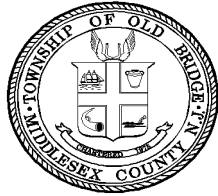


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TOWNSHIP OF OLD BRIDGE ACKNOWLEDGES TOP TALENTED ACHIEVERS

Old Bridge Township, NJ – Mayor Owen Henry recognizes the exemplary work of three Old Bridge Township residents. Anthony Martino Jr, Minkah Fitzpatrick, and Michael Lehrer are young achievers in the world of sports and entertainment. We will be following and cheering them on in the coming weeks.

Anthony Martino Jr. is an 11 year old student from Carl Sandburg Middle School who is participating in the national Master Chef Junior show on Fox TV. Anthony is one of the 40 young chefs between the ages of 8 through 13 competing in Season 6. He auditioned for the show in person and was able to impress the judges with a special technique he used to cook an over-easy egg.

Minkah Fitzpatrick born in Old Bridge is an All American Football defensive back for the University of Alabama. He has been on the cover of Sports Illustrated Magazine and was listed as one of the top cornerbacks in the nation in 2015. Minkah has also won numerous awards including the Jim Thorpe and Chuck Bednarik Award in 2017. Foregoing his final year of eligibility at Alabama, he has decided to enter the 2018 NFL Draft.

Michael Lehrer will be competing at the 2018 Special Olympics USA Games swimming category held in Seattle, Washington July 1-6, 2018. The Special Olympics USA Games consist of 4,000 athletes and coaches representing 50 state Programs and the District of Columbia competing in 14 Olympic-type team and individual sports. Michael is one of 60 Special Olympics athletes representing team New Jersey.

“There is no doubt that our Township has exceptionally talented people,” said Mayor Owen Henry. “It is with great pride that I acknowledge these Old Bridge residents and I would like to thank and wish them the best for making us Old Bridge proud.”

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