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COI Honors Home Care Employees at Luncheon

Dunkirk – Chautauqua Opportunities, Inc. (COI) held their annual employee recognition ceremony on December 14th, 2007 to honor the work that is done by the agency's home care field staff. The recognition ceremony, which included a luncheon buffet prepared by the office staff and distribution of 2008 calendars as tokens of appreciation, was held at Connections North in Dunkirk.

The event was attended by over fifty personal care aides on staff at the agency, as well as the home care office staff and Division Heads at COI. An awards ceremony was held following the luncheon honoring employees of the month for 2007, and those who have been with the agency for 5, 7, 10, and 15 years.

The award for Employee of the Year went to Betty Syper, of Cassadaga, for her never-ending dedication to providing professional and compassionate health services to her patients. Employee of the Month awards went to Wendy Garrett, Lucinda Laver, Karen Logan, Sharon Snyder, Linda Majkowski, Cathy Vega, Laura Privateer, Felicia Wiant, Marla Casey, Dawn Ransom and Lynda Deland.

COI Home Care Manager Anne Massar, RN states "Our annual employee recognition ceremony is our opportunity to recognize the hard work and dedication of Home Care field staff. Their commitment to our community---helping individuals to remain in their own homes and maintain their dignity, despite illness, aging or disabilities, has made a difference for many families throughout Chautauqua County".

The event concluded with a drawing for the Door Prize, donated by COI staff, and was won by Karen Logan.

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