

PATTERN'S PROGRESS

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NINE COUNTIES RECOMMEND HOUSING CONFERENCE FOR TRAINING CREDIT

The agenda for Pattern's June 13 conference, "Housing the Hudson Valley: Forecasting the Future?", is packed with issues and ideas. Speakers are economist Joseph Tracy of Federal Reserve Bank of NY ("Is a Foundation being Laid for a Housing Market Recovery?") and new NYS Housing Commissioner Darryl Towns. Workshop topics include Shadow Inventory/ Impacts of Foreclosure, Housing Opportunities Downtown/Center City, a 3D Modeling Demo by Westchester Planning, and a tour of the 300 Block of Poughkeepsie's Main Street. The event is 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at the Poughkeepsie Grand. Click [here](#) for more information.

URBAN MAYORS TO DISCUSS "DWINDLING RESOURCES...COMMON NEEDS" JUNE 7

The annual luncheon for Pattern's graduating class of Regional Fellows will feature a panel of three mid-Hudson city mayors—Beacon Mayor Steve Gold, Newburgh Mayor Nick Valentine, and Poughkeepsie Mayor John Tkazyik—in a discussion of urban needs and strategies. The event takes place June 7, noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Powelton Club in Newburgh. *Fellows Alumni will gather before the event, at 11 a.m.* Click [here](#) for registration information.

PATTERN HELPS COORDINATE RECEPTION FOR FED CHIEF DURING VALLEY TOUR

Boards of directors of Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress and the Hudson Valley Economic Development Corporation enjoyed a small-group discussion with William Dudley, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of NY the evening of May 19, midway through his tour to gain regional insights that inform his input on the national level. ([More](#))

PATTERN ON THE ROAD...

- ... Joe Czajka participated in a forum with the Federal Reserve Bank's William Dudley (see above) when he met with Orange County's community-based organizations, and provided him with regional data on housing, poverty rates and employment issues.
- ... Jonathan Drapkin was a panel member for the Orange County Chamber's "How-To" seminar, "Business Development in Orange County" on May 17.
- ... Pattern again convened a meeting of the Mid-Hudson Waterfront City Mayors from Beacon, Newburgh, Poughkeepsie and Kingston on May 4; strategies to address abandoned buildings was the primary topic.

PATTERN BOARD MEMBERS AND FELLOWS IN THE NEWS ...

Past Pattern Board Chair **David MacFarland**, president of Riverside Bank, will be the guest of honor at a retirement party at Anthony's Pier Nine June 28 ([more](#)) ... Pattern Board Member **Donna Johnson**, president of DJ Consulting Services Inc., will receive her MBA from SUNY Empire State College in marketing and small business entrepreneurship on June 5 ... Board Member **Dr. William Richards**, president of SUNY Orange, will be honored by Safe Harbors of the Hudson at their June 11 annual gala ([more](#)) ... Board Member **Dr. Daniel Aronzon**, president of Vassar Brothers Medical Center, will be honored at the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's Annual Hope Gala June 24 ([more](#)) ... *Congratulations!*

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