

# Senator Robach's Community Connection



June 17, 2012

## Out and About Community Events Coming Up

On Monday, June 18th, the Greece Historical Society will hold its Sweet Sensations Fundraiser from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the Greece Historical Society, 595 Long Pond Road.

Also on Monday, June 18th, Valvoline will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony at 5:30 p.m. for its new location at 2472 Monroe Avenue in Brighton.

Wednesday, June 20th, is the Annual Barnard Parade beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Premiere Signs will hold its grand opening on Thursday, June 21st, at 2:00 p.m. They are located at 10 Excel Drive.

On a side note, I would like to wish all the best to all of the fellow fathers for a Happy Father's Day on Sunday, June 17th!

## Senate Passes Body Piercing Bill

This week, the Senate passed legislation which would require parent or guardian consent for people under 18 who wish to receive body piercings. This would be for piercing of any part of the body, other than the ears.

Of the people with body piercings, more than a third received their first piercing before the age of 18. Body piercings are well-documented to have possible adverse health effects. Some studies have shown complications arising in 25% of all cases. These complications include allergic reactions, skin infections, scarring, and general discomfort.

Previously, there was no state law establishing any age restrictions on body piercing. While some studios may require written consent before piercing persons under the age 18, many others do not. For more details on this bill, visit my website at [www.robach.nysenate.gov](http://www.robach.nysenate.gov).

## Greece Relay for Life

Recently, I had the privilege to attend and speak at the opening ceremony for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life in Greece. Thanks to all the volunteers



and participants for hosting such a great event. The stories of survival and the continuing fight against cancer are very inspirational. Keep up the great work you do. For more pictures from this event, follow me on Facebook.

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