



Pictured (left to right) Ms. Muriel Van Den Berg, nominator, Ms. Maryann O'Donnell, nominator, Ms. Evelyn Rosario, nominator, Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr, and Sister Mary Neil Corcoran, recipient of the Outstanding Contributor Award

## **Outstanding Contributor Award Sister Mary Neil Corcoran**

The nomination was submitted by The Hispanic Apostolate / Immigration Legal Services.

The Hispanic Apostolate / Immigration Legal Services wrote:

**Sister Mary Neil Corcoran began her 41-year affiliation with the Hispanic Apostolate and the Hispanic immigrant community in September 1963. Over the years she has devoted her life to the community as a Board Member, Coordinator of Hispanic pastoral Ministries and Director and always and foremost a teacher. Sister stepped down as Director at the end of 2001 but continued to teach English at the Apostolate on a part-time basis. In 2004 she turned over the teaching reigns of the ESL program and became Number One volunteer. She continues to volunteer and teach English as well as staying active to raise funds for the program. She chaired the auction committee for the most recent fundraiser, Kaleidoscope, this past June. She has ministered and taught Hispanics from virtually every Spanish speaking country in the world as well as others from Central Europe, Asia etc. To quote a long time friend of Sisters' "She opens her had to the poor and reaches out her hand to the needy. She offers strength and dignity to those who come from foreign lands."**

**The Hispanic Apostolate/Immigration Legal Services is truly fortunate to have the continued friendship and support of Sister Mary Neil Corcoran.**