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Supervisor Santino Increases Open Government & Transparency



Supervisor Anthony Santino, (in union with Councilman Anthony D'Esposito and Town Clerk Nasrin Ahmad) have reaffirmed the town's commitment to an open and transparent government in which residents are well-informed and have direct involvement.

"The hard-working residents of the Town of Hempstead may not always have time to attend a Town Board meeting, but by adding legal notices, meeting minutes, bids and RFPs to our town website, neighbors can stay up to date on all the latest news and information," stated Santino. "Our government has always strived to operate in a manner that encourages public participation, and I am confident that this new initiative will usher forth even greater transparency in America's largest township."

Residents can now access legal notices, meeting agendas and minutes, and Town Board resolutions on the town website. Documents are posted in PDF format, which are easily accessible on most computers and smartphones.

Legal notices, bids, RFPs, meeting minutes and other public documents are now readily available on the town website. The town also posts town budget information, Board of Appeals calendars, special district (i.e. fire, water, sewer) notices and many applications for town programs and services.

Executive Mangano Urges Residents To Report Potholes

County Executive Ed Mangano today reminded residents that any road issues such as potholes, which are common in the colder months, should be reported to the Nassau County Department of Highways at (516) 571-6900 or through the Nassau Now mobile application. Under a plan announced last year, Nassau County reports pothole complaints in "real-time" to cities, towns and villages so that their highway crews can also be dispatched to address road conditions with urgency.

Pothole repairs on Nassau County roadways are made within 24 hours of being reported by residents. In addition, County employees patrol County roadways to locate and address any issues caused by the winter weather.

Potholes form as asphalt road surfaces crack under the heat of the day. These cracks allow snow and rain water to seep into the underlying dirt and gravel. This water freezes and expands, and as a result dirt and gravel is pushed out leaving a hole when the water eventually melts. While winter has resulted in thousands of potholes throughout the region, additional potholes are expected to open as the weather warms.

To report a pothole issue, please call (516) 571-6900 or download and use the Nassau Now mobile application on your smartphone or mobile device. The app will enable a photograph to be taken of the area and sent to the Highway Department with the GPS location.

Lifeguards Wanted for Nassau County 2016 Summer Pool Season

County Executive Ed Mangano today announced that the Nassau County Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums is seeking applicants to fill open lifeguard positions at Nassau County's outdoor pools located at Cantiague Park, Christopher Morley Park, North Woodmere Park, and Wantagh Park for the 2016 summer pool season.

Applicants must be at least 16 years of age and must possess: current Nassau County Lifeguard Certification; current (no more than a year old) American Red Cross CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer OR current American Heart Association CPR/AED for the Health Professional; and Current American Red Cross or American Heart Association First Aid. For more information: (516) 572-0200.

Honor A Veteran On Flag Day

HONOR A VETERAN ON FLAG DAY BY PURCHASING AN ENGRAVED BRICK ON THE VETERANS WALK OF HONOR IN LONG BEACH. A CHECK FOR \$100 SENT TO THE VICTOR MURTHA POST OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, P.O. BOX 97, LONG BEACH, NY 11561 WILL ENSURE THERE IS AN EVER LASTING TRIBUTE TO THE VETERAN YOU HAVE SELECTED. A SPECIAL CEREMONY IS SCHEDULED FOR FLAG DAY TO UNVEIL THE NEWEST BRICKS. FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 1-516-46VET47 OR 1-516-992-2622. DOWNLOAD AN APPLICATION AT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.VICTORMURTHA.WEBS.COM. AMERICAN LEGION -

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The Nassau County Courts Celebrate Black History Month In Special Session



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A Special Session of the Supreme Court was recently held in honor of Black History Month. More than 250 guests attended the ceremony which was held in the ceremonial courtroom of the Supreme Court in Mineola. The ceremony was sponsored by the Nassau County Courts Black History Committee and the Amistad Black Bar Association. **Pictured above: Hon. Alfred Cooper, Hon. Antonio I. Brandveen, Hon. Jerald S. Carter, who received the Alfred S. Robbins Memorial Award; Vickie Hicks, who received the Michele M. Woodard Service Award; retired Freeport police detective Julius Pearse, who received the Trailblazer Award; William M. Savino, Esq., who accepted the Amistad Presidential Award on behalf of his firm Rivkin Radler LLP. Also joining the honorees are Nassau County District Attorney Madeline Singas, Hon. Norman St. George, Supervising Judge of the Nassau County District Court, Maxine Broderick, President of the Amistad Black Bar Association and Kathryn Driscoll Hopkins, Esq., who received a Special Recognition.**