



Dear Neighbor,

We are fast approaching the end of session on June 9th. The late budget caused a bit of a crunch, so we have been working overtime trying to get some of our priority bills through before the end of term. I am proud to announce that A.3236A and A.1259 have both made it through committee, and I will be working to get those bills across the finish line before the end of term. A.3236A authorizes a study by the Civil Service Commissioner to determine how many vacant positions we have across each State Agency and asks them to detail a plan to fill those vacant positions. The goal of this bill is to help address the slow response times that both our constituents and our office have experienced while trying to access government services. A.1259 is an election law bill that is supported by both the Democratic and Republican Commissioners of our state and local Boards of Elections as it clarifies confusion in the law and creates economic and personnel efficiencies in the system when conducting statutorily triggered recounts.

This month I introduced four resolutions on the Assembly floor, proclaiming May 9th as Fentanyl Awareness Day, the month of May as Brain Tumor Awareness Month, the month of September as Early Intervention Month, and November 8th as STEAM Day in the State of New York. I also had the great privilege of recognizing the 150th Anniversary of Lollypop Farm! You can see my comments about these resolutions and introductions of the honorees [by clicking here](#).

While in Albany this month, my office hosted STEAM Education Day, which celebrated Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math education! It featured some of our First Robotics Teams, the NY STEAM Bus, and representatives from TEALS, an organization

affiliated with Microsoft that helps bring Computer Programming courses to schools across the state. I also participated in a roundtable with medical personnel, legal and agency experts, and parent advocates about children with multiple diagnoses who are falling through the cracks of our child protective and healthcare system. Finally, I attended an annual memorial event for our state's fallen police officers that enshrines the names of fallen officers on a memorial wall in the Empire State Plaza. It was with great sorrow that we recognized one of our own, Rochester Police Department's Anthony Mazurkiewicz, a Fairport resident who lost his life while protecting our city last summer.

If you missed my budget recap in last month's newsletter, [you can visit my webpage to see what you missed](#). Additionally, the results are in from my 2023 constituent survey, and those can be viewed [by clicking here](#).

There's still a lot of work left to do, and we will keep you updated on Facebook and in this space about our summer plans!

Best,

Jen Lunsford

Join Assemblymember Lunsford for a

# TOWN HALL

Wednesday, June 14th

6 - 7pm

Pittsford Community Library

RSVP is required per the venue;  
click here to RSVP



## PRIDE MONTH: STATE RESOURCES

June is LGBTQ+ Pride Month! Did you know that New York State Department of Health (DOH) and Office of Mental Health (OMH) both have resources for the LGBTQ+ community, as well as loved ones, friends, coworkers and caregivers of those in the community?

Whether you're an LGBTQ+ person, or a parent, employer or otherwise ally of the community, the Office of Mental Health has excellent resources on creating safe spaces, getting help, and educating yourself about issues and terminology. [Click here to learn more about OMH's resources.](#)

To address disparities faced in healthcare, the Department of Health has LGBTQ+ resources and suggestions for health and human services, as well as recommendations and research done

on LGBTQ+ health. [Click here to learn more about DOH's resources.](#)

## THE ERIE CANAL

The **2023 Fairport Canal Days** are **June 2 - 4!** Stop by for food, music, vendors and fun for the whole family!

For more information about the Canal Days, [visit their website.](#)

The annual **Erie Canalway Photo Contest** captures the beauty, vibrancy, and character of the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor. The 2023 Photo Contest is accepting submissions through **August 25, 2023**. Capture images of people enjoying activities on the waterway and Canalway Trail or that show the unique character of New York's canals and canal communities and you could win a spot in the 2024 Erie Canalway calendar.

For more information about the contest, [visit their website.](#)

## 2023 NYS CAMPING GUIDE

Summer is just around the corner, and camping plans are under way! [Check out the NYS Camping Guide](#), complete with information about State campgrounds, maps, and gorgeous pictures of your next potential camping spot.

## PRIDE MONTH LOCALLY

**June is LGBTQ+ Pride Month and there are events happening all month around Rochester to celebrate! (Please note that Rochester's Pride celebrations also go into July!)**

**Friday, June 2nd:** SPECTRA will host its second annual LGBTQ+ youth-centered art show on 6/2 from 4:30 pm - 8 pm at TGW Studio. For more information about the event, [click here](#).

**Saturday, June 3rd:** Join the Strong Museum for their Pride Month Celebration! At 11:15 am, 12:00 pm, 1:30 pm, and 2:15 pm on 6/3, sit and listen to story readings about the celebration of the love we feel for our families in all of their variations. Enjoy *Communal Family Mural* where you can create the members of your family and add it to our community mural, showing just how unique every family is! For other activities and performances, and more information about the event, please visit their Web site.

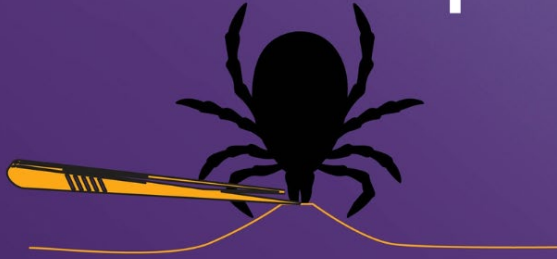
**Saturday, June 10th:** Pittsford CommUNITY hosts their third annual Pittsford PRIDE on 6/10 from 2 - 4 pm! This free, family-friendly event is RAIN OR SHINE; the parade walk begins at 2 pm at the Pittsford Community Center and will end at the Port of Pittsford, with performances, crafts and activities available for the whole family to enjoy! To learn more about this event, [click here](#).

**Friday, June 23rd:** The Smoking and Health Action Coalition of Livingston and Monroe Counties is hosting a Pride Beach Party on 6/23 at 11am at Charlotte Beach! White beach towels and dye will be provided for a tie-dye activity. Stop by to learn about the impacts of Big Tobacco on the LGBTQ+ community. For more information about this event, [click here](#).

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:** Rochester Pride Parade and Festival are **Saturday, July 22nd!** For more information about the itinerary and the event, please visit their Web site.

TICK REMOVAL

# Tick Season is Upon Us!



If a tick is found on the body,  
it should be removed immediately,  
preferably with fine point tweezers.

**Click here for more information about ticks  
and tick-borne diseases.**

[health.ny.gov](http://health.ny.gov)



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