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Andrew Robertson Named Recipient of Harry V. Groome Award at American Legion Jersey Boys State

ALJBS Staff Member Andrew Robertson of Bordentown, NJ Awarded “Best Staff Member” Annual Honor

LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ – On Friday, the American Legion Jersey Boys State (ALJBS) announced Andrew “Andy” Robertson of Bordentown, NJ, as the recipient of the Harry V. Groome Award. This award is given annually and honors the most outstanding staff member of the all-volunteer staff of Jersey Boys State. Many of the staff volunteer their time in preparation throughout the year during the “off-season” for the weeklong program.

Harry V. Groome is a founding father of the Jersey Boys State program. Groome served as Assistant Director and right-hand man to Harold “Chief” Eaton, the founding Director, for many years.

“The all-volunteer staff at Jersey Boys State puts together a top-notch program every year and specifically, Andy Robertson, should be recognized for his outstanding contribution to the program during our 68th session,” said David Bagatelle, Director of American Legion Jersey Boys State.

Robertson, who currently resides in Bordentown, NJ, with his wife, Suzanne, grew up in South Harrison, NJ. A delegate in 2000, Robertson was sponsored by American Legion Robert W. Mills Post #542. Robertson has continued to serve on staff 13 consecutive years and successfully completed his first year as Dean of Sports.

In addition to this award, ALJBS also named several other honors for this year’s session.

HONOR	NAME	HOMETOWN	LEGION POST #
Todd Eaton Award	Fravlin Munoz	Patterson	438
Samsung Nominee	Ronald Berna	Cinnaminson	72
Gordon A. Vreeland Award	Prajay Tipre	Princeton	148

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About American Legion Jersey Boys State (ALJBS)

In its 68th year, ALJBS is a week-long experience that educates, trains, and inspires New Jersey’s youth so that each statesman may become a lifelong leader of character committed to service, respect, and Americanism. ALJBS is a college-level seminar that teaches citizenship, politics, and leadership to nearly 1,000 rising-seniors in high school. ALJBS is among the most respected and selective educational programs of its kind in the country. All expenses are typically donated by a sponsoring American Legion Post, a local business, or a community-based organization. To learn more, please visit aljbs.org.