



News from Legislator Bridget Fleming

Second Legislative District

April 2016 Newsletter



Here's what Bridget's up to....

Ensuring agricultural representation on the Planning Commission

Authorizing the County Executive to enter into a "Municipal Agreement" relating to the Sustainable Energy Loan Program

Approving County funding for Eastville Historical Society

Transferring surplus sound equipment to the Southampton Youth Bureau

Transferring surplus laptop computers to the Southampton Animal Shelter Foundation

Dear Neighbor,

I am pleased to serve as you're newly elected County Legislator in the Second District. Our district is unlike any other; we are the largest geographically and have the highest cost of living. This places a difficult burden on our many seniors, working families and young adults. It is my goal to ensure that our unique needs are met. My priorities for the 2016 Legislative Session include improving the quality of our water, continuing the preservation of our farmland and open space, promoting economic growth, ensuring government accountability, and attacking tick-borne illnesses and other health threats.

My staff and I are here to assist you in answering any questions about county government and programs, and providing guidance and support to ensure that your government works for you. Please feel free to call us at (631) 852-8400 or stop by our office at 75 Washington Street in Sag Harbor Monday-Friday from 9-5, or e-mail me at any time: Bridget.Fleming@SuffolkCountyNY.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bridget Fleming".

Legislator Fleming and Krupski Brings Committee Meetings to the East End



All 18 members of the Legislature honoring our local heroes at The General Meeting in Riverside on Tuesday, March 1st

As your Legislator, I value the opportunity to hear about the issues that are important to you. Legislator Krupski and I understand how hard it is for those living on the East End to make it to Hauppauge where most meetings of the Legislature are held. That's why he and I negotiated with our colleagues to hold two cycles of committee meetings at the County Center in Riverside, 300 Center Drive. The week of May 2nd will be our first ever committee week held in Riverside, followed by the general meeting on May 10th which will also be held in Riverside.

Legislator Fleming pushes for balanced Representation on the Planning Commission



Legislator Fleming speaks with Carl Gabrielsen, a member of the Planning Commission, at his greenhouse about the needs of the agricultural industry

The Suffolk County Planning Commission plays a very important role in driving the future of Suffolk County. I am dedicated to preserving the character and the economy of the East End, which includes our agricultural industry. That is why I introduced a Resolution that requires at least one member of the Planning Commission to have a background in agriculture. I am proud to say that the Resolution was approved by all 18 Legislators at the General Meeting on Tuesday, April 12th.

Legislator Fleming's push for Guiderail Replacement



The guiderails along Long Beach Road (County Road 60)

The recently-installed steel guiderail on Long Beach Rd (CR 60) has been a concern of many residents of the Sag Harbor and North Haven communities. The guiderails are in place for safety reasons, but the materials are not appropriate and are disruptive to the iconic view along the bay, which is why Bridget has placed replacing them with a wood system on her list of thing to do. She has recently been in contact with the Suffolk County Department of Public Works, and the New York State Department of Transportation and they have identified a wooden guiderail system, which would satisfy safety requirements. She is working with Assemblyman Fred Thiele to secure funding from New York State for the guiderail replacement project. Bridget did arrange for the old rusty guiderails, pictured to the left above, to be removed, restoring the beautiful views along the southern section of Long Beach.

Legislator Fleming joins Community groups for Earth Day Clean-Up



Legislator Fleming and members of Concerned Citizens of Montauk



Legislator Fleming at Fin Beach

On Saturday, April 23rd Legislator Bridget Fleming joined East Hampton Councilman Peter Van Scoyoc and members of the "Concerned Citizens of Montauk" Community group for a clean-up along Gin Beach. She also joined members of the East Hampton Trails Preservation Society, to do a clean-up along the Paumanok Path and parts of Montauk Highway. The day was a huge success for both community groups!



A Member of CCOM Cleaning up Fin Beach



Legislator Fleming and Councilman Van Svoyc talking to members of CCO



Legislator Fleming and Supervisor Cantwell honor Montauk's 12th Eagle Scout, Brenden Snow at the Montauk Fire House on January 10th



Hampton Coffee comes to Aquebogue! Legislator Fleming joins community members at the ribbon cutting ceremony on January 17th



The Suffolk County Legislature wears purple at the April General Meeting in honor of Sarcoidosis Awareness Month



East End Elected Officials join County Executive Steve Bellone in announcing water quality initiatives for the East End pertaining to the Reclaim Our Water initiative



Legislator Fleming honors three police officers who serve in the Southhampton Police Department: Erik Breitwieser, Keith Philips and Kristian LoRusso



New York State Attorney General Schneiderman hears local concerns from the Majority Caucus of the Suffolk County Legislature

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Second Annual Catholic Health Services of Long Island Suffolk County 2016 Marathon, Half Marathon, 5k Run and Freedom Fest

Come support our local veterans at the 2nd Annual Suffolk County Marathon, Half Marathon and 5k on Sunday, October 30, 2016! All net proceeds will go toward enhancing local veteran services.

Registration Costs:

Full marathon: April 1 – June 30: \$80, July 1 – October 24: \$85, at the Expo: \$100

Half Marathon: April 1 – June 30: \$70, July 1 – October 24: \$75, at the Expo: \$90

5k: April 1 – June 30: \$20, July 1 – October 24: \$30, at the Expo: \$35

For Active-Duty Military and Veterans: Full: \$50, Half: \$40, 5k: \$20

*Must provide military ID/proof of service at packet pickup

Register Online at www.SuffolkMarathon.com



Narcan Training in Westhampton Beach

“Narcan” (naloxone) is an opiate antidote; when a person is overdosing on an opioid, breathing can slow down or stop and it can very hard to wake them from this state. Learn how to administer Narcan and receive a free kit at the training, you could save a life Wednesday May 11, 2016

Westhampton War Memorial Ambulance Headquarters 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM 3 Hazelwood Ave Westhampton Beach, NY 11978

Registration required, contact: wwmaa@aol.com

ASSISTANCE FOR FAMILIES

Project Warmth: Helping Families Afford Home Energy

Project Warmth is a program administered by the United Way of Long Island. There are currently more than 177,000 Long Islanders living below the poverty line and for 20 years Project Warmth has helped many of these Long Island families in need of financial support. Project Warmth partners with local utilities, oil companies and community based agencies to assist with utility payments to help families get on a stable financial path. Project Warmth has raised up to \$9.8 million to help over 28,000 families.

Qualifying families with heating emergencies will receive a one-time grant to pay for fuel services. A customer may use a Project Warmth heating grant to pay for any fuel source: oil, gas or electric, propane, kerosene, coal, wood and an electric bill if electricity is needed to operate the heating source. To be considered, eligible applicants should have exhausted their Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) grants for the year or be ineligible for federal HEAP.

If you or someone you know needs emergency heating assistance, call United Way's 2-1-1 Long Island Information and Referral center by dialing 2-1-1 (or 1-888-774-7633) Monday - Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm or on Sunday 12 - 4 pm, or visit www.unitedwayli.org/project_warmth.asp on the web.

“Covers Cause We Care”

Please donate a gently used blanket to “Covers Cause we Care.” All donations will immediately be distributed to those in need right here on Long Island. Donations will be accepted at Legislator Fleming's District Office located at 75 Washington Street, Sag Harbor, NY 11963.

If you have any questions, please e-mail rosenstein17@gmail.com or call my District Office at (631) 852-8400. Thank you for your kindness and support.
