



STATEN ISLAND DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER honors the Bayonne Detachment Marine Corps League. Left to right: Bart Long, Jr., adjutant; Philip J. Baccarella, commandant; Joan M. Hartman, coordinator of volunteer services and Ms. Elin M. Howe, director of Staten Island Developmental Center.

## Bayonne Marine Corps League volunteers honored

The Staten Island Developmental Center recently held its 3rd Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner. The Crystal Room, Olympia Boulevard, South Beach was the scene of all the festivity. When asked what type of recognition they wanted, the volunteers said, "no speeches, just fun." And fun it was!

One hundred and thirty four volunteers and their guests enjoyed a roast beef dinner, then danced to the music of "Dorian Blue." Ms. Elin M. Howe, director of Staten Island Developmental Center thanked the volunteers for their thousands of hours of service, service the center could not afford to purchase. Ms. Joan M. Hartman, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, presented each volunteer with a certificate of appreciation. Each person attending the dinner received a pen with "S.I.D.C. Volunteers, Priceless Memories" inscribed on the side.

raffle conducted by Mrs. Bridget Menuey, a teacher at Staten Island Developmental Center.

The priceless memories include the SERVE volunteers who come each Monday and Thursday morning to give service and the Wednesday afternoon SERVE dance group. A thank you was given to the many staff who stay after working hours to be of help to the clients. The Bayonne Detachment of the Marine Corp League sent two representatives. Each Christmas they conduct a toy drive for the clients. The league has also purchased phonographs for use in the many therapy classes.

All present got their exercise when they were told to look for a star one of the chairs at each table. The person with the star received the table prize, a geranium from the greenhouse at Staten Island Developmental Center. These plants were grown by clients in the horticultural program.

The room was decorated with pictures of past volunteer activities and items which were priceless. The head table was made more attractive with a centerpiece donated by the Moravian Florist.

The volunteers had an opportunity to donate money to the Education Department. Items made by the clients were prizes in a