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## Yaphank Historical Society Celebrates 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



(Pictured L to R: Stephanie Stafford, from Leg. Lennon’s Office, Brookhaven Town Clerk Kevin LaValle, Councilwoman Jane Bonner, SC Executive Ed Romaine, Robert Kessler, Pres. Yaphank Historical Society, NYS Senator Dean Murray, and Gail Lynch-Bailey, Pres. Middle Island Civic Association)



(Pictured L to R: NYS Senator Murray and Robert Kessler, President Yaphank Historical Society)

(Yaphank, NY) – NYS Senator Dean Murray presented a NYS Senate Resolution, that passed overwhelmingly earlier this year in the Senate, to the Yaphank Historical Society recognizing its Golden Anniversary at the Swezey-Avey House in Yaphank, NY.

The Yaphank Historical Society was founded in 1974 by a group of concerned and dedicated residents who saw a need to preserve the hamlet’s rich heritage. The Society currently maintains and manages four historic houses, three of which are on the National Register of Historic Places, and provides ongoing stewardship for several small historic burial grounds and the Carmena River Nature Trail and Sanctuary. The Society looks to the future to continue restoration and preservation opportunities within the historic district.

“Thank you to the Historical Society for all you have done to protect the rich history of Yaphank’s past to continue to enrich its future,” said **NYS Senator Dean Murray, 3<sup>rd</sup> Senate District**.

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