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AL VOLPE INDUCTED INTO COUNTY BASEBALL HALL OF FAME

Submitted by: Kiwanis Club of Linden

Kiwanian Al Volpe was inducted into the Union County Baseball Hall of Fame on February 9, 2014.

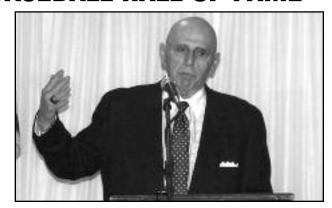
Kiwanis Club of Linden members attended the Hot Stove Dinner honoring the deserving inductees including Al Volpe. Our special thanks to The Union County Baseball Association especially President James Iozzi for acknowledging Al's accomplishments and we congratulate all the inductees.

Al Volpe has served the City of Linden since 1967, when he became Assistant Superintendent, and since 1976 as Superintendent of Linden Recreation. While he has made numerous contributions to all sports in Linden, his contributions to the baseball programs in Linden and Union County are particularly notable.

He sponsored numerous free baseball clinics for players of all ages and they were exposed to major league players and managers such as Jeff Torborg and Roy White. In addition annual clinics for girl's softball were promoted and featured college coaches. Among his many other accomplishments he oversaw the construction of one of the first lighted baseball facilities in the country (Memorial Park in Linden, NJ) and created a system of baseball fields available for schools, community groups and teams of all ages for practice and games.

His passion for sports started in his youth. As a lineman he was recognized as a NJ All State Football player when attending East Orange High School. Upon graduation, he went to Purdue University where his expertise in football continued on the field. Al continues to be supportive of sports as he currently is the President of The Linden Boxing Association and is Vice President of The Linden Athletic Hall of Fame.

Al Volpe continues to serve and positively impact our community



(above) Al Volpe

through his active role as a Kiwanian. He has been a member of our club since 1976, has served as President, and is still an executive board member. One example of his commitment is tasted annually during our Pasta Dinner is which Chef Al packs out the JTG Center. This year our dinner will be held on Sunday May 18th from 1pm - 5 pm so save the date; say hi to Al and savor the flavor.

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McManus Students, Gianna Falco and Frayma Toledo perform in the McManus Middle School's production of Peter Pan Jr. Photo by McManus Middle School

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MAKING CHOCOLATE FOR VALENTINE'S DAY

The 21st Century Community Learning Center at Soehl Middle School recently coordinated chocolate making classes for their participants for Valentine's Day week. Students melted the chocolate and filled a variety of molds to make the tasty treats. This was definitely a delicious activity!



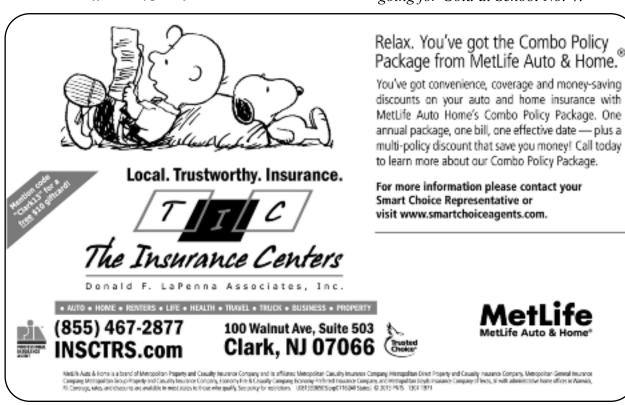
(above, r-l) Cameshia Walcott (grade 6) and Nathaly Mora (grade 6) filling a heart mold with different types of chocolate.

SUPPORT FOR USA ATHLETES

The School No. 4 physical education classes supported the USA athletes at the Winter Olympics games and are striving for Gold by staying active and making the healthy food choices.



(above, l-r) Students Brandon Marshall, Kyna Peterson, Micaiah Blue, Yeilin Vargas, Jacob Piszczalka, Cheryl Agyei are getting fit and going for Gold at School No. 4!





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Four students in Mr. Chris Paskewich's TV/ Digital Media I Class took Grand Prize in the small group category in the Montclair Film Fest Kidz Shortz Contest. The topic was to create a video based on the future. The winning group is Brenna Berrigan, Ashley Theodule, Karen Jiminez, Landy Edme. On Thursday, February 27, 2014 Ashley, Brenna and Landy where invited to The Clubhouse which is located in Montclair and meet the other winning film makers and receive their award and showcase their video. They also had opportunity to meet and have their picture taken with Mr. Roscoe Oman who plays Gordon on Sesame Street.

Photo by Linden High School

INDEN TITANS ARE DIVISION CHAMPIONS

Youth Soccer Association's "Linden Titans" travel soccer team, coached by John Principato, won first place and earned the U-11 boys

On Saturday, March 8, 2014, the Linden 'Division Champion' title for their indoor winter league at The Center Circle in Rahway. Great job boys! Congratulations!



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Dr. Patel joins the group from a private practice in Philadelphia. She attended Stony Brook University and trained at the prestigious Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. She received her Master of Public Health at Columbia University, continued her training in Pennsylvania as a fellow in minimally invasive gynecological procedures and published multiple research articles. Dr. Patel specializes in minimally invasive alternatives to surgery and speaks Gujarati and medical/conversational Spanish.

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Students of David Brearley Middle & High Schools will present The Wiz on April 4 & 5, 2014 at 7pm.

The Wiz is a retelling of L. Frank Baum's The Wonderful Wizard of Oz, which features music and lyrics by Charlie Smalls and is based on a book by William F. Brown.

Come watch as Dorothy (Vanessa Sierra) is swept away by a tornado and must find her way back home. Along the way, she befriends a brainless Scarecrow (Andrea Gaines), a heartless Tinman (Jenna Zimmerman), and a cowardly Lion (Orion Stubbs).

Will Dorothy be able to avoid the clutches of the Wicked Witch of the West, Evillene (Mariah Pogue)? Will the Wiz (Michael Mossucco) show her how to get back home?

Find out on Friday, April 4 and Saturday April 5 at 7pm! Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$8 at the door. Call (908) 931-9696 for more information.



(above, l-r) Orion Stubbs, Andrea Gaines, Vanessa Sierra, Jenna Zimmerman, Michael Mossucco (Mariah Pogue not pictured).





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Honoring Read Across America Week, School Ten's Third and Fourth Grade classes welcomed a local author, This is Mrs. Vicente's second visit to School Ten and students couldn't be more thrilled! During Mrs. Vicente's visit, students were engaged in learning about the role of an author and illustrator, what the publication process is like and how important it is to read. Mrs. Vicente read both of her books, The Coqui and the Iguana and The Missing Chancleta and Other Top Secret Cases to students. Following this reading, students were able to ask questions relating to the inspiration building of becoming an author and writing a book.



(above, l-r) Students Sophia Vasquez, Sean Simoes, Alidis Vicente, Angelica Klisiewicz, Oliver Zajac. Photo by Linden School No. 10

SCHOOL 5 CELEBRATED READ ACROSS AMERICA WITH CRAZY HAT DAY



(above, back row, l-r) Teachers Ms. Jayme Perezluha, Mrs. Nanci Koblaryz & Mrs. Katiusca Schoenfelder, Librarian Mrs. Janice Harvey, & Acting Principal Mrs. Michelle Rodriguez. (front row, l-r) Students Christina DaVilme, Samantha Roman, Samantha Vasquez, Kiara Jorge, and Nazir Mack. Photo by Linden School No. 5



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America hosted their first Chess Tournament open to all registered Boy Scouts, Venturers and Explorers. The tournament was generously sponsored by White Castle and was held on February 22, in the Cranford Community



(above, l-r) First, second and third place finishers of the 2014 White Castle / Munsee District BoyScout Chess Tournament, Nicholas Riggins, Thomas Brockman, and James Sweenev.

The Munsee District of the Boy Scouts of Center. This was the first tournament since the Boy Scouts of America introduced the Chess merit badge. Thirty-one players participated, playing four games each.

> Nicholas Riggins of Cranford's Troop #80 won all four of his games and finished in first place, beating out second place finisher Thomas Brockman of Millstone. Brockman also won all four of his games but lost to Riggins in tiebreaker points. Third place with three wins was Cranford's James Sweeney.

> White Castle purchased 20 sets, boards and clocks for Munsee District. The company also covered expenses for running the tournament including trophies for the top three winners and ribbons for participants. They also supplied lunch for all players and spectators along with gift bags. White Castle will continue to support the Boy Scouts and the Chess program.

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MARCH 20TH

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MARCH 27TH - Board meeting

APRIL 3RD, 10TH, 17TH

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NJROTC AND DANCE STUDENTS PRESENT TRADITIONAL CHINESE PERFORMANCES





(above) Jenny Do of School No. 10 shakes hands with the Linden Chinese Lion at the recent Chinese New Year celebration. Photo by Linden School No. 10



(above) Linden High School sophomore Paulina Do leads the red dragon through the hallways of McManus Middle School. Each year our NJROTC students work with the World Languages program to herald the arrival of the Chinese New Year.





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LINDEN CELEBRATES CHINESE NEW YEAR IN STYLE

There are many activities and events scheduled in the Linden Public Schools during the week-long Chinese New Year celebration. These activities are coordinated not only within each school, but also among schools and the community at large. In addition to this, we also have a visiting group of exchange students from Xiamen, China with us, who have been involved in recognizing this important holiday.

Linden High School NJROTC and dance students visit Linden's elementary schools and middle schools to present traditional Chinese performances. Having practiced for many weeks prior to this event, both groups of performers research and rehearse multiple times to make sure that their performances will be authentic.

Our ROTC students, under the supervision of NJROTC instructor Mark Velez, create two separate shows. The first is a traditional lion dance where two students, each carrying a special pom-pom, tease and lead their own costumed lion on a fanciful journey about the performance area. The lions, each of which has two performers, dance and jump around in tune with the music, following the lead of their handlers. Each region of China has its own traditional lion dances, and our Linden students incorporate moves and routines from several to provide a satisfying combination of styles.

In addition to the lion dance, our NJROTC students choreograph a separate dragon dance. As with the lion dance, there are many traditional elements that our students incorporate into their routine designed to be authentic. As the lions have their handlers, the dragons also have their handler, which in this case is a young woman carrying a "pearl of wisdom" attached to the end of a long pole. As the handler moves about, walking or running to the beat of the music, she sways the pearl from side to side or forwards and backwards, with the dragon following the pearl's movements. Moving about the stage or the hallways, the pearl rises and falls over the heads of the

audience creating excitement wherever it goes. While the lion dance is sometimes comical or dramatic, the dragon dance is always one of movement and spectacle.

Our costumed NJROTC students bring the power and excitement, but it is our dance students who bring the grace and beauty to our performances. Under the watchful eye of Mrs. Barbara Brady, they learn traditional movements and dances and use these to create their own vision of harmony and elegance.

Our umbrella dancers learn the twisting, gripping, and rolling maneuvers that need to be used with their umbrellas. Moving in coordinates circles and loops, the umbrella dancers raise and lower their umbrellas in structured ways that are designed to be both beautiful and detailed. The wood and paper umbrellas, designed to catch the eye, are used with precision to achieve a sense of feminine wonder and style.

Following the umbrellas is our cadre of ribbon dancers. Unlike the formal movements associated with the umbrella dance, the ribbon dance is often one that focuses on free-form movement and expression through the music being played. As the music speeds up or slows down, the dancers are expected to use their silk ribbons to convey a sense of excitement or gentleness. With the silk ribbons attached to the end of short sticks, the long ribbons are teased into various shapes through the dancers' movements.

During these performances, our visiting guests from China watched on, joining in the excitement, clapping their hands and greeting our younger students. It was a wonderful opportunity for our elementary and middle school students to meet not only American, but Chinese teenagers who demonstrated a commitment to diversity and respect.

At the end of each performance, the dragons, lions, and both sets of dancers return to the stage to work together to amaze and awe the audience

with their colorful costumes and mesmerizing movements in one final spectacle. To the beat of the drums, our Linden High School students move about the area, making sure that each child in the audience has the opportunity to get close to the dragon or lion as well as to catch a smile from one of our umbrella or ribbon dancers. Dancing out of the room, the music is mixed with the cheers and excitement from our youngest fans, leaving them eager to learn more about Chinese culture and how they will be celebrating the year of the horse.

CHINESE MYTHOLOGY

In Chinese mythology, there are five elements associated with the world: water, earth, fire, metal, and wood. Each of these elements has certain characteristics, with wood representing reaching upwards, branching outwards, and planning ahead.

There are twelve different creatures associated with the Chinese zodiac, with each animal representing one calendar year. Last year was the year of the dragon (or snake, depending on your point of view), and this year is the year of the horse, which represents a strong desire for self-improvement and effort.

The year of the horse also will bring about a strong sense of determination and standing up for their principles among people, which may lead to some challenges for negotiations. In turn, many conflicts may arise and bring about significant changes in our world. Expect many exciting events throughout the year, and don't be afraid to grab the reins to remain in the saddle.

When these elements are combined, we have just entered the year of the wooden horse, which will create a sense of principled growth that will make for an exciting time.

Linden celebrates every Chinese New Year with a variety of activities and lessons designed to bring us all together to recognize our diversity and cultural awareness.





SPRING FOOD DRIVE

Now that Spring is upon us, please help the Linden Police Department with a Spring Food Drive for the food banks here in Linden. We are asking for your help by donating nonperishable foods for the food banks below: **LINCS**

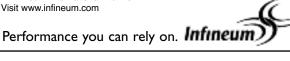
Linden Housing Authority Linden Presbyterian Church Mission Project St. Andrew's/ABC Group Home First Baptist Church Sister's & Brother's Outreach St. John's the Apostle Church Examples of no-perishable items needed are: Jello • Juice/Water • Pasta/Pasta Sauce Peanut Butter & Jelly • Crackers Canned Soup • Canned Fruit • Oatmeal Canned Vegetables • Boxed Stuffing Boxed Cereal • Baby Food/Baby Formula Diapers (All Sizes) • Batteries (All Sizes) The non-perishable items can be dropped off to the Linden Police Department Patrol Desk any day of the week 24/7.





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AFRICAN AMERICAN INVENTORS EXPLORED



School no.8 fourth graders from Mr. Marty Luc's class researched African American Inventors and entered a poster contest sponsered by the Linden recreation Department. Photos by School No. 8



The ability of people to work willingly together for the betterment of their community and themselves is a valuable resource. On Sunday, March 16, Morning Star Community Christian Center will start a 1 year initiative where its more than 30 ministries will volunteer their time with a number of different organizations. Senior Pastor Therman Evans says "one of the better-known benefits of volunteering/serving is the positive impact on the community. We should never get tired of serving others as sometimes those little things occupy the biggest part of their hearts".

A few of the organizations Morning Star is getting ready to volunteer with are: Habitat for Humanity, Communities in Partnership-Linden, Morning Star Senior Citizens Court-Linden, Children's Specialized Hospital-Mountainside, YWCA of Eastern Union County-Elizabeth, Sickle Cell Assoc. of NJ, Community Food Bank of NJ, Street Light Mission-Elizabeth, Urban League of Union County

Morning Star is located at 1009 Chandler Avenue, Linden. Anyone interested in participating in this initiative can send an email to: servolution@morningstarccc.org.

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JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT VOLUNTEERS FROM PHILLIPS 66 GO INTO THE LINDEN SCHOOLS

Bayway Refinery team proudly presented Junior Achievement of New Jersey's Vice President of Development & Communications, Dawn Schwartz, a generous \$10,000 donation to fund JA's local elementary school programs. Annually, Phillips 66 volunteer role models bring JA to life at School Number 2 and School Number 4, in Linden, New Jersey, and the students look forward to their return each year.

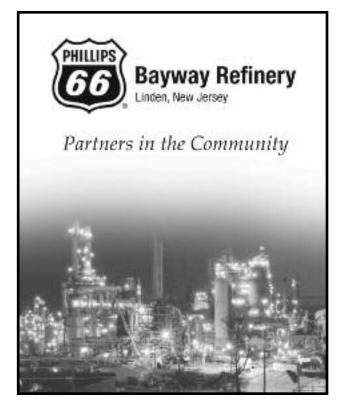
Mary Phillips, Community Relations Coordinator and JA program coordinator for the refinery explained, "We are committed to the betterment of the communities in which we work and live and are counting on our young people to be the future generations of leaders, employers, and responsible citizens. Phillips 66

Several volunteers from the Phillips 66 is proud to empower the young people in the community to own their economic success starting as early as their kindergarten years. Phillips 66's long-standing partnership with JA enables us to continue having a positive impact in the communities where we operate our business."

> "JA is grateful for Phillips 66's annual donation and employee engagement through their volunteerism. Many students lack role models and by bringing volunteers from Phillips 66 into the Linden school classrooms we are exposing the children to careers in industry as well as inspiring them to dream big and reach their full potential," said Catherine Milone, President, JA of NJ.



(above, l-r) Phillips 66 Bayway Refinery Junior Achievement Volunteers: Rebecca Gauthier, Energy Engineer; Sandi Von Ohlen, Project Engineer; Carol Ziegler, Public Affairs Manager; Karen Kaulfers, Environmental Analyst; Mary Phillips, Community Relations Coordinator; Dawn Schwartz, Vice President of Communications, JANJ; Craig Sicknick, Instrumental/ Analyzer Mechanic, Phillips 66.





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FINANCIAL WELLNESS SEMINAR

The financial wellness seminar originally scheduled for Monday, March 3rd at the Linden Public Library has been rescheduled for Monday, March 17th, at 6:00 pm, in the Columbia Bank Room.

AFFORDABLE COLLEGE FOR EVERYONE

Dr. Marlena Berghammer will present "Affordable College for Everyone" at the Linden Library on Wednesday, April 9th, at 7:00 pm. The program is intended to teach how to shop for higher education without taking out large student loans. Failure to effectively shop and compare higher institutions based on cost, graduation rates, and quality of instruction, supply and demand, job placements, and salaries could negatively affect your own quality of life because you may be paying off student loans for a very long time.

HIFE COLLEGE PLANNING PROGRAM

The Heartland Institute of Financial Education is having an information session about their HIFE College Planning Program. Their goal is to help young Americans obtain a college education, and based on your financial situation, will present opportunities to find out more about how to position your student to qualify for grants, student loans, and scholarships.

The program will be held at the Linden Library on Monday, March 31st, at 6:30 pm.

AVOIDING FRAUD AND IDENTITY THEFT

Agnieszka Belch from Garden State Community Bank will present a program on Avoiding Fraud and Identity Theft at the Linden Library on Monday, March 24th at 6:00 pm. The library is located at 31 E. Henry Street, Linden, NJ. In addition to the program, there will also be giveaways and light refreshments.



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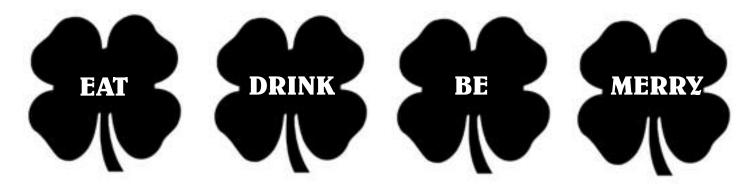
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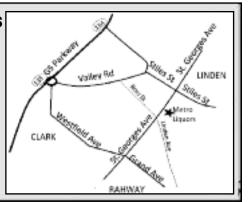


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Dewars 12yrs old			Remy Martin 1738	750ml	\$49.99			644.00
Dewars 12yrs old			Remy Martin V.S.O.P.			Bacardi Light		
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Famous Grouse			Absolut (regular)			Malibu	1.75L	\$24.99
Gentleman Jack			Absolut (regular)			TEQU	ILΔ	
Gentleman Jack			Belvedere Vodka			Avion Silver		\$33.99
Glenfiddich 12 yrs old			Belvedere Vodka			El Jimador Reposado		
Glenlivet 12yrs old			Ciroc (all types)			El Jimador Reposado		
Glenlivet 12yrs old			Ciroc (all types)			Jose Cuervo		
Grants	750ml	\$13.99	Finlandia			Jose Cuervo		
Grants			Finlandia			Patron Silver		
Jack Daniels	750ml		Fris			Patron Silver		
Jack Daniels	1.75L	\$42.99	Grey Goose					\$19.95
Jameson			Grey Goose (all types)			BEER		
Jameson	1.75L	\$48.99	Ketel One			Becks (12oz) 24pk	24pk	\$22.99
Jim Beam Whisky			Ketel One			Budweiser Family cans		
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Johnnie Walker Black			Pinnacle (all types)			Coors Lite loose bottles		
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Johnnie Walker Gold	750ml	\$84.99	Smirnoff Vodka 80 proof	750ml	\$10.99	Dab (16oz) cans		
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Johnnie Walker Red			Sobieski	750ml	\$11.99	Heineken/Heineken Lite		
Knob Creek 9 yrs old			Sobieski	1.75L	\$18.99	Lech (500ml)		
Knob Creek 9 yrs old			Soplica	750ml	\$ 9.99	Pabst Blue Ribbon cans		
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Makers Mark			Svedka (all types)	750ml	\$11.99	Sam Adams Lager		
Old Smuggler			Svedka (all types)			Stella Artois bottles		
Seagram V.O			Tanqueray Sterling			Super Bock		
Seagrams 7			Tanqueray Sterling			Tecate cans		
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Beefeater	1.75L	\$32.99	Traveler's Vodka			` ,		•
Bombay Saphire						Yuengling Lager cans and bottles.		
Seagram's gin						Zywiec (11.2oz)	24рк	\$ 19.99

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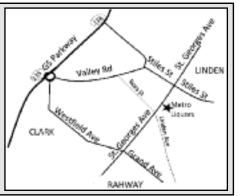


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