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Legislator D'Amaro and County Office for the Aging Announce Babylon and Huntington Senior Citizen Advocate Schedules

(HUNTINGTON STATION, NY... March 16, 2015) – Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-Huntington Station) is alerting local residents about the Suffolk County Office for the Aging Babylon and Huntington Spring 2015 Senior Advocate Schedules. 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.

“It’s been a tough winter but with the cold and snowy weather hopefully behind us, it’s an ideal time for Suffolk County seniors to make plans 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 neighbors 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.

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This Spring, they will be visiting the following locations in the Town of Babylon:

- Deer Park Library, 44 Lake Avenue, Deer Park: Friday, April 22, 9 – 11 am
- Lindenhurst Library, 1 Lee Avenue, Lindenhurst: Mondays, April 27 & June 15, 10 – 11:30 am
- North Amityville Nutrition Center, 48-C Cedar Road, Amityville: Tuesdays, April 7, May 5 & June 2, 10 am – 1 pm
- Rainbow Center, 293 Buffalo Avenue, Lindenhurst: Wednesdays, April 1, May 6 & June 3, 8:30 am – 11 am
- Spangle Drive Center, 483 Spangle Drive, North Babylon: Mondays, April 6, May 4 & June 1, 8:30 am – 11 am
- Tanner Park Nutrition Center, #2 Tanner Park, Copiague: Wednesdays, April 22, May 20 & June 17, 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
- West Babylon Library, 211 Route 109, West Babylon: Thursday, May 28, 1 pm – 3 pm
- Wyandanch Nutrition Center, 28 Wyandanch Avenue, Wyandanch: Fridays, April 3, April 17, May 1, May 15, June 5 & June 19, 9:30 am – 1 pm

In Huntington, they will be visiting the following:

- Huntington Library: Monday, May 11 from 10 am – 12 pm
- Huntington Nutrition Center: Wednesdays, April 29, May 27 & June 24 from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm
- Paumanack Village I & II (Greenlawn): Tuesdays, April 21 & June 16 from 10 am – 1 pm
- Paumanack Village V & VI (Melville): Thursdays, April 23 & May 28 from 8:30 am – 11:30 am
- South Huntington Library: Thursday, April 22 & June 25 from 10 am – 11:30 am

Advocates assist with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP – formerly known as food stamps), Medicare Savings Program and Heating Emergency Assistance Program (HEAP) applications. They also can provide information on Medicare including preventive care services now available under the Affordable Care Act, as well as answer questions and make additional recommendations and referrals.

For more information about available services, or for directions to any of the Huntington locations, please call the Suffolk County Office for the Aging at (631) 853-8200. Appointments are encouraged but drop-ins are also welcome.

“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 Budget & Finance committee and a member of the Education & Information Technology and Human Services committees of the Suffolk County Legislature.