hart, Officer Airan Fernandez, Officer Scott Salerno, and Officer Christopher Guenther.

GATEWAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EVENTS

For additional event information call the Chamber at 908-352-0900 or visit our website at www.gatewaychamber.com

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

8:00 AM SEPTEMBER 15 EMPLOYER LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Kenilworth Inn, Boulevard & S 31st St, Kenilworth

4:30 PM SEPTEMBER 16 GATEWAY ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS WOMEN

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8:30 AM SEPTEMBER 22 CLARK CHAMBER MEETING

Gran Centurions, 440 Madison Hill Road, Clark

8:00 AM SEPTEMBER 23 CONSUMER FRAUD BREAKFAST SEMINAR

"Avoiding Business and Personal Liability under the NJ Consumer Fraud Act (CFA) – presented by David T. Shivas, Esq., of Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP.

Crowne Plaza Hotel, 36 Valley Road, Clark 07066

8:00 AM SEPTEMBER 24 SOMERSET HILLS BUSINESS NETWORK MEETING

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10:30 AM SEPTEMBER 27 IRISH BUSINESS ASSOCIATION 3RD ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Basking Ridge Country Club, 185 Madisonville Road, Basking Ridge

8:30 AM SEPTEMBER 28 LINDEN CHAMBER MEETING

Linden Public Library, 31 East Henry Street, Linden

5:00 PM SEPTEMBER 29 GATEWAY CHAMBER "NETWORKING OUTSIDE THE BOX – SUPERSIZED" – A NETWORKING & TABLETOP SHOW!

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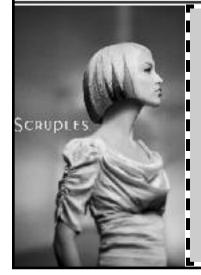
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(above) Members of the Linden McGillvray Park Day Camp sponsored by the Linden Department of Public Property and Community Services recently visited the American Museum of Natural History in New York City. (Standing L-R) Jaden Fraser, Vivianna Martinez, Hanan Hamilton, and Peter Reilly. (kneeling) Janae Fraser.

LINDENS GOT TALENT

The Linden Department of Public Property and Community Services recently sponsored their annual Talent Show at the Raymond Wood Bauer Promenade Amphitheater. In excess of fifty children representing various parks and day camps from Linden participated in the event that saw singers, dancers, ventriloquists, lip singers, musicians, and even a lip singing karate demonstration, grace the stage in front of a sell out crowd. Mayor Richard Gerbounka stopped by to congratulate the winners





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SAFETY TIP FROM LINDEN EMS

The end of summer is rapidly approaching, with that so is the beginning of a new school year. When this comes to mind we will typically think about purchasing books, pencils, and other various school supplies. But how many of us consider adding hand sanitizer to that list? Do you worry about how easily your children may get sick while sitting in a classroom and why it seems that infections spread so easily? Is it possible to teach children simple steps to help avoid becoming ill?

Many childhood illnesses are caused by viruses. It only takes one sick child at school to start the spreading. Think about the following scenarios which are not only possible but probable; a child comes to school with a cough and/or sneeze and other children sitting nearby begin to inhale infectious material or a child with diarrhea does not wash his or her hands after using the restroom and touches the railing or door knob that other children come in contact with. With the viruses being so easily transmittable, we need to be sure to talk to our children about staying healthy.

The first subject that should be emphasized is the importance of hand washing. Hand washing will kill most viruses present on the hands; however, we must wash our hands properly. Have them wet their hands, then use plenty of soap and lather for the amount of time it takes them to sing the alphabet. Instruct them to use paper towels to turn off the faucet. Water does not have to be hot to effectively eliminate any germs present, cool or cold water can be used just as effectively. Furthermore, children should

not bring their hands near their faces and should avoid touching their face with dirty or unwashed hands. If your child is not feeling well they should be reminded not to touch their face and then touch other objects. The face has many areas that are extremely susceptible to the transmission of viruses, such as eyes, nares of the nose, and the mouth.

Early on in a child's school career, their immune systems are put to the test regularly. To keep your children healthy we should ensure that they are maintaining a healthy diet. Studies prove that children who eat a well balanced diet are less likely to become ill. Also, make sure that your children get enough sleep. Children expend so much energy throughout the course of the day that they need more rest than adults to allow their bodies to replenish themselves. Lastly, if your child is sick please do not send them to school, allow them to rest and fully recover before returning to school. This will help limit the spread of infection but will also allow your child's immune system to combat the illness more effectively.

LITERACY VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Can you imagine not being able to read the back of a medicine bottle, fill out a job application or talk with your child's teacher?

In Union County, 26% of the adult population lives with these limitations every day. Literacy Volunteers of Union County is a volunteer-driven, non-profit organization dedicated to increasing the literacy of adults and their families in our community. Through our network of over 200 volunteer tutors, Literacy Volunteers of Union County is enhancing the lives of more than 600 adult learners.

Join us for our next New Tutor Training Workshop Series. This four part series will be held at St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church located at 1407 St. George Avenue, Rahway, NJ. The first session of the four-part series begins on Tuesday, September 21 from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm. The remaining sessions are Thursday, September 23 from 7:00

pm to 9:30 pm, and Saturdays, September 25 and October 2 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Attendance is required at all sessions to become a certified tutor.

During the workshop, new volunteers will acquire the skills needed to tutor both Basic Reading and English as a Second Language. Upon completion of the workshop, new tutors will be certified to teach both subjects and will be assigned an adult learner to tutor.

There is a \$40 non-refundable registration fee to cover the cost of materials used for training. Need based scholarships are available to cover the cost of registration.

To learn more about how "Literacy Changes Lives" visit our website at www.lvaunion.org. Click on the link in Upcoming Events to register for the fall workshop. You may also call Susan Petrow at 909-755-7998 or email susan@lvaunion.org.









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COX PRINTERS SELECTED AS BEST PRACTICE FINALIST

For the past five years, the New York Enterprise Report has been recognizing the tristate areas top small businesses for their accomplishments. This year, the New York Enterprise Report is proud to announce COX Printers from Linden, New Jersey as a finalist in the Customer Service category.

The Best Practice Award finalists were chosen based on their ability to demonstrate the use of a best practice to generate competitive advantages, revenue profits and/or long-term value. 42 companies, based in the NY metro

For the past five years, the New York area, were selected as finalists out of dozens of qualified applicants for each category and will ate areas top small businesses for their be recognized at the event.

"We are proud to recognize the achievements and accomplishments of COX Printers," said Robert Levin, Editor-in-Chief and Publisher of The New York Enterprise Report. "The use of their unique Raving Fan Customer Service Program has given them a distinct competitive advantage and we congratulate them for their initiatives and innovative thinking."

"Going the extra mile, understanding the

rewards of long-term relationships rather than short-term immediate gains is why COX Printers has RAVING FANS. Putting ink on paper is simple... doing it with our customers' best interest in mind, is the culture COX Printers is proud to present." – Michael Kaufman, President, COX Printers.

The New York Enterprise Report Small Business Awards Gala is scheduled for Wednesday, October 6th from 6 p.m.- 10 p.m. at the Metropolitan Pavilion in New York City, NY. The Best Practices winners in the areas of Customer Service, Green Business, Human Resources & Leadership, Sales & Marketing and Technology and the Best of the Year winners in the areas of Social Responsibility Program of the Year, International Operations Program of the Year, Non Profit of the Year and Diverse Supplier of the Year will be announced at the Gala.

The New York Enterprise Report, in print and online (www.nyreport.com) features "how-to" articles written by experts for small and midsize businesses in the tri-state area. Each issue of The Report, which is the only media in the New York area exclusively for the leaders of smaller businesses, provides thousands of dollars of much needed expertise making it a must read for those wanting to grow their businesses.

For more information about the New York Enterprise Report, visit www.nyreport.com/awards or call 516/997-1950 or email info@hjmt.com



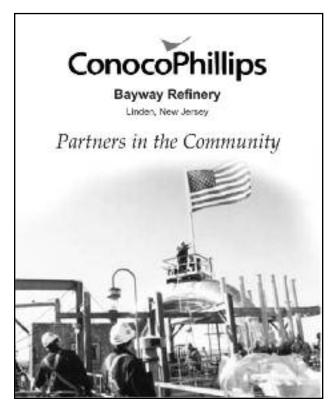
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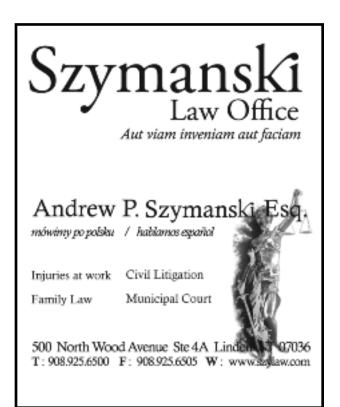
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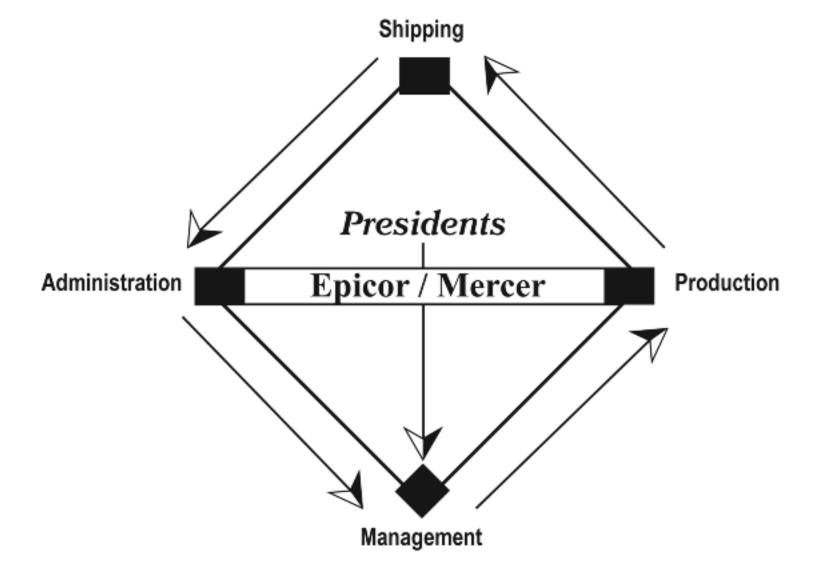






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THERE IS STILL TIME TO REGISTER FOR FALL CLASSES

Back to school is an exciting time of year for children and parents alike. Children look forward to seeing old friends and parents are happy to get back into a routine. It also means it's time to get back to Dance and when people think of dance class the name, "La Danse" is sure to come to mind. "A well known fixture in Linden for the past 30 years people come from all over to enjoy the benefits of a quality dance education in our state of the art facility," states director, Tina Socci.

The excellence of our staff and the diversity of our student base have definitely been the key to our success. When you expect the best of your students you must provide them with the best teachers possible. Our staff has performed and taught across the nation as well as in Europe, Asia, Canada, South Africa and Australia. They have appeared in commercials, MTV music videos, at the Olympics and even on the Grammys with Shakira.

Dance is an art form that can be enjoyed by everyone from the very beginner to the most advanced and serious student. Boys as well as girls have enjoyed the many classes offered at La Danse. The curriculum includes ballet, pointe, lyrical, jazz, tap, modern, salsa, hip hop, tots programs and acre-gymnastics. All classes are designed to meet the age and ability levels of each student. No one is ever placed in a class that is too old or young, too slow or fast. The school has an outstanding enrollment of boys who have discovered the benefits and enjoyment of dance that have led to even more successful skills in sports and drama programs.

"We offer affordable tuition schedules that allow for discounts for multiple classes and family members." said Socci. "Everyone should be able to dance. It shouldn't be out of anyone's reach to enjoy the thrill of learning how to move to one's inner music."

There is still time to register for Fall classes. The studio is located at 10 N. Wood Ave., Linden (across from the train station) for information call (908) 862-6887 or visit them on the web at www.ladanseschool.com

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These lovely dancers from the La Danse School of Performing Arts located at 10 N. Wood Ave. Linden performed at David Brearly HS in Kenilworth on June 19th and told their story with their movements. (above, back row, l-r) Sierra White, Tina Stanley, Amanda McElligott and Erin Hewett. (middle row, l-r) Olivia Cavacas, Alyssa Manzo, Michelle Colicchio, Agnes Cancio, Katie Kennedy and Katrina McCarthy. (front row, l-r) Ashley Forbes, Jordan Stevens, Shannon Gooney and Cierra Payne.