

Friday, February 27, 2004

Women on the move

Marisa Neff of Lewiston was named admissions coordinator at Fairchild Manor Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center. She has a bachelor's degree in social work from Niagara University and joined Fairchild Manor as a volunteer three years ago.

Nancy Naples joined the BISON Scholarship Fund, or Buffalo Inner-City Scholarship Opportunity Network Inc., board of directors. She is serving her third four-year term as Erie County comptroller. Also serving on the board are Patricia Farrell, Carol Fatta, Jacquelyn Gurney and Katie Schneider. Farrell is a 1998 recipient of Business First's 40 Under Forty Award.

Rosanne Frandina of Frandina Engineering has earned her New York state land surveyor's license. A licensed professional engineer and real estate broker, she has also worked for the City of Buffalo Department of Community Development and Buffalo Sewer Authority.

Natalie Harder of Orchard Park was appointed executive director of the Erie Community College Foundation. Formerly executive director of Continental 1 in Bradford, Pa., she has a master's degree in public management from Carnegie Mellon University and has also held positions with the Buffalo Niagara Partnership.

The Empire State Certified Development Corp. named Sharon Lochocki, senior vice president at KeyBank in Buffalo and a 1999 recipient of Business First's 40 Under Forty Award, to its Western New York Loan Committee. The agency, an affiliate of the New York Business Development Corp., approves SBA 504 second mortgage loans.

The Buffalo/Niagara Postal Customer Council, a panel of area business mailers, elected Mary Jane Wajmer of Business First as secretary of its 2004 board of directors. Also serving on the Postal Customer Council board are Donna McGrew of Quebecor World Buffalo and Sandra Palczewski of Gamble Letter Service.

Among those named as Better Business Bureau of Upstate New York directors for 2004 were Linda Brown of the New York State Office of Children & Family Services; Marilyn Fleckenstein of Niagara University; Mary Ann Lauricella of Lauricella Public Relations Co.; and Patricia McGrath of Cannon Design.

Lisa Heiler and Tamara Cline joined Chiampou Travis Besaw & Kershner LLP as staff accountants, and CPA Erin Kropski joined the Williamsville accounting firm as a senior tax accountant. Heiler is a Niagara University graduate who worked previously at CNB International Inc.; Cline is a graduate of Houghton College who worked previously at Deloitte & Touche's Rochester office; and Kropski is a graduate of Fredonia State College.

CPA Samantha Rusek was elected treasurer of the Ken-Ton Chamber of Commerce Inc. She is an account executive with Toski Schaefer & Co. in Williamsville.