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New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce Appoints Three New Board Members

(New Paltz, NY) The New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce, a leading active and trusted voice in the regional business and residential community, announces the appointment of Tom Edwards of **Fox and Hound Wine & Spirits**, Patrick Turner of **Little Pond Consulting** and Walter Marquez of **Antiques Barn at Water Street Market** to its Board of Directors.

“We are proud to welcome Tom, Patrick and Walter to our Board, and look forward to their input and contributions as we pursue our mission to advance the business, industrial, agricultural and civic interests of New Paltz and the surrounding areas, and make our region a better place to live, work, study, play and worship,” says Joyce Minard, president of the Chamber.

Tom Edwards is the co-owner of **Fox and Hound Wine & Spirits**. He currently serves on the fundraising committee for **Unison Art and Learning Center**, and as a volunteer for the Rondout Vally Food Pantry, on the Board of Directors for the New York State Liquor Store Association—chairing their committee on promotion of New York wines—and as a member of the Core Lobbying Team keeping wine out of grocery stores. He has previously served on the Board of Directors for the Rondout Valley Business Association and **Unison Art and Learning Center** as well as on the rector search committee for Christ the King Church.

Walter Marquez is the owner of **Antiques Barn at Water Street Market**, Antiques on Main and Bloomin’, and is the manager of **Water Street Market**. He serves as co-chair of the **New Paltz Downtown Business Association** and president of the **Ulster County Antique Dealers**

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Association, as a member of the **Ulster County Tourism** Advisory Board and the New Paltz Community Improvement Team, is the Chair of the **Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation at New Paltz** Garden Tour committee and the Antiques Expo Chair of the **Taste of New Paltz** committee.

Patrick Turner is the owner of **Little Pond Consulting, LLC**. His certifications include Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE), Red Hat Certified Engineer (RHCE), Solaris Certified System Administrator (SCSA), Certified Cisco Network Associate (CCNA), Certified Cisco Network Professional (CCNP), Planet3 Certified Wireless Network Administrator (CWNA), and CompTIA Security Plus , Network Plus, and Linus Plus. He serves as a member of the Chamber's Membership Success Committee, and has served as Vice President of Business Networkers International, 211 Networkers of Middeltown.

Programs and services of the New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce are made possible, in part, by the support of its Corporate Partners for 2010: **Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp.** (Leading Partner); **Brinckerhoff and Neuville Insurance Group** (Associate Partner); **Health Quest, Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union, KIC Chemicals, Ulster Savings and Vanacore, DeBenedictus, DiGiovanni and Weddell LLP, CPAs** (Supporting Partners).

Members and visitors are welcome at the Chamber's Visitor Center, located at 257 Main Street in New Paltz. For more information about Chamber programs and Visitor's Center hours of operation, visit www.newpaltzchamber.org or call the Chamber at (845) 255-0243.

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