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## **Legislator D'Amaro and County Office for the Aging Announce Fall Senior Advocates Schedule**

*(HUNTINGTON STATION, NY... September 22, 2014)* – Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-Huntington Station) is pleased to inform Babylon and Huntington residents that the Suffolk County Office for the Aging's Fall 2014 Senior Advocate Schedule has been released. Senior advocates are County representatives who come out to the local community and assist seniors with information gathering, completion of eligibility or recertification applications and referrals to appropriate community agencies.

“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,” D'Amaro said.

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

- Deer Park Library, 44 Lake Avenue, Deer Park: Tuesday, November 25 from 9 am – 11 am

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- Lindenhurst Library, 1 Lee Avenue, Lindenhurst: Mondays, October 27 and December 22 from 10 am – 11:30 am
- North Amityville Nutrition Center, 48-C Cedar Road, Amityville: Tuesday, October 7, Monday, November 17 and Tuesday, December 2 from 10 am – 1 pm
- Rainbow Center, 293 Buffalo Avenue, Lindenhurst: Wednesdays, October 8, November 5 and December 3 from 8:30 am – 11 am
- Spangle Drive Center, 483 Spangle Drive, North Babylon: Mondays, October 6, November 3 and December 1 from 8:30 am – 11 am
- Tanner Park Nutrition Center, #2 Tanner Park, Copiague: Wednesdays, October 22, November 19 and December 10 from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
- West Babylon Library, 211 Route 109, West Babylon: Thursday, November 20 from 1 pm – 3 pm
- Wyandanch Nutrition Center, 28 Wyandanch Avenue, Wyandanch: Fridays, October 3, October 17, November 14 and December 5 from 9:30 am – 1 pm

They will be available to assist seniors at the following Huntington locations:

- Huntington Library, 338 Main Street, Huntington: Monday, November 10 from 10 am – 12 pm
- Huntington Senior Nutrition Center, 423 Park Avenue, Huntington: Wednesdays, October 29, November 26 and December 17 from 8:30 am – 11:30 am
- Paumanack Village I & II, 650 Paumanack Village Drive, Greenlawn: Tuesdays, October 21 and November 25 from 10 am – 12:30 pm
- Paumanack Village V & VI, 100 Adriatic Drive, Melville: Tuesday, October 14, Wednesday, November 12 and December 9 from 8;30 am – 11:30 am
- South Huntington Library, 145 Pidgeon Hill Road, Huntington Station: Thursday, October 23 and December 18 from 10 am – 11:30 am

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 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 17<sup>th</sup> 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 Budget & Finance committee and a member of the Education & Information Technology and Human Services committees of the Suffolk County Legislature.*