

WEST WINDSOR

Molina Medicaid Solutions honors area heroes

Area heroes were honored by the Trenton-based Molina Medicaid Solutions New Jersey for their service during the second annual Community Champions Awards event recently at Mercer County Community College Conference Center. Awards were presented to community volunteers Landies Bullock, Jaden Weiss and a group of Sandy Relief volunteers from Habitat for Humanity.

Bullock, of Trenton, is a 75-year-old breast cancer survivor who has been helping senior citizens in her community for more than a decade.

As a licensed practical nurse, she volunteers as a

caregiver, helping homebound senior citizens with day-to-day activities. Through cancer therapy and severe arthritis, Bullock is head recruiter and group leader for Interfaith Caregivers at Shiloh Baptist Church.

At only 12 years old, Jaden Weiss created the "King or Queen of the Sea or Pond" food drive to provide donations of tuna to the Mercer Street Friends Food Bank.

After finding out tuna was the least donated but healthiest food at his local food bank, Weiss' goal was acquire as much tuna as possible.

Weiss collected 61 pounds of food and won his school a Division Spirit Award, Overall Spirit Champion Award and sixth place for the Governor's Cup Award.

The group of Sandy Relief volunteers with Habitat

for Humanity spent every Wednesday and Saturday for months helping with relief efforts after Hurricane Sandy. Not only committed to the physical efforts of the relief, these volunteers interacted with residents by comforting and encouraging them through this disaster.

Established to honor the memory of Molina Healthcare's founder Dr. C. David Molina, the Community Champions award program spotlights the good deeds of everyday heroes in their communities.

Molina has been hosting the Community Champions Awards for seven years in the states that it operates.

The winners are nominated by community-based organizations and also receive \$1,000 grants to give to deserving nonprofit organizations as part of their award.



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