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PEOPLE TO PEOPLE NAMES THREE NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Hector May, John Maraia, Walter Goldman join Rockland nonprofit agency

Nanuet, NY, March 11 - A trio of longtime Rockland business leaders - Hector May, John Maraia and Walter Goldman - were elected to People to People's board of directors at its 2010 annual meeting last month.

People to People is a Nanuet-based not-for-profit organization that provides aid to Rockland families and individuals in need. It houses the county's largest food pantry.

"Hector, John and Walter are extensively involved in the Rockland community and bring a wealth of business expertise to the People to People board of directors," said Diane Serratore, Executive Director of People to People. "They care deeply about improving the lives of people in Rockland, and that makes them a perfect fit for our organization."

Hector May is the president and CEO of Executive Compensation Planners, Inc., a New City-based financial planning firm. He had headed the firm for 26 years and has more than 30 years' experience as a financial-planning consultant. May is a past chairman of the Rockland Business Association and has held leadership positions in many other local organizations.

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Maraia has spent his entire 43-year career with IBEW Local Union 363. He currently serves as Business Manager/Financial Secretary and administrator of the Local Union 363 Benefit Funds. His commitment to the community is reflected in his volunteer work on a host of boards and committees such as the Rockland Economic Development Council, Private Industry Council and many others.

Goodman owns REACT, a personal safety company that teaches women and children how to avoid being a victim of random acts of violence and how to be a tough target. A portion of the proceeds of all REACT programs goes back into the community in the form of a donation to a not-for-profit. Goodman is on the board of Junior Achievement, Orangetown Jewish Center, Rockland Business Association, Community Impact committee of United Way of Rockland and the Rockland Development Council.

People to People's board officers for 2010 are President Joe Allen, who is Senior Vice President of Active International; Secretary Beth Blecker, CEO of Eastern Planning, Inc.; and Treasurer Mike Tedesco, Chief Financial Officer of Modern Bank.

ABOUT PEOPLE TO PEOPLE: People to People works to help an ever-increasing number of struggling Rocklanders through difficult times with dignity by providing food, clothing, school supplies, refurbished computers and other support. For more information, contact Diane Serratore at 845-623-4913 or at diane@peopletopeopleinc.org.

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