

**Thanks to all our members
who renewed in February
RENEWING MEMBERS**

- Anchor Contractors
- Axtel Protection Systems Inc.
- Bergman, Bergman, Goldber & Lamonsoff, LLP
- Comfort Inn & Suite
- Ellanef Manufacturing Corporation
- Fairfield Inn by Marriott
- LaGuardia/Flushing
- Greater NY Development Co.
- HRAD Construction
- John C. Chen Architect, PLLC
- Long Island Business Institute
- Martin A. Gleason Funeral Home
- Parkside Group
- Silvercrest Center for Nursing and Rehabilitations
- Staples
- Steinway Van and Storage Corp.
- The Alcott Group
- Thomas Coaching Company

NEW CORPORATE MEMBER

Waste Management of New York LLC

NEW MEMBERS

- Administaff
- ArPa Marketing
- Discount Locksmith Corp.
- Dynamic Physical Therapy Services
- Express Hardware Corp.
- Gianco Environmental Services Inc.
- Gottlieb, Rackman & Reisman
- Health Media Network
- Sabato C. Patrizio
- Scarlett Groupe LLC
- Senior Bridge
- United Benefit Solutions

**Staff Updates
Use The Chamber As A Resource**



Outreach efforts at the Queens Chamber of Commerce revolve around fulfilling the needs of our members while striving to keep costs down. Every event we plan aims to bring people together in an environment conducive to networking and growing their business. In tough economic times, services such as ours are an excellent value for the money – low prices, great exposure, brand name recognition and access to information and resources. Advertising to other members via our Value Plus program is inexpensive, and you get double the value both on our revamped website and in Queensborough Magazine. You are encouraged to provide us with a

50-word description of your business for your page in the Business Directory section of our website.

Our Friday Breakfast Before Business is completely free to attend, and many people have already profited from follow-up business. Workforce development helps the residents of Queens to improve their quality of life, the objective of our intern/employment conduit.

Coming soon - our free annual Buyer's Guide/Membership Directory, your tool for "Keeping It in Queens," will be available.

Monthly evening business card exchanges and other industry specific events are held at various members' locations to showcase their facilities.

To see the current line-up, see our calendar on page 16. Let me know if you feel your facilities are an attractive or interesting venue for hosting a Chamber event.

Marva Kalish
Outreach Project Coordinator
718-898-8500 ext. 24
mkalish@queenschamber.org

**International Advisory Council Prepares
For Hermes International Expo**



The 18th Hermes Expo International in conjunction with The Queens Chamber of Commerce will host a full day session in Queens to promote and sponsor business in Queens County. This is an excellent opportunity to meet and/or offer services and products to a large delegation of businesses coming from Europe. The trade show will start on Thursday April 2 in Queens, and the next day will move south stopping at Philadelphia, Atlantic City and closing in Baltimore on Monday April 6.

Queens County, and to facilitate marketing their products and services internationally.

Hermes Expo International showcases a large variety of businesses – new technology, tourism, financial services, foodservice, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and professionals.

Mostly rooted in the Mediterranean and South Eastern European countries, the exhibitors will use the Greek American community of 2.5 million people (plus other ethnic groups) in the U.S. as a stepping stone to penetrate the U.S. Ethnic Market.

Paul Kotrotsios, founder and president of Hermes Expo, has been promoting trade relations between the European Union, Eastern Mediterranean Countries and North America since 1992.

Opening day (April 2, 2009) is fast approaching – we urge you to register soon, and join 120+ booths on the exhibition floor.

Hermes Expo is a proud member of The Queens Chamber of Commerce. In August 2008, the Chamber put together an International Advisory Committee to integrate the multiethnic business community of

Jacqueline Donado
Strategic Program Coordinator
jdonado@queenschamber.org
718-898-8500 ext. 26



March 6th
Gregory Hoffman,
Flushing Savings Bank
"How to Get Your Bank to Say
Yes to your Business"
FSB FLUSHING
www.flushingsavings.com Savings Bank
• Working Capital Lines of Credit
• Equipment & Machinery Financing
• Commercial Real Estate Financing

March 13th
Ralph H. Maestre
MAGIC
Pest Management
"Pest Management
for Greener Queens"
General principles of green pest management
Integrated pest management practices
Strategy and treatment techniques

March 20th
Stanley Kalathara
Attorney at Law
"How to Stop
Foreclosure"
• Loan modification
• Short Sales • Bankruptcy

March 27th
George Alonso, Decorative Artist
of hand & soul.
"Decorating and Design
for Business on a Budget"
• Embrace your customers with color
• Frugal furnishing
• Simple decorating ideas contemporary
and traditional
Free Consultation offered to Chamber members