

Kuhlmann to be Honored at Hospital Dinner Dance

Robert H. Kuhlmann, lifelong resident, civic leader, retired Supervising Superintendent, Sullivan Hub, of the New York State Department of Corrections, and currently Interim President of the Board of Directors at **Ellenville Regional Hospital**, will be the honoree at the hospital's annual dinner dance scheduled for **Sept. 18th** at the *Hudson Valley Resort*.



Kuhlmann is an alumnus of the *Ellenville High School*, Cornell University (Bachelor of Science degree) and SUNY New Paltz (Master of Science). He holds certificates as both a teacher and a principal/supervisor, and spent his professional life within the New York State Department of Corrections, beginning as a prison guard, then a

teacher, supervisor, and director, and culminating as Supervising Superintendent of the Sullivan Hub, which consists of *Eastern Correctional, Eastern Annex, Mid-Orange, Otisville, Shawangunk, Sullivan, Sullivan Annex, Ulster, Wallkill and Woodbourne Correctional Facilities*.

Since his October 1999 retirement from the Department of Corrections, Kuhlmann has served as chairman of the *Town of Wawarsing Republican Committee*, a logical extension of his earlier service on the Ulster County Legislature for six years and his participation in the Ulster County Charter Commission.

A veteran with two years of service in Korea with the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Bob is a member of both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

His enjoyment of outdoor living and nature, especially in "farming" activities, also ties him to membership in the *Wawarsing Sportsmen's Association*.

Kuhlmann is a member of the *Wawarsing Masonic Lodge #482*, the *Pioneer Engine Company No. 1*, B.P.O. Elks, a deacon at the *Ellenville Reformed Church* and a director of the *Fantinekill Cemetery Association*, as well as several correctional associations.

He and his wife, Carolyn, have been active supporters of the local hospital for years, with Bob serving on the boards of both the *Ellenville Community Hospital* and the *Ellenville Regional Hospital*. When *Ellenville Regional's* Board of Directors reorganized in 2003, Kuhlmann, in the highest sense of community service, accepted the challenging role of Interim President.

In addition to Kuhlmann, the Board of Trustees membership includes Hon. Ronald Elias, Rev. Julius Collins, Dr. David N. Mesches, CEO Steven L. Kelley, Kingston Hospital's David Buchmueller and Dr. Charles Blewett, Mary F. Sheeley, and Karen Osterhoudt.

The annual dinner dance is a major fundraiser for the hospital and a special area social occasion. It includes a cocktail hour from **6 to 7 PM**, followed by dinner and dancing from **7 to 11 PM**. Dinner will be a duet of Filet Mignon and Chilean Sea Bass.

Reservations are due by September 3rd to **Ellenville Regional Hospital, PO Box 668, Ellenville, 12428** in the amount of **\$135** per person. Seating requests will be honored. Please contact Mary Beth Lutz, at **647-6400 ext. 296**, to make your reservations.



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