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- 8) *Rte. 209 to Spring Glen:* Richard's (SCC), Nevele Grande, Gold Mtn., **Spring Glen Grocery**, Spring Glen Post Office, County Line Restaurant.
- 9) *North Main: Spring to Village line:* Ellenville Dodge, Euro Deli, **McDonalds**, RiteAid, Ellenville Beverage, Diana's, **Craft Chiropractic**, Hair Encounter, Lucille Hand, Ellenville Ceramic & Tile, **Pizza Hut**, Ace Hardware, Family Dollar.
- 10) *Rte. 209 to Napanoch:* B. Petroleum, B & H Garage, **Route 209 Diner**, Ellenville Auto Parts, **Ellenville Hospital**, Family Practice Center, China House, Spin City, Creative Clippers, **Il Paradiso**.
- 11) **Napanoch:** **Peters Market**, **James' General Store**, Guzman's Bakery, Brother John's, Napanoch Post Office, Chinese No. 1, VIP Video, Rické Len's.
- 12) **Wawarsing to Kerhonkson:** Wawarsing PO, Citgo Xtra Mart (Wawarsing), Dr. John Lichtenstein, **Exxon** (44-55), STS Tire, M & M Variety, **Stewart's** (Kerhonkson), Swim King, **Mountain View Diner**, Kerhonkson PO.
- 13) **Also:** Ellenville School, Ulster County Tourist Information Office (Kingston), Ramada Inn (Kingston), Summitville PO, Mamakating Methodist.

***Locations in bold are "anchor locations" in the zone

Don't see your location listed here? Call or email to be added to our route!

To the Community

by Steven Kelley, C.E.O., *Ellenville Regional Hospital*

Over the past few weeks, the Village of Ellenville, Town of Wawarsing, and Town of Rochester community members have accomplished something extraordinary. When area residents heard that *Ellenville Regional Hospital* was in financial trouble, they came to our aid.

Thanks to a letter-writing campaign spearheaded by community activists Maggie Heath and Mary Sheeley, more than 2,400 letters in support of the *Hospital's* plan to seek financial support from Ulster County were presented to the Ulster County Legislature on February 12th. I am very grateful to Rev. Julius Collins, Maggie Heath, Mary Sheeley, T.J. Briggs, Mayor Jeffrey Kaplan, and Supervisor James Dolaway, who spoke at this meeting in support of the *Hospital* (See transcripts on pages 9 – 11).

This campaign was also supported by so many of our friends in the community that we cannot list them all. However, I would like to recognize the efforts of Maggie Heath, Mary Sheeley, Mildred Resnick, Carol Lounsbury, Steve Bradley, Sylvia Kalipolites, Rev. Mary Savage, and Rabbi Moshe Frank for their hard work and commitment to the letter-writing campaign.

Ellenville Regional Hospital is facing some tough times. But with the support of the local community, and our elected officials, our goal is to persevere and to continue in our efforts to provide quality healthcare to meet the needs of the people who live in, work in, or visit our surrounding communities. All is not lost. We can save *Ellenville Regional Hospital* and you can help. Here's how:

1. Write to, or call, your political leaders to show your support of the *Hospital*. These political leaders include our County Legislators Susan Cummings, Gerald DePew, Theresa Hyatt, and Joseph Stoeckeler; Senator John Bonacic (255-9656); County Chairman Richard Gerentine (340-3699), Assemblyman Kevin Cahill (338-9610); and Congressman Maurice Hinchey (331-4466). In addition, advise your local leaders in your Town and Village that you feel the *Hospital* is essential to your community.

2. Use the *Hospital*. Choose us now. Do not wait for an emergency to use our services. In addition to emergency and inpatient services, we offer a host of outpatient services, including Pain Management, Physical Therapy, Laboratory, Radiology, Diabetes Education, Cardiology, Ophthalmology, Oncology, Urology, and more. If your doctor refers you to other facilities for these services, ask to be referred to *Ellenville Regional Hospital* instead. Choose us now.

3. Become involved with our fundraising efforts. There are already many of your friends and neighbors working on fundraising ideas for *Ellenville Regional Hospital*. If you would like to join one of these groups, or would like to start a project of your own, please call Debbie Briggs, Director of Human Resources & Volunteer Services at 647-6400 ext. 286. A "Save the Hospital" Dinner is set for **Saturday, May 15th** at **Unity Hall** on the *Napanoch Prison* grounds, and a drawing for raffle tickets now on sale (\$1, or 6/\$5; 12 prizes) will be held then; contact Sylvia Kalipolites for details.

Thank you for the support that you have shown to me as administrator at *Ellenville Regional Hospital*, and thank you for supporting the *Hospital* all of these years. Together, we can make it work. Our community depends upon it.



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