

## Community Update: Week Ending 7/29/11

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I was privileged to attend the 20th anniversary of the Henrietta Senior Center this week. Having secured state funding for the center, I have had the opportunity to watch the center, from its infancy, grow and expand. The Henrietta Center is one of the most active senior centers in Monroe County – offering dozens of programs including exercise and fitness classes, health and nutrition counseling and various health and transportation services. Many of the guests had been active in the center when it was first established 20 years ago and I enjoyed sharing stories and listening to fond memories of the center from its members.

## **Protecting Our Children**

Along with my Senate colleagues, I am supporting the



On Tuesday, I joined Governor Cuomo at Monroe Community College to announce the launch of the Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council. One of ten Regional Councils throughout the state, the Finger Lakes Council will allow for local leaders in business and academia to have direct input into how the local economy is shaped – applying their expertise to our unique region. As the Senate Chairman of the Joint Budget Conference Committee on Economic Development, I worked with Governor Cuomo during the budget process to help craft the Regional Councils.