

I want to say something about the quotes from the Town Board minutes that were posted-I assume-by the Republican Party.

By quoting from the minutes out of context, it seems that our Councilmen Mark D'Agostino and Tom Dewhirst are implying that they created Stanford History Day.

In fact, Stanford History Day is the sole creation of our Supervisor, Virginia Stern. As soon as she was elected, Virginia began working on the idea of History Day-a celebration of our town's rich and interesting history for the entire community to enjoy.

At the February 11<sup>th</sup> Town Board Meeting, Supervisor Stern described in detail what Stanford History Day would include – lots of information about all aspects of our town's history, Civil War re-enactment groups, old-fashioned children's games. She then asked if anyone on the Board would make a motion to establish the day.

It is good that Councilmen D'Agostino and Dewhirst supported Virginia's idea. It's going to be a wonderful event in town.

But I think it should be made very clear that we are going to have this great community event because of our Supervisor's initiative and hard work. As a member of the History Day Committee, I can tell you that interested residents have asked to volunteer to work on History Day from many arenas-the Grange, the Lion's Club, the Health Club, the Historical Society, the Garden Club, the Library. Neither Mr. D'Agostino nor Mr. Dewhirst has ever volunteered to work on Stanford History Day nor even expressed any interest in our work and preparations.

As they are elected representatives of the people of Stanford, I am very put off that they would allow any public implication of taking credit for something that they have had nothing to do with.

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