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Gold Stars And Dunce Caps



To the Suffolk County Community College Board of Directors, and particularly President Shaun McKay, for creating a Veterans Plaza on the Northampton campus that honors all veterans now taking classes, former students, and those who once roamed the halls at any of the college's three campuses before making the ultimate sacrifice defending our freedoms. An extra tip of the hat goes to organizers for inviting Deborah Bonacasa, the widow of fallen Air National Guard Sergeant Louis Bonacasa, who died in a suicide bombing in Afghanistan in 2015, to attend this month's dedication ceremony. Both she and her late husband, who had been stationed at the ANG base at Francis S. Gabreski Airport in Westhampton, are veterans who took classes at the college. The college already boasts a Veterans Plaza at its main campus in Selden and intends to install another in Brentwood. The plazas are excellent ideas, and a great way to honor those who serve or have served.