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**ST. FRANCIS PRESIDENT AND CEO JERRY JABLONOWSKI AWARDED CIVIC LEADERSHIP AWARD BY ADVANCING OPPORTUNITIES**



Jerry Jablonowski receives the award from previous winners, Don Tretola, left, and Pat Colavita, right.

TRENTON, NJ – Advancing Opportunities, formerly known as Cerebral Palsy of New Jersey, presented Jerry Jablonowski, president & CEO of St. Francis Medical Center with the third annual Civic Leadership Award on Tuesday, March 16, 2010. Advancing Opportunities is a non-profit organization providing services and support to children and adults with all types of disabilities.

The Civic Leadership Award is given to an individual in Mercer County that provides support and advocates for people with disabilities. “We are pleased to have selected Jerry Jablonowski as our 2010 recipient of the Civic Leadership Award. We are grateful for the work that Mr. Jablonowski has done through his work at St. Francis Medical Center and in the Mercer County community”, said Jack Mudge, Executive Director. “It is because of people like Jerry that people with disabilities are able to fully participate in our community.”

Advancing Opportunities believes people with disabilities have the right to participate fully in society and for nearly 60 years, the agency has provided services, support, education and advocacy to individuals with disabilities and their families to help them lead fuller lives at home, at school, at work and at play.