

Newbridge to honor three for their leadership

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PEQUANNOCK — NewBridge Services Inc. will honor Morris County administrator John Bonanni, Rhonda Nesmith Crichlow of Novartis and Tom McArdle of Wayne Counseling and Family Center with NewBridge 2010 Helping People Move Forward awards.

"The awards this year recognize persons that show exemplary leadership in the private, public and non-profit sector," said Robert L. Parker, NewBridge executive director. "They demonstrate that when community leaders work together, they create an environment that cares for people in need and moves them to find balance in their lives. These leaders make our community a better place to live, work and play."

The trio will receive their awards during NewBridge's Celebrate The Magic of NewBridge, on March 11 at The Villa at Mountain Lakes.

Bonanni, administrator for Morris County, is responsible for the day-to-day operation and supervision of the six major county departments and their divisions and projects. He also chairs the Morris County Improvement Authority.

Nesmith Crichlow serves as executive director, Alliance Development and Philanthropy at Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corp. in East Hanover. She is responsible for overseeing strategic efforts to build sustainable relationships with patient organizations and professional societies through funding and public policy/advocacy to foster access to quality, patient centered healthcare.

Nesmith Crichlow also serves as secretary of the Novartis Patient Assistance Foundation.

Since founding Wayne Counseling and Family Center in 1973, McArdle has served as the organization's executive director. McArdle is also chairman of the Wayne Juvenile Conference Committee and implementer of the Wayne Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse.

Celebrate The Magic of NewBridge, an annual fundraising event, includes a festive celebration with hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, a dessert buffet, musical entertainment, and silent auction. Admission is \$125 per person.

For support opportunities or reservations, contact Nina McCormack, director of development, NewBridge, at 973-839-2521, ext. 2246, or visit www.newbridge.org.