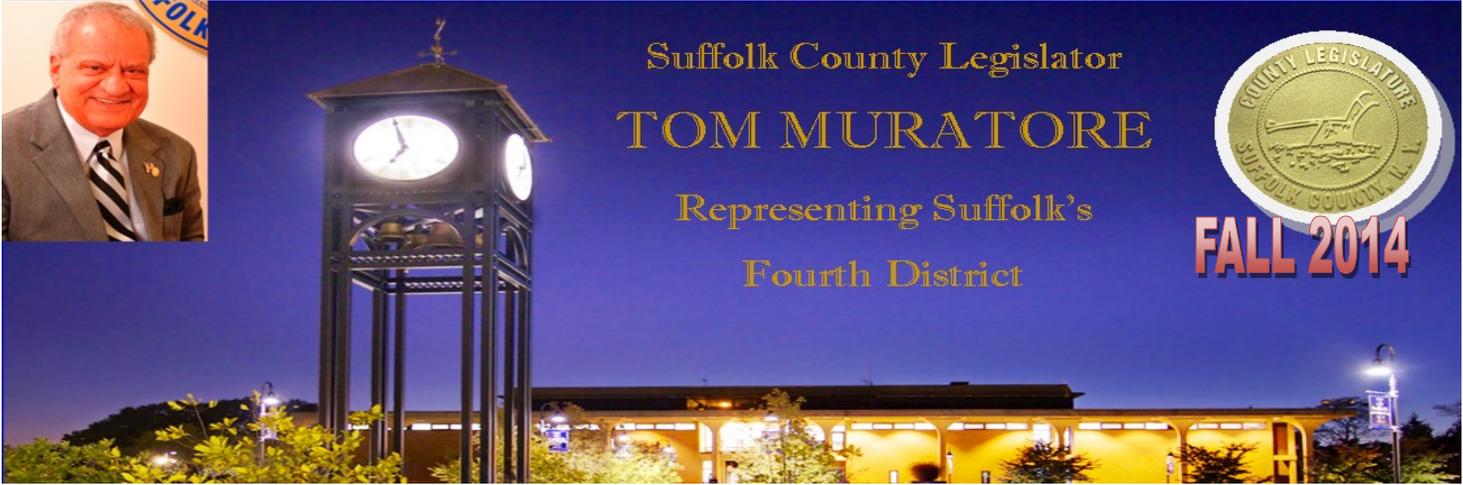




Suffolk County Legislator
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 Fourth District



**Legislator TOM MURATORE Named
 Legislative Member and
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- **Vice Chair**-Public Works, Transportation and Energy
- **Member**-Environment, Planning and Agriculture
- **Member**-Veterans and Seniors



Photo, top left- (left to right): Captain Frank Zambaras, LI Group Commander Mike Mooney, Suffolk County Legislator Tom Muratore, Col. Jack Ozer, and Lt. Col. Pat McGee; top right; Legislator Tom Muratore with Col. Jack Ozer; Bottom: Legislator Tom Muratore with the cadets of the Suffolk Cadet Squadron 10 of the Civil Air Patrol.

Selden, NY –Suffolk County Legislator Tom Muratore (R-Ronkonkoma) has recently been named a legislative member and honorary Major of the Civil Air Patrol's New York Wing. He was awarded a certificate and ID card to commemorate the occasion this week at the Civil Air Patrol's group headquarters in Holbrook.

"It is an honor and privilege to be recognized as a legislative member of the Civil Air Patrol," stated Muratore. "I am humbled to be a member of such a worthy organization. They do a fantastic job of training young people in discipline and leadership skills at an early and impressionable age. Many thanks to Col. Ozer and the entire Civil Air Patrol for this incredible honor."



The 4th Legislative District is located in the Town of Brookhaven, which includes Farmingville, Selden, Centereach, the Brookhaven Town portion of Ronkonkoma and parts of Coram, Holbrook, and Port Jefferson Station.



Legislator Muratore, Supervisor Romaine and Councilman LaValle Break Ground for New Ball Fields in Selden



Photo (left to right): Middle Country Youth Association board member Allan Sirkis, Brookhaven Town Councilman Kevin LaValle, Suffolk County Legislator Tom Muratore, Brookhaven Town Supervisor Ed Romaine, and Middle Country Youth Association President Frank Ventimiglia

Selden, NY –On September 9, 2014, Legislator Tom Muratore (R-Ronkonkoma) joined the Town of Brookhaven in breaking ground for two new little league ball fields in Selden that will be used by the Middle Country Youth Association, among other organizations. The new ball field project, which will be completed by the spring of 2015, is the first phase of a future 24-acre athletic complex on the site. The property, purchased by Suffolk County and transferred to the Town of Brookhaven, is located behind the Grace Presbyterian Church at 425 Hawkins Road in Selden.

"I want to congratulate the County and the Town on breaking ground for this much needed family-friendly place in the community," Legislator Tom Muratore commented. Supervisor Romaine said, "I commend Councilman LaValle and Legislator Muratore for their commitment to making this athletic complex a reality for the families in the community. It's another example of how the Town can work with all levels of government to provide the services that improve the quality of life for our residents."

Councilman LaValle said, "Legislator Muratore championed this project since day one and without his support, it may never had come to fruition. I look forward to coming back in the spring to join the Middle Country Youth Association for opening day at the new ball fields."



(Proposed map of future park and ball field)



Legislator Muratore Attends Three Community Street Fairs



Photo captions: (top left): Legislator Tom Muratore (second from right) with his staff at the Centereach Street Fair. (top right) Legislator Muratore and Brookhaven Town Supervisor Ed Romaine at the Farmingville Street Fair. (bottom) (left to right): Brookhaven Town Councilman Kevin LaValle, Brookhaven Town Supervisor Ed Romaine, Islip Town Supervisor Tom Croci, and Suffolk County Legislator Tom Muratore.

Legislator Tom Muratore, along with other local elected officials attended three community street fairs throughout the summer. The Second Annual Centereach Street Fair was held on June 8th, located on Mark Tree Road. It was sponsored by the Centereach Civic Association, Middle Country Children's Soccer, and the Greater Middle Country Chamber of Commerce. The Third Annual Farmingville Street Fair, sponsored by the Farmingville Hills Chamber of Commerce, took place on Sunday, August 24th along Portion Road. And on August 31st, the Ronkonkoma Chamber of Commerce's Ninth Annual Street Fair was held on Hawkins Road.

Many vendors lined the streets and offered delicious foods, clothing, jewelry and other goods and services. Thousands of local residents brought their families and pets to join in the festivities.



"The weather was great and the fairs were all well attended," stated Legislator Muratore. "I am pleased to know our community offers fun, affordable, family-friendly events, and I congratulate all the civic and chamber groups for yet another season of successful street fairs."

Legislator Muratore Recognizes Historic Landmark at Lake Ronkonkoma's First Annual Cemetery Walk



Photos (left to right): 1) Suffolk County Legislator Tom Muratore, Lake Ronkonkoma Historical Society Trustee Josephine Molinari, Suffolk County Legislator Tom Cilmi, Ronkonkoma Chamber of Commerce Secretary Kevin Hym, and Ronkonkoma Chamber of Commerce President Denise Schwarz. 2) Suffolk County Legislator Tom Muratore presents landmark sign with Ellyn Okvist, President of the Lake Ronkonkoma Heritage Association.

Selden, NY – Legislator Tom Muratore (R-Ronkonkoma) recently attended The Lake Ronkonkoma Heritage Association's First Annual Cemetery Walk in recognition of the local Civil War Soldiers buried at that site. Additionally, the cemetery, located at the famed "Five Corners," has been inducted into the Historic Landmarks of Lake Ronkonkoma as Landmark #6. Legislator Muratore donated funds for the sign that was placed on the grounds.



(Legislator Tom Muratore with Janine Stange)

Suffolk County Legislature Recognizes Janine Stange, the "National Anthem Girl"

Selden, NY – Legislator Tom Muratore proudly announces that at the September 9th General Meeting of the Suffolk County Legislature, he and his 17 colleagues honored Janine Stange, also known as the "National Anthem Girl."

Suffolk County native Janine Stange has shared her singing talents by performing the Star Spangled Banner at various events throughout her high school and college career. On August 28, 2014, she made history by completing her mission to sing the "Star Spangled Banner" at events in all 50 states in the nation. This goal has been reached in time for the 200th anniversary of Francis Scott Key penning the lyrics for the hallowed song on September 14, 1814.

In addition to performing our National Anthem at events, Janine Stange sets up a table each time with blank "thank you" cards. This allows attendees to write messages of gratitude to our deployed military and veterans. Each card goes into an Operation Gratitude military care package.

"It is a pleasure to acknowledge Ms. Stange today," stated Legislator Muratore. "By sharing her musical talent throughout America, Janine expresses her patriotism and support of our military past and present. The accomplishment of singing the National Anthem in all fifty states is worthy of our congratulations."

For more information on Janine Stange, you can visit her website at <http://www.nationalanthemgirl.org/>

Legislator Muratore – “Be Prepared for Hurricanes”

Selden, NY – With hurricane season upon us, Legislator Tom Muratore (R-Ronkonkoma) would like to remind residents of Hurricane Preparedness. Awareness and preparation can be very important in preventing loss of life and property damage from a hurricane, as we’ve learned from Super Storm Sandy.



Know Your Risk and What to Do

- Contact your local emergency management office to learn about evacuation routes and emergency plans.
- Get additional information from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (visit fema.gov and m.fema.gov from your mobile device for information), Ready Campaign (Ready.gov) Citizen’s Corps (citizencorps.gov), the American Red Cross (redcross.org) and NOAA’s National Hurricane Center (nhc.noaa.gov).

- Buy flood insurance. Anyone can get flooded, even if you don’t live in a designated flood zone. There is a 30-day waiting period before activation of flood insurance policies. Homeowners insurance does not cover flood damage.
- Inquire about emergency plans and procedures at your child’s school and at your workplace.
- Make a family disaster plan that includes out-of-town contacts and locations to reunite if you become separated. Be sure everyone knows home, work and cell phone numbers, and how to call 9-1-1.
- Assemble a disaster supplies kit with food, water, medical supplies, battery-powered radio and NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards, batteries, flashlights, and other items that will allow you to get by for 3 days after a hurricane hits.
- Gather important documents such as birth and marriage certificates, social security cards, passports, wills, deeds, and financial and insurance records. Store them in a fire and flood safe location or safe deposit box.

Prepare Your Home before the Storm

- Install permanent wooden or metal storm shutters or board up windows with 5/8” marine plywood.
- Install metal straps or hurricane clips to securely fasten your roof to the frame structure.
- Trim trees and clear rain gutters and downspouts.

Plan ahead for protection of pets and livestock. For information go to www.fema.gov and search on “Pet Owners.”

As the Storm Approaches

- Remember that a **Hurricane Watch** means the onset of hurricane conditions is possible within 36 hours; a **Hurricane Warning** means the onset of hurricane conditions is likely within 24 hours.
- Have a full tank of gas in a vehicle, cash, and your disaster supplies kit ready to go.
- Make sure every family member carries or wears identification.
- Listen to the radio or television and NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards for current information and be prepared to act quickly.
- Turn refrigerator and freezer to maximum cold and keep closed.
- Secure your boat or move it to a safer mooring.
- Fill the bathtub and other large containers with water for bathing, flushing toilets, and cleaning, but do not drink this water.
- Secure or bring inside such outdoor items as patio furniture, kids’ slides, and power mowers.
- Turn off propane tanks. Shut off other utilities if emergency officials advise you to do so.

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(Hurricane Preparedness-continued)

Evacuate if You:

- Are directed by local authorities to do so. Be sure to follow their instructions.
- Live in a mobile home, a high-rise building, on the coast, a floodplain, near a river, or an inland waterway, or otherwise feel you will be in danger.

If You Are Told to Evacuate:

- Turn off all utilities if authorities advise you to do so.
- Don't delay in evacuating once you get word to leave.
- Stick to designated evacuation routes. If you need help, this is the most likely place to find it.
- Take your most reliable vehicle; avoid taking multiple vehicles, which could contribute to gridlock.

If You Cannot Evacuate and Are Staying in Your Home:

- Go to a safe indoor place for refuge, such as an interior room, closet, or hallway. Stay downstairs only if you are not in a flood prone or storm surge area.
- Do not go outdoors during the storm, even in its early stages. Flying debris is extremely dangerous.
- Close all doors, brace external doors, stay clear of windows and keep curtains and blinds shut.
- If necessary take cover under a heavy table, or under something protective.
- Don't be tricked by a sudden lull in the storm, it may be the "eye" passing over. The storm will resume.

Immediately After the Storm:

Use extreme caution going out of doors. Be alert for downed power lines, broken glass, and damage to building foundations, streets and bridges, and coastal or hillside erosion.

- Keep listening to radio, TV, or NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards.
- Watch for closed roads. If you come upon a barricade or a flooded road: *Don't Drown, Turn Around.*

Be Prepared to:

- Stay on firm ground. Moving water only 6 inches deep can sweep you off your feet.
- Standing water may be electrically charged from power lines.
- Once home, check gas, water, electrical lines and appliances for damage.
- Use a flashlight to inspect for damage. Never use candles or other open flames indoors.
- When using a generator, avoid electrocution hazards by following manufacturers' instructions and standard electrical code.
- Do not drink tap water until you know it is safe.

The Suffolk County Department of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services' Office of Emergency Management has a wealth of information to help you and your family prepare for the upcoming hurricane season, including sheltering information, preparedness plans, weather information, and pre-registration for people with special needs. Go to Suffolk County's webpage www.suffolkcountyny.gov, click on Department Directory, Fire Rescue & Emergency Services, Emergency Management. For any of your legislative needs, please contact the office of Legislator Tom Muratore at 631-854-9292 or email tom.muratore@suffolkcountyny.gov.