

# Hanover Eagle

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 2014

## Hanover Twp. honored by Arc

**HANOVER TWP.** - Both on the individual and organizational level, Hanover Township was again honored by the Arc/Morris Chapter at its Annual Awards & Recognition event, held at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum in Morris Township on May 21.

The Arc/Morris is the county's oldest and largest non-profit agency serving people with

developmental disabilities and their families.

Whippany resident Adam DiLauro received the agency's Bill Sackter Citizenship Award, given to an individual with developmental disabilities who has overcome adversity and become an achieving, integrated member of his or her community. Despite substantial medical problems, DiLauro has remained

cheerful, happy and productive. A resident in one of the organization's Hanover Group Homes, he also attends the agency's Adult Training Center in Whippany.

The Hanover Township Parks & Recreation Department and its Superintendent Denise Brennan were also honored with the 2014 Distinguished Community Service Award. They have long

supported the organizations Morris County Adaptive Recreation Program (McARP), especially in making the Recreation Center available for hosting the many recreation events available to residents with special needs.

DiLauro and the Parks & Recreation Department were

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two of nine individuals and organizations that were honored this year. Others included Dr. Margery Mark for Health Care Professional, Mary Giorlando with the Professional of the Year Award, Mary Ann Reilly with the Parent Guardian Award and Tom Horn with the Volunteer of the Year Award. C.R. Bard and the Vanderbush Family received Best Friend Awards, while Frank Clancey was given the 2014 Distinguished Service Award.

Volunteers and volunteer groups were also acknowledged for their contribution to the agency. They included local councils of both the Knights of Columbus and the Masons, as well as other social and civic or-

ganization such as the Randolph Lions Clubs. Local foundations and a number of area churches and schools were also acknowledged for their work with the non-profit agency. Individual volunteers were also thanked for the thousands of hours of time contributed to the organization.

Prior to the awards ceremony, the annual meeting of the organization took place, highlighted by the election of officers and directors. Gwendolyn Utberg of Randolph was elected as president, Katherine Cascioli of Towaco as first vice president, Barry Levine of Denville as second vice president, Wendy Abrahamson of Madison as treasurer and Tom Horn of Long Valley as secretary. James Gallagher of Rockaway Township completed his third term

as president and will serve as immediate past president of the organization. Four directors were re-elected to the Board, including Peter Babits of Clifton, Irene Hansen of Dover, Kathleen Hyland of Morris Township and Philip Sheehy of Randolph.

Alan Adler of Morristown and Kathleen Ingargiola of Montville will begin new terms on the Board of Directors.

The not-for-profit agency has been serving people with special needs and their families since 1954. Services include residential and day programs for adults; therapeutic recreation for all ages; and support and respite for families.

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