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Sleepy Hollow Chamber of Commerce

Serving Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow

October 2006

**Monthly Meeting
October 19, 2006**

EF International School
Host: Don Dwyer

**3 Tarrytown
Third Friday**

Visit the website for the
Schedule.

**Next Third Friday:
October 20**

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The Small Business Training Network, sponsored by the Office of Entrepreneurial Development has a range of courses from Government Contracting, How to Start a Business, Assessing Financial Needs - even a course on How to Write A Business Plan presented by Trump University (as in The Donald). Check out the website at <http://www.sbaonline.sba.gov/training/courses.html>

“Women’s Business Empowerment” sponsored by State Senator Suzi Oppenheimer is on Tuesday October 17, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the White Plains Public Library. Seating is limited. For further info, call Vadim Serebro at 914-934-5250.

Small Business Development Center

If you want to...

- Start a small business
- Improve/grow an existing small business
- Get feedback about s business idea
- Get an SBA Loan
- Write a business plan
- Find general or specific business information

...The New York State Small Business Development Centers can help your New York business succeed. They provide free one-on-one counseling to startup and small businesses seeking to expand or needing planning assistance. There are SBD Centers in White Plains, Yonkers and Rockland Community College. For your convenience, the White Plains office of the SBDC is now located within the Business Council’s headquarters at 108 Corporate Park Drive. For more information and/or to set up a confidential appointment, call Warren Weil at 914-948-2110.

Networking Event

The Hudson Valley Chambers of Commerce including Tarrytown/Sleepy Hollow, Dobbs Ferry, Greater NY, Hudson Valley Gateway, Irvington, Ossining and Pleasantville along with The newly formed Alliance of Hudson Valley Women Business Owners and the Westchester Hispanic Chamber of Commerce are hosting a networking event on **Wednesday, Nov. 15 from 6pm - 8pm at Gallery du Soleil** on Main Street in Tarrytown to network, meet and greet, mix and mingle. Meet other business owners and professionals along the Hudson Valley, and have a great time while seeing some beautiful artwork on display from artists around the world. Tickets: \$30 for members, \$40 for non-members.

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OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elizabeth Mascia Childcare Center Autumn Gala

On Saturday, November 11 at the Westchester Marriott, the Elizabeth Mascia Childcare Center will be honoring St. Faith's House Foundation and Janet and Steve Byelick. Come for Cocktail Reception, Silent and Live Auctions and Dinner. Click here for the Invitation [EMCC Gala 2006 Invite \(3\).pdf](#) and Response Card [EMCC Gala 2006 Response.pdf](#)

MERCHANTS' COUNCIL CORNER

Parking Issues

Mason's Parking lot. A preliminary meeting took place between the Masons and the Village, orchestrated by the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the possibility of sharing the parking area behind the Mason's building with the public and constructing a parking structure that would further expand the number of spaces available in downtown Tarrytown. All sides were very open-minded and optimistic that a workable solution may be possible.

Valet Parking. The Tarrytown Village Board has agreed to a Valet Parking pilot, which will begin in October 20th. This will be run by an independent company. Cars will be dropped off on South Washington Street and parked in the W.I. School lot. The service will be available Friday and Saturday evenings and will be available on other nights when there is an event in town.

Permit Parking for Merchants. At the council meeting, some discussion revolved around merchants or their employees parking on the street taking up valuable space for customers. The Chamber contacted Village Hall to find out where parking permits were allowed for Merchants.

Merchants can obtain parking permits at the following locations.

- McKeel Avenue Parking Lot
- South Broadway Parking Lot
- Windle Park (YMCA) Parking Lot

Permits run on a fiscal year June thru May or June thru Nov. Full year June to May is \$200, June to November is \$140, then they are pro-rated - if you go to <http://www.tarrytowngov.com/servlets/WebPage?actionid=950&eid=43788>, all the applications are there and they show the pro-rated fees.

Metered parking. The Chamber asked the Village to consider 15 minute metered parking at 3 strategic locations in Tarrytown. The cost for this metered parking will be at a premium to discourage any long-term parking at the meter.

Visitors and Tourists in Tarrytown

There are many Halloween events in Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow in October including Legends Weekend at Philipsburg Manor. This will bring many people from other parts of the county to Tarrytown along with tourists anxious to experience to legends of Sleepy Hollow. For a list of these events go to the web site of the Hudson Independent at http://www.hudsonindependent.com/2006/10/listings_for_oc.html

Kiosk

As previously reported the Tarrytown board voted down the proposal for a freestanding kiosk on Main Street. The Chamber asked the board to consider using an alternate location that would be accessible to the public. The Music Hall offered their site as a location that would be accessible 24 hrs a day and is under cover. In addition, an enclosed information board would be installed on the side of the 7-Eleven buildings to post other events that are going on in town. The Kiosk would be interactive, accessing Tarrytown information on shopping, eating establishments, schools, transportation, events and would include a street map. More information on this will follow as the kiosk location is finalized.

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