

Second Annual Disabilities Awareness Fair

Though a little rain may have fallen, I am happy to announce the success of my second annual Disabilities Awareness Fair. Once again, I held the fair at the Andrew J. Parise Park, which is home to the first universally-accessible playground on Long Island, funded by the fair's co-hosts, the National Council of Jewish Women – Peninsula Section (NCJW) and the Village of Cedarhurst.

A variety of vendors were present to provide information regarding fitness and socialization programs for individuals with special needs, wheelchair ramp, stair and vertical platform lift professionals, developmental preschools & special education schools and a special needs attorney. The fair also provided the opportunity for local families to connect with each other for future support and advice.

As a special treat, the Lawrence High School Life Rhythms, a group of special needs high school students, performed for attendees. I hold this fair close to my heart and plan on hosting it for many years to come so I can help more families like my own.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Break the Grip of the Rip

I am proud to support the Atlantic Beach Rescue Squad's rip tide awareness campaign, "Break the Grip of the Rip." Living on an island, and with the devastating losses our communities suffered this summer, it is important to understand the dangers of rip tides. To learn more about what to do if you get caught in a rip tide, check out the posters the AB Rescue Squad posted at local beaches.



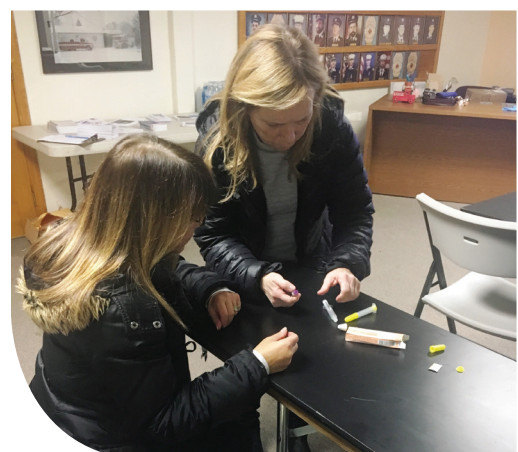
Celebrating Our Nation's Independence

As a proud American, and with my love of the summer season, I was happy to participate in the Point Lookout-Lido Beach Fourth of July Parade this year. It is wonderful to see the community come together to celebrate our nation's independence.



Fighting the Opioid Epidemic on Long Island

The opioid epidemic is growing on Long Island at a shocking rate. At least one person dies every day from an opioid overdose. I was proud to host multiple overdose prevention training programs to help my fellow Long Islanders recognize the signs and symptoms of opioid abuse, how to identify and prevent a fatal overdose and how to administer the life-saving antidote, naloxone. I am thankful for my co-hosts, Town of Hempstead Councilman Anthony D'Esposito, Nassau County Executive Laura Curran, Nassau County Legislator Denise Ford, the Oceanside Fire Department and the Point Lookout Fire Department.



IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Promoting Skin Cancer Awareness

Skin cancer is scary, but if you catch it early enough it can be a very treatable condition. I was happy to partner with South Nassau Communities Hospital to provide free skin cancer screenings on the Long Beach Boardwalk in June, as early detection can save lives!



Help Seniors Enjoy Their Golden Years

In an effort to help Long Island seniors enjoy their golden years to the fullest, in July I hosted a free senior series to cover a variety of topics, including fall prevention, being prescription savvy, how to stay young and vital for life, and a beginner tai chi class. It was great to see so many seniors come out and stay active.



Standing Up for South Nassau Communities Hospital

South Nassau Communities Hospital (SNCH) is an important and much-needed part of our community. So when the hospital was in trouble due to Empire BlueCross BlueShield's (BCBS) lack of coverage for quality care, I didn't hesitate to support the cause. I was happy to stand alongside my colleagues and neighbors to fight back and encourage the healthcare company to come to an agreement with the hospital. I am happy to report SNCH and BCBS have reached an agreement!





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UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Drive to End Hunger

Though summer has come to a close, I am proud to announce my second annual Summer Drive to End Hunger. Please join me by donating non-perishable food items and supplies to help over 600 food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and veterans service programs provide for families in need across Long Island.

Saturday, September 22 – Sunday, September 23

Island Park King Kullen
4601 Austin Blvd.
Island Park, NY
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Child ID Program

During the week of October 15th, the Island Park Library will present a variety of programs for all ages focusing on health and safety. I am so pleased to be hosting another Free Child ID Program this fall. The program provides families and guardians with a card containing their child's photo, fingerprints, contact information and other important data needed to assist law enforcement officials in case of an emergency. It only takes a few minutes to make a card and help ensure your child's safety.

Saturday, October 20

Island Park Public Library
176 Long Beach Rd.
Island Park, NY
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

To learn more about these events or to schedule your appointment, please contact Assemblywoman Miller at (516) 431-0500 or millerml@nyassembly.gov