



LOCAL YOUTH AWARDS

The 2008 Youth Appreciation Day Awards, sponsored by PP&L and coordinated by the Greater Pocono Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, were held on May 27th at the Pocono Inne Town. The awards recognize those youth who may not be otherwise receive kudos for overcoming great life obstacles to achieve graduation. In all, nine exceptional youth from the four school districts in **Monroe County** and the **PA CareerLink** were recognized. **Linda Whidden** introduced the **PA CareerLink** nominee, and describes her experience as follows:

“Award winner, Deborah Lavin, was a participant in the **PA CareerLink Monroe County** Summer Youth Program. A six week program which consists of ½ day academic enrichment and ½ day work experience, she is a student at Pocono Mountain School District in the Monroe County School to Work Program. Both programs are designed to teach students responsibility and independence on the job and in all aspects of their lives. Debbie was having difficulty with many issues last summer and at the beginning of the school year. Her attitude was aggravated and angry and was prone to verbal outbursts due to her frustration. Then she made a major change in her life, and it transformed her from one of the neediest students to one of the most independent. Debbie was able to strike out on her own living in the community with support of local agencies. With their help the change was almost instant. Her attitude is now the opposite – happy, friendly, helpful and a lot more confident. She admits that the decision to live on her own was difficult and a little scary, but she is very pleased with the result.

The teachers and staff in the School to Work Program also noticed the change immediately. Debbie went from having personal issues and behavior problems to being independent and a true leader within the program. In class, she works even harder, on the job sites, she is able to work independently and act as a role model for other students learning a job or task. Her hard worked and new sense of self makes it evident that she will be a success no matter what path she chooses in life. “

What's going on Next Week.....

“Resume & Cover Letters”

Presented by Sharone G.

Mon. June 16th 9-11:30 am

“Intro to CareerLink Services”

Presented by Sharone G.

Tue, June 17th, 10:00-11:00 am

“Mock Interviews”

Presented by Sharone G.

Tue, June 17th, 1:00-2:00 pm

“Career Exploration”

Presented by Sharone Glasco

Wed, June 18th, 9:00-2:30pm

“Employer Website Assistance”

Presented by Ken O.

Fri, June 20th 3-4:00 pm

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

.....**Department of Labor & Industry Acting Secretary Sandi Vito** for earning the 2008 Paul Robeson Award, which is given by District 1199C in Philadelphia, an affiliate of the National Union of Hospitals and Healthcare Employees, AFSCME and the AFL-CIO.

Vito received the award at the District 1199C Annual Training & Upgrading Fund Graduation and Recognition ceremony last night at the Kimmel Center in Philadelphia.

The Paul Robeson Award recognizes individuals who have shown outstanding leadership in support of worker education and training that leads to career advancement. A committee comprised of District 1199C Training & Upgrading Fund co-chairs, the fund's director, and representatives of the fund's graduation committee selected recipients.

.....**Ben Franklin Technology Partners** for earning a national award from the U.S. Commerce Department for its technology-oriented economic development efforts.

For 25 years, Ben Franklin Technology Partners have pioneered the way for economic progress in Pennsylvania," Governor Rendell said. "This award is a great reflection on their efforts and, coming in the Ben Franklin program's 25th anniversary year, recognizes the commonwealth's foresight in devoting resources to make us a leader in technology investment."

The Ben Franklin model has become an internationally-recognized and widely-copied model for innovation in technology-based economic development, Governor Rendell said.

The partners operate regionally, with four centers throughout the Commonwealth, including **Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Northeastern PA.**

NEWS CLIPS



Students in the U.S. have lost access to more than \$6.7 billion a year in education loans after private lenders fled the market. Dozens of lenders, led by College Loan Corp. and CIT Group, stopped making federally guaranteed loans because the U.S. cut subsidies and investors hurt by the sub prime-mortgage crisis shunned bonds backed by student loans. More schools say they are seeking access to U.S. direct loans as private lenders drop out.

A majority of middle class Americans say that their economic situation has not gotten better over the last 5 years, according to a new study by the Pew Research Center. While 26% said they had made no progress, 28% said they had fallen further behind. From 1983 to 2004, the median net worth of upper income families-those making 150% or more of the median annual income-grew by 123%, while the median net worth of middle-income families grew only 29%.

HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAY.....



Nancy Henry

Stefany Kemp

Blanca Ortiz

Lorelei Sands





TEAMOLOGY

TEAM: A number of persons associated together in work or activity to perform a common goal.

CareerLink

Business Services TEAM



EXPRESS PERSONNEL SERVICES of Allentown will be here at the Career-Link on both **Thurs. June 12th from am to 1pm and Wed. June 18th from am to 4pm** utilizing the small conference room. They are in need of 60 general laborers to fulfill a temporary (July and August) contract to rehab a large retail store (Wal-Mart - Stroudsburg). All three shifts are available with a pay of 11/hr. Maximum lifting will be approx. 50 lbs. Worker will mostly move and replace inventory and take down and rebuild fixturing. These jobs are posted on the CWDS website, job order number **571405**, and public advertising in the Pocono Record will appear this Wed, Sunday, and next Wed. Any other questions, call **Don!**

Customer Information & Resource TEAM



The next **Lo-Cost Eyeglass Clinic** will be **Monday, June 16th from 9 am to 1 pm**. Those interested should call 1-800-901-1912.

Once again, the month of May saw an all time high number of participants in the Career Resource Room-702! Seminar and workshop attendance was down slightly from the month before during CAREER Quest preparation-149. Remember to encourage all job seekers you have contact with to sign up for the seminars and workshops. The surveys returned from the participants show that 77% are VERY SATISFIED, 21% are SATISFIED, 2% are MODERATELY SATISFIED, with 0% NOT SATISFIED.



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-web 569788
—Maintenance Mechanic
-web 569820



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-web 568523

Motherhood Maternity

—Assistant Manager
-web 568358



Loving Care Agency Inc

—Licensed Practical Nurse
-web 569819
—Registered Nurse
-web 569821

Morgan AM &T aka NatEleCarb Products

—Kiln Operator
-web 569918

WRITING ON THE WALL

**The flag is the embodiment,
not of sentiment,
but of history.**

-Woodrow Wilson 28th president of US (1856 - 1924)

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