



Earlene HOOPER *Deputy Speaker* *Assemblywoman 18th A.D.*

Around the District

NYS Association of Black and Puerto Rican Legislators, Inc. Conference Weekend

The Coordinating Council of Civic Associations, Inc. President, Reggie Lucas, attends the annual 18th AD luncheon at the Legislative Office Building, which was being held during the NYS Association of Black and Puerto Rican Legislators, Inc. conference weekend. The association sponsors workshops and events during the conference weekend, supporting interaction with elected officials, and scholarships for local students who attend college.



Hempstead Coordinating Council: Far left, President Reggie Lucas, center, Earlene Hooper, Deputy Speaker, and members of the association.

Youth from the Peace. After. School. Program.



Deputy Speaker with youth from Peace. After. School. Program.

The Deputy Speaker enjoys a summer afternoon, at her home, with youth from the Peace. After. School. Program. The program is located at 100 Terrace Avenue, Hempstead, Director, Inez Dingle.



The “Mock Session”

Deputy Speaker assists Silas Rosales of Freeport HS, with the rules/procedures in debating a bill at the “Mock Session” held in Albany sponsored by Somos El Futuro. The “Mock Session” prepares Hispanic students in the art of debate.

Freeport students visit Assembly Chamber

The Freeport PTA, represented by the President of the PTA Council, Sonia Dixon, escorted a group of Freeport students to observe Government-in-Action by visiting the Assembly chamber.

Seven (7) students: Ashley Lamar – 11th grade, Maria Cruz-Orellana – 11th grade, Yartz Ramirez – 11th grade, Kyle McCullough – 12th grade (NJ ROTC/US Navy Academy), Nicholas Wright – 8th grade and John Meyveci – 7th grade had the privilege of being seated on the chamber floor, being introduced by the Majority Leader and observing debate/voting by their elected officials and interacting with the Deputy Speaker who explained the procedures they were witnessing.

These well-mannered, alert, informed students had the rare experience of observing “real” Government-in-Action. This positive experience will serve them well as they continue their education and seek their goals post-graduation.



Deputy Speaker Earlene Hooper with Pelé, the world’s greatest soccer player, at the Cosmos Soccer Team game held at Hofstra University, August 2013.



Message to the People
Earlene Hooper
 Deputy Speaker, 18th AD

I am proud to report that we, the New York State Assembly, continue to do our jobs:

We passed a budget (on time/early) as we maintained our sensitivity to those issues that impact our quality of life which affect taxpayers, working families, challenged individuals and all aspects of New York life.

The Dream Act and the Protection of the Rights of Immigrants are on our front-burner.

The only public hospital in Nassau County, Nassau University Medical Center (NuHealth), can look forward to providing health care to all with lower interest rates because I introduced legislation that reduces the hospital's debt-burden.

The 2012/2020 legislative districts represent our diverse population.

Much has been achieved; much more needs to be done. We shall continue to listen to you, the voices of the people, to assure You are Heard!!

SAVING TAXPAYERS DOLLARS



Earlene Hooper, Deputy Speaker, witnesses Governor Andrew Cuomo as he signs into law legislation that will save taxpayers money. This is one of the governor's many visits to Nassau County to assure his support for the Nassau County over-burdened taxpayers.



Roosevelt gets New Library



Earlene Hooper, Deputy Speaker, joins local leaders to cut the ribbon as the new library opens to the public.



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Message to the People

Fall 2013

Super-storm "Sandy" challenges Long Island

Super-storm "Sandy" – not a hurricane or a tornado – was the "perfect storm." High voltage winds, a full moon (which affects the tides) left us in stunned awe.

As I made exploratory tours throughout the villages, I was overwhelmed at the devastation: homes cut in half from fallen trees, huge trees uprooted from the ground encrusted with surrounding side-walks, lights out, basements with several feet of water encroaching and flooding their homes, residents desperate and LIPA clueless!!

A year has expired and many are still battling insurance companies, while state/federal funds are "trickling" in to assist.

Nevertheless, we, New Yorkers, are fighters and each day, a little more progress confirms this.

We, in the legislature, have sent the clueless LIPA into obscurity!! (More later on PSE&G)

Sandy was a test. We shall pass this test!!



Deputy Speaker tours/evaluates/addresses the devastation of super-storm "Sandy."