

## 2015 Christian Life Award: Charlie Bullington



Charlie Bullington '67 was honored with the Christian Life Award during the Franciscan Alumni Association Chapter. This award is presented to individuals in recognition of the witness of Christian values in their life.

Charlie has had a long time heart for living the life of Christ and following St. Francis. After graduating from SFS he went on and became, for a few years, a Franciscan brother living and working at St. Anthony Friary. He later went into the construction business.

In addition to the fulltime challenges of running a business, building and remodeling, Charlie has dedicated himself to a life of volunteerism. He is very active at his parish, St. John the Evangelist in West Chester, Ohio, co-chairing festival booths and helping in

many other ways as needed.

For four years Charlie volunteered for People Working Co-operatively on Repair Affair Day.

He has worked on the board for the New Housing Ohio organization, a provider of housing for those with very low income, homeless, mentally ill, and people who are recovering from substance abuse.

He assists the Transitional Living Corporation, an Ohio non-profit agency that is a provider of behavioral health services, serving as a board member and secretary.

He also served with THR. Inc. An Ohio nonprofit corporation which provides a wide range of psychosocial rehabilitation services, such as housing and Social Security representative payee services, serving on their board and holding the offices of Secretary, Treasurer and President.

Charlie is also a frequent blood donor.

It is with great appreciation that we also recognize Charlie's significant work with the Franciscan Alumni Association going back to the early days of this organization. His service included, among other things:

Board member: 1988-2014  
Treasurer: 1994-96  
Secretary: 1992-93  
Newsletter Co-editor: 1998 – 2002  
Treasurer: 2007-2014  
Archivist: 2006-2014

Charlie served on the awards committee and worked on the Association's by laws. He's also the go-to guy for anything mechanical or electrical for the FAA. When we needed to cut a time capsule from the stone bridge several years ago, Charlie got it done by bringing in a stone cutter. When we needed electricity at the Peace Garden for Mass during our reunions, Charlie brought a 400' heavy duty extension cord.

Besides all this, Charlie also volunteered with many professional organizations related to the construction industry, helping ensure that people get quality workmanship and are treated fairly.

So we would like to recognize Charlie for this and other ways he witnesses to the Christian life. And of course we wish to recognize and thank Charlie's wife Tillie for her support.