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New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce January Business Luncheon to Feature Margaret Moree, Business Council of New York State

(New Paltz, NY) The **New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce** will hold its **February Business Luncheon** on **Wednesday, February 17, 2010** at the Terrace Restaurant, **SUNY New Paltz** campus, New Paltz. The luncheon will feature Margaret Moree of Business Council of New York State. This event is sponsored by **Ulster Savings** and is complimentary for New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce Corporate Partners, \$18 for Chamber members and \$25 for non-members. **Reservations required.** Call the Chamber at **845-255-0243** or e-mail info@newpaltzchamber.org.

In the confusion over changes to the American health care system, it can be difficult as citizens and members of the business community to get all the facts. At this topical luncheon, Business Council of New York State's Margaret Moree tackles business issues surrounding health care reform. Moree has served in a variety of capacities in state government prior to joining the Business Council, with ten years of service at the New York State Department of Labor, most recently as Deputy Commissioner for Federal Programs overseeing the divisions of unemployment insurance, workforce development and employment services. Her public service includes twelve years with the New York State Senate for members from western NY and the Hudson Valley, as well as a special assistant for local government relations in the office of Deputy Secretary to the Governor. While serving in the legislature her policy areas included education and school aid; transportation funding; and labor and workers' compensation.

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The New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce, with more than 700 members, is an active and trusted voice in the regional business and residential community, advancing the business, industrial, agricultural and civic interests of the Mid-Hudson Valley Region. Programs and services of the Chamber are made possible, in part, by the support of its Corporate Partners for 2010: **Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corp.** (Leading Partner); **Brinckerhoff and Neuville Insurance Group** (Associate Partner); **Health Quest, KIC Chemicals, Inc., Ulster Savings and Vanacore, DeBenedictus, DiGiovanni and Weddell LLP, CPAs** (Supporting Partners).

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