



L TO R: Aleksandra Adamczyk, Officer Ann Quinn, Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., Yvonna Wade, Raymond Morse, Anthony Puglisi

ESSEX COUNTY EXECUTIVE DIVINCENZO RECOGNIZES EMPLOYEES DURING COUNTY'S OCTOBER TEAMWORK AWARD PROGRAM

Newark, NJ – Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. presented the monthly Essex County Teamwork Awards to three Essex County employees, a student from the Essex County Vocational School District and – for the first time – an employee was presented with the Essex County Leadership Award. The following employees were commended for their dedication and commitment to serving the public.

Anthony Puglisi is the first Essex County employee to be honored with the Essex County Leadership Award. Anthony has been a Public Information Officer with the County for five years and has recently taken the lead in the Public Information Office scheduling, arranging and publicizing a variety of press events. Most recently, he took on a central role in organizing the Essex County Second Annual Senior Wellness Day at Richard J. Codey Arena at South Mountain.

Yvonna Wade, a senior at the Essex County Vocational School District's Newark Tech, is an honor roll student who is ranked fifth in her senior class. She completed the Governor's School Program for Public Issues at Monmouth University and was profiled in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. Wade is active at St. Matthew's AME Church in Orange, a member of the Future Business Leaders of America Club, the Parent Teacher Student Association, and SYSTAS 4 SYSTAS, a female mentor group, at Newark Tech. She also spends time volunteering at the Heritage House and volunteered for Jon Corzine's gubernatorial and Robert Mendez's U.S. Senate campaigns in 2006.

Aleksandra Adamczyk is the Vocational Training Unit Supervisor with the Essex County Department of Economic Development, Training & Employment, Division of Employment & Training. She is responsible for providing educational and employment-related training programs to Essex County residents receiving General Assistance benefits. Aleksandra also coordinates the Career Advancement Voucher Program, which provides funding opportunities for customers who are seeking to advance their careers by advancing their education. She presented a workshop at the Garden State Employment and Training Annual Conference on Leadership & Instruction Techniques for Professionals. In addition, she uses her graphic arts background to produce all the advertising and marketing material for the department.

Raymond Morse is an Ice Rink Maintenance Worker at the Richard J. Codey Arena at South Mountain, where he is responsible for the operation and maintenance of various types of ice resurfacing equipment and other devices in the building. He is an integral part of the department, and has saved the County money with the electrical and machinery repairs he has made. His dedication and knowledge continue to enhance County efforts to make the Arena a state-of-the-art event center.

Officer Ann M. Quinn has been a Corrections Officer with the Essex County Department of Corrections for 13 years. A graduate of the Essex County Police Academy Class 96-02, she possesses advanced training in mental health assessment and emergency response. Officer Quinn is assigned to a specialty unit in the facility that houses the juveniles, court ordered, voluntary and involuntary protective custody inmates. She is also responsible for inmates held on pre-hearing and disciplinary detention. Officer Quinn is an asset to the department, and treats all the inmates with dignity and respect.