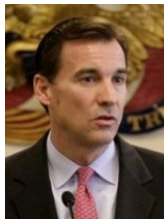


PATTERN'S PROGRESS

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SUOZZI TO SPEAK AT OCTOBER 3 CONFERENCE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

"The Tax Cap Challenge", the 2011 Fall Conference on Local Government Efficiency, hosted with CRREO at SUNY New Paltz on October 3, will feature Tom Suozzi, former Nassau County Executive and chairman of the NYS Commission on Property Tax Relief. Discounted reservations are offered to local government officials and employees. Click [here](#) for more on sponsorship and registration.

REGIONAL WINNERS ANNOUNCED FOR ANNUAL AWARDS RECEPTION NOVEMBER 3

Nine winners of Pattern's annual awards for regional achievement will be honored at Pattern's annual fundraiser event at Anthony's Pier Nine on November 3. They include Rob Dyson, Kirchhoff-Consigli Construction, Todd Diorio of Hudson Valley Construction & Building Trades Council, Mohonk Mountain House, Crystal Run Healthcare, Hudson Baylor, the Kaplan Center (honoring the Kaplan Family Foundation, SUNY Orange, Orange County Government and Senator William Larkin), Richard Struck of Orange & Rockland Utilities, and Andrea Reynolds of the Community Foundations of Dutchess, Ulster & Putnam. Click [here](#) for more on the award winners and for event information.

PATTERN'S LAND USE TEAM MEETS WITH NYS DEC ON SEQRA INITIATIVE

DEC Chief Counsel Steven Russo conducted a regional meeting on regulatory reform on August 11 at Pace University with a small group including Pattern for Progress' Jonathan Drapkin, Larry Wolinsky and Charlie Murphy. Russo said the session was part of the initiative to make the state's environmental review process "more user friendly, more efficient, less costly", and he noted that Pattern for Progress was a "driving force that led us to this effort."

REGIONAL FELLOWS ALUMNI ORGANIZE THIRD ANNUAL HV FOOD FRENZY

Pattern's Fellows alumni will bring back the Hudson Valley Food Frenzy food drive September 19-23 in observance of National Hunger Awareness Week. The event encourages friendly competition between businesses and other organizations of similar size and/or mission in collecting donations of food and money for the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley ([more](#)).

[APPLY BY SEPT. 16 FOR THIS YEAR'S FELLOWS PROGRAM! CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO...](#)

NEW REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SETS CALENDAR

The Mid-Hudson Regional Council for Economic Development has met twice this month since Governor Cuomo formed the team that includes Pattern President Jonathan Drapkin. The group will hold five more public meetings over the next few weeks in coordinating a five-year strategic plan to compete for NYS economic stimulus funding. (See more [here](#) and [here](#))

PATTERN BOARD MEMBERS AND FELLOWS IN THE NEWS ...

Two Fellows Alumnae will be honored at the Ulster County YMCA "Tribute to Women" Dinner October 14, when **Sylvia Murphy** of HealthAlliance of the HV receives the Woman in Healthcare Award and **Jodi Longto** of the Ulster County Executive's office wins the Community Spirit Award ([more](#)) ... On August 5, Board Member and Orange Regional Medical Center CEO **Scott Batulis** opened the doors of the new ORMC in Middletown, the state's first new hospital in two decades ([more](#)) ... Pattern Board Member and Publisher **Barry Rothfeld** announced that the *Poughkeepsie Journal* received 27 awards in state competition, including 12 first place honors ([more](#)) ... Pattern Fellow **Jeff Rumpf**, executive director of Clearwater, will receive the first annual Our Hudson Tomorrow Award at the Hudson River Maritime Museum Pilot Club Gala September 17 (more [here](#) and [here](#)) ... *Congratulations!*