

COUNTY OF ERIE,  
NEW YORK

SPECIAL  
POINTS OF  
INTEREST:

- National Police Week Recognized by Legislature
- Outreaches provide great services.
- Town of Boston receives donation for new Recreation Center.

INSIDE  
THIS ISSUE:

- Police Honored 2
- Outreach Services 2
- Laptop Donation 2
- Photo Gallery 3
- Free Brochures 3
- Dress Drive 3
- Proclamation Honorees 4

# News from Legislator

## Lynne Dixon



SUMMER 2011

## Summer Construction Season upon us

Legislator Lynne Dixon has spent her first term heavily involved in a vast variety of issues and projects. Understanding that everyone is facing difficult economic decisions, she always kept the interests of taxpayers in mind when voting on the floor.

One of the issues that plagues residents and motorists driving through her district is Eden Evans Center Road, a major thoroughfare for the towns of Eden and Evans, Lake Shore School District and motorists who exit the Thruway.

The condition of the roadway has deteriorated, causing motorists to drive on the shoulder and create an extremely hazardous situation for homeowners and pedestrians. Also, during the winter the

roadway heaves and sinks so badly that plows can't properly remove the snow, creating another dangerous situation.

Legislator Dixon has been very



**The Evans Bike Path bridge was installed on June 22.**

involved in the project, advocating for repairs for months. She was happy to report that on June 30, 2011 the

Legislature approved funding to repair the first phase of the roadway. A start date is expected to be announced soon.

In other construction news, Legislator Dixon recently toured the site of the new Evans Bike Path. The foot bridge over Little Sister Creek was installed on June 22, 2011 and paving of the path is well underway.

The project manager expects a completion date for this phase of the project to be sometime in mid-July. Legislator Dixon will join officials for a ribbon cutting ceremony at that time and announce that the path, which connects Bennett and Wendt Beaches, is open for use.

## Bennett and Wendt Beaches Are Open

Wendt and Bennett beaches are open for the season! Legislator Dixon joined County Executive Chris Collins and Parks Commissioner Jim Hornung to make the announcement on June 24, 2011 at Bennett Beach.

Bennett Beach is located at 7676 Lake Shore Road in Derby and Wendt Beach is located at 7676 Old Lake Shore Road in Derby. The beaches are open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Visit [www.erie.gov/parks](http://www.erie.gov/parks) for information.



# Police Departments Honored



The Town of Evans Police Department accepts a proclamation.

Legislator Dixon presented proclamations to the police departments in her district in honor of National Police Week.

“National Police Week was created to honor the officers in our communities who selflessly devote their time and often put themselves in harm’s way to protect us from those that challenge the moral fabric of our society through criminal activity

and disobedience,” Legislator Dixon stated in the proclamation.

Proclamations were presented to the Eden Police Department, Evans Police Department, Brant Police Department, Town of Hamburg Police Department, Village of Hamburg Police Department and Village of North Collins Police Department, as well as Erie County Sheriff’s Office and



Town of Eden Police Chief Michael J. Felschow.

the New York State Police. Legislator Dixon thanks the officers for their dedicated service.

The American Red Cross’s “90 Days of Remembrance,” (June 11-Sept. 11) honors those we lost on Sept. 11, 2001. Legislator Dixon is proudly sponsoring the week of July 24, please donate during that time, Visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) for information.

## Outreaches Planned

Several Outreach Services have been planned - mark your calendars.

- The Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board, the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning and American Farmland Trust will hold a **Farm Forum** at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 28 at Eden Town Hall, 2795 E.

Church St., Eden

- Erie County’s **Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Day** is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20 at Erie Community College’s North Campus, enter from Wehrle Drive near Youngs Road. Visit [www.erie.gov/environment](http://www.erie.gov/environment) for a complete list of

acceptable items.

- A **Free Rabies Clinic** will be held from 3-7 p.m. Sept. 21 at ECC South Campus’s Building No. 7—Maintenance Garage. Dogs, cats and ferrets welcome.
- **Car Seat Safety Checks** will be held in August. Contact Legislator Dixon for details.



Laptops donated to the Boston Recreation Center.

## Town of Boston Recreation Center receives laptops

Legislator Lynne Dixon delivered two laptop computers to the Town of Boston for use in the Town’s new Recreation Center, expected to open in July. Transferred from Erie County’s surplus equipment inventory, the donation was approved during the April 14, 2011 Legislative Session at no

cost to either municipality.

“The Town of Boston approached me asking if I could assist in locating items for the new Recreation Center and I was pleased to discover that the County was able to donate two computers, which were no longer serving a purpose. By recycling these

items the County is able to support this great facility in the Town of Boston,” Legislator Dixon said.

Legislator Dixon presented the laptops to Supervisor Martin Ballowe and Board Members Gene Wiecekowski, Cathy Maghran and Jeffrey Genzel on April 29, 2011.

# Community Photo Gallery



Legislator Dixon hosted Boater Safety Courses in Lake View and North Evans and both were filled to capacity. She thanks the attendees for taking steps to be safe on the water.



The Eden Library marked its 100th anniversary with a special event on May 14, 2011. Legislator Dixon was honored to present a proclamation to Library Director Joyce Maguda and Eden Library Board of Trustees President Pat Smith.



Legislator Dixon appeared on WKBW's morning show in April to promote her prom dress drive. The response was overwhelming as hundreds of dresses were collected.

## Hot Spot Fishing Maps, Bicycle Route Guides Available

The 2011 Hot Spot Fishing Map and Bicycle Route Guide are now available through Legislator Dixon's office.

To request free copies, please contact her Legislative Office at (716) 649-2640 or email [lynnedixon@erie.gov](mailto:lynnedixon@erie.gov).

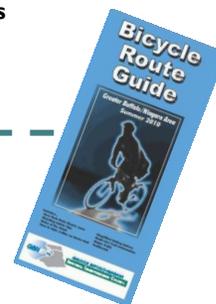
The fishing guide offers useful information on local fishing tips and

list of consistent areas to find a good day's fishing; list of Erie County charter captains and campsites; major boat launch sites and marinas; and regional fishing clubs and Websites of interest. For map updates, please visit [www.erie.gov/hotspot](http://www.erie.gov/hotspot).

The Bicycle Route Guide includes a full-color map of designated routes in Erie and Niagara coun-

ties, as well as a detailed map of downtown. It also features a list of bicycle dealers, repair and rental shops, and information about how to "Recycle-A-Bicycle" and receive a tax deductible receipt.

For information about the Greater Buffalo-Niagara Regional Transportation Council, please visit [www.gbnrtc.org](http://www.gbnrtc.org).



**Call 649-2640**

**or email**

**[lynnedixon@](mailto:lynnedixon@erie.gov)**

**[erie.gov](mailto:erie.gov) to**

**receive copies**

**of these**

**helpful guides.**

## Students Receive Free Dresses for Prom

The 2011 Prom Season recently came to a close and many students across Erie County were able to attend the big dance thanks to Legislator Dixon and the supporters of her 2nd Annual Prom Dress Drive.

The Drive was a great success; approximately 600 dresses were collected and hundreds of high

school students attended the free Shopping Days at the end of April and found a beautiful dress.

"I can't thank the community enough for their support and donations," Dixon said.

She recognized Urban Valet Dry Cleaners for cleaning each dress, and Edén Sr./Jr. High School for hosting the Shopping Days.



**Approximately 600 dresses were collected during the 2nd Annual Prom Dress Drive!**

Town of  
Boston's  
Memorial  
Day  
Ceremony



Old County Hall  
92 Franklin Street  
Fourth Floor  
Buffalo, NY 14202  
Phone: 716-649-2640  
Email: [lynne.dixon@erie.gov](mailto:lynne.dixon@erie.gov)  
Website: [www.erie.gov/legislature/district12](http://www.erie.gov/legislature/district12)



**Erie County's vision: Erie County will be a world-class community where People want to live, Businesses want to locate and Tourists want to visit.**

I can't say enough great things about the District that I have had the privilege of serving for the past 18 months. It has been a very busy past few months. I heard from many of you about issues or concerns you were having and I was honored to respond and help you deal with the situation at hand. Please keep the calls and emails coming; I don't ever want a constituent to feel they aren't being served to the best of my ability.

As you may be aware, the Legislature is dealing with redistricting and I have been supportive of the Southtowns' needs since day one. I will continue to be your voice and ensure you receive fair and equal representation for the next 10 years. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your interest,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynne Dixon".

## Residents honored during Legislative Sessions



**A proclamation is presented to Town of Brant Supervisor Lenny Pero and Board Member Dan Kujawinski in recognition of improvements made to its senior center and park. State Regional Grants Officer Noelle Kardos is also pictured.**

Members of the community are honored during each Legislative session. During the months of April, May and June the following individuals or groups were honored:

**Keith Ayers**, First Assistant Chief of the North Collins Volunteer Fire Company, honored for his heroism and risking his life battling a fire in Morton's Corners.

**Trevor S. Schmidt**, member of Troop 578 in Derby, for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Benjamin J. Rutkowski, Michael J. Raab, and Kevin W. Eisenried**, members of Troop 400 in Hamburg, for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

**Ray Vanni** in recognition of his 85th birthday.

**The Eden Library** on its Centennial Celebration.

**Maxine Radosevich** for her commitment to the community.

**Mitchy and Moraya Kiener and Claudine Morett** for being alert and concerned citizens and helping a neighbor in need.

**Marlene Roll**, recipient of the Susan B. Anthony Award from the Interclub Council of WNY.

**Buffalo & Erie County Public Library** for marking 175 Years of outstanding service to the community.

**Village of North Collins** on celebrating its centennial.