



**BUSINESS COUNCIL** OF WESTCHESTER



It is with great pleasure that I announce The Business Council of Westchester's 2016 Rising Stars, our latest class of outstanding "40 Under 40" business professionals.

This year's winners are truly exceptional, not only for their talent and leadership, but also for the breadth of industries they represent. Our honorees are prominent figures in law, finance, public relations and marketing, education, healthcare, and real estate. They'll receive their awards during a ceremony on June 16 at 800 Westchester Avenue, Rye Brook.

The selection process was particularly challenging this year due to the quantity and quality of the nominees for this signature program. Special thanks go to Maria Bronzi, a director at Altium Wealth Management and chair of the Rising Stars program, and her team for their efforts in choosing the best and brightest from a robust pool of nominees.

## The 2016 Rising Stars are:

**Ariana Aguilar**, Chief Development Officer, Port Chester Carver Center

**Christina Armentano Bowlby**, Director Human Capital Management, Paraco Gas

**Tiffani Blake**, Dean of Students, The College of New Rochelle

**Dan Braude**, Partner, Wilson Elser

**Jordan Brooks**, Litigation Associate, Cuddy & Feder LLP

**Katherine Burstein McGinn**, CFA Financial Advisor, Pell Wealth Partners

**Melissa Cebollero**, Senior Director, Office of Community Services, Montefiore Health System

**Marc Miller**, Director, Marketing Partnerships, Westchester Knicks

**Dina Moss**, Producer, News12 Westchester

**Heather M. Oboda**, CPA, MBA Tax Manager, Citrin Cooperman

**Jessica A. Proud**, Co-Founder & Partner, The November Team

**Michael J. Reilly**, DrPH, MPH Director, Center for Disaster Medicine, New York Medical College, Institute of Public Health

**Dr. Joseph Ricca**, Superintendent, Elmsford Public Schools

**Jacqueline Rubbo**, Director of Creative, Culture & Chaos, Yonkers Brewing Co.

**Mark Cermele**, Partner/Owner, Cermele & Wood LLP

**Robert Cordero**, Partner, PKF O'Connor Davies LLP

**Lucinda Cross**, President/CEO, Activate Worldwide Inc.

**Jennifer D'Ambrosio**, Marketing Director, Today Media

**Joseph Delli Carpini**, Branch Manager, Durante Rentals, LLC

**Jordan Garner**, Associate, Leason Ellis LLP

**Kelli Knox**, Director of Information Systems, Tommie Copper

**Abbey Kumar**, Founder and CEO, Learn'ique

**Raj Kumar**, Director of the PACT, Mercy College

**Christos Kyratsous**, Associate Director, Infectious Diseases and Viral Vector Technologies, Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

**Jacqueline Leahy**, Communications Manager, HEINEKEN USA

**Tracey Lewis**, Vice President Operations, NewYork-Presbyterian/Lawrence Hospital

**Kevin Marbury**, Vice President/Sales Manager, York International Agency LLC

**Sean McAllister**, Chef de Cuisine, Castle Hotel & Spa

**Joseph McCoy**, Regional Manager/Senior Vice President, People's United Bank

**Hope Salley**, Senior Account Executive, Thompson & Bender

**Patricia Simone**, President, Simone Management Group, Simone Development Companies

**Gregory Slater**, Portfolio

Manager/Chairman of Investment Committee, Altium Wealth Management

**Lori Stawicki**, Field Services Manager, Con Edison

**Meghan Taylor**, Regional Director, Mid-Hudson Region, Empire State Development

**Adam Telem**, Senior Counsel, Global Core Products and Solutions, MasterCard

**Samuel J. Wallis**, Director of Programs, Yonkers Partners in Education

**Jonelle Elizabeth Ward**, Director of Outreach, Alzheimer's Association, Hudson Valley Chapter

**Teresa S. Weber**, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Manhattanville College

**Adam Weiss**, General Manager, Westchester Office, Atlantic Tomorrow's Office

**Heidi M. Winslow**, Partner/Attorney, DelBello Donnellan Weingarten Wise & Wiederkehr, LLP

We're also excited that News12 Westchester anchor/reporter Tara Rosenblum is returning as emcee of the Rising Stars ceremony. Rosenblum, a 2007 Rising Stars winner, has won 16 Emmy awards since joining the station in 2004.

We look forward to seeing you on June 16 as we honor our "40 Under 40" - the best and brightest of Westchester's young professionals.



Marsha Gordon  
BCW President & CEO