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**LeBEAM & The Chamber will Present 2010 Community Grant to
East Allen Township Volunteer Fire Department**

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The LeBEAM Chamber and The Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce will award The East Allen Township Volunteer Fire Department with the 2010 Community Grant Award at their 3rd Year Anniversary Awards Mixer on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at Gaetano's Italian Restaurant in Bath. The grant was established to help support a non-profit organization serving people in the Moore, East Allen, Lehigh Townships, Bath and Chapman areas. Past winners include Meals on Wheels and the Northampton Food Bank.

The fire department is in the process of replacing current **gas detectors**. The \$500 grant will help fund the purchase of one gas detector used to detect dangerous gases in hazardous situations in addition to protecting the lives of the general public and the firefighters.

The East Allen Township Volunteer Fire Department is manned by 26 volunteers that provide fire protection, rescue and hazardous materials response for the township. They also provide assistance to surrounding volunteer fire departments when needed.

Fire Chief Barry Frantz stated "We are so appreciative of this grant and thank the LeBEAM Chamber for their support as the funds will be put to great use".

About The Chamber:

The Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce's mission is to: deliver value to members through superior programs and services; advocate to advance business interests; unify the Lehigh Valley business community to leverage regional resources and strengthen its collective voice; and to create opportunities for businesses to grow. With nearly 5,000 members who employ more than 140,000 individuals, The Chamber is the 2nd largest in Pennsylvania, largest in New Jersey, and one of the fastest growing in the nation.