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Business Hall of Fame Annual Dinner 2015

Hundreds of well wishers and elected officials gathered November 12th at Empire City at Yonkers Raceway to celebrate the 122nd Annual Business Hall of Fame Dinner. In 2001, the Yonkers Chamber of Commerce created a Business Hall of Fame, to recognize Yonkers businesses and to thank them for their years of service to our City and for being such an important presence in our community. This year, the Yonkers Chamber of Commerce chose to honor just one individual, our own Chairman of the Board, Angelo Martinelli, to thank him for his leadership and service for the



Celebrating with this years Honoree Angelo Martinelli (center) with his six sons (L-R) Paul, Michael, Richard, Ralph, Robert and Thomas.

past twenty years. The Chamber decided to dedicate its Board of Directors Room to Angelo and he was presented with the official plaque commemorating this very special event. The Chamber of Commerce, located at 55 Main Street, 2nd floor, invites you to come see our Business Hall of Fame, prominently displayed in the Angelo R. Martinelli Board of Directors Room. Rest assured, this was not a retirement dinner, because Angelo remains at our helm for many more years to come. Congratulations Angelo...and thank you!

WIB Committee Charitable Work Applauded.



WIB Committee members and friends help "Stuff the Bus" with pajamas & books.

The Women in Business Committee for the Yonkers Chamber of Commerce spearheaded two most worthy causes for our Chamber and our City. They conducted a Furniture Drive on Saturday, October 24 at Empire Casino to benefit the Furniture Sharehouse, Westchester's Furniture Bank. Caring citizens donated gently-used furniture and helped fill the new 18 foot Furniture Sharehouse truck. Special thanks to Empire City at

Yonkers Raceway for allowing us to use their parking lot to park the truck and collect donations, and the students from Lincoln High School Academy of Finance for volunteering at the drive. Donated furniture is stored at the Furniture Sharehouse's warehouse at the Westchester County Airport, and distributed directly to families and individuals in need, including those leaving homeless shelters, escaping domestic violence, struggling with pover-

ty, and recovering from fires, floods, or other disasters. Since 2007, Furniture Sharehouse has collected and distributed over 45,000 items of furniture to more than 8,500 people to help them turn their empty apartments into homes and rebuild their lives.

On November 10, 2015, the ladies of the committee "Stuffed a Bus" with hundreds of pajamas and books for children of need which were collected throughout the city. The Yonkers

Chamber of Commerce is grateful to the following organizations and businesses that joined forces for this worthy cause: the Yonkers Public Schools, the Yonkers City Court, St. John's Riverside Hospital, Yonkers Federation of Teachers, Empress Ambulance, Yonkers City Hall, Sterling National Bank and individual Chamber members, who contributed to the success of this event. Thousands of the children served
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WIB Committee members and Lincoln H.S. Volunteers in front of Furniture Sharehouse Van

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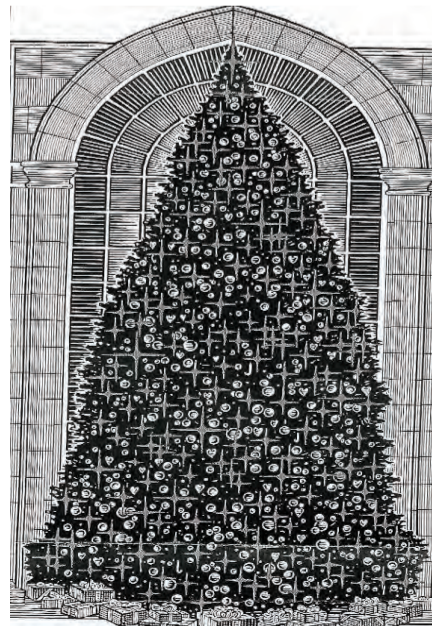
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The Yonkers Chamber of Commerce thanks the Women in Business Committee for taking the initiative to help our kids in need.

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From the Desk of Jeanne Martinelli

The holiday season always brings to mind the spirit of giving and I am proud to say that the Yonkers Chamber of Commerce not only gives during the holiday season, but gives generously throughout the year. The Yonkers Chamber of Commerce is grateful to the Women in Business Committee who sponsors many worthwhile causes throughout the year: the Pajama Program, Westchester Food Bank, and their newest project for the Furniture Sharehouse.

Other initiatives the Chamber supported throughout the year are JCY Reading Buddy's Program, a "Wish List" drive at Elizabeth Seton Pediatrics, Westchester Creative Arts Therapy, and helping our Yonkers Public High School students find jobs and internships. We are also happy to provide e-mail blasts and announcements on our website to our Chamber members who are hosting special events that benefit our community.

We hope you agree that our work on "The Progress" in 2015

was some of our best yet. We strive to produce a newspaper that is informative, fun and has a strong pulse on what is going on in our beautiful city and we were pleased to distribute it to your door in the Penny Saver. The Yonkers Chamber of Commerce is the voice of business in Yonkers, and the Progress is our voice. Each year, the Chamber produces three editions of the Progress: Women in Business in March, Best of Yonkers/Back to School in September, and our Business Hall of Fame/Holiday issue in December. Please contact the Chamber office if you would like to advertise. Remember, the Penny Saver reaches 45,000 Yonkers homes and the newspaper remains in our website archives.

The end of the year is a time to look back on the previous year and look forward to the next. With that in mind, I want to share some of last year's highlights, as well as a sneak preview for the coming year. Four outstanding individuals were recog-

nized this year for their professional accomplishments and service to our community at our 23rd Annual "Women of Excellence" Luncheon, hosted by our dynamic Women in Business

Committee and we thank our Corporate Sponsor, Cross County Shopping Center, for their generosity and support. Special thanks go to Chairwoman, Moira Kiernan of Sterling National Bank, and Luncheon Co-Chairs Anita Morck (Yonkers Parking Violations Bureau) and Connie Liardi (Sterling National Bank) and the entire WIB Committee for the successful event. In addition, \$1000 scholarships were awarded to 3 outstanding High School Seniors from the Yonkers Public Schools. Next year's luncheon is set for Wednesday, March 30th at the Fairways at Dunwoodie. Nomination forms for next year's honorees have been distributed, and we ask you to complete the form, and nominate a woman you think deserves recognition.

Our 29th Annual Chamber Golf Classic was held this year at the beautiful Pelham Country Club. The weather was perfect and a great day of golf and delicious buffet supper were enjoyed

by all. A special thank you goes to our Board of Directors member John Acciaveti of Yonkers Contracting Corp, for chairing this event.

Our beautiful new website is up and running (www.yonkerschamber.com) and we invite you to send us your news so we can post your story. Just email to me at: jmartinelli@yonkerschamber.com. Accompanying photos always welcomed.

I am happy to report that the Chamber Membership is growing and that we welcomed many new members this year. Please contact me at the Chamber Offices if you would like to become a member and join the hundreds of businesses that are making a difference here in our City.

From all your friends at the Yonkers Chamber of Commerce, we wish you all a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

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It's All Happening in the Hippest Town

With activities in every corner of the City, the Holiday Season is a great time of year to explore all that Yonkers, voted the Lower Hudson Valley's Hippest Town, has to offer. On November 20, Cross County Shopping Center kicked off the season with Westchester's only winter fireworks display. Just up I-87, Ridge Hill's Adventure to Santa by DREAMWORKS provides visitors with a fun-filled, Shrek-and-friends flight to the North Pole. Let's not forget about our very own ice rink, Murray's on Tucakahoe Road, where you can play hockey, take lessons or just skate.

Speaking of Cross County and Ridge Hill, both shopping destinations have played a big part in the \$1 billion building boom

that's currently underway in Yonkers. At Ridge Hill, construction of i.FLY, soon to be the region's only indoor skydiving facility, is moving at a dizzying pace. Ridge Hill also welcomed The Container Store, Starbucks, Angelo's and several other new stores and restaurants this year. Cross County Shopping Center, the first mall in Westchester, is buzzing with new excitement after multi-million dollar upgrades saw the addition of the Hyatt Place Hotel, Olive Garden, LongHorn Steakhouse and more.

Across town on the waterfront, more than 1,700 residential units are coming online, helping to transform the river's edge and the communities surrounding the Yonkers and Greystone Metro North stations. Construction of the UNO Micro Units development is underway in the former Otis Elevator Complex – 100

loft-style apartments perfect for Millennials. Up the river in a development aptly called River Tides, Ginsburg Development Corp. is currently building 330 luxury rentals, one of the largest residential developments in Yonkers in recent history.

Earlier this fall we launched Round 2 of the City's successful *Generation Yonkers* marketing campaign which is positioning Yonkers as the next urban frontier and a happening place to live, work and play. With TV and radio ads across the region, *Generation Yonkers* tells the stories of the business owners and entrepreneurs who are making it in Yonkers. Check out the ads at www.generationyonkers.com.

With \$1 billion of private investment in Yonkers, there's a lot happening in our City and we owe a great deal of credit to the Chamber of Commerce and all

the businesses – big and small – that make up our thriving business community. This Holiday Season, I want to say *thank you*.

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Mayor Spano (l) with Martin Ginsburg

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Meet Our Honoree: Angelo Martinelli, Chairman of the Board

This year the Yonkers Chamber of Commerce chose to honor Angelo Martinelli, and to thank him for his 20 years of service as our "Chairman of the Board."

Angelo R. Martinelli was born in the Bronx, grew up in Mt. Vernon and is a graduate from A.B. Davis HS. Angelo served in the US Army and was Honorably Discharged in 1946 with the rank of Sergeant. Upon returning home he worked in the family business, The Yonkers Daily Times and in 1948 he bought Gazette Press. Angelo married the love of his life, Carol Madatto, on June 26, 1949. They resided in Mt. Vernon until 1960 when they bought their first home in Yonkers, a house he still lives in.

In 1974, Angelo was elected Mayor of the City of Yonkers. He served six terms from 1974-1979 and from 1982-1987 earning him a reputation as an effective and forceful advocate of municipal government interests. Early in his first term, Angelo helped to reactivate the Yonkers Police Athletic League. He and Sen. John Flynn formed a new Board of Directors to raise the needed funds. Today the PAL is a vibrant organization with Angelo as Chairman since 1991.

For his community involvement, Angelo has received recognition from numerous organizations including: Friends of Education award from the Yonkers Federation of Teachers; Man of the Year JCC of Yonkers; Public Service Award,

Municipal Housing Tenants Council; Man of the Year B'nai B'rith Humanitarian, Paul Harris Fellow, Yonkers YMCA's Man of the Year, and the American Diabetes Association Father of the Year to name a few. Angelo served for many years on the Board of St. Joseph's Medical Center and was Chairman of the Advisory Board of St. Patrick's Home for the Aged and Infirm. Mr. Martinelli is also the Board Chairman of the

Queen's Daughters Day Care Center and a member of the Untermyer Gardens Conservancy. His generous contribution is responsible for the restoration of the Temple of Love in the Gardens, in memory of his beloved Carol.

Angelo Martinelli was the owner and Chairman of Gazette Press, Inc., the oldest printing firm in Westchester County. He is currently Chairman of the Board for Today

Media, Inc., that publishes four magazines: Delaware Today, Mainline Today, Hudson Valley and Westchester Magazine. From 1990 until May, 2012 he served as a director of Hudson Valley Bank. In January 1984, Mercy College conferred upon him an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters. He is a Third Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus – Cardinal Hayes Council and a member of the Association of Master Knights of The Sovereign Military Order of Malta.

In August, 2015, HBO aired the miniseries, Show Me a Hero, produced by David Simon, about the City of Yonkers desegregation battle in the 1980's Angelo was delighted that he was portrayed by actor Jim Belushi. They now share a close relationship!

Angelo and his wife Carol were married for 65 years when Carol passed away on November 19, 2014. They have six sons, Michael, Paul, Robert, Richard, Thomas and Ralph, five daughters-in-law Jeanne, Lori, Alice, Beth Ann and Kathy and 12 grandchildren - Jeanette, Lyda Jo (married to Andreas), Michael, Jr. (married to Jeanna), Chris (married to Tami), Nick (married to Bari), Richard, Jr., Rose, Christen, Jack, Sean, Mackenzie and David and five great grandchildren Stefano, Nicholas, Jr., Maci Lin, Lucas and Ryan Paul, Max Michael with 1 more on the way! Angelo is an active parishioner of St. Eugene's Church, Yonkers.



Angelo Martinelli is presented with plaque renaming the Yonkers Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Room in his honor. (L to R) Executive Committee Members Howard Berman, Eben Walker and Chamber President Kevin Cacace.



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Hitting the links are (l-r) Richard Martinelli, Ralph Martinelli, Michael Martinelli, Jr., and Walter Rechter



Team Yonkers Contracting at the Annual Golf Outing



Enjoying early morning coffee at the September breakfast are (l-r) Kevin Cacace, Paul Ryan and Councilman Mike Breen



Peter Smith (center) with Moira Kiernan (l) and Alberta D'Aloia-Wort at September Networking Breakfast.



Juan Gonzalez President of "Train with Juan" with Chamber Marketing Director Jeanne Martinelli, a devoted client of Juan's.



Chamber president Kevin Cacace thanks staff of Regency Extended Care, sponsors of the September breakfast with Yonkers Police Commissioner Charles Gardener, keynote speaker



St. John's Riverside Hospital sponsored our October Breakfast which featured the mayoral debate. Pictured are (l-r) Kevin Cacace, Republican candidate Bill Nuckel, Mayor Mike Spano and Angelo Martinelli

Chamber Network Events



Enjoying early-bird coffee at the October Breakfast are (l-r) Kevin Cacace, Assemblywoman Shelley Mayer, Judith Schwartzstein (Sarah Lawrence College) and Moira Kiernan (Sterling National Bank)



John Rubbo, President of Yonkers Brewery and Louis Navarro, Commissioner of Veteran's Affairs at October Networking Breakfast



John Tolomer, President of Westchester Bank, is surrounded by staff members as they celebrate being named "Best Bank", 2015.



Celebrating being voted "Best Beauty Salon" is owner Franco Osso of Hair Dimensions with some staff members



Chamber president Kevin Cacace(c) congratulates Ron and Joe Masciandro for "Best Live Music" at the Pizza Palace.



Enjoying each other's company at November breakfast (l-r) Holly Malekian (Groundwork Hudson), Susan Thaler (Yonkers Public Library) and Sandy Albanese (Aflac)



County Executive Rob Astorino (l), keynote speaker at the November networking breakfast with Joel Brandstrom, Costco Store Manager, Chamber Chairman of the Board Angelo Martinelli and Chamber President Kevin Cacace.



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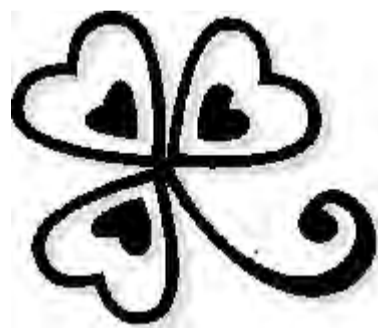
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Although the firm maintains an Albany office just steps from the State Capitol, its roots are firmly in Yonkers. Nick Spano is a lifelong Yonkers resident as is his brother John Spano, a former Deputy Commissioner of the Office of General Services who is part of the ESP team. They are joined by Jim Cavanaugh, a former president of the

Battery Park City Authority and former Supervisor of Eastchester, who also now lives in Yonkers. Maureen Kronau, the fourth member of the team with long staff experience in the State Legislature, is based in Albany.

ESP represents a range of clients, large and small. They include the Montefiore Health System, the Greater New York Hospital Association, Empire Casino, the National Wine Retailers Association, and the New York State Messenger and Courier Association.

The firm also represents a number of

public safety unions, including both County and Yonkers police. Other ESP clients include small and mid-sized health care providers, developers, and trade associations.

“Our job is to be the eyes and ears of our clients, alerting them to legislation that could affect their interests,” explained Senator Spano, adding, “The other part of our mission is to be effective advocates for our clients at both the state and municipal level. If they have an issue with lawmakers or the bureaucracy we are there to guide them to the



Nick Spano - President

New Member Profile: Noodles and Company

Noodles & Company, serving classic noodle and pasta dishes from around the world, has opened its first location in Yonkers, at the Cross County Shopping Center. Noodles & Company has more than 470 restaurant locations across the United States and delivers its globally inspired, cooked-to-order menu in a real bowl, delivered to the table with a smile. Its menu consists of more than 25 fresh, customizable dishes that are prepared quickly with quality ingredients including cage free eggs, naturally raised antibiotic free pork and organic tofu.

The company recently announced the complete removal of all artificial colors, flavors, preservatives and sweeteners from its core menu, including noodles, sauces, soups, condiments, bread and dressings, but excluding beverages, cookies and rice crispies. Favorites include the sweet and spicy Japanese Pan Noodles, zesty Pesto Cavatappi and the popular Wisconsin Mac & Cheese.

The company will also be opening with their newest items for future foodies: Kids Meals. The new, customizable Kids Meal gives

children under the age of 10 the option to choose their entrée, two sides and a drink, all for the price of \$5.00.

Noodles & Company also recently introduced a new catering program that will be available at this new location. Noodles Catering includes the company's NoodlesBar offering, serving buffet style meals for 20 or more people comprised of main entrées, sides and desserts, as well as A La Carte individual pans that serve up to 10 people each and are great for adding variety to larger spreads or feeding a small get

together.

Regular restaurant hours will be Sunday through Thursday, 11:00am to 10:00pm, Friday through Saturday, 11:00am to 11:00pm. To place a take out order, please call the restaurant directly, download the Noodles & Company App or order online at noodles.com/orderonline.



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Bruce K. Lord - Real Estate Broker

New Member Profile: Link NY Realty

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Holiday Wish List 2015:

***All toys, clothes and donations must be new due to heightened infection control precautions.

Additionally, we cannot accept any plush toys***

For Babies and Infants:

Mobiles - Clothes
Lamaze company infant toys
Mozart Music Cube
Boppy Pillows - Boppy Pillow covers
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Backpacks - Baby dolls (realistic)
Children's Books and CD's
Gift Cards (All Variety)
Scrapbooking Supplies
Clothes - All Sizes
(comfortable, loose fitting - no Turtlenecks)
Winter Coats - All Sizes

** Additionally we always need new clothes, winter coats of all sizes, socks of all sizes.

All donations can be dropped at the Chamber office, 55 Main Street.

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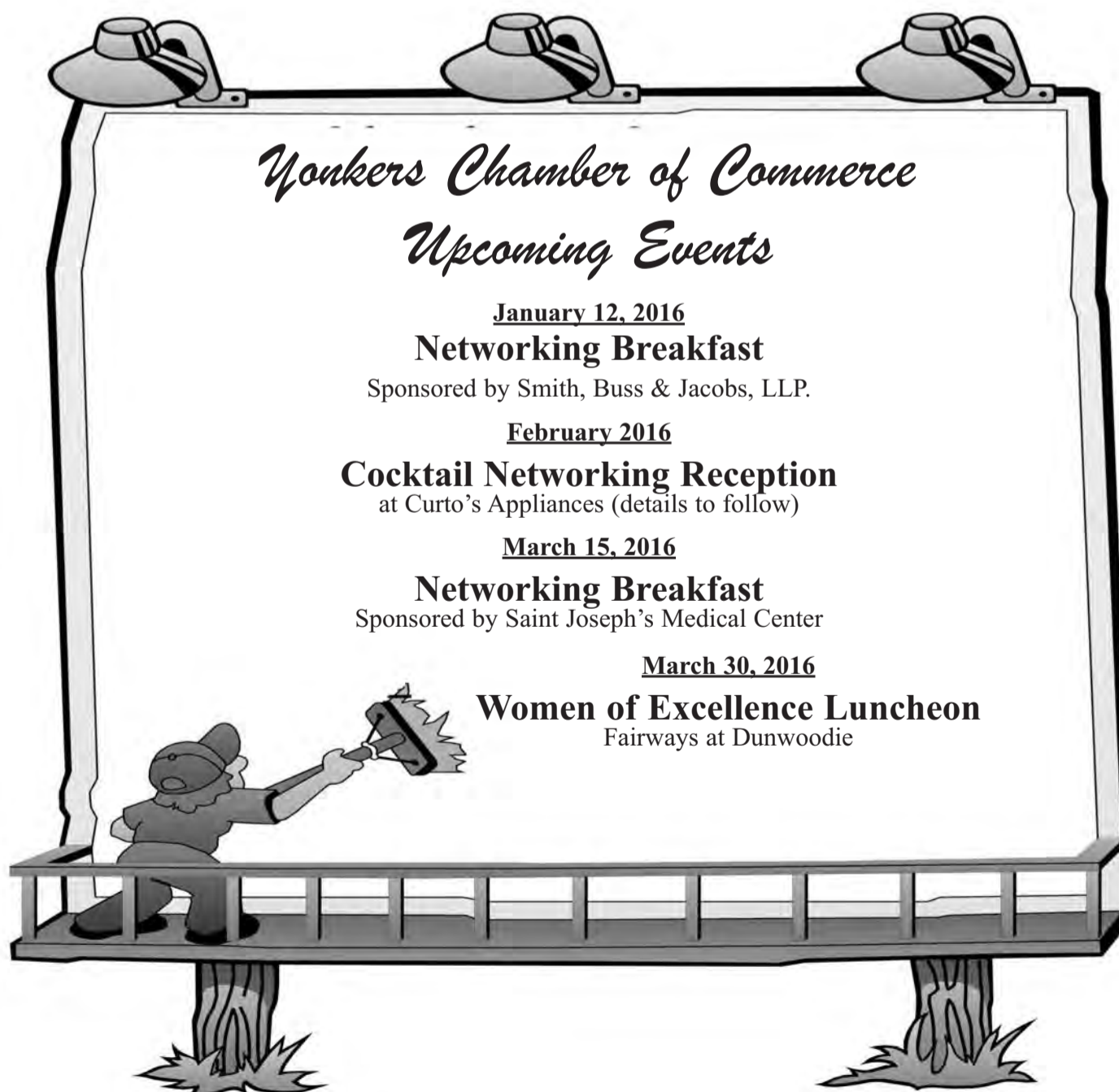
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The Yonkers Chamber of Commerce is happy to announce that we have launched our new website (www.yonkerschamber.com) and we invite you all to send us any news, specials, promotions, milestones, etc. from your business that you would like for us to post.

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Just email the information to Jeanne Martinelli at jmartinelli@yonkerschamber.com.

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Chamber of Commerce Dinner



Yonkers Chamber of Commerce staff members are well represented at the 2015 Annual Dinner.



Councilman Michael Sabatino (l) and City Council President Liam McLaughlin (r) congratulate Angelo Martinelli and present him with Proclamations



Angelo Martinelli is surrounded by his friends and well wishers from Empress Ambulance.



Many family members gathered to celebrate with our honoree (l-r) son Paul, niece Barbara with boyfriend Tasos, sons Robert and Michael.



Michael Carbillano with son Dillon, Eben Walker and Steve Szulhan enjoy cocktail hour at the Annual Dinner held at Empire City



Macerich/Cross County Shopping Center staff enjoy the evening festivities at the Annual Dinner.



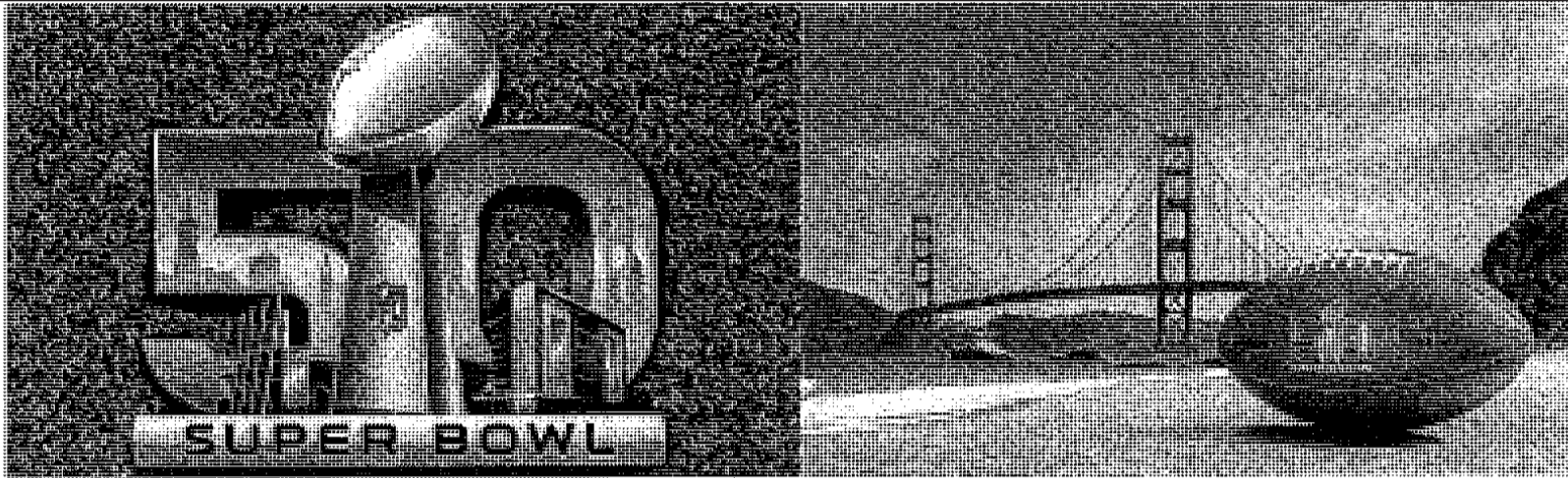
Yonkers contracting President Carl Petrillo with Beth Ann and Rose Martinelli



Enjoying the festivities at the Annual dinner are (l-r) James Veneruso, Angelo Martinelli, Chris Palandra and Vic Federico

Kids and Cops

The Yonkers Police Athletic League (PAL) is based on the belief that interaction with the youth of today develops stronger relationships and fosters positive attitudes towards good citizenship. The PAL serves as an important link between youngsters, police and community volunteers, which offers opportunities to create positive relationships through athletic and cultural activities. These activities help to build individual self-esteem through team play and hard work. This is why the PAL goes much deeper than sports, but more importantly, helps to build the youth of our community into well adjusted, responsible young adults. Programs include Boxing, Baseball, Softball, Basketball, Karate and flag Football. In addition, trips are taken to Playland, NY Mets and Yankees games and to St. John's University Basketball Games. Each year the PAL hosts annual events including a Special Needs Holiday Party, Easter Egg Hunt, Golden Gloves Boxing, Suburbia Roller Derby, Poster Contest and Annual Luncheon to name a few. Their message is based on the following principles: to guide youngsters toward responsible and mature citizenship, to promote a drug-free alternative for the youth in our City, to provide a common platform of growth for our police officers and youngsters with citizens and to foster the American principle of good will, friendship and sportsmanship. Contributions to this worthwhile cause are greatly appreciated. The Police Athletic League of Yonkers is located at 127 North Broadway, Yonkers, NY 10701.



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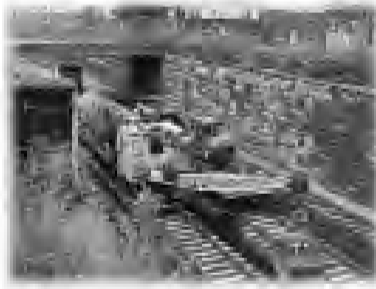
This award is presented to the woman whose community involvement has enriched the lives of many and has contributed to the betterment of the city.

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This award is presented to an individual who has spearheaded an initiative, project or program that has benefited both the business community and the community as a whole. (This award has been established in memory of the late Thomas J. Caramadre, Jr., the former President of the Yonkers Chamber of Commerce.)

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