

Rebecca Seawright



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As a Member of the Education Committee, I took part in the hearing on Mayoral Control of our City's schools.

The Equality Amendment I am sponsoring was featured in the Times Union. We are negotiating an agreement this session to pass an inclusive Equal Rights Amendment. If we are going to update the constitution on sex, then we need to include other classes that are overdue.

We spotlighted our Neighborhood Associations this week on Town Hall Tuesday. See below for information on the associations and preservation groups that were featured.

Please consider nominating a Woman of Distinction in our community for our Awards Ceremony taking place on Wednesday, March 16 at 7:00 pm on zoom.

Please join us for one of the events we are pleased to sponsor:

- *Thursday, March 10 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at the District Office of Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright, 1485 York Avenue (78/79 Streets) - **No-Cost Face Covering Giveaway.** [RSVP here.](#)*
- *Thursday, March 10 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Zoom - **Virtual Knitting Social on zoom.** [RSVP here.](#)*
- *Tuesday, March 15 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm - **No-Cost Housing Legal Clinic.** RSVP by calling 212-288-4607.*
- *Wednesday, March 16 at 7:00 pm - **Woman of Distinction Awards Ceremony** on zoom and streaming on Facebook Live. [RSVP here.](#)*

Please don't hesitate to reach out to our community office if we can be of assistance.

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Sincerely,



Seawright Questions NYC Schools Chancellor David Banks During Hearing on Mayoral Control



Assembly Member Seawright asked Chancellor David Banks "how are you going to give parents and students larger input in deciding what is imposed on the school community?"

As Featured In...

State lawmakers push for equal rights amendment in New York's constitution

Assemblywoman Rebecca Seawright, the lead sponsor of the bill in the Assembly, said, "We're very close to getting an agreement with the state Senate. If we're going to update the constitution on sex, then we need to include these other classes that are overdue."



[Read the full article.](#)

Nominate A Woman Of Distinction!

Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright

is seeking nominations for the 2022

WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARDS



Together, let's celebrate **Women's History Month** by recognizing the extraordinary women who are making our communities stronger.

Join us at the
**2022 Women of Distinction
Awards Ceremony**

held at

Zoom/FB.com/RebeccaASeawright
on Wednesday, March 16
at 7 pm on zoom.

RSVP for details

Nominations can be submitted via email
to seawright@nyassembly.gov.

*For a nomination form or more
information about this or any
other community issue, contact*

**Assembly Member
Rebecca A. Seawright**

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*Past
Women of Distinction
Honorees*

2015

Judy Berdy, Barbara Chocky, Winnie Cudjoe, Helaine Eisenberg, Jill Eisner, Yvonne Fitzer, Helene Goldfarb, Monica Iken-Murphy, Patricia Sanders, Judy Schneider, Betty Wallerstein

2016

Loraine Brown, Alice Heyman, Zoe Markowitz, Ellen Polivy, Margie Smith, Eileen Toback

2017

Michele Birnbaum, Eva Bosbach, Judy Buck, Mary Coleman, Maureen Fairlie, Linda Heimer, Sherie Helstien, Wendy Hersh, Jean Kim, Dara Lamb, Jacqueline Ludorf, Valerie Mason, Marilyn Mehr, Sonia Ossorio, Liz Patrick, Barbara Parker, Lynn Shinozaki, Joyce Short, Louella Streitz, Betty Walker, Elaine Walsh

2018

Erlinda S. Brent, Reverend Beverly Dempsey, Joan Falcetta, Lisa Fernandez, Nikki Leopold, Rachel Levy, Marie Luarca-Reyes, Truly L. Mason, Madelaine D. Piel, Jennifer Ratner, Naomi Semeniuk, Mallory Spain, Carol Tweedy, Inspector Kathleen Walsh, Sharon Williams

2019

J. Khadijah Abdurahman, Alexandria Abenshon, Ruth Berghammer, Lori Bores, Jennilie Brewster, Alida Camp, Rossana Ceruzzi, Christine Crowther, Julia Ferguson, Faith S. Fraser, Shakima Grant, Ruth A. Gutman, Officer Lori Murray, Officer Ashley Pappas, Jovemay Santos, Officer Lorraine Wade, Arlene Williams

2020

Julia Fan, Janette Gautier, Ruth Halberg, Andrea Jackson, Dr. Mini Kamboj, Zena Kaufman, Louise Merriman, RD, Ann Meschery, Lisa Spedalle, Bobbie Slonevsky, Lynda Smith

2021

Saundra Coleman, Gayle Baron, Betsy Feist, Deputy Inspector Melissa Eger, Aiesha Eleusizov, Dr. Katherine Teets Grimm, Wendy Machaver, Dorian Mecir, Josephine Napolitano, Margaret Price, Gabirelle Ross, Serena Sabet, Jeanne Straus, Shari Weiner, Julia Wischnevsky, Dr. Shirley Zussman



Nominate a Woman of Distinction in our community

RSVP to the ceremony on zoom

53rd Town Hall Tuesday

Spotlight on Neighborhood Associations



On this Town Hall Tuesday, Assembly Member Seawright featured the work of our local neighborhood association and preservationist leaders. We heard from East Sixties Neighborhood Association President Barry Schneider, East 72nd Street Neighborhood Association President Valerie Mason, East 79th Street Association President Betty Cooper Wallerstein, East 86th Street Association President Elaine Walsh and Vice President Andrew Fine, Carnegie Hill Neighbors President Lo van der Valk and Executive Director Joanna Cawley, and Roosevelt Island Residents Association President Rossana Ceruzzi.



Contact Your Local Association

esna

East Sixties Neighborhood Association

The purpose of the Association is to promote a better community. This is accomplished through group action, representing the residents, merchants and institutions within its boundaries.

info@esna-nyc.com

(212) 713-5826

[Website](#)

East 72nd Street Neighborhood Association



E72NA

We are a non-profit organization dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life for residents of the East 72nd Street neighborhood. We are volunteers committed to being involved with issues that affect our community, including transportation and public safety, environmental and sanitation concerns and streetscape beautification.

[Contact](#)

[Website](#)



East 79th Street Neighborhood Association



P.O. BOX 20052 CHEROKEE STATION, NEW YORK, NY 10021-0060

East 79th Street Neighborhood Association

Since 1984, the East 79 Street Neighborhood Association has been empowering residents on the Upper East Side, from the 70s to the 90s, to improve their neighborhoods. We welcome new members and new ideas. If you would like to join us please email E79SNA@gmail.com or write to us at PO Box 20052 Cherokee Station, New York, NY 10021.



East 86th Street Association

The East 86th Street Association's mission is to enhance quality of life in the East 80's. A 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization, we've worked since 2004 with business and property owners, residents, elected officials, city agencies, and law enforcement to attract new business and address issues such as congestion, safety, and beautification. We're a group of concerned local residents who volunteer our time.

[Website](#)



Carnegie Hill Neighbors

We are dedicated to improving the quality of life and amplifying voices to advocate for our community.

We work to preserve our unique historic architecture, protect views with thoughtful urban planning, and promote a safe, family-friendly community.

The Carnegie Hill catchment area extends from

86th Street to 98th Street, from the east side of Fifth Avenue to just west of Third Avenue.

[Website](#)



Roosevelt Island Residents Association

Over the years, RIRA has represented the residents of Roosevelt Island in negotiations with the State of New York and other official entities. It is recognized as the official representative of Island residents.

All residents of Roosevelt Island are automatically members of RIRA. Those who take an active role as a Common Council Representative or Island-wide Officer (President or Vice-President) have a special opportunity to influence life on Roosevelt Island.

[Website](#)

Unveiling of the New Eleanor Roosevelt High School Gym



Members of the Raiders basketball team with school and elected officials.

Today we celebrated at the ribbon cutting for the new \$6.5 million gym at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (EHRS). The gym occupies the 6th floor of a new Pre-K Center at 355 East 76th Street built by the SCA following advocacy from local elected officials and Eleanor Roosevelt High Schoolers who gathered more than 5,000 signatures as part of a petition to push the City to build a gym.

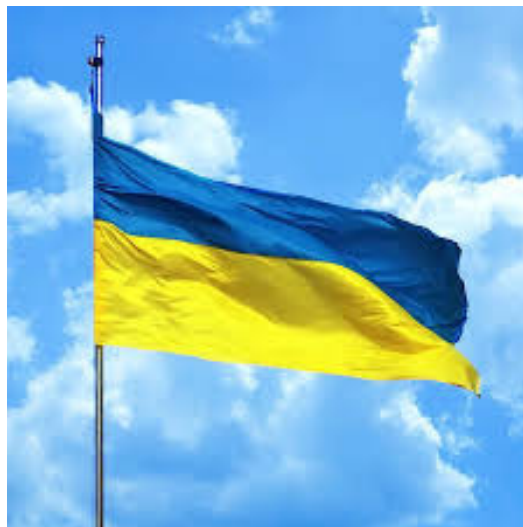
"The waiting is over! Eleanor Roosevelt High can now observe its twenty anniversary and fully celebrate with a new---and long overdue---gymnasium. Let's go Raiders!" said Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School is one of the top high schools in New York City and America with 500 current students from Community School District 2 and the surrounding city with representation from 40 different countries. The school was founded in 2002 and is located in a school building without a gym despite boasting 12 varsity sports that participate in the Public School Athletics League including: boys football, girls flag football, girls and boys soccer, volleyball, girls and boys basketball, girls and boys tennis, coed track, baseball, and softball.



Constituent Liaison Madison Thomas with Eleanor Roosevelt High School Principal Dimitri Saliani.

How to Help Ukraine



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Rebecca Seawright

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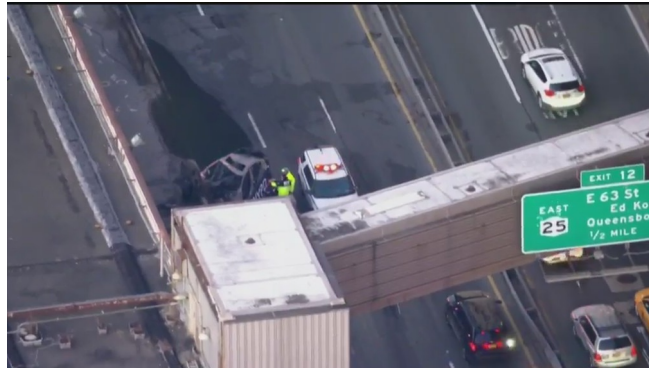
News You Can Use



There's a 42% Gap Between the Most and Least Vaccinated

Manhattan's District 2 has the highest vaccination rate, with 80% of students receiving at least one dose. That district spans much of Lower Manhattan, some of Chinatown, and the Upper East Side.

[Read more](#)
www.thecity.nyc



Deadly crash, vehicle fire shuts down northbound FDR Drive

MANHATTAN (PIX11) - A deadly crash killed two and shut down the northbound FDR Drive in Manhattan on Friday morning, officials said. The sedan had three people inside when the driver clipped another vehicle around 4:30 a.m., then crashed into the ...

[Read more](#)
pix11.com

Resources

Have student loan debt?

The Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program may be able to help!

The Biden administration relaxed requirements for PSLF to make more Americans eligible to have their loans forgiven. The deadline to apply for this expanded relief is **Oct. 31, 2022**.

The Biden administration has already provided \$15 billion in student loan relief to 675,000 borrowers and even more individuals are now eligible for this relief. Visit www.studentaid.gov/manage-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/public-service to learn more or apply.

It's tax season. VITA and TCE sites can help you prepare and file your tax return:To learn more about eligibility requirements or to find a site near you, visit: www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-for-qualifying-taxpayers

Changes to tax credits mean more money for YOUR FAMILY when you file!

Earned Income Tax Credit. Child Tax Credit. Child and Dependent Care Credit. Claiming even one could return thousands of dollars to you in 2022. We'll help you get your money. If you earn \$72,000 or less, file for FREE with an IRS certified VITA/TCE volunteer preparer. [Learn more about NYC Free Tax Prep.](#)

Important information for the Excluded Workers Fund recipients:The NYS Department of Labor will mail 1099-G tax forms to all Excluded Workers Fund (EWF) recipients to the address listed on their EWF application. The information from this form must be included in tax filings for the 2021 calendar year. As you may know, payments from the EWF are considered taxable income. Although payments were mailed with state taxes already taken out, they may still be subject to federal income tax. For more information, visit dol.ny.gov/ewf.

MetroCards and OMNY: The MTA will launch a four-month pilot project to allow unlimited weekly rides using the new OMNY tap-and-go app— which, up until now, had no equivalent to an unlimited weekly Metrocard (or daily or monthly, for that matter). Starting Feb. 28, from Monday to Sunday during each week of the pilot, any subway or bus rider who uses the OMNY contactless payment system and takes 12 trips within that week— \$33 in fares— will automatically have free trips for the rest of that week. The week-long calendar rolls over every Sunday night.

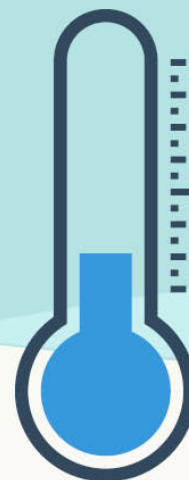
Passed as part of the 2021-22 New York State budget, the property tax circuit breaker program provides a tax credit that can help middle-class families save money on their property tax bills. Unlike STAR, the new program is a credit that New Yorkers must claim when they file their income tax returns.

The American Rescue Plan expanded the Child Tax Credit and Earned Income Tax Credit to help more Americans access the benefits they need to thrive. To learn more about these programs and to see if you qualify, visit: www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/advance-child-tax-credit-payments-in-2021 and www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/individuals/earned-income-tax-credit-eitc

HEAP

is here to help!

Call 1-800-342-3009 to find out how you can get help with high heating bills.



Heating bills are soaring and I know families are struggling to deal with these unexpected costs, but help is available. HEAP and Emergency HEAP are important lifelines for income-eligible households and it's critical that all who are eligible take advantage of this benefit while there is still funding. To learn more, visit: www.otda.ny.gov/programs/heap.

Senator Liz Krueger's 2022 Virtual Roundtable for Boomers and Seniors "Aging in Place: Living Well in the Community"

Session V: "Medicaid Eligibility Rules: Strategies to Help You Access Long-Term Care and Protect Your Assets"

Thursday, March 10th from 10:00 am – 11:30 am

The majority of older people want to age in place, which is possible with the right support and planning. This multi-part roundtable series will bring together experts and thought leaders to help us understand some of the vital components needed to age well in the community.

The March 10th Roundtable presentation will focus on the importance of long-term care planning. Long-term care is extremely expensive, and there are many planning strategies available to improve access to health care and quality of life. The rules governing long-term care benefits can be confusing and difficult to navigate. This presentation will involve a discussion of Medicaid eligibility rules for home care and nursing home care, what it covers, and the planning strategies available to protect and preserve assets and income.

The March 10th Roundtable will feature Julia M. Greenberg, Associate Supervising Attorney, Health Law Practice, New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG).

In addition to the Medicaid planning presentation, we will begin the session with a brief overview of the New Economy Project's **Financial Justice Hotline**, which offers free legal advice regarding problems with your bank account, abusive debt collection, credit reports and credit scores, and more.

You will have the **option of joining the event online through Zoom**, a webinar hosting service.

You will also have the **option to view the event online through Facebook**. Please note that **you do not need a Facebook account or profile** to view the event through Facebook.

If you do not have access to a computer, tablet, or other electronic device, **you can listen in by telephone**.

****Once you register for the event, you will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom and Facebook links, and the call-in information.****

The event will feature a **question and answer session** with Julia Greenberg. If you have questions about if you are eligible for Medicaid, what services Medicaid can offer, and how you can access Medicaid benefits while protecting your assets and property, you should attend the March 10th Virtual Roundtable discussion. Attendees will be able to submit questions through Zoom and Facebook during the event but are strongly encouraged to submit them in advance.

Please let us know if you plan to attend the Thursday, March 10th Virtual Roundtable by registering at <https://tinyurl.com/seniorroundtable3-10-22>.



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#NursingHomeLivesMatter Vigil Anniversary

**March 13, 2022
6 PM to 7:30 PM ET**

Join us in imagining a brighter future as we commemorate last year's NHLM Vigil, memorializing the devastating loss of life and freedom during the COVID-19 lockdown.

zoom link



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Captioning will be available. If you have questions or additional access requests please contact support@opensdoorsnyc.org

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