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**Mount Laurel Twp.
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Press Release

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(Event Photos Available Upon Request)

Mount Laurel Township Emergency Medical Services Annual Awards & Recognition Program held on April 30, 2011

Mount Laurel, NJ- , April 30, 2011: Mount Laurel Township Emergency Medical Services (EMS) held their Annual 2010 Awards & Recognition Program on Saturday, April 30th, 2011 at 6:30 PM at the Lenola Fire Hall, Moorestown, NJ. Over 180 members and invited guest attended this year's program. The awards and recognition program honors both volunteer and career EMS Personnel for their accomplishments in calendar year 2010. This year's program had two honored guests: Andrew Weeks, a 20 year old Mount Laurel Resident, who was resuscitated from cardiac arrest on Christmas Day, 12/25/2010. He met the dispatcher, police officers, firefighters, EMTs, Paramedics and Emergency Department Personnel that were all part of the resuscitation team that brought him back to life. Also EMT Shawn Vena was recognized for his many years of dedicated service to Mount Laurel Township upon his recent retirement.

The following awards were given to personnel for their service to Mount Laurel Township during 2008:

Top 15 Volunteer Responders

- #1-Kyle Rollin- 1628 Hours
- #2-Elizabeth McNeil -1467 Hours
- #3-Tom Orr - 1256 Hours
- #4-Kevin Cooper- 1157 Hours
- #5-Bruce Herbst- 1143 Hours
- #6-Mark Haas – 1068 Hours
- #7-Brian Kerrigan- 832 Hours

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- #8-Uri Kapilovich – 741 Hours
- #9-Ari Bross– 731 Hours
- #10-Phil Wien- 672 Hours
- #11-Jeff Szurek-671 Hours
- #12-John Francescone – 659 Hours
- #13-Beth Anne Stauffer- 658 Hours
- #14-Alex Winkler– 648 Hours
- #15-Emmanuel Ogunleye -639 Hours

Presidents Awards- Mark Haas and Brian Kerrigan

Chiefs Awards- EMT John Hamilton & Mark Haas for special project assistance provided to the Chief during 2010, MLFD Chief Robert Gallos on his upcoming retirement for support provided to EMS during his tenure as fire chief, EMT Shawn Vena for 10 Years of dedicated service upon his retirement, Assistant Chief Todd Heimgartner and Operations Chief Charles Kritz for 10 years of dedicated service as EMS Chief Officers.

Class C Awards- EMTs Jeff Szurek & Beth Anne Stauffer for Winning Gold Medals in the State Department of Health's Second Annual EMT Skills Competition at the 2010 METI Games. This same team won Gold medals in 2009.

Squad Member of the Year- Jeff Szurek for Outstanding Contribution & Dedication

Cadet Members of the Year- Brian Whiter

Station 369 Deputy Chief's Award- Mike Mannion

Station 368 Deputy Chief's Award- John Madison

Special Operations Deputy Chief's Award- Elizabeth McNeil

Mount Laurel Township Emergency Medical Services is a combination career and volunteer department that supplies basic life support ambulance service, community and professional training programs and disaster services to the township. The department is composed of approximately 120 volunteers and 30 career emergency services personnel that respond from Station 369, the Rodger Sharpe Building on Masonville Road and Station 368, and the Charles Kritz Building on South Church Street. Mount Laurel Township EMS operates seven ambulances, three first responder/command vehicles, a disaster medical supply trailer, an Incident Rehabilitation Trailer, a 4x4 Pickup Truck and a 15 passenger van. During 2010 Mount Laurel Township Emergency Medical Services was the busiest squad in Burlington County responding to over 4539 incidents, transporting approximately 3200 patients to area hospitals, driving approximately 90,000 Fleet Miles, and volunteering more than 30,000 hours.