



# 2009 New Jersey State Jefferson Awards



Sam Beard, co-founder of the Jefferson Awards, honoree Barbara Barth, and Daria Placitella, Executive Vice President, Eastern Region, PNC Wealth Management

Nominator Max Barth with Honoree Barbara Barth

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**Linda Bowden, President**  
PNC Northern New Jersey

## Honoree Barbara Barth

Barbara Barth of Union was nominated for her devotion to the local seniors. As a volunteer at the YM/YWHA of Union County, Barbara works five days a week to prepare and serve meals, but it's the special attention she provides that makes her extraordinary. Each senior's individual needs, such as special diets or help with utensils, receive her loving attention. There is always time for a hug and kiss for her "pals," and she regularly keeps in touch with those who leave the Y for nursing or assisted living homes. Now Barbara has undertaken the Y's "Meals on Wheels" efforts as well. She is a member of Jewish Women International and sells thousands of dollars' worth of ShopRite Vouchers to support hospitals in Israel. Barbara is also the top Poppy Sales person for Max's Veteran's organization, earning her honorary member status. When someone has a problem, Barbara is always there.

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