

## AROUND THE TOWNS

## ACHIEVEMENTS

POMPTON PLAINS  
**NewBridge executive  
receives two awards**

In 1992, Robert Parker of Morristown assumed executive director responsibilities at the Pequannock-based NewBridge Services Inc., an organization that offers mental health, substance abuse, housing and education programs.

In honor of his 18 years of work at NewBridge, the United Way of Passaic County presented Parker with its Community Cornerstone Award on June 16.

"Bob Parker has taken NewBridge from a small community mental health agency to a powerhouse agency that handles a multitude of programs," said Yvonne Zuidema, president and chief professional officer of the United Way of



**Robert Parker, executive director of NewBridge Services and recipient of the Mental Health Association in New Jersey's Golden Bell Leadership Award, chats with Carolyn Beauchamp, president and chief executive officer of the association.**

Passaic County. "NewBridge Services is a tremendous asset to both Morris and Passaic counties."

On the same day, Parker collected the Golden Bell Leadership Award from the Mental Health Association in New

Jersey Inc. during its "Evening of Excellence" at the Crystal Plaza in Livingston.

The Mental Health Association highlighted NewBridge's Senior Assistance for Independent Living program, which helps residents of Morris and Passaic counties who are 60 and older remain in their homes.

"Over a 25-year period, when nobody else in mental health paid attention to seniors, Parker created programs that focused on this population in need," said Carolyn Beauchamp, president and chief executive officer of the Mental Health Association of New Jersey.

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