

SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Steve Stern

SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATOR
SIXTEENTH DISTRICT
1842 E. Jericho Turnpike, Suite P
HUNTINGTON, NY 11743



PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

CONTACT: Amanda Lindner
LEGISLATIVE AIDE
OFFICE: 631-854-5100
Amanda.Lindner@suffolkcountyny.gov

IMPROVING QUALITY OF LIFE FOR OUR OLDER NEIGHBORS

Legislator Steve Stern visits seven local senior clubs and assisted living communities during Older Americans Month



Suffolk County Legislator Steve Stern met with hundreds of older residents to discuss issues important to them.

HUNTINGTON, NY –Suffolk County Legislator Steve Stern (D-Huntington, 16th L.D.), Chairman of the Veterans and Seniors Committee, celebrated Older Americans Month by visiting with residents from seven different local retirement communities and senior clubs to inform them on ways Suffolk County is improving the quality of life for our older population.

Legislator Stern discussed the importance of the very successful “Silver Alert” and “Shed the Meds” programs, which were the first of their kind in New York State. Like an Amber Alert, a Silver Alert notifies the community when an adult with Alzheimer’s or other cognitive disorder goes missing. The Shed the Meds program allows for individuals to dispose of their unused medications in an environmentally-safe way to prevent pharmaceuticals from entering our drinking water supplies and helps keep potentially harmful substances out of the hands of our children.

Included in the visits were the Hills Senior Club, Laurel Senior Club, Gurwin Assisted Living Facility, The Atria East Northport, Huntington Village Senior Club, Brentwood Number One Club and the Larkfield Senior Club.

“Our seniors built our Suffolk County communities to be the welcoming places we are proud to call home today. It is an honor to support those generations who have done so much for all of us,” Legislator Stern said.