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**Longwood Youth Sports Association Recognized by Legislator Anker**



*LYSA Quartermaster Adam Gallardo, Legislator Sarah Anker and LYSA President Tom Bove*

**Riverhead, NY, March 2013** – At the General Meeting of the Suffolk County Legislature, Legislator Sarah Anker presented proclamations to Longwood Youth Sports Association (LYSA) President Tom Bove and Quartermaster Adam Gallardo for their tireless efforts in promoting youth athletics.

“The Longwood Youth Sports Association is a tremendous asset to the community,” said Legislator Anker. “Not only does the organization provide a fair and safe recreational experience for our children, it also provides valuable lessons in collaboration and teamwork.”

LYSA was originally formed in 1962 as the Middle Island Sports Association, and later evolved into the current organization it is today. The organization was formed to ensure the youth of Longwood would have organized sports available to them throughout the area. Today’s leagues have grown to more than 3,000 families across eight sports under the LYSA umbrella. The program is also recognized as the largest youth sport organization in Suffolk County and one of the largest on Long Island. For more information about LYSA and their programs, check out their website at [www.longwoodyouthsports.org](http://www.longwoodyouthsports.org).