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PATTERN'S PROGRESS

A Monthly E-Update for Members of Pattern for Progress

ANNUAL AWARDS RECEPTION DRAWS 450 TO REGIONAL NETWORKING EVENT; POLLSTER LEE MIRINGOFF & COLUMNIST LIZ BENJAMIN FIELD ELECTION QUESTIONS

All goals were achieved in making Pattern's annual fundraising event a success this year. Pattern thanks the event committee headed by Donna Johnson and Donna Cornell, Board members, Pattern members, sponsors and other supporters for their amazing response in this challenging economic climate. Visit [Pattern's website](#) for a look at some of the regional media coverage.

REGIONAL FELLOWS INVITE ALUMNI FOR GOVERNMENT SESSION NOVEMBER 25

Last year's Fellows have been invited to join the next Fellows class meeting, which will feature discussion with government officials such as State Senator Bill Larkin, Assembly members Kevin Cahill and Aileen Gunther, the Governor's Mid-Hudson regional director JJ Hansen and (invited) Dan Ahouse, district director for Congressman Hinchey. It is one of the program's goals to seek networking opportunities between the current Fellows and alumni. All Fellows are listed [here](#).

PATTERN SPONSORS ROUNDTABLE ON FOUR-DAY WORK WEEK FOR MUNICIPALITIES

One outcome of Pattern's fall conference, "Government on the Energy Gridiron", was that local officials requested the opportunity to delve deeper into the subject of the four-day work week, which was one of the energy conservation experiences shared by conference speaker Joan Pagones, supervisor of the Town of Fishkill. Pattern has scheduled a roundtable discussion with Supervisor Pagones on December 8, free of charge. See more information [here](#).

NOVEMBER ISSUE OF "HOUSING THE HUDSON VALLEY" E-BULLETIN RELEASED

Watch for the newest issue of Pattern's Housing E-Bulletin, which will email this week to a growing list of Pattern's members, housing officials, electeds and others with business interest in the housing industry. See Pattern's Regional Housing Committee, and back issues of the E-Bulletin, [here](#).

2009 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY PACKAGE TO BE DISTRIBUTED SHORTLY

Response to sponsorship opportunities in 2008 exceeded all expectations. We know that you would like to plan ahead for 2009 opportunities, so a special mailing is going out to members and past sponsors, providing information to help you fit Pattern's events and newsletter ads into your 2009 budgets. Watch for the package by mail and email ...

PATTERN ON THE ROAD ...

... At the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce annual board meeting November 20, Pattern President Jonathan Drapkin was guest speaker on Sullivan's place in the regional economy. [More](#)

... At the Hudson Valley session of New York State Council on the Arts' Cultural Blueprints workshop series, Jonathan Drapkin facilitated the breakout session on Intellectual Capital and Workforce Development. The meeting was held November 13 at IBM Palisades Center. [More](#)

PATTERN'S BOARD MEMBERS IN THE NEWS:

Represented on Pattern's Board by Larry Wolinsky, Jacobowitz & Gubits has received the Premier Business Award from the Orange County Chamber of Commerce for the firm's "ongoing commitment to supporting the local community" ... Also honored by the OC Chamber was Richard O'Beirne, a past Pattern Board member, who received the Chamber's Legacy Award for his "many years of service to the Hudson Valley business community". *Congratulations!*