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Pattern Fellows graduate from leadership program

Adam Bryant, best-selling author and New York Times editor, delivers keynote to Hudson Valley leaders



NEW WINDSOR— Two dozen Hudson Valley leaders graduated June 13 from the Pattern for Progress Fellows Program during a ceremony in New Windsor. The ceremony was punctuated by a keynote address from Adam Bryant, author of the “Corner Office” column in the Sunday New York Times.

The innovative regional leadership program was started by Pattern in 2007 to expand the horizons of those already acknowledged as leaders in their communities and disciplines by helping them explore regional approaches to their work. In addition to their regular discussions about leadership and regional issues, the 2012 fellows complete four projects with regional significance. They included projects to improve the recycling rates in the region; to find an adaptive reuse for an industrial building in Middletown; to create a balanced approach to development in a Catskills town; and a program to ignite entrepreneurship among local teenagers.

During his keynote, Bryant shared stories and advice that he had gathered from interviews with dozens of the nation’s top CEOs. The Pattern Fellows had used Bryant’s best-selling book, “The Corner Office,” as their textbook to ignite discussions about leadership, innovation and management.

The event drew an enthusiastic crowd, including many former graduates of the fellows program. **The Pattern Fellows Program is now recruiting fellows for our 2012 class. For more , please visit www.pattern-for-progress.org/fellows-program.**

Above: The Pattern Fellows graduating class. Below: Adam Bryant of The New York Times, left, with Pattern President Jonathan Drapkin.



Pattern hosted its Local Government Conference on June 19 to discuss the crisis in public finance. The conference included a keynote by former state Assemblyman Richard Brodsky (shown above), along with several breakout sessions and panel discussions about the current financial hardships facing local governments.

The conference was preceded by the release of a new Pattern report that looked at the changes, challenges and lessons learned during the first year of New York’s 2-percent tax cap.

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Research by Pattern for Progress played a key role in an innovative project conceived by Ulster County Executive Mike Hein. The S.T.R.I.V.E. Project was unveiled this month. The project plans to adaptively reuse an elementary school in the City of Kingston, turning it into a satellite campus of SUNY Ulster. It would also centralize Ulster County’s health and human services, thereby saving taxpayers more than \$20 million over the next decade.

[Click here](#) to read more about S.T.R.I.V.E. And to read more about Pattern’s research on closed schools and adaptive reuse, [click here](#).

Notes on Progress

- More than 900 people participated June 16 in the 20th Annual Rhulen Rock Hill Run & Ramble 5K, a race that is organized by **Pattern Board Secretary Suzanne Rhulen Loughlin**. The event honors Walter Rhulen, a Sullivan County businessman and humanitarian who died of leukemia. The charity race raised about \$50,000 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.
- **Father Kevin Mackin**, Pattern board member and president of Mount Saint Mary College, hosted a visit by Cardinal Timothy Dolan June 21. His visit marked the opening of the college’s second annual philosophy workshop.
- **SAVE THE DATE!!! Pattern for Progress will host its Regional Housing Luncheon on Sept. 27 at Anthony’s Pier 9. For information about registration or sponsorship, please call us at (845) 565-4900.**



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