

# 2007 New Jersey State Jefferson Awards



## SALUTE YOUR 2007 AWARDS HONOREE, JAMES CHRISTIANO

NOMINATED BY BARBARA CHRISTIANO



Honoree James Christiano



From left: George Arwady, Publisher of the Star-Ledger, honoree James Christiano, and Sam Beard, co-founder of the Jefferson Awards

**Do you know someone who makes a difference in your community?**

If you do, then nominate them for the prestigious Jefferson Award by visiting [www.nj.com/jeffersonawards](http://www.nj.com/jeffersonawards)

Jefferson Awards honor ordinary people who, through public service, do extraordinary things for other people, their community, their nation, or the environment.

James helped to start the Eagle Rock Reservation Conservancy Inc. two years ago to save the reservation from 30 years of neglect by the county. He has committed monthly to open drains, tree cutting and picking up garbage. James has obtained the help of the Boy Scouts, local citizens and the county's Second Chance Program to help with the restoration to ensure that everyone gives back to the community. James' work has allowed for clean picnic areas, bridal trails to be used again and hiking trails to be freshly marked. Stagnant water now flows freely because of his work. James' efforts allowed for Green Acres Funding, which when received will boost the groups' accomplishments. James has also received a Volunteerism Award from PSE&G for his efforts in helping to restore this precious open space.. People visiting the reservation can already see the difference. James' impact will save the reservation from being lost as a county treasure.