



## **NJSTA Honors Adela Dziekanowski Special Award Recipient**

Adela Dziekanowski, former President of NJSTA, Citation Scroll Winner, and Fellows Awardee, and our current Webmaster, graciously agreed to head the Maitland P. Simmons Committee when it was learned NJSTA had been gifted a half a million dollars upon Maitland Simmons' death. Through her guidance and outstanding skills, ten successful summer workshops have been planned and carried out.

With Adela's guidance a mission was created and a plan for the investment of the monies was set in place. Board members were recruited and committees were selected to plan workshops for middle school teachers of sciences.

Each year for the past ten years, twenty-four teachers have been selected to attend week long workshops in Life, Earth, Space or Physical Science. Locations rotated from North to Central to Southern New Jersey.

This year, Adela and her husband, Teddy retired from New Jersey and relocated to South Carolina. Adela's physical presence will be missed, however, her spirit and outstanding skills will guide us for years to come.

In honor of her dedication and service to science teachers throughout the state, NJSTA presented Adela a "Special Award" to thank her for the thousands of hours she has dedicated to our organization throughout the years. Adela may not be with us at our monthly meetings any more, but her legacy of commitment to science education has inspired all of us. The programs that she made possible and the hours of work she has put into our website, and the fact that she is still helping us manage our website from South Carolina are just a few reasons NJSTA felt it necessary to say more than thank you to Adela.

Have a great time in South Carolina, Adela!  
You will always have a place in our hearts as one of our very, very special members.

