

A YEAR OF TRIUMPH AND ACHIEVEMENT FOR BOMA/NY

The following is a summary of the “State of the Association” presentation delivered by Former BOMA/NY President Vincent A. Fantauzzi, RPA, as he handed over the reins of office to incoming President Betsy Jacobs at the January 2004 Board Meeting.

2003 marked 12 months of unprecedented growth and award-winning initiatives for BOMA/NY, which experienced vigorous and rapid development in nearly all of its sectors. Membership responded in kind to the Association’s renewed focus on advocacy and leadership, bringing both retention and enrollment rates to previously unseen levels and breaking attendance records for BOMA/NY seminars, lectures and other educational offerings.

Additional highlights of the year include:

- Appointment to a seat on the Managing Committee of the New York City Model Code Program for the adoption of the International Building Code
- Holding post at the Office of Emergency Management’s Command Center during the proposed transit strike, hurricane threat and blackout to funnel information between membership and OEM
- Appointment by DOB Commissioner Patricia Lancaster to its Building Industry Advisory Council
- Attendance at the *National Issues Conference* in Washington, DC, where representative members conducted 12 appointments on topics such as telecommunications forced access, mold, taxes, and transportation with various legislative officials on Capitol Hill, culminating with a meeting with Senator Chuck Schumer
- Debut of the “**Manager of the Year**” category at the Pinnacle Awards, now established as the top award honoring the men and women behind the City’s finest buildings
- Preparation of position papers detailing the Association’s opposition to the development of Federal and State legislative exposure limits for indoor mold; support for the TransGas Energy System’s proposal to construct and operate an 1100-megawatt cogeneration power plant in Brooklyn, and support for Mayor Bloomberg’s decision to veto lead paint legislation proposed by the City Council

BOMA/NY’s professional and creative endeavor was also widely praised throughout the year with several industry awards and honors:

- **American Society of Association Executives** recognized BOMA/NY on their Associations Advance America 2003 Honor Roll in the Public Education category for the documentary “Everyday Heroes”
- **BOMA International** named “*Rebuilding Our Skyline*” Outstanding Seminar in its Single Government Affairs Program/Seminar category

- Out of a field of 400 competitors, **New York Society of Association Executives** named BOMA/NY 3rd Place Winner of its Cyberspace Award for newly redesigned website, www.bomany.org

And the Association is already gearing up in anticipation for July 2007, when BOMA International brings its Annual Convention to New York City. Nearly four years before the fact, BOMA/NY has already begun an aggressive fundraising campaign including two 50-50 raffles, and the successful introduction of its first Annual Cigar Night to benefit the convention.