



News from Legislator Bridget Fleming

Second Legislative District

April 2018 Newsletter

Legislative Updates....

Co-sponsored IR 1283-18, Accepting and appropriating funds from the New York State Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) program in the amount of \$278,964, seventy-five percent (75%) of the total project, and amending the Capital Budget and Program for funds appropriated in connection with a Fish Passage at Woodhull Dam in Cranberry Bog County Park (CP 7180)

Co-sponsored Legislation adopting Local Law No. -2018, A Local Law to amend the County Social Host Law to include illegal drug use (IR 1197.283-18)

Co-sponsored Legislation adopting Local Law No. -2018, A Local Law to ensure service disable veterans participate in County contracting process (IR 1236.259-18)

Co-sponsored procedural motion setting land acquisition priorities in accordance with “AAA Program” requirements (2018-Phase D).

FLEMING CELEBRATES EARTH DAY AT SOUTHAMPTON TOWN ELECTRIC AND HYBRID CAR EXPO



Caption: Legislator Fleming and Councilman Tommy John Schiavoni sitting in an electric car.

On Saturday, April 21, 2018 Suffolk County Legislator Bridget Fleming joined hundreds of people to mark Earth Day at Good Ground Park in Hampton Bays; while viewing a display of the most sustainable and environmentally friendly vehicles in the country at the Electric and Hybrid Car Expo, which was sponsored by the Town of Southampton. This was the Town’s first electric and hybrid car expo, and it turned out to be a huge success.

In an effort to reduce its carbon footprint and protect the environment and its natural resources, the Town of Southampton, along with towns, villages and county government are working to find new and alternative forms of energy.

“As a coastal community, it is critically important that we continue to advance sustainable and renewable energy resources and reduce our dependence on fossil fuels”, said Suffolk County Legislator Bridget Fleming. “I applaud the Town for continuing to be a regional leader in environmental policy, in setting a goal of 100% renewable energy by 2025. As chair of the Suffolk County Legislature’s Renewable Energy Construction Task Force, I support this advance, and expect that the map the Task Force will produce of potential sites for renewable energy production with low environmental impact will assist the Town and others in meeting such goals.”

FLEMING JOINS DONNELLY AND THE WALT WHITMAN BIRTHPLACE ASSOCIATION TO DEDICATE LIBRARY



Caption: Legislator Bridget Fleming speaks that the Walt Whitman Birthplace Association

On Thursday, April 26, Legislator Fleming joined her colleague in the Legislature, Tom Donnelly; Cynthia Shor, Executive Director of Walt Whitman Birthplace Association; members of the library’s board of trustees and staff to dedicate a 300-book collection of Walt Whitman- related volumes for the new Norman and Jeanette Gould Library.

“The collection, named in honor of Marvin Feinstein’s family, will be housed and preserved on the Walt Whitman Birthplace premises, and will be made available to the public for scholarly research, historic documentation, and general appreciation of Whitman’s writing,” said Cynthia Shor.

Marvin Feinstein was a lifelong book collector and bookseller who lived in Northport. Upon his passing, Mr. Feinstein’s widow, Miriam, and sons David and Allen, wanted to keep his Whitman collection intact, so they approached the Whitman Association with a donation of 40 books and an offer to donate half the value of the remaining 250 books. When Whitman Association Trustee Jeffrey Gould heard of the literary and historic significance of the collection, he generously offered to secure the collection through the Jeffrey S. Gould Foundation to name the acquisition in honor of his parents, Norman and Jeanette Gould.

“I would like to thank the Walt Whitman Birthplace Association for the invitation to be a part of this historic dedication of the Norman and Jeanette Gould Library,” said Legislator Fleming. “The preservation of these books will ensure that current and future generations get the opportunity to share the stories of Huntington’s native son, Walt Whitman.”

FLEMING SHARES INFORMATION ON WELL TESTING

Legislator Fleming would like the residents whose properties are served by private wells and located between Industrial Road and Wainscott Main Street in East Hampton, and properties located in the Old Country Road area of Westhampton Beach, East Quogue in the vicinity of the Damascus Road landfill facility, Hampton Bays, and Noyac in the vicinity of Sand Land to know that the County’s Health Department Office of Water Resources is offering free well testing.

Residents with general questions about health effects of perfluorinated compounds are advised to call the New York State Water Quality Hotline: 1-800-801-8092, Monday through Friday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Letters have been sent out to inform the communities of potential water contamination in the areas and that necessary precautions are being taken to protect the public.

Residents who are unsure if they are served by public water may call the Suffolk County Water Authority at 631-698-9500.

Residents with private wells who have questions about private well water in Suffolk County or those who wish to have their wells tested may contact the Suffolk County Department of Health Services Office of Water Resources at 631-852-5810. Residents in need of bottled water are asked to contact the Southampton Town Hall Office at 631-283-6055, Monday- Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. or East Hampton Town Hall Office at 631-324-4141, Monday- Friday 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m.



LEGISLATOR FLEMING'S SPRING TIPS

Pedestrian Safety:

- Follow the rules of the road and obey signs and signals
- Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available
- If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible. Cyclists should always ride with traffic, wear a helmet, and use hand signals when turning
- Cross streets at crosswalks or intersections whenever possible
- Keep alert at all times – don't be distracted by electronic devices that take your eyes and ears off the road

Camping Safety and Tips:

- Prepare safe food and water, don't litter
- Follow tick prevention tips below
- Stay away from wild animals at night
- Wear bug repellent to avoid pesky mosquitos
- Always wear sunblock to stay protected from intense summer Sun



TICK PREVENTION

Ticks will remain active year-round (above 40 degrees Fahrenheit/4 degrees Celsius). Preventative measures should be used whenever tick exposure is likely. Here are some ways to protect yourself:

- Wear lightly colored clothing
- Wear long pants and sleeves
- Tuck your pants into your socks
- Tuck your shirt into your pants
- Use repellents as directed
- Walk along the center of trails
- Conduct frequent clothing checks
- Carefully inspect your body for ticks
- Keep pets away from tick infested areas and check them before entering the house
- Once home, put all clothing in your drier on the highest temperature setting for 10 minutes to kill ticks



Tick removal kits and information can be picked up at our District Office, located at 75 Washington Street in Sag Harbor, or by calling the Stony Brook Southampton Hospital's Regional Tick Borne Disease Resource Center at 631-726-TICK

COMMUNITY EVENTS

House a College Baseball Player for June and July, and Make a Connection that Lasts a Lifetime.

Hosting a Player Enriches the Lives of Everyone!

A host family is one of the most important and influential aspects of a ballplayer's summer collegiate league baseball experience. While some of our players will be from the New York area, many of them will be in a brand new environment, away from both their school and home.

Hamptons Collegiate Baseball League strongly believes the relationships that are forged between players and their host families will be memorable and will last a lifetime. There really is no other way to get this close to the team and the game.

Players arrive early June and stay until the end of July. They will play baseball 6 days a week on the South and North Forks and will workout daily at local gyms. Players are encouraged to work part time jobs and must participate in their local community.

Each player is a member in good-standing with the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), meeting all academic, athletic and legal eligibility requirements. Host families are required to supply a player with a room, bed, laundry and kitchen access. They are not required to provide transportation.

About Our League

Hamptons Collegiate Baseball League is sanctioned by the NCAA and Major League Baseball with top college players from around the country that have a dream and the dedication to make it to the major leagues.

Benefits to Our Community

Free family entertainment, there is no charge to attend a game.

The Whalers conduct free clinics for local children.

Free improvements to area baseball fields.

Increased visitor traffic to eastern Long Island. Scouts, players' families and friends, and baseball fans will attend games.

How You Can Help

- House a Player
- Provide a Job
- Join a Committee

Contact

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HamptonsBaseball.org

THE SOUTHAMPTON YOUTH BUREAU'S

CREATIVE ARTS CONTEST



EXHIBIT & RECEPTION TO BE HELD ON **SATURDAY, MAY 12TH**

AT THE FLANDERS COMMUNITY CENTER, 655 FLANDERS RD
1:00PM - 3:00PM OPEN TO GRADES 5 - 12

THEME: "DIVERSITY"

DISPLAY YOUR ART & WIN PRIZES! PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO "BEST ART PIECE" IN THE CATEGORIES OF PHOTOGRAPHY, GRAPHIC ART, SCULPTURE, AND FREE-HAND.



ART ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, APRIL 30TH.
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (431) 702-2425 OR
VISIT WWW.SOUTHAMPTONTOWNNY.GOV/YOUTHBUREAU



THE SOUTHAMPTON YOUTH BUREAU PRESENTS

THE 16TH ANNUAL

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

FRIDAY, JUNE 8TH

RAIN DATE: FRIDAY, JUNE 15TH

GATES OPEN 7:00PM SHOW STARTS AT 8:00PM
PONQUOGUE BEACH IN HAMPTON BAYS

\$5 ADMISSION

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Family Service League's Ombudsman Volunteer Opportunity

The Long Term Care Ombudsman Program at Family Service League is seeking volunteers to train as advocates. You can make a difference in the lives of your neighbors living in our Suffolk County Nursing Homes and Adult Care facilities. As a Volunteer Ombudsman, you will make a weekly visit to an assigned Long Term Care facility to help residents understand and exercise their rights to quality of care and quality of life.



Office of the State Long Term Care Ombudsman

This program is supported with State and Federal Funding provided through New York State Office for the Aging and the Suffolk County Office for the Aging.

For information call: **631-470-6756**

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