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Legislator D'Amaro and County Office for the Aging Announce Babylon Spring Senior Advocate Schedule

(NORTH BABYLON, NY... April 15, 2013) – Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-North Babylon) is alerting local residents about the Suffolk County Office for the Aging Spring 2013 Senior Advocate Schedule. Senior advocates are County representatives who come out into the community and assist seniors with information gathering, completion of eligibility or recertification applications and referrals to appropriate community agencies.

“With the cold and unpredictable winter weather behind us, it’s an ideal time for Suffolk County seniors to get out and visit with their local senior advocates to learn more about all of the critical programs that are available,” D'Amaro said. “Nobody should ever have to go without food, medical attention or other necessities, which is why our senior advocates literally bring these vital programs and services directly to our seniors in their own communities.”

Senior Advocates meet with interested and needy seniors aged 60 and over at regularly-scheduled times in specific locations throughout the community. This spring, they are visiting the following locations in the Town of Babylon:

- Deer Park Library: Tuesday, May 28 from 9 am – 11 am

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- Lindenhurst Library: Mondays, April 29 and June 24 from 10 am – 11:30 am
- North Amityville Nutrition Center: Tuesdays, May 7 and June 4 from 10 am – 1 pm
- Rainbow Center (Lindenhurst): Wednesdays, May 1 and June 5 from 9 am – 11 am
- Spangle Drive Center (North Babylon): Mondays, May 6 and June 3 from 9 am – 12 pm
- Tanner Park Nutrition Center (Copiague): Wednesdays, April 17, May 22 and June 19 from 9 am – 1 pm
- West Babylon Library: Thursday, May 23 from 1 pm – 3 pm
- Wyandanch Nutrition Center: Fridays, May 17, June 7 and June 21 from 9:30 am – 1 pm

Advocates provide assistance with food stamps, Medicare savings programs, Medicaid applications and Heating Emergency Assistance Program (HEAP) applications. They also answer questions and make additional recommendations and referrals.

For more information about available services, or for directions to any of the aforementioned locations, please call the Suffolk County Office for the Aging at (631) 853-8200. Appointments are encouraged but drop-ins are also welcome. No individual will ever be turned away.

“Senior citizens are the backbone of our community, and for more than three decades, the Suffolk County Office for the Aging has assisted these very important residents by giving them full and trouble-free access to critical services,” D’Amaro said. “I urge every senior resident to take full advantage of this professional community outreach program so that they don’t miss out on the County’s network of services.”

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Suffolk County Legislator Lou D’Amaro represents the 17th Legislative District, which includes parts of Huntington, Huntington Station, South Huntington, Melville, West Hills, Cold Spring Hills, Dix Hills, Deer Park, North Babylon and West Babylon. He is chairman of the Ways & Means committee and vice chairman of both the Parks & Recreation and Economic Development & Energy committees of the Suffolk County Legislature.