Dear Neighbor:

Fall looks to finally be here, and we can turn our thoughts to football, shorter days, and crisper air. In this newsletter, you will find information on my upcoming events, legislation and helpful information.

Please read on, I would love to hear your thoughts. If you have any questions or concerns, please send me an email: hannon@nysenate.gov.

Sincerely,

KEMP HANNON

UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 10: <u>Senior ID Program</u> (East Meadow Library) 1:00 pm 3:00 pm
- October 15: Narcan Training (Farmingdale High School) 7:00 pm 9:00 pm
- October 16: Alzheimer's Screening (Plainedge Library) 10:00 am 12:00 pm
- October 18: <u>Tax Seminar</u> (Uniondale Library) 10:30 am 11:30 am
- October 19: Medicare Part D (Bethpage Library) 10:00 am 12:30 pm
- October 19: <u>Child Nutrition</u> (Levittown Memorial Education Center) 10:30 am 11:30 am
- October 23: Safe Child ID (East Meadow Library) 3:00 pm 6:00 pm
- October 23: Medicare Part D (Garden City Library) 10:00 am 12:30 pm
- October 25: Tax Seminar (East Meadow Library) 10:30 am 11:30 am
- October 30: <u>Aging Brain & Alzheimer's Screening</u> (Garden City Senior Center)
 10:00 am 1:00 pm
- November 5: Medicare Part D (Levittown Library) 10:00 am 12:30 pm

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OTHER EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

• October 6: Farmingdale Street Fair (Farmingdale) 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

• October 7: Farmingdale Street Fair (Farmingdale) 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

• October 16: <u>Tax Exemptions Workshop</u> (Garden City Senior Center) 1:00 – 2:30 pm

• October 20: <u>Garden City Fall Festival Street Fair</u> (Garden City) 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

 October 21: <u>Homeowners Cleanup & Paper Shredding Program</u> (Solid Waste Disposal Complex) 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

October 28: S.T.O.P. & E-Waste Program (Solid Waste Disposal Complex)
 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

• October 28: Bethpage Street Fair (Bethpage) 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

ADOPT-A-BATTALION

I'm pleased to announce I'm partnering with 'Adopt-A-Battalion,' a 100% volunteer based organization that operates year round to collect goods and monetary donations for our servicemen and women stationed overseas together with several VFWs, American Legion Posts and Libraries in my district where goods can be dropped off to support this wonderful cause. From now until Veterans Day (November 11th), several locations (listed below) will be collecting hygiene items, snacks and recreational items (such as shampoo, razors, deodorant, shaving cream, toothbrushes, cookies, crackers, gum, envelopes, note cards, pens and more – for a full listing <u>click here</u>) to send in care packages overseas to our troops.

The following are a few of the locations that will serve as drop off/collection centers for Adopt-A-Battalion goods, and more locations are being added (please call to check drop off hours):

Bethpage Library (47 Powell Ave, Bethpage; 516-931-3907) **Farmingdale Library** (116 Merritts Rd, Farmingdale; 516-249-9090) **Levittown Library** (1 Bluegrass Ln, Levittown; 516-731-5728) **Island Trees Library** (38 Farmedge Rd, Levittown; 516-731-2211) **Uniondale Library** (400 Uniondale Ave, Uniondale; 516-489-2220) **East Meadow Library** (1886 Front St, East Meadow; 516-794-2570) **Garden City Library** (60 7th St, Garden City; 516-742-8405)

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VFW Post #2718 (68 Lincoln Rd, Franklin Square; 516-354-9393) VFW Post #9592 (55 Hickory Ln, Levittown; 516-579-4420) VFW Post #7277 (191 Veterans Blvd, Massapequa; 516-798-9757 American Legion Post #1487 (545 Uniondale Ave, Uniondale; 516-486-0127) Senator Kemp Hannon Office (595 Stewart Ave, Garden City; 516-739-1700)

OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

I want to remind everyone that early detection and prevention is key to combating breast cancer. Self-breast examinations and mammography are among the most effective and widely available methods of early detection of breast cancer. Breast cancer is a substantial public health problem and is the most common cancer among women worldwide, and the second most common cancer overall. It is estimated that 232,340 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women in the United States this year, and nearly 40,000 women will die from the disease. And although rare, breast cancer affects men too.

According to the CDC, women 40 years and older should have a mammogram every year, and all women should have a clinical breast exam at least every three years starting at age 20, if they wish to do so. With regular mammogram screening, most (if not all) breast cancers in the United States are found at an early stage, even before symptoms occur.

For more information about early detection, education, support services, or to volunteer your time in the Sixth Senate District, please contact the <u>Adelphi NY Statewide Breast</u> Cancer Hotline & Support Program.

DRUG TAKE BACK – COMING SOON TO A PHARMACY NEAR YOU

The Drug Take Back Act will ensure all New Yorkers have access to free and convenient drug take back every day of the year. This new law, which goes into effect in 2019, requires chain pharmacies to offer collection of unused medication, while offering independent pharmacies the option to voluntarily collect unused medication. This law also holds pharmaceutical companies responsible for the cost of collection and disposal. The program will reduce misuse, protect our water and save government and taxpayer's money. Be on the lookout for more drug disposal kiosks and prepaid mail back

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envelopes at a pharmacy near you. For a list of drug disposal kiosks already in place in Nassau County, please <u>click here</u>.

GETTING RID OF CONTAMINATED WATER

I am proud to announce that my measure, increasing access to important information about drinking water quality, has become law. This legislation builds on several years of work on clean water including our historic \$2.5 billion investment and creation of the Drinking Water Quality Council to make recommendations on new state standards for certain contaminants. This new law makes sure information regarding our state's water systems and any contaminants is readily available to the public on the Department of Health's website. Ensuring safe drinking water is a top priority and ensuring easy access to information should be as well. For more information, please click here.

HEALTH FAIR A HUGE SUCCESS



My 2018 Senior Health Expo was a tremendous success, with hundreds of flu shots dispensed as well as many other free services performed. I want to give special thanks to all the providers who participated. I am already looking forward to the 2019 event!

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HANNON IN THE COMMUNITY



I had a wonderful time at the 26th Annual Columbus Lodge 2143 Columbus Day annual feast and festival street fair in Massapequa.



It was an honor to cut the ribbon for the ALS Association Greater NY Chapter Walk to Defeat ALS at Eisenhower Park. The annual walk is the largest in America and had over 4,000 walkers.

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I was proud to be part of the official street renaming ceremony for Mayor James A. Garner Way in Hempstead Village last weekend. A well deserved honor for an ardent supporter of numerous improvements within the Hempstead community and beyond.

Thank you for taking the time to read my Monthly Newsletter. I hope you found it informative.

If you have a friend who would be interested in receiving this Newsletter or any other essential updates or emergency information, please kindly pass along their e-mail address to me and I will extend them a personal invitation!

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