

Nutley Jaycees Announce 2019 Distinguished Service Award Winners

Louie Ritacco, owner and manager of Luna Wood Fired Tavern was named 2019 Outstanding Young Man of the Year. He and four others will be honored at the April 4 dinner.

For distinguished service in "Public Health and Public Safety", the Jaycees award will honor Nutley Volunteer Emergency & Rescue Squad Captain Charles E. Ennis, Jr. who has served the community for more than 40 years.

Nutley's "Business" award for 2019 goes to Luther Engler, a financial planner, who has distinguished himself for his lifetime of service to the Nutley community as well as our country.

The "Civic Affairs Award" goes to Nutley Historian John Demmer, for his wide range of activities to preserve Nutley's long and cherished history.

This year's Educator of the year is veteran nurse at Yantacaw School Katherine Flannery.

Announcement of the award recipients was made by former Nutley Commissioner and past state president of the New Jersey Jaycee, Walt Smith, chairman of the judges' panel. In addition to Smith, the judges' panel includes Dr. Steven Clarke, Superintendent of the Nutley Schools, Dr. Julie Glazer, former Director of Special Education and community volunteer Barbara Hirsch and former N.J. Assemblyman and Board of Education trustee Fred Scalera.

The winners will be honored at a dinner on Thursday, April 4 scheduled at The Valley Regency, 1149 Valley Road, Clifton. The event opens with a 6:30 p.m. with a cash bar cocktail hour followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. Tickets at \$45 can be reserved by calling Dr. Steve Clarke at 973-235-1515 or by visiting his office 25 High Street. His email is sgclarke@optonline.net.

