

2008 New Jersey State Jefferson Awards



MARGARET DEOLIVEIRA YOUR 2008 AWARDS MEDALIST

NOMINATED BY FRANCISCO H. DEOLIVEIRA



The DeOliveira Family
From left:

Manuela, Francisco, Margaret, Lidia, and Maria DeOliveira.



From left: Sam Beard, co-founder of the Jefferson Awards, medalist Margaret DeOliveira, and Hans Dekker, from the Community Foundation of New Jersey.

A girl scout since the age of seven, for her Gold Award Project, Margaret and her sisters, Maria and Manuela, collected used sports equipment to benefit a local orphanage and made blankets for kids with cancer. Margaret also volunteered at the Arc of Union County where she did administrative tasks. At the Senior Citizen Center in Long Hill Township, Margaret assisted in setting tables, helping run the bingo games and serving the meals. She helped bake desserts to bring to the center. Margaret

participated in Justiceworks, a camp where she helped children in Camden. She also served as a sailing assistant at Mystic Seaport to provide support to the campers. For her efforts, she received awards: Kids Who Rock Class 2007, Girl Scout Gold/Silver Medals, President's Volunteer Service Award Gold 2007. She has been awarded the Bronze, Silver and Gold Congressional Awards, which is Congress's highest award for youth service 2008. Margaret she is currently a senior at Blair Academy.

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