Councilwoman Walsh Joins with the Middle Country Chamber of Commerce to Upgrade Newfield H.S. Military Service Display
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Farmingville, NY - After 9/11, the Newfield High School Terrance D. Weldon Military Service display was set up in the building’s lobby to honor alumni and community members who have served or are serving in the military. The display is dedicated to Weldon, a Newfield alumnus and Navy officer who was killed in the line of duty aboard the USS Stark when an Iraqi pilot sent a missile into the ship in the Persian Gulf on May 17, 1987.

Matthew Searing, a social studies teacher and a Navy veteran, recently took on the task to upgrade the display. It showcases a 9/11 plaque, a plaque honoring Weldon, pieces of various military uniforms, an American Flag and military flags adhered to the walls. It also includes a power point presentation with information on 122 soldiers, including Searing that runs on a digital display.

As part of the upgrade, the Middle Country Chamber of Commerce together with Brookhaven Town Councilwoman Kathleen Walsh donated the money to purchase a new 26-inch TV monitor and a DVD player. "The daily sacrifice that our service men and women make for us cannot be measured. I am privileged to donate so we can honor our hometown heroes," said Councilwoman Walsh.