

## NEWS October 2013 From Bill Magnarelli

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Dear Friends,

This newsletter is full of the excitement and economic growth that our community is experiencing. From the new Inner Harbor announcement, to the City School District renovations, the SUNY ESF campus addition and SU's Connective Corridor business façade programs, we can see tangible results from everyone's hard work and planning. Our community continues to attract national and international attention by hosting the Beijing delegation for economic development, the Dr. Martin Luther King Center Imaging Project and the Syracuse International Film Festival. In every issue of my newsletters, I like to highlight our Veterans and this issue is no exception. Let me take this time to remind everyone of the upcoming CNY Veterans Parade and Expo at the NYS Fairgrounds on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Admission and parking are free. Please join us in thanking our Veterans.

Sincerely, William & Mognaulli



Assemblyman Magnarelli joined with Governor Andrew **Cuomo** on Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> to announce that Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide is building a new hotel at the Syracuse Inner Harbor. Assemblyman Magnarelli, as a member of the Governor's Regional Economic Development Council (REDC) Initiative, welcomed the new hotel announcement as the first part of the larger \$350 million mixed use waterfront redevelopment project that includes environmental remediation efforts and infrastructure improvements to enable private development along 28 acres of Syracuse's Inner Harbor. The Syracuse Inner Harbor project is expected to create and sustain up to 4,358 direct and indirect jobs in the coming years, while also contributing an annual economic output of \$259 million for the region. Pictured are (l to r) Assemblyman Al Stirpe, John Salvatore of Starwood Hotels, Assemblyman Magnarelli, Steve Aiello of COR Development and Centerstate CEO Chairman Rob Simpson.







The Syracuse International Film Festival hosted an Exhibition and Tribute to Maestro Silvano Campeggi, world reknown "Artist to the Stars" on 10/2/13 at the Landmark Theatre. Assemblyman Magnarelli attended along with (1 to r) Carmine Frederico and his wife Josephine of the Progresso Lodge #1047, Elena Campeggi and the Maestro. The Progresso Lodge was one of the sponsors responsible for shipping 22 original movie-poster paintings from Italy. Campeggi's career in Hollywood lasted for almost thirty years, and he produced more than three thousand movie posters for some of the most famous American movies of all time. Go to the filminsyracuse.com for a complete viewing of the exhibit.



Assemblyman Magnarelli welcomed a delegation of officials and business people from Beijing and other areas of China on Sept. 28 at the Syracuse Tech Garden in Syracuse. The visit was arranged by Tech Bridge International and the China Association for the Promotion of Private Science and Technology Enterprises. The tour and meetings were hosted by Centerstate CEO. The delegation spent 3 days meeting with area stakeholders and looking for investment and business opportunities in the fields of technology, medical and tourism. Pictured are two members of the delegation with Assemblyman Magnarelli.



Assemblyman Magnarelli, along with **Syracuse University's Connective Corridor Project Team,** announced the second-round recipients of the \$250,000 Façade Improvement grants. The 16 businesses announced on Sept 26th, will make significant investments to improve and redevelop mixed-use properties along the two-mile streetscape and cultural strip that connects University Hill to downtown Syracuse. Assemblyman Magnarelli, who helped secure funding for the first round of the façade program, was joined by owners from many of the 40 businesses who were the recipients of the \$875,000 first-round. Funding for the initiative is provided by Empire State Development, New York State's chief economic development agency, in alignment with the Central New York Regional Economic Development Council's plan.







Assemblyman Magnarelli was on hand to open the King Center Imaging Project sponsored by JP Morgan Chase and hosted by Syracuse University. The digital imaging project included many of the other key figures and organizations of the Civil Rights movement in an effort to keep these milestones of American history alive and accessible. Assemblyman Magnarelli said, "For many of us who lived through this tumultuous era, we are reminded of the courage, sacrifice and resolve of many of our fellow African-American citizens, along with the determination and brotherhood of many other races who stood by their side. For the young people, this digital exhibition allows hands-on exploration of a nation coming to terms with its conscience. And for many of today's Americans who may never have the opportunity to travel to The King Library in Atlanta, *Georgia, these digital images and writings are literally* brought into our homes and schools so we may learn the valuable lessons of "equality for all" that the Civil Rights Movement meant then, means now and guides our way into tomorrow.'

Assemblyman Magnarelli and SCSD Superintendent Sharon Contreas toured the Expeditionary Learning Middle School in the City's Valley section with Principal Rebecca Groat. Expeditionary Learning (EL) is a curriculum designed by *Outward Bound*. The goal is to foster academic achievement and character growth while instilling a love of learning and a sense of community. ELMS students work effectively within a diverse setting to positively impact their school and community as "upstanders" rather than "bystanders".





Assemblyman Magnarelli joined with SCSD Superintendent Sharon Contreras in touring the completed renovations at Dr. Weeks School. Dr. Weeks underwent a complete re-design in the JSCB Phase 1 plan. \$29 million was invested to change the school's layout to address present and future educational needs, provide diverse spaces for programs, bring the entire building to code and upgrade much of the mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems.



On Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, Assemblyman Magnarelli joined with SUNY ESF President Neil Murphy to celebrate the completion of the University's new Gateway Center. ESF's Gateway Center offers a new hub for the campus while giving visitors a snapshot of what ESF represents. The Gateway Center is a model of sustainability and technological innovation.



Environmental Advocates Scorecard gives Assemblyman William Magnarelli a score of 98 (out of 100). Environmental Advocates is one of the first organizations in the nation formed to advocate for the future of a state's environment and the health of its citizens. Environmental Advocates has been New York's environmental conscience for more than 40 years working to ensure environmental laws are enforced, tough new measures are enacted, and the public is informed of and participates in important policy debates. For full report go to <a href="https://www.eplscorecard.org">www.eplscorecard.org</a>



A priority for Assemblyman Magnarelli is any event which gives him the opportunity to honor and thank our Veterans. During this year's NYS Fair, Assemblyman Magnarelli was able to acknowledge the Veterans and their families at the Veterans Memorial at The Fair.

## About New York State Assemblyman William B. Magnarelli

Assemblyman William Magnarelli represents the 129<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, which includes the Northside, Westside, Eastwood and Valley areas of the City of Syracuse, as well as the towns of Geddes and Van Buren. He first won election in 1998 for an open Assembly seat and was reelected in 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010 and 2012. During his previous six terms in office, Assemblyman Magnarelli has focused his efforts on bringing more jobs to Central New York, lowering taxes, providing our children a better education at every level, improving our healthcare and keeping our families safe. For more information, contact Assemblyman Magnarelli's District Office at (315) 428-9651 or visit <a href="http://www.assembly.state.ny.us/magnarelli">http://www.assembly.state.ny.us/magnarelli</a>.