

**Bergen County
Juvenile Fire Prevention Program**

Burning Issues

3rd Quarter 2013



Something to Brag About – Educators Honored

On Wednesday, October 9th the Fire Prevention Bureau held their annual awards ceremony at Seasons in Washington Township, NJ. Advisory Board president, Bob DeVito was given the floor to speak on our program's behalf and honor two of our volunteer safety educators. Larry Rauch and Joseph Schilp were honored with a distinguished service bar for demonstrating dedication and commitment to preventing juvenile firesetting. They are two of approximately thirty others who volunteer their time to educate the juveniles referred to the program. Because of volunteers like Larry and Joe our program continues to boast of our 98% success rate. Congratulations to Larry and Joe!

Bergen County Juvenile Fire Prevention Program In the News

The Bergen County Juvenile Fire Prevention Program continues to spread our message throughout the community in hopes to keep our juveniles safe. This quarter, Bill Quinn, volunteer fire safety educator and advisory board member was honored by his home fire department, Westwood, NJ for his work as a Charter Member of the Bergen County Juvenile Fire Prevention Program. Over the past 25 years Bill Quinn – a Certified Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention Specialist – has volunteered his time as a fire safety educator for the BCJFPP. The Mayor of Westwood John Birkner, Jr. presented Quinn with a proclamation that commended him for his years of service with the BCJFPP during a Westwood town council meeting on July 16, 2013.



On Friday, 10/11/13 volunteer fire safety educator and advisory board member, Tony Culmone and program manager, Ashley Czesak were interviewed by Fairleigh Dickinson University's radio station WFDU 89.1 FM. This was a 15 minute interview to discuss the issues associated with juvenile fire setting and inform the public that help is out there. Check out our website in the upcoming weeks for footage of this radio interview.



Don't Miss our Upcoming Fundraiser

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2013



Mexicali Live

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Fire Prevention Saves Lives

- More children die by fire than any other childhood disease.
- 30% of the kids that die in fire start the fires that kill them.
- With intervention, 99% of fire setting behaviors can be eliminated.
- BCJFP has helped over 2,000 children overcome these dangerous behaviors.

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On November 9, 2013 the BCJFPP is hosting its fourth annual fundraiser at Mexicali Live located in Teaneck, New Jersey. The event will feature the renowned U2 tribute band, *The Unforgettable Fire*; and *The Shots*, Bergen County Firefighters' Pipe Band. We hope you can join us for a memorable evening that will support the good work we do for your community. All proceeds further expand our programming and our ability to serve those at-risk who may not be getting the help they need. **Please join us on November 9th** for an unforgettable evening.

THIRD QUARTER REPORT

During the third quarter of 2013, a total number of sixteen (16) juveniles and their families received BCJFPP services. Twenty-three juveniles were referred to our program this quarter by Bergen County's referral sources.

The following services were provided during the fourth quarter:

Firesetting Screening Interviews:	17
Fire Safety Education Sessions:	22
Clinical Sessions:	38

Marketing and Outreach Efforts

Two firesetting evaluations were conducted in families homes due to lack of transportation or other barriers. Another was conducted at a local treatment center. Presentations were made throughout the county to the staff at the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P). The program manager has attended several community and state wide meetings including: Youth Consultation Services, Juvenile Officers Meeting, Bergen County TLC Meeting, Juvenile Setters Prevention Council, Letters were sent to all the police departments throughout the county as well as all of the public and private school districts throughout the county. Fire safety educator, Bob Lewisohn and program manager, Ashley Czesak held a 45 minute presentation to the high school seniors of Fort Lee High School during fire prevention week to educate the students on fire safety in college dorms.

Meeting Reminders

Advisory Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 12, 2013

At 7:00 pm

Location: Fair Lawn Fire Department # 4

Fire Safety Educator Meeting

Tuesday, December 10, 2013

At 7:00pm

Location: Fair Lawn Fire Department # 4

If you haven't already, be sure to check out our website: <http://bcjfpp.org/>