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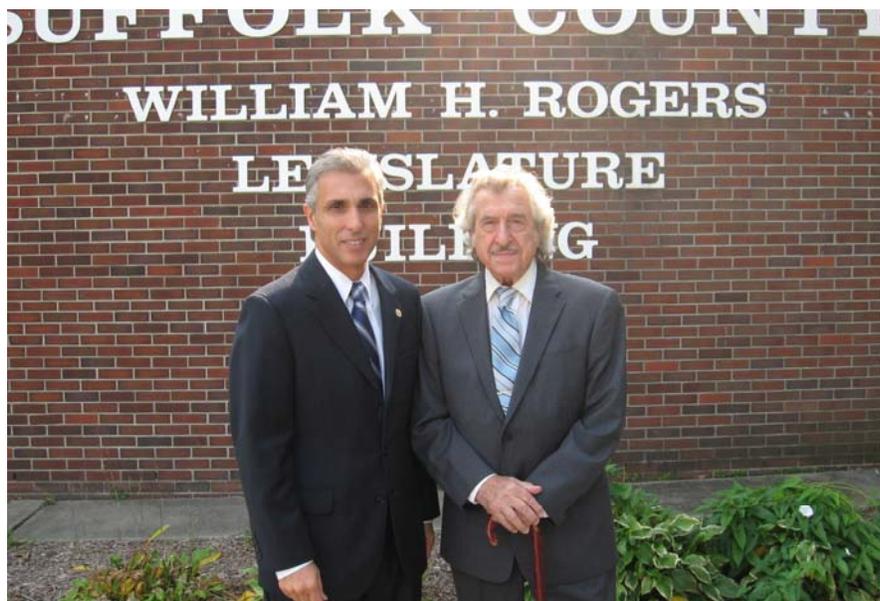
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Deer Park Resident Fred DeFeis Reappointed to Suffolk County Cultural Arts Advisory Board



Suffolk Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-North Babylon), left, congratulates Deer Park resident Fred DeFeis on his unanimous reappointment to the Suffolk County Citizens' Advisory Board for the Arts.

(NORTH BABYLON, NY... September 20, 2011) – In a resolution sponsored by Suffolk Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-North Babylon), long-time Deer Park resident Fred DeFeis was unanimously reappointed to a three-year term on the Suffolk County Citizens Advisory Board for the Arts at the Legislature's General Session on June 21.

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DeFeis, the producer and director of the Arena Players Repertory Theater in East Farmingdale will continue to represent Legislator D'Amaro's district as a volunteer on the 18-member Advisory Board. Established in 1978, the Citizens Advisory Board for the Arts works with arts organizations and agencies to assist in promoting, funding, expanding and planning cultural programs throughout the County.

"It is a pleasure to serve on the Advisory Board for the Arts and assist in giving recognition, support and meaning to the many wonderful existing and new arts groups throughout the County," said DeFeis. "I thank Legislator D'Amaro and his colleagues for supporting me in my continuing desire to promote and encourage art and culture for our residents."

DeFeis founded Arena Players in Pittsburgh, PA and established its Suffolk County location more than four decades ago. Currently in its 62nd season, Arena has hosted numerous theater festivals, rock concerts, operas and plays over the years. Arena Players will be relocating to the grounds of the Vanderbilt Museum in Centerport after October. For more information on its upcoming performance schedule, visit www.arenaplayers.org.

"Through his passion and leadership at Arena Players, Fred DeFeis has been bringing affordable live theater to our local residents since the 1970s, and I am pleased that he has agreed to continue to serve on the Suffolk County Citizens' Advisory Board for the Arts," said Legislator D'Amaro. "His experience, knowledge and foresight make him a true asset for the board and the entire County."

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