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Stockton's Holocaust Resource Center Announces Winners of the Honey and Maurice Axelrod 2008 Awards

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Galloway Twp., NJ – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Holocaust Resource Center is pleased to announce the Honey and Maurice Axelrod 2008 Awards for Atlantic County teachers. The Honey and Maurice Axelrod Award recognizes outstanding educational and community leaders in New Jersey who lead the fight against bias, prejudice, and discrimination through education about the Holocaust and other genocides. The award is a cooperative project of the Anti-Defamation League of New Jersey, The New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education, and the Axelrod Family.

The three Atlantic County recipients of the Honey and Maurice Axelrod Awards are:

- Abby Bender,
- Krissy Holak, and
- Steve Marcus.

Abby Bender is a teacher at Atlantic City High School. Abby developed a year long course in Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Atlantic City High School. Abby arranged for her students to visit the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in March 2008. Abby has inspired her students to further their study about the Holocaust and other genocides.

Krissy Holak is a teacher at Hammonton Middle School. She has established a strong foundation in Hammonton's middle school curriculum for Holocaust and Genocide Studies. Under the direction of Krissy, Hammonton Middle School began using ITV (interactive television from Stockton's TV studios) as a teaching tool for Holocaust survivor testimony and lectures about the history of the Holocaust. Krissy headed a project to collect and send shoes for the children of Darfur.

Steve Marcus has devoted hundreds of hours to develop a year long program of study about the Holocaust and other genocides at Egg Harbor Township High School. Steve is always developing innovative approaches for teaching Holocaust and genocide studies and is the advisor for S.T.A.N.D. (Students Taking Action Now Darfur) at the High School.

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