Town's West Meadow Sunset Seminars Start With "History Of West Meadow Beach"

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Farmingville, NY - The popular West Meadow Sunset Seminar series returns for a second season this Thursday, July 1 at 6:00 pm at West Meadow Beach in Stony Brook. The seminar "History of West Meadow Beach" will be presented by Town Historian Barbara Russell. Ms. Russell will provide insight to the history of this local environmental treasure and protective sanctuary for many fascinating and often rare, plants and animals. She will also discuss the history, facts and myths about "Gamecock Cottage" located at the southernmost point of the beach.

"West Meadows" were described in Town Records as early as 1675, and were officially declared a public beach in 1908. Their fascinating history will be revealed as various areas viewable from Trustees Road and the beach are described. This series encourages residents to visit and learn about the species and natural communities found at one of the Town's most beautiful and biologically diverse parks. Meet at the covered pavilion at 6:00pm. Binoculars are recommended. For reservations, call Eileen Gerle at 631-751-7863. Visit www.brookhaven.org for more information and directions to West Meadow Beach.