

2008 New Jersey State Jefferson Awards



PATRICIA BRILL YOUR 2008 AWARDS MEDALIST

NOMINATED BY LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OF UNION COUNTY



From left: Sam Beard, co-founder of the Jefferson Awards, medalist Patricia Brill, and George Arwady, Publisher of The Star-Ledger



From left: Dawn Harrison, Patricia Brill, and Elizabeth Gloggler. Dawn and Elizabeth, of the Literacy Volunteers of Union County, nominated Patricia

As a volunteer for the Literacy Volunteers of Union County, Inc., Patricia has given over 150 hours to help adults who are learning to read. Since 2005 she has been a passionate champion of literacy, working with individuals and groups at the Elizabeth Public Library. Patricia not only teaches them to read but also teaches the skills that are important for communication and social interactions. She strives to

instill confidence in each student, letting them know that they can progress and achieve their goals. These goals might be to read to their children, fill out a job application or read a prescription. The fact that they seek this help on their own is a testament to their desire to make their lives richer and more fulfilling. Never underestimate the power of one individual who cares.

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

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