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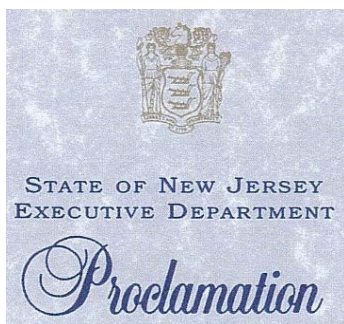
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A large variety of Activity Professionals Week materials were added to the **Activity Resource Center** More Than Just Bingo Game, activity word puzzles, print and paste tri-fold/storyboard resources, flyer, certificate, special event planning form and much more!
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Governor Jon Corzine Declares January 18th-23rd, 2009 as National Activity Professionals Week in the state of New Jersey

The New Jersey Activity Professionals Association has just announced that Governor Jon Corzine of New Jersey, has declared that January 18th-23, 2009 is National Activity Professionals Week in the State of New Jersey. This proclamation can be downloaded from the NJAPA website at

<http://www.njactivitypros.org/news.htm>. Print this colored document and display in your facility, frame and give to the Activity staff, or use for various public relations opportunities. This is a great way to celebrate and honor the activity profession.

In addition, NJAPA has written an article entitled, "Honor Those That Re-Crete Lives: Celebrate National Activity Professionals Week". This article was recently published in the NJ Chapter of the American College of Health Care Administrators Newsletter, which was mailed to administrators in the state of New Jersey. This is such a wonderful promotional opportunity for the activity profession! You can view this article on the NJAPA website as well at <http://www.njactivitypros.org/news.htm>. Be sure to print this article and share with your administrators and department heads. A downloadable version of the ACHCA NJ Chapter News will be available at

http://www.njachca.org/meeting_minutes.htm. A special thank you goes out to Michael Hotz, President of the NJ Chapter of the



**Activity FUN-damentals:
How therapeutic activities
benefit the elderly**

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ACTION**

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**HAPPY
NATIONAL
ACTIVITY
PROFESSIONALS
WEEK!**

ACHCA for the opportunity to publish this article and for his continued support of the activity profession.

New Jersey Activity Professionals Association Awards Program

By Emily (Eucille) Brown, ADC
NJAPA Awards Chairperson



Each year NJAPA includes nomination forms in the winter newsletter. The categories are Activity Professional of the Year, Certified Nursing Assistant of the Year and Administrator of the Year and Volunteer of the Year and Madison E. Weidner Life Achievement Award. Many health care facilities are very fortunate to have volunteers who have shown loyalty and

commitment to your residents. Many facilities are taking the time and energy to develop strong volunteer programs because of the many benefits that volunteers provide.

Winter is a very busy time for all of you, but we are asking that you take the time to recognize the wonderful staff you have. Each of you knows of a wonderful and caring nursing assistant that in the back of your minds you have noted how exceptional she/he is. This nursing assistant will be so honored and proud to know that you took the time to put those thoughts in writing.

Many of you are fortunate to work with an administrator who truly values your department. If you have the privilege of working for this type of exceptional administrator, please take the time to tell us how this administrator not only supports you, your department but also the residents.

We are all dedicated activity professionals, but if you are aware of an Activity Professionals who goes beyond the call of duty, who provides outstanding service to her/his residents and promotes a positive image to other activity professionals, please take the time to let others know about this awesome individual.

MEPAP Part 1

DH Special Services announces that MEPAP I will begin on February 24th at Kensington Court in Tinton Falls in Monmouth County. For more information visit

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- *Guest Book (*Say hi!*)
- *Activity Resource Center
- *Re-Creative Resources' Blog
- *The Rec-Quest (*Q&A Forum*)
- *Activity Swap Meet (*New*)

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These awards would not be possible without your support, enthusiasm and commitment to quality. We have many deserving people in each of these categories. Please feel free to select someone for each category or only one category.

You can download the awards application and nomination form at <http://www.njactivitypros.org/awards.htm>. You are welcome to make copies. Please provide background information, your reasons why we should select your application and a picture is always welcome but not mandatory. The deadline for submitting the applications is January 31, 2009. Please take this information to your local activity groups and share with them. To submit an application, the person who is submitting the application must be a NJAPA member. You can include membership with your NJAPA Awards form but we do ask that you send your membership to the membership chair. For membership information, visit <http://www.njactivitypros.org/application.htm>.

We look forward to receiving your nomination form!

