

## NATIONAL SHRINE OF ST. THERESE

### **Thank you for being a Friend of the Shrine!**

We extend our appreciation to everyone who made the Friends of the Shrine annual fundraiser a success! We thank all those who donated items or bid during the auction, contributed to the matching gifts or attended the dinner/dessert auction. Your generosity is amazing.

Special thanks to all who volunteered in any way to the fundraiser effort. The event would not be possible without you.



### **Janis Burns Buyarski receives St. Therese Award**

Janis Burns Buyarski was presented the first St. Therese Award at The Annual Friends of the Shrine Dinner. The inaugural accolade was given to Janis because she exemplifies the spirit of St. Therese in giving time, talent and treasure to the Shrine's mission of welcome and mercy.

Janis has been a Shrine volunteer for over 25 years. Her contributions range from designing the 10 major garden areas (14,000+ sq ft), to planting, weeding, deadheading, and watering them throughout the growing season. In the winter she organizes everything so work in the gardens can begin in the earliest days of spring.

Janis also served on the Shrine Board for many years and played an integral part in the development and implementation of the masterplan. The plan included roads, new cabins, renovation of Shrine Chapel and most recently the construction of the support facility.

When asked why do you do it Janis? She replied "it is a calling - a joy! It's a form of meditation and prayer. It may be hard work but it's also heart work... and it touches people's lives"

Janis invites you to support the Shrine too by adopting a garden, joining the Thursdays with Therese volunteer gardening group, donating \$ for plants, mulch and tools and most importantly to pray for us!

