

“Not Just Our Name, But Our Mission”

# Opportunities For All, Inc.

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## Employee Birthdays:

Vernon Long—1/01  
J. Patnode—1/15  
A.Hightower—1/17  
A.Liles—1/19  
R. Stewart—1/23  
Cleve Foat—1/25  
J.Livingston—1/30  
G. Ortiz—3/07  
B.Hayes—3/12  
Y.Medina—3/15  
J.Joyce—3/21

Winter is upon us in all of her glorious strength! We all may be experiencing ‘Cabin Fever’, due to the amount of snow & cold temperatures we have had. Take this time to reconnect with your family members & friends. Spring is right around the corner!!!

## Quote of the Quarter:

*“Genuine elation is when you feel you could touch a star without standing on tiptoe” As we begin a new year, set your professional and personal goals. Try to reach far beyond your limits & touch that star! You are special to someone! Help others in their times of need. Show compassion for humanity. We are in trying times as we begin 2010. Be thankful for the friends, associates, and family that you do have. Having the basic necessities may be something that we take for granted. Help the people of Haiti, who have lost so much! Contact your local Red Cross.*

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## Agency Projections for 2010:

As the year begins, OFA once again will advance technologically. Employment Specialists will have Gateway Notebooks, which will provide wi-fi internet access, & have the capability for video conferencing. The Notebooks will include Excel & Adobe, company database., & employer database. Information, reports, job applications can be done from any location. The Notebooks will also enable the employees to have instant access to pertinent information during scheduled consumer meetings.

OFA recently established a working relationship w/ Accu Staffing Services in Burlington. Many consumers have acquired jobs by combining our services. Other agencies are being investigated so that more employment opportunities will be accessible to them. We will also be providing Pre-Sentencing Services through referrals from N.J. Drug Courts. Consumers, while awaiting their court dates, will be drug screened daily, & offered a variety of classes & counseling. The goal of this program will be to reduce the incarceration time, & ease the financial burden of our State.

OFA will relocate our services in the Spring to the larger school building in the rear of our present site. This will enable us to offer various training programs, employment readiness skills, & a full equipped computer lab.



## OFA Holiday

Once again, OFA staff came together to share food and friendship at our annual Holiday Luncheon. Pollyanna's were exchanged, and games were played. A good time was had by all. We also said farewell to one of our staff, Gregory Hunt, who is retiring. We wish you the best. You will surely be missed. As we ended 2009, our CEO, Vernon Long, expounded on the dedicated staff, and his optimism for the new year ahead.

## Luncheon

