

2006 Small Business Day

Tuesday, March 28, 2006

Empire State Plaza
Convention Center
Albany, New York

Co-Sponsored by
The Business Council of New York State, Inc.
Chamber Alliance of New York State
and
National Federation of Independent Business

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Registration, Continental Breakfast & Visit the Exhibits

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

- **Daniel B. Walsh**, President / CEO
The Business Council of NYS, Inc.
- **Peter Aust**, Chair
Chamber Alliance of New York State
- **Mark Alesse**, State Director
National Federation of Independent Business

10:00 - 11:15 a.m. Small Business and The Race for Governor

Speakers:

- **Honorable Eliot Spitzer** *
NYS Attorney General
- **Honorable William Weld** *
Former Governor of Massachusetts

11:15 - 11:30 a.m. Refreshment Break & Visit the Exhibits

11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Panel Discussion "Small Business Matters"

Panelists will include Small Business owners and advocates discussing estate tax, health insurance and energy costs.

12:45 - 2:00 p.m. Luncheon

Keynote Address

- **Honorable George E. Pataki** *
Governor, State of New York

Award Presentations

- **Small Business Advocate of the Year Award**

2:00 p.m.

Lobbying Visits at the Capitol and Legislative Office Building

Agenda updates available at www.bcnys.org

*Invited

As of February 1, 2006

ABOUT SMALL BUSINESS DAY

Small Business Day is entirely devoted to the small business community in New York State. It is the venue to let our elected officials and policy makers know what is on the mind of the small business owner.

Keeping insurance costs affordable and accessible has been identified as a critical issue in New York State. You will be given the forum to advance issues, interact with other small business owners, legislative and policy leaders, and learn about what various state agencies are doing for the small businesses in New York.

There will also be our Award Presentation of **Small Business Advocate of the Year** and *Lobbying Visits* at the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building.

Remember that this day depends on your commitment to making the voice of small businesses in New York heard. State leaders, year after year, recognize this day to be the preeminent small business event of the year. They want to hear from you about how they can help your small business remain competitive and grow.

Let your voice be heard! Join us on **March 28, 2006 for Small Business Day.**

This truly is an event that you cannot afford to miss.

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Directions / Parking / Registration

- **From the South and West:** Exit 23 off NYS Thruway to I-787 North, to Exit 3, Empire State Plaza. Follow signs to the V Parking Area.
- **From the North:** I-87 South, to I-90 East, to I-787 South to Exit 3A, Empire State Plaza. Follow signs to the V Parking Area.
- **Parking** is available at the rate of \$8/day. Take the elevators to the Concourse Level, and follow signs for Convention Center. **Be sure to have a picture ID available for identification.**
- **Expect delays and capacity parking.**
- If your chamber/association is traveling to Albany by bus, passengers can be dropped off at the Madison Avenue entrance. Buses can park in the NYS Museum Parking lot, or in Lincoln Park at no charge.
- **Registration** will be located directly outside the Convention Center. There will be security checkpoints at the entrances to the LOB and capitol.

REGISTRATION

BY PHONE/FAX

For credit card registration only: 1-800-358-1202
518-465-7511 - In Albany
518-465-9567 - FAX

BY MAIL

Mail this form and payment to:
2006 Small Business Day
The Business Council
152 Washington Avenue
Albany, New York 12210-2289

Please complete all of the information below

Please make copies for additional registrants

Name/Title

Company

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- My company is a Business Council Member: ' yes ' no
- Number of Employees: _____
- Priority Code: **WEB**
- My company is a NFIB member: ' yes ' no
- I require disabled or special services/meals: ' yes ' no
(If yes, please specify) _____

Registration Fees:

Before 3/21/06

After 3/21/06

' \$59

' \$69

Payment MUST accompany registration form.

Method of Payment:

- ' Check enclosed (payable to The Business Council)
- ' Credit card: ' AE ' MC ' VISA ' Disc ' DC

Account #

Exp. Date

Name on Card

To Cancel: Cancellations will be accepted until Tuesday, March 21, 2006, subject to a \$10 processing fee. *No refunds will be given after that time.*

Note: Legislative visits can be scheduled for the afternoon through your local Chamber.

Please select one of the following:

- ' I will contact my local chamber to schedule my legislative visit.
- ' I will need assistance in setting up my visits. Please contact me.



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