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Senator Fuschillo, Ccmac, & Town of Babylon Team Up to Provide Free Skin Cancer Screening Program

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Senator Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr. (R-Merrick) recently teamed up with the Colette Coyne Melanoma Awareness Campaign (CCMAC) and the Town of Babylon to sponsor a free skin cancer screening program at Tanner Park in Copiague to help protect residents from skin cancer.

“Getting screened is critically important to ensure that skin cancer is detected early and treated effectively. With people spending more and more time in the sun enjoying the summer, this program gave them the opportunity to be safe and get screened. I thank CCMAC and the Town of Babylon for once again partnering with me to offer this important program,” said Senator Fuschillo.

Early detection is critical to effectively treating skin cancer, which is the most common form of cancer. With summer in full swing and residents spending time in the hot summer sun, this is an opportunity to help them be safe and get screened. I thank CCMAC for partnering with me to offer this service to our residents,” said Senator Fuschillo.

According to CCMAC, one in five people will be diagnosed with some type of skin cancer in their lifetime. Malignant melanoma, a form of skin cancer, is the fastest growing cancer in America, claiming one life every hour. People of all ethnic backgrounds and races can get skin cancer. One blistering sunburn during childhood or adolescence more than doubles melanoma risk later in life.

CCMAC worked with Dr. Steve McClain of McClain Labs, Dr. Scott Flugman of Huntington Dermatology, Dr. Jennifer DiFazio of Memorial-Sloane Kettering, Dr. Jeffrey Ellis and Dr. Amy Slear of Belray Dermatology, and the doctors from Stony Brook Hospital Dermatology Department to provide the free screenings.

Senator Fuschillo (right) is pictured with (l-r) Babylon Town Supervisor Rich Schaffer, CCMAC co-founder & Executive Director Colette Coyne, and CCMAC volunteers Barbara and Donald Gleason at the free skin cancer screening program in Tanner Park.