



# Suffolk County Voter

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Wed. Jan. 16	LWVSC Board Meeting—Riverhead Library 9:15-11:00am Speaker Dr. J. Harder 11:00am-Noon
Wed. Feb. 20	LWVSC Board Meeting—Riverhead Library 10:00am-Noon

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All League Members are invited to the Riverhead Library  
**Wednesday, January 16 at 11am**

*Lower level craft room, immediately following the monthly LWVSC board meeting*

for a Special Presentation by **Dr. Joseph Harder** on

## **Suffolk County Health Centers: *Funding, Services, Privatization and other Issues for 2008***

Our County established a system of health centers in the 1970's and worked out contractual arrangements with local hospitals for most of them. A few of them, like Riverhead, are run by the County itself. They provide comprehensive care, and are supported by a combination of insurances, self-pay, and funding from Suffolk County and New York State, which makes it possible to provide quality health care at a reasonable cost. In contrast with Nassau County, which chose to run a county hospital instead of creating a health center system, our health centers are supported by the private sector as well as government. Each Health Center has an Advisory Council, which advocates for community residents and also for the health centers.

Currently the Suffolk County Department of Health Services' Health Center Network has eight (8) family health centers (Amityville, Brentwood, Coram, Greenlawn, Patchogue, Riverhead, Shirley and Wyandanch ) and three (3) satellite centers (East Hampton, Central Islip and Southampton).

Dr. Joseph Harder was medical director of the Marilyn Shellabarger Health Center in Shirley from 1977 to 1990. Thereafter he served as Chair of the Advisory Council for the Brookhaven Health Centers, East & West, from 1998 to the present. He has been Co-Chair of the Liaison Committee that represents all the Health Centers in their negotiations with County Executive Levy and the Legislature.

*The Suffolk County Restorative Justice Project is presenting an all-day conference*

## **Restorative Practices in Schools: *Re-Imagining Schools Through the Lens of Restorative Justice***

Monday, January 28 from 7:15am to 4:00pm  
Student Activities Center, Main Campus, SUNY at Stony Brook  
*Cost: \$75 (students \$35) includes lunch, workshops and plenary sessions*

*LWVSC is a cooperating sponsor of this conference, and encourages our local league members to become involved in restorative justice issues and practices. For more information on attending this conference, please call 631 366 1717.*