STORM KING, D’AMBROSIO, NORTH
AMONG 2014 HENRY AWARD WINNERS

Pattern for Progress will honor an exceptional group of innovators and community leaders on Nov. 6 when it presents the 2014 Henry Awards at its annual awards reception. Recipients are:

Dr. Daniel Aronzon, former CEO of Vassar Brothers Medical Center — Lifetime Achievement
John D’Ambrosio, formerly of the Orange County Chamber of Commerce, and Charlie North, of the Dutchess County Chamber - Excelsior Award for Regional Leadership
Harold Lepler and Larry Nadel of Covington Development - Economic Development
Diane Serratore - Regional Fellows
Michael Israel on behalf of Westchester Medical Center - Regional Achievement
John P. Stern on behalf of Storm King Art Center - Quality of Life Award for Tourism
Robert Dandrew for the Local Economies Project - Quality of Life Award for Conservation and Land Use
Darlene Fedun, on behalf of the Museum at Bethel Woods - Quality of Life Award for Education
Tony Danza, Dr. Ron Isaelski, and Dr. Ken Steier for their work on the establishment of the Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine new Middletown campus - Quality of Life Award for Healthcare.

Wendy Nadel on behalf of Yonkers Partners in Education - Quality of Life Award for Improvement of Urban Areas

Awards will be given at the annual reception 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, at Anthony’s Pier 9, New Windsor. For reservations or a sponsorship, call (845) 565-4900.

Report: Turnover High In School Supers

Of the Hudson Valley’s 122 school superintendents, the majority, 75% (a total of 91) have been in their current posts for five years or less. That was just one of the findings of a Pattern report released just after Labor Day. The concern with this level of turnover? Districts tend to need long term leaders in order to achieve lasting goals. See the report on Pattern’s website.

NYS Attorney General to Address Sept. 29 Housing Summit

New York State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman will address the Annual Housing Summit hosted by Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress and its Center for Housing Solutions on Monday, Sept. 29. Schneiderman is expected to discuss the work his office has been doing to help prevent abandoned properties and foreclosures in New York state. Kicking off the summit will be Jose R. Gonzalez, the new president of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York. This year, in addition to the keynote speakers, a panel discussion among regional experts in community revitalization and the rejuvenation of vacant buildings will explain ways to breathe new life into the Hudson Valley’s urban centers. Kevin O’Connor of RUPCO, Ed Murphy of Hudson River Housing and Patrick Normoyle of Excelsior Housing Group will discuss their efforts to repurpose factories as housing in three former industrial neighborhoods. Sean Fitzgerald, assistant commissioner of NYS Homes and Community Renewal (HCR) will join the panel to discuss funding for such projects. Dan Marsh of NDC (National Development Council), the nation’s oldest community development nonprofit, will moderate. The summit takes place 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sept. 29 at Anthony’s Pier 9, New Windsor. Reservations are $50 for members. Sponsorship packages are available. Call (845) 565-4900.

Paul Hesse Joins Pattern

Pattern for Progress is pleased to announce that Paul Hesse will join the staff of Pattern on Sept. 15. Paul holds a Masters degree in Urban Planning from the Urban Affairs and Planning Program at Hunter College – City University of NY. Prior to joining Pattern, Paul was the Community Development Director for the City of Poughkeepsie where he administered the City’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and served as the City’s Grants Coordinator. In his free time, Paul enjoys hiking in the Hudson Valley and beyond with his wife Jackie and their Rhodesian Ridgeback Misiu.

Storm King Art Center in Mountainville will be honored for its role in strengthening regional tourism.

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