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# 2010 EMS AWARDS DINNER

**November 12, 2010**

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OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

WELCOME TO THE  
**2010  
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DINNER**

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**UMDNJ EMS Honor Guard**

*Eddie Acosta  
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William Castagno  
Joseph Grassi  
Efraim Hirschman  
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Joseph Sapienza*

**Somerset County Police Pipes & Drums**

*Pipers: Larry Booker, Nancy Howard, Dennis Ryan,  
Tina Serra  
Drummers: Rich Hartnett, Joe Kostival, James McAleer,  
Jim O'Reilly*

**GREETINGS**

*Karen Halupke, R.N., M.Ed. – Director  
Office of Emergency Medical Services*

**DINNER**

**AWARDS AND PRESENTERS**

**Outstanding EMS Action by a Youth**

*Dr. Al Sacchetti – Chairperson, EMSC Advisory Council*

**Outstanding EMS Call**

**Outstanding EMS Action by a Citizen**

**Outstanding EMS Physician**

**Outstanding First Responder**

*Dr. Jen Waxler – Chairperson, NJ EMS Council*

**Outstanding EMS Dispatcher**

**Outstanding Career EMT-B**

**Outstanding Volunteer EMT-B**

*H. Mickey McCabe – Vice Chairperson, NJ EMS Council*

**Outstanding ALS Provider**

*Scott Kasper – President,  
New Jersey Association of Paramedic Programs*

**Outstanding Volunteer EMS Agency**

**Outstanding Private EMS Agency**

**Outstanding Public EMS Agency**

*David W. Gruber – Senior Assistant Commissioner,  
Health Infrastructure Preparedness  
and Emergency Response*

**Outstanding EMS Educator**

*Nancy Kelly-Goodstein – OEMS, Program Manager*

**Marianne Willis Scholarship**

*Marianne Willis-Cucchiara  
Barbara Aras – President, NJ State First Aid Council*

**NJ METI Games Award**

*Matt Peacock, METI*

**Outstanding EMS Administrator**

**EMS Volunteer Lifetime Achievement**

**EMS Career Lifetime Achievement**

**Special Recipient Awards**

*Karen Halupke – Director OEMS*

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**OUTSTANDING EMS  
ACTION BY A YOUTH**

Calla Aniski  
Jaden Bolli  
Gavin Nelson  
Victoria Ramirez  
Reese Ronceray  
Shahzeb Sohail

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**OUTSTANDING  
EMS CALL**

William Alvarado  
Matthew Auslander  
Michael Balunis  
Mike Behul  
Laura Buchanan  
Jesse Bunn  
Nancy Burke  
Tricia Carey  
Officer Ralph Casendino  
Officer Skylar Cauceglia  
Stacy Chiarolanza  
Regan Corcoran  
E. Scott Danielson  
Rourke Day  
Clem Diglio  
Ptl. Michael Donovan, III  
Greg Foley  
Obed Fountoukis  
Stacy Gallagher  
Frank Garrett  
Marc Gettinger  
Rasaura Guzman  
Balarka Hajra  
Paul Hamell  
James High, Sr.  
Hillsborough EMS  
Nellie Ivins  
Jeanette Kania  
Bill Keller  
Jim Kelly

Aaron Lay  
Franklin Li  
Anthony Lieber  
Michael Linz, Sr.  
Patrick Logan  
Thomas Lowenthal  
Officer Jim Ludwig  
Sgt. John Mathews  
Matthew McClelland  
Sgt. John McNish  
Rosa Mercado  
Abraham Millian  
William O'Brien  
Officer Michael Orr  
Joseph Phillips  
Cheryl Provost  
Becca Rush  
Devin Russo  
Mel Sanders  
Kate Santalla  
Joel Slayton  
Stephen Sozio  
Jan L. Sun  
John Taylor  
Sue Taylor  
Mark Van  
Carlos Velez  
Niccolo Yakovlevich  
Alex Zozula

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**OUTSTANDING  
EMS ACTION  
BY A CITIZEN**

Kathleen Beck  
Lisa Bucher  
Jeremy Burkhart  
Mike Chevalier  
Robert Lasky  
Paul Pipitone  
Shelton Reynold  
William Tanfield  
Hugh Tonner

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**OUTSTANDING  
EMS PHYSICIAN**

Thomas Brabson, DO  
Victor Heresniak, DO  
Joseph Hummel, DO  
Steve Vetrano, DO  
Bill Cheng-Teng Wang, MD

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**OUTSTANDING  
FIRST RESPONDER**

David Barthold  
Barbara Borges  
Roderick Cyktor  
Dave Deforest  
Cpl. Robert Fielding  
Constance Gales  
John Gibson  
Nathan Gonzalez  
Matthew Herbert  
Jersey City Fire Department  
Engine Company 10  
Officer Richard Karkovice  
André McCloud  
Donald Moul  
Paramus Police  
Sean Reilly  
Christopher Ricciotti  
Matthew Salvatore  
Robert Woessner  
Eugene Zaiss



## AWARD NOMINEES

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### **OUTSTANDING EMS DISPATCHER**

Rhonda Ciraolo  
Michael Felix  
Chris Graham  
James Hudock  
Rhoda Lowe  
Lisa Mullings  
Laura Murphy  
Brian Pauli  
Stephen Tripptree  
Rahana Worsley

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### **OUTSTANDING CAREER EMT-B**

Victoria Barney  
Arlynn Buchanan  
Alex Burde  
Scott Carter  
John Doyle  
Dovid Egert  
Mary Gottlieb  
Daniel Polo  
Jay Potter  
Damaris Rivera  
Michael Rock  
Krista Schmid  
Steven Smearman

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### **OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER EMT-B**

James Archibald  
Barry Bachenheimer  
Sherry Biddle  
Bob Bliss  
Joseph Calvitti  
Cristine Champi  
Matthew Chiang  
Holly Cranston  
Peter DeNicola  
ShelleyJo Dimter

Cathy Easton  
Ada Erik  
Bruce Herbst  
Gladys Irizarry  
Robert Johnston  
Rebecca Lauer  
Aaron Lay  
Michelle Lopez  
Jack Luts  
Bruce Meyer  
Christopher Miller  
Kevin Morrow  
Apu Mullick  
Kevin Ott  
Barbara Platt  
Chris Polizzno  
Jay Potter  
William Reynolds  
Johnathan Romeo  
Mel Sanders  
Thomas Sinclair  
Yoel Tesser  
Aaron Vurgason  
Jamie Wood

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### **OUTSTANDING ALS PROVIDER**

Dorial Castellanos  
Louis Kawood  
Chris Lamkin  
Jonathan Meyer  
Susan Phillips  
Sim Shain  
David Shotwell  
Irene Slate  
Sean Toris  
Mark Van  
Michael Williams

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### **OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER EMS AGENCY**

Budd Lake First Aid  
and Rescue Squad  
Dunellen Rescue Squad  
Fanwood Rescue Squad  
Hatzolah of Lakewood  
Lakewood First Aid  
& Emergency Squad  
Middletown Township  
EMS Cadet Post  
Morris Minute Men EMS  
Mount Laurel EMS, Inc.  
Mt. Olive Volunteer EMS  
(Budd Lake and Flanders)  
Pennington First Aid Squad  
Point Pleasant Boro  
First Aid Squad  
River Edge Volunteer  
Ambulance Service  
River Road Rescue Squad  
Shark River Hills  
First Aid Squad  
South Plainfield EMS  
Teaneck Volunteer  
Ambulance Corps  
Twin "W" First Aid Squad  
Woodbury Heights Fire  
Department Ambulance

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### **OUTSTANDING PRIVATE EMS AGENCY**

ARC Ambulance  
GEM Ambulance  
LifeStar Response  
Ambulance of NJ  
McCabe Ambulance  
MONOC  
Somerset Medical Center

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**OUTSTANDING PUBLIC  
EMS AGENCY**

Deptford Police  
Emergency Services  
Gloucester County EMS  
Jersey City  
Medical Center EMS  
Monmouth County  
Emergency Management  
- EMS Division  
Paramus Ambulance Corps  
Rutgers University  
Emergency Services  
SouthStar Medevac  
St. Joseph's Regional  
Medical Center, Mobile ICU  
Township of Lakewood  
Department of EMS  
Westville Fire District  
- Station 7-3

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**OUTSTANDING  
EMS EDUCATOR**

Molly Berkowitz  
Michael DeBlock  
John Dorn  
Scott Durlester  
Kenneth Grabowski  
Rick Hong, MD  
Patty Lutz  
John Mateus  
Leroy Rodriguez  
Mel Sanders  
Rich Schlosser  
Irene Slate  
Michael Ward

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**OUTSTANDING EMS  
ADMINISTRATOR**

James Boozan  
Steven Cicala  
James Daly  
Robert Lavery  
Andrew Lovell  
Thomas Newman, Jr.  
Kathy Price  
Hank Vande Beek

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**EMS VOLUNTEER  
LIFETIME  
ACHIEVEMENT**

Dorothy Addario  
Edward Barrett Sr.  
Kate Beattie  
Joshua Beren  
George Brown  
Rhonda Ciruolo  
James Daly  
Eskil "Skip" Danielson  
Edna Deacon  
Eugene Egan  
Carol Fink  
Jane Geoghegan  
Charles Kritz, Sr.  
Marty Langan  
Donald Ley, Sr.  
Jerry McMinn  
Bruce Meyer  
Barbara Nelson  
Robert S. Newman  
Jay Potter  
Wayne Ross  
Mel Sanders  
Laurie Sheldon  
Shirley Skillman

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**EMS CAREER  
LIFETIME  
ACHIEVEMENT**

Carl Corriere  
Karen Dougherty  
Anna Marie Everson  
James Hutchinson  
Francis McDermott  
Mark Moskaluk  
Jay Potter

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**DIRECTOR'S AWARD**

Charles Dennis  
Martin Gizzi  
Robert Hansson  
Mykola Lupak  
Sheraton Atlantic City  
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**IN MEMORIAM**

Nancy Bergquist  
(EMS Career Lifetime  
Achievement)  
Steven Morton  
(EMS Career Lifetime  
Achievement, Outstanding  
ALS Provider)  
Kathy Pogwist  
(EMS Volunteer Lifetime  
Achievement)  
Tammy Tisa  
(Outstanding  
EMS Educator)

## PAST EMS AWARD RECIPIENTS: 2001 - 2009

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### **EMS CAREER LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Susan Holohan – 2009  
Richard Archer – 2008  
Philip “Skip” Kreie – 2007  
Walter Tompkins – 2006  
Sally Steele-Hoben – 2005  
H. Mickey McCabe – 2004  
Regina Twisdale – 2003  
Jeanne Kerwin – 2002  
LeRoy F. Smith – 2001

### **EMS VOLUNTEER LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Dorothy Fean – 2009  
William Kroepke – 2008  
James Ryan – 2008  
Winifred S. Hartvigsen – 2007  
Charles Schilling – 2006  
Frank Goodstein – 2005  
Barbara Derrick – 2004  
Marianne Willis – 2003  
William Meade – 2002  
Charles Angello – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING ALS PROVIDER**

James Hutchinson – 2009  
David Salati – 2008  
Michael A. Tisa – 2007  
Victor Ioffredo – 2006  
Michael DiMartino – 2005  
John Hodgkinson – 2004  
Kevin Webb – 2003  
Margaret McMahon – 2002  
Jim O’Connor – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING CAREER EMT-B**

Mario Piumelli – 2009  
Donald Bogert – 2008  
Alba Rodriguez – 2008  
Larry Sears – 2007  
Frank Bertone – 2006  
Millard Hahn – 2005  
Gary Robert Wagner – 2004  
Michael Storck – 2003  
Michael Maciejczyk – 2002  
Nick Sinkewitz – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING EMS ACTION BY A CITIZEN**

Angelica Mercado – 2009  
Eddie Valente – 2009  
Sergio Valente – 2009

Danielle Yoos – 2008  
Manuel Gonzalez – 2007  
Patrick Kelly – 2007  
Daniel McMichael – 2007  
Marilee Bush – 2006  
Ken Kiernan – 2005  
William Thomas – 2004  
Cathy Housman – 2002  
Dana Christmas – 2001  
Jacob B. Archer – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING EMS ADMINISTRATOR**

Michael Bascom – 2009  
David Gwin – 2008  
Terry Hoben – 2008  
Louis Sasso – 2008  
Ken Christensen – 2007  
Louis Sasso – 2006  
John Grembowiec, Sr. – 2005  
Robert Resetar – 2004  
Nancy Hamstra – 2003  
Thomas Starr – 2002  
Karen Halupke – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING EMS ACTION BY A YOUTH**

Jamie Doyle – 2009  
Alexandra Smith – 2009  
Timothy Hunter – 2009  
David Schiavo – 2009  
Gabrielle Schiavo – 2009  
Amy Lara – 2008  
Andrew Yobs – 2008  
Antonio Cruz – 2008  
Ashley Snyder – 2008  
Brandon Morrison – 2008  
Erin Crowley – 2008  
Jaclyn Susan – 2008  
Jimmy Herrighty – 2008  
Rebecca Setnicky – 2008  
Thomas Zyhajlo – 2008  
Jason Conti – 2007  
Bryn Martin – 2007  
Natalie Martin – 2007  
Matthew Popp – 2007  
Chris Schreiber – 2007  
Sean Schreiber – 2007  
Justin Tyler Schoemer – 2007  
Alexis L. Staib – 2007  
Lyndsey Jelinek – 2006  
Billy Hoffman – 2006  
Brandon Nicholas DiMatties – 2004

Brendan Smith – 2004  
Ricky Vandenberg – 2004  
Madison Wentworth – 2003  
Erik Wegner – 2003  
Michelle Martinovich – 2002  
Helen Yao – 2002  
Katherine Nolan – 2002

### **OUTSTANDING EMS CALL**

Joseph Burlew – 2009  
Michael Daly – 2009  
Joseph Heaney – 2009  
Thomas Kelly – 2009  
Eric Farley – 2008  
James Tucker – 2008  
Susan Myers – 2008  
Burlington County  
Central Communications – 2007  
Mount Laurel Township EMS – 2007  
Mount Laurel Township PD – 2007  
Mount Laurel Township FD – 2007  
Virtua Health System – 2007

### **OUTSTANDING EMS DISPATCHER**

Peter Danzo – 2009  
Richard Noxon – 2008  
Stephen Madara – 2007  
Denise Lamson – 2006  
Anthony Celano – 2005  
John Hopkins – 2003  
Alan Glogovsky – 2002  
Chris Truppa – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING EMS EDUCATOR**

Virginia Burke – 2009  
Phyllis Woestemeyer – 2009  
David Langley – 2008  
Jennifer McCarthy – 2007  
William Faust – 2006  
Nancy Kelly-Goodstein – 2005  
Gerry McEntee – 2004  
Bryan Fischberg – 2003  
Tonnie Glick – 2002  
Michael Pante – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING EMS PHYSICIAN**

Rick Hong, MD – 2009  
Stephen Vetrano, DO – 2008  
Mark Merlin, DO – 2007  
Laurence DesRochers, DO – 2004  
William Gluckman, DO – 2003  
Sol Nevins, MD – 2002  
Jennifer Waxler, DO – 2001

## PAST EMS AWARD RECIPIENTS: 2001 - 2009

### **OUTSTANDING FIRST RESPONDER**

Officer Toni Lynne Carbone – 2009  
Robert Betz – 2008  
Patrolman Fotios  
Katsigiannis – 2007  
Sergeant James Rice, Jr. – 2007  
Mark Richards – 2006  
Detective Sergeant  
Robert Wells – 2005  
Patrolman Richard Barber – 2004  
Patrolman William Kline – 2004  
Patrolman Anthony Genaro – 2003  
Officer Russell Wilde – 2002  
Captain Frank Schmidt – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING PRIVATE EMS AGENCY**

Millville Rescue Squad – 2009  
Somerset Medical  
Center EMS - 2008  
NJ Sports and  
Exposition Authority – 2008  
Exceptional  
Medical Transport – 2007  
Quality Medical  
Transport, Inc. – 2006  
On Time Ambulance Inc. – 2005  
McCabe Ambulance – 2004  
Hammonton Rescue Squad – 2003  
MedAlert Ambulance – 2002  
Alert Ambulance – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING PUBLIC EMS AGENCY**

Hillsborough EMS – 2009  
Princeton First Aid  
and Rescue Squad – 2008  
City of Vineland EMS – 2007  
UMDNJ - Camden – 2006  
Logan Emergency  
Medical Service – 2005  
Hillsborough EMS – 2004  
Vineland EMS – 2003  
Jersey City Medical  
Center EMS – 2002  
Robert Wood Johnson  
University Hospital – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER EMS AGENCY**

Edison First Aid Squad #2 – 2009  
Atlantic Highlands First Aid – 2008  
Wayne Township  
Memorial First Aid Squad – 2007  
Mount Laurel EMS, Inc. – 2006  
Bayville First Aid Squad – 2005  
Mine Hill First Aid Squad – 2004  
New Providence EMS – 2003  
Westfield Volunteer  
Rescue Squad – 2002  
Teaneck Volunteer  
Ambulance Corps – 2001

### **OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER EMT-B**

Gerard Pandolfo – 2009  
Charles Alpaugh – 2008  
Sue Van Orden – 2007  
Carol Bunio – 2006  
Jane Asch – 2005  
Clifford Wright – 2004  
Ethel Wright – 2003  
Richard Collinson – 2002  
Diana "Lynn" Perri – 2001

### **EMS "STAR OF LIFE" AWARD**

Adam Wexler – 2006  
Jeff Skibenes – 2006  
Art Holzheimer – 2006  
Edward Sorge – 2006  
Joe Kiciena – 2006  
Mel Isidro – 2006  
Gemmy Siegel – 2006  
Bob Scalera – 2006  
Tim Ponzio – 2006  
Ranger Greg Langan – 2005  
Ranger Carmel Capoferri – 2005  
Ranger Steve Stokes – 2005  
Ranger Amanda Smith – 2005  
Ranger Joe Darwdy – 2005  
Ranger Joe Smetts – 2005  
Ranger Chris Walder – 2005  
Terri Schmidt – 2005  
Cpl John Kaufmann – 2004  
Sgt William Spencer – 2004  
Ptrl Chris Bittenmaster – 2004  
Trooper Brent Warne – 2004  
Trooper Mark Moyna – 2004  
Trooper Richard Wambold – 2004  
Shawna Tabert – 2004  
Steve Tabert – 2004

Kevin Murray – 2004  
Karen Chiu – 2004  
Carrie Dubiel – 2004  
Cathy Pineno – 2004  
Michael Jones – 2004  
Chris Dewire – 2004  
Richard Roche – 2003  
Brian Bobowicz – 2003  
Arthur Hayducka – 2002  
Craig Wheeler – 2002  
George Devakos – 2002  
James Pruden, M.D. – 2002  
Joel Bunis – 2002  
Neal Hileman – 2002  
Nellie Ivins – 2002  
Paul Wannamacher – 2002  
Ron Keift – 2002  
Phyllis Worrel – 2002  
Sarah Atlas & K-9 Anna – 2002  
Timothy Brown – 2002  
Wayne Struble – 2002  
William Gluckman, DO – 2002  
Cathy Conlin – 2002  
Don Murray – 2002  
Joe Burlew – 2002  
Andrew Baranako – 2001  
Walter McDonald – 2001  
Kevin Walsh – 2001

### **EMS PUBLIC EDUCATION AWARD**

Lillian Ernst Johnson – 2005  
John Feltes – 2004  
Virtua Health EMS – 2003  
James F. Hughes – 2002  
Matthew Rainy – 2001  
Robin Gaby Fisher – 2001

### **NURSE WITH OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMS**

Joyce Talarico – 2006

### **OUTSTANDING PRE-HOSPITAL PROVIDER FLIGHT CREW MEMBER**

Tim Seplaki – 2006

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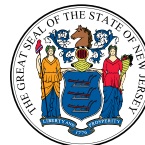
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