



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

This week, we pause to remember the life of our beloved friend and neighbor, Linda B. Kane, whose extraordinary leadership, generosity, and commitment to empowering others touched countless lives. Linda's legacy of service to our community and dedication to advancing women in leadership will long be remembered, and we extend our heartfelt condolences to her husband, Peter Patch, her family, and all who knew and loved her.

As Chair of the New York State Assembly Committee on Aging, I also look forward to joining leaders from across the state next week at the 2026 New York Aging Summit to discuss the future of aging in New York, including long-term care, caregiver support, and policies that help older adults age with dignity and independence. Ensuring that every New Yorker can thrive as they grow older remains one of my top priorities.

We also continue to closely monitor the Legionnaires' disease outbreak affecting portions of the Upper East Side. Please review the important public health information included in this week's newsletter and seek medical attention promptly if you experience symptoms. The New York City Department of Health continues its investigation and remediation efforts, and we will share updates as they become available.

You'll also find updates on improvements to the East River Esplanade, an opportunity to provide public input on proposed public e-bike charging stations in our neighborhood, new grant and scholarship opportunities, upcoming community events, and resources available through our office.

I invite you to join us at our upcoming events:

- Tuesday, July 14, 3:30 pm – **No-Cost Housing Legal Clinic** at our Community Office, 1485 York Avenue (78th/79th Streets). By appointment only. Call 212-288-4607 or email SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov to schedule.
- Wednesday, July 15, 9 am- **2026 New York Aging Summit** at Fordham University School of Law, 150 West 62nd Street. More information and RSVP [here](#).
- Wednesday, July 15, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm – **MTA OMNY Service Bus** at our Community Office, 1485 York Avenue (78th/79th Streets). Ask questions or refill your OMNY account.
- Wednesday, August 5, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm – **Benefits Screening with LiveOn NY** at our Community Office, 1485 York Avenue (78th/79th Streets). By appointment only. Call 212-288-4607 or email SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov to schedule.

Our office is always just a phone call, email, or visit away.



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**In Memoriam
Beloved Friend and Constituent
Linda B. Kane**

We join our community in mourning the passing of Linda B. Kane, whose remarkable career and commitment to public service left a lasting impact on countless individuals and organizations.

Linda was the founder and CEO of LBK Partners, where she dedicated her career to executive coaching, leadership development, and helping organizations cultivate strong, effective leaders. Her passion for advancing women in leadership was reflected in her involvement with TriState Maxed Out Women, and through her service on the Board of Directors of the Feminist Press at the City University of New York, supporting its mission to amplify diverse voices and promote equity.

Linda was also a devoted member of the Upper East Side community. She was the beloved wife of Peter Patch, a former member of Manhattan Community Board 8, and together they contributed to the civic life of our neighborhood through their activism, dedication, and service.



Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright extends her deepest condolences to Peter, Linda's family, friends, and all who were fortunate to know her. Linda's compassion, leadership, and unwavering commitment to empowering others will be remembered with gratitude and admiration. May her memory be a blessing.

Join Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright at the 2026 New York Aging Summit



As New York's population continues to age, thoughtful policies and innovative solutions are more important than ever. On Wednesday, July 15, Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright, Chair of the New York State Assembly Committee on Aging, will participate in the 2026 New York Aging Summit, hosted by City & State New York at Fordham Law School.

Assembly Member Seawright will join the panel, "Financing Aging: Insurance, Benefits, and Long-Term Care Models," where state and local leaders will discuss the rising costs of aging, caregiver support, Medicaid and Medicare, and strategies to make long-term care more affordable and sustainable for older New Yorkers.

The summit will also feature discussions on:

- Building an age-friendly New York
- Housing, mobility, and aging in place
- Combating social isolation and supporting mental well-being
- The future of long-term care and aging services

2026 New York Aging Summit
Wednesday, July 15
9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Fordham Law School
150 West 62nd Street, New York, NY 10023

This event brings together policymakers, advocates, healthcare leaders, and community organizations to explore the future of aging in New York and the policies needed to ensure older adults can age with dignity, independence, and security.

[Register Here.](#)

Legionnaires' Disease Update

The New York City Department of Health continues to investigate a community cluster of Legionnaires' disease affecting the Upper East Side, including the neighborhoods of Carnegie Hill and Yorkville (ZIP codes 10028, 10075, and 10128).

As of July 9:

- 46 confirmed cases
- 22 people currently hospitalized
- 0 deaths

Legionnaires' disease is a type of pneumonia caused by bacteria that can grow in warm water systems, most commonly cooling towers. It is not spread person-to-person, and

residents can continue to drink tap water, bathe, shower, cook, and use home air conditioning safely.

If you live, work, or have visited the affected area since late June and are experiencing flu-like symptoms—including fever, cough, muscle aches, or difficulty breathing—the Department of Health urges you to seek medical care immediately and ask to be evaluated for Legionnaires' disease. Early diagnosis and treatment with antibiotics are highly effective.

The Department of Health has been testing cooling towers throughout the affected area, ordering remediation where necessary, and continuing its investigation to identify the source of the outbreak.

How the NYC Health Department Responds to a Legionnaires' Disease Community Cluster

- **Detect.** Epidemiologists identify a cluster — multiple people diagnosed within the same area.
- **Investigate.** Disease investigators review medical records and talk to healthcare providers and people with Legionnaires' disease to figure out if they're part of the cluster and how much their health is at risk.
- **Inform.** We tell people to look out for symptoms and how to know when to seek medical care.
- **Collect.** Water ecologists identify possible sources of *Legionella* bacteria in the area, often cooling towers, and collect water samples.
- **Test.** Water samples are tested for *Legionella* bacteria at the Public Health Laboratory.
- **Remediate.** Building owners with a cooling tower that has a positive test result must clean and disinfect the cooling tower.



East River Esplanade Updates & Summer Events

Summer is a great time to enjoy the East River Esplanade! While improvements continue along the waterfront, residents can also take advantage of free community programming and recent progress on long-awaited infrastructure projects.

Construction Updates

71st Street Footbridge Reopened: The first phase of the 70th–78th Street rehabilitation project is now complete, restoring access to the Esplanade. Work on the remaining phases is expected to be completed by the end of October 2026.

New Security Cameras Installed: Security cameras are now operational at the 71st Street entrance and overlooking Andrew Haswell Green Park, enhancing safety for visitors.

93rd Street Sinkhole Repair: Repairs to the sinkhole that closed the Esplanade between 93rd and 96th Streets are nearly complete, with NYC Parks anticipating the area will reopen shortly.

Upcoming Event with Friends of the East River Esplanade

Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/yoga-with-heidi-kristoffer-on-the-east-river-with-esplanade-friends-tickets-1987020967202?aff=erelexpmlt>



Free Waterfront Yoga

Wednesday, August 12 | 6:00–7:30 PM

Andrew Haswell Green Park (East 60th Street & York Avenue)

Bring your yoga mat and enjoy a free evening class overlooking the East River.

Opportunity for Public Comment: Proposed Public E-Bike Charging Stations

The NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) is seeking public feedback on its proposed Public E-bike Charging (PEC) Program, which includes two proposed charging stations in Community Board 8:

- 301 East 79th Street
- 1359 First Avenue

The program aims to provide safe, accessible charging infrastructure for e-bike users throughout the city. Community input will help inform the final locations and implementation.

The public comment period closes on Friday, July 31. Residents are encouraged to review the proposals and submit their feedback through the NYC DOT's online portal:

<https://on.nyc.gov/ebikecharging>.

Grant Opportunities

Below are selected state, federal, private and scholarship opportunities that may benefit local nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, community groups and residents.

Urban and Community Forestry Grants

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation is offering funding to support the inventory, assessment and management of public trees and forested natural areas.

Eligible applicants: Municipalities, nonprofit organizations, Indian Nations and Tribes, and certain state agencies

Funding available: \$10 million

Award range: \$50,000 to \$2.5 million

Deadline: August 12, 2026, at 2 p.m.

Learn more: [DEC Urban and Community Forestry Program](#)

Visual Arts Education and Cultural Resilience Grants

The Helen Frankenthaler Foundation provides support for exhibitions, publications, educational programs, research initiatives and the long-term stability of visual arts organizations.

Eligible applicants: U.S.-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, qualifying public institutions and organizations working through an established fiscal sponsor

Award range: \$25,000 to \$50,000

Deadline: September 11, 2026, at 11:59 p.m.

Learn more: [Helen Frankenthaler Foundation Grants](#)

Environment Program Grants

The Park Foundation supports initiatives focused on clean drinking water, publicly owned water infrastructure, strong environmental protections and community participation in environmental decision-making.

Eligible applicants: Organizations recognized as 501(c)(3) or 509(a)(2) entities

Award amounts: Vary

Deadline: September 22, 2026

Learn more: [Park Foundation Environment Program](#)

Environment, Historic Preservation, Wellness and Education Grants

The J.W. Couch Foundation supports nonprofit projects involving conservation, historic preservation, wellness, mental health and educational opportunities.

Eligible applicants: Nonprofit organizations located in the United States

Award amounts: Vary

Deadline: September 25, 2026

Learn more: [J.W. Couch Foundation](#)

Grants Serving Veterans and Military Families

The Bob Woodruff Foundation provides funding for nonprofit programs that improve the health, well-being and economic stability of veterans, service members, military families and caregivers.

Eligible applicants: Nonprofit organizations that provide direct services to military and veteran communities and meet the foundation's financial eligibility requirements

Deadline: Rolling

Learn more: [Bob Woodruff Foundation Grant Criteria](#)

Scholarship Opportunities

Marshall Graduate Scholarships support graduate study in the United Kingdom for eligible recent college graduates. Applications are due September 29, 2026.

Learn more: <https://www.marshallscholarship.org/about/>

Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarships provide \$20,000 awards to graduating high school students who demonstrate leadership, service and commitment to their communities. Applications are due September 30, 2026.

Learn more: <https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/>

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NO-COST NOTARY PUBLIC SCHEDULE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10AM-1PM	10AM-12PM	10AM-1PM	10AM-12PM	10AM-1PM

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING PHOTO ID
AND YOUR WITNESSES IF YOUR
DOCUMENT REQUIRES THEM



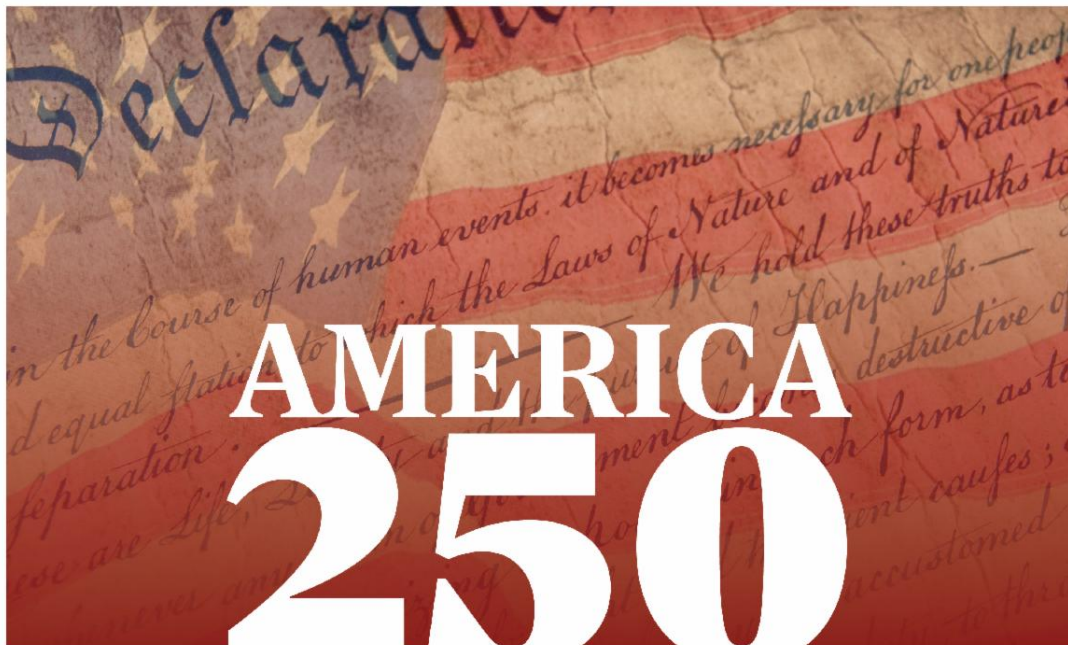
**OMNY BUS
STOPS HERE
(79/YORK):**

WED. 7/15, 8/5

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**REFILL YOUR
OMNY CARD**

**APPLY FOR
REDUCED FARE**



AMERICA 250

Assembly Member Seawright

is sponsoring a 250th Anniversary of America essay contest, with awards going to the top entries from schools in Upper East Side, Yorkville, and Roosevelt Island.



ESSAY CONTEST

Write about an American person or organization that left a lasting positive impact on our country or write about a significant moment or event that shaped America for the better.



**Send your essay
by 09/26/2026 to:**

**Assembly Member
Rebecca A. Seawright**

1485 York Avenue
New York, NY 10075
212-288-4607, seawright@nyassembly.gov



New York State Assembly's 2026

Summer Reading Challenge!

In cooperation with the 2026 Summer Reading
at New York Libraries program

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Participate in the New York State Assembly's 2026 Summer Reading Challenge and receive a **New York State Assembly Excellence in Reading certificate**! Simply read 15 minutes a day for 40 or more days during July and August, then send a completed form to my office.

Contact my office or see your teacher or librarian for more details!

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Upcoming Events

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center Outpatient Center & Public Meeting Notice

Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center is closing their outpatient location at 205 East 64th Street this fall. The lease for the building is ending, and they will relocate services to

other MSK locations nearby.

MSK is holding a public meeting to share information and answer questions:

When: Tuesday, July 21, 2026, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: Rockefeller Research Laboratories Auditorium, 430 East 67th Street, New York, NY 10065

How to join: In person or by video. Visit MSK.org/64thstclosure for details.

ASSEMBLY MEMBER
REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT



HOUSING LEGAL CLINIC

EVERY OTHER TUESDAY

**EVERY OTHER TUESDAY
AT 3:30 PM ATTORNEYS FROM
THE LAW OFFICES OF GRIMBLE
& LOGUIDICE, LLC WILL
PROVIDE ADVICE ON HOUSING-
RELATED MATTERS AT NO-COST
FOR CONSTITUENTS OF THE
76TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT**

**A VOLUNTEER ATTORNEY WILL
HOST A ONE -ON-ONE SESSION
WITH ATTENDEES.**

Get help navigating the housing court process, responding to notices, dealing with threat of eviction, getting repairs from negligent landlords, and advocating for your rights as a tenant in New York City!



**SCAN ME TO
RSVP!**

**RSVP REQUIRED:
CALL: 212-288-4607
EMAIL: SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV**

The legal clinic is solely to provide guidance and advice from attorney's experienced in landlord tenant law. The clinic does not guarantee a desired outcome and does not establish an attorney-client relationship. Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright does not represent or advise constituents in any legal matters.

Health Advocates for Older People Calendar of Events



Weekly Class Schedule: Check the Health Advocates Daily and Weekly Schedule for Zoom links, other details, and updates on closures.
All classes are 1 hour unless otherwise noted. See below for holiday closures.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00am Qi Gong with Charlene on Zoom No class 7/5	10:30am Central Park Walk *Weather permitting* with Deborah 5 th and 81 st , MET	10:00am Alexander Technique with Kim 341 E. 87 th St., CHT and on Zoom No class 7/7	9:00am Chair Yoga with Stephanie on Zoom 9:30-11am Tech & Errand Help 341 E. 87 th St., CHT By appointment	10:15-11:00am Strength & Tone with Reggie 921 Madison Ave, MAPC	10:00am Chair Yoga with Stephanie 341 E. 87 th St., CHT and on Zoom Zoom ONLY 7/3	10:00am - 10:45am Beginner-friendly Line Dancing with Kelly 404 E. 87 th St., SJC No class 7/4
12:00pm Exercise with Stephanie on Zoom	12:00 pm Bone Health: Exercises and Information for Healthy Aging with Lynn on Zoom	11:45am Strength & Tone with Reggie 241 W. 72 nd St. 3rd floor, NCJW *Class returns!*	11:00am Chair Yoga for Strength & Balance with Jana 7 W. 55 th St., FAPC	11:00am Tai Chi with Luc (Dr. Robert subbing) 316 E. 88 th St., CHT *Summer Location*	12:00-4:00pm Scrabble and Rummikub 341 E. 87 th St., CHT No games 7/3	11:00am Chair Yoga with Carol 404 E. 87 th St., SJC No class 7/4
	2:00pm Reiki Self-Healing with Wendy on Zoom	1:30pm Chair Yoga with Eve on Zoom	1:00pm Writing Workshop with Kathleen 341 E. 87 th St., CHT	12:00pm Essential Movement for Healthy Aging with Lynn on Zoom	3:00-3:50pm Tai Chi with Thuha 49 E. 73 rd St., JLH No class 7/3	11:00am Chair Yoga with Stephanie on Zoom
	4:30pm Dance with Alex 316 E. 88 th St., CHT	3:00pm Tai Chi with Thuha on Zoom	1:00pm Tai Chi with Luc (Dr. Robert subbing) 316 E. 88 th St., CHT *Summer Location*	12:30pm Strength & Tone with Reggie 50 West 131 st , AT	3:00pm Advanced Harmonica with Jiayi on Zoom	11:00am - 1:00pm Tech Help 404 E. 87 th St., SJC By appointment No tech help 7/4
			2:30 – 2:30 – 4:30pm 4:30pm Poker BAKG Open Knitting 341 E. 87 th St., CHT		4:00pm Beginner Harmonica with Jiayi on Zoom	1:00pm Movie (see pg. 2) 404 E. 87 th St., SJC No movie 7/4

LOCATION GUIDE: AT: Abyssinian Towers, 50 West 131st; CHT: Church of the Holy Trinity, 341 East 87th or 316 East 88th Lower Level; CHR: Church of the Heavenly Rest, 2 East 90th; FAPC: Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, 7 West 55th; JLH: James Lenox House Hupper Room, 49 East 73rd; MAPC: Madison Ave Presbyterian Church, 921 Madison Ave; MET: Met accessible entrance, 5th and 81st; NCJW: National Council of Jewish Women, 241 W. 72nd; and SJC: St. Joseph's Church, 404 East 87th

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[Community Update: July 2, 2026](#)

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