

# Supervisor Romaine Celebrates National German-American Day

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**Farmingville, NY** - On October 6, Supervisor Ed Romaine (right) celebrated National German-American Day along with Past National Chairman, Steuben Society of America Randy Ratje (left) and Frank Krotschinsky, Chairman of the Henry E. Steinway Unit #66 of Patchogue (center). The holiday, which celebrates German American heritage, commemorates the date in 1683 when 13 German families from Krefeld near the Rhine landed in Philadelphia. These families subsequently founded Germantown, Pennsylvania, the first German settlement in the original thirteen American colonies. Supervisor Romaine presented a proclamation naming October 6 as German American Day in Brookhaven.

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