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A MESSAGE FROM

Assembly Member Rebecca A. Seawright

Dear Neighbor,

This week, on Monday, January 15, we celebrate a true progressive hero and revolutionary- the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. His leadership in confronting injustice and using nonviolent protests still inspires and empowers people today as it did throughout one of the darkest times in American history. Dr. King's life and legacy is remembered and honored with each day that we work to combat inequality. Please consider participating in the food drive at Lenox Hill Hospital through January 31 in honor of MLK Jr.

This Saturday at 2:00 pm I hope you will join Congresswoman Maloney at Lenox Hill Neighborhood House for a forum on how the new tax bill will impact New Yorkers. On Wednesday, there will be a Mayoral Town Hall at East Side Middle School. I hope you will attend and bring your questions. Our Roosevelt Island constituent hours are coming up on Wednesday, January 24 from 10am- 2pm. In March, we are looking forward to hosting the New York City Department of Finance for a rent freeze clinic. Please contact our office to make an appointment for help applying for the Senior Citizen/ Disabled Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE/DRIE).

Stay in touch with my office about any issues that are important to you. As always, we are just a visit, call or email away.

Sincerely,

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THE WOMEN'S MARCH ON NYC SAT, JAN. 20



SIGN UP TO MARCH! EMAIL: SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV PHONE: 212-288-4607 @SEAWRIGHTFORNY



New York State is rolling out the Women's Agenda: Equal Rights, Equal Opportunity. #NYSOTS

According to the 2018 Report on the Status of New York Women and Girls...

While New York has the smallest pay gap of any state in the nation, women still earn only 89 cents on the dollar.

Women of color earn even less: New York's Asian American, African American and Hispanic and Latina women are paid 85 cents, 66 cents and 50 cents, respectively, for every dollar earned by white non-Hispanic males.

Women in New York earn less per dollar than men, while 77 percent of single parent families in New York are headed by women.

More than 50 percent of minimum wage workers in New York are women.

New York state law enforcement responds to more than half a million domestic violence calls per year, and domestic violence is the reason cited for 25 percent of homelessness for women and children.

More than one in six female high school students in New York report being forced into sexual activity.

New York ranks 30th in the nation for maternal mortality rates.

Child care for an infant and a four-year-old reaches nearly \$26,000 in New York State, surpassing the cost of college.

Women make up half of the total U.S. college-educated workforce, but only 29 percent of the science and engineering workforce.

Seawright attends Council State of the District 5



Assembly Member Seawright spoke about this year's budget and legislative priorities. "It is going to be a challenging year for the State Budget considering the federal climate. New York State Comptroller DiNapoli estimates the budget will be facing a 4.4 billion dollar deficit. A draft of the state budget will be released on January 16 and I look forward to sharing the strides that we are making for New York State throughout the session."



Seawright, State Senator Liz Krueger and Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer.

As Featured in...



Essay Winners Celebrate Inspiring Women December 17, 2017

To commemorate 100 years since women first gained the right to vote in New York, *The Main Street WIRE* sponsored an essay contest for Island children, asking them to write about a woman, from the past or present, who inspires them. The entries were then judged by Assembly Member for the 76th District, Rebecca Seawright; Island activist and RIRA Vice President Lynne Shinozaki; and our managing editor, Kelly Turner. (Names were removed from the entries prior to judging.) Entries were judged by originality, technical skill, and the emergence of a personal vision or voice.

The first two essays we received highlighted Rosa Parks' bravery and determination, which helped ignite the Civil Rights Movement. We read about a Pakistani mom who struggled to receive an education and whose hard work and devotion now inspires her daughter. The Night Witches, an all-women aviator regiment the Russian military employed against the Nazis, inspired one of our writers. PS 217 second grade teacher Ms. Weinberg was an inspiration to another writer, as was opera singer Maria Callas.



Essay winners Mariam Khelashvili and Saki Imamura received citations from Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright

Read the full story in the Main Street Wire here.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

Mailbox Fishing Leads to Check Washing!

Check Washing is a process in which thieves use common household products to alter checks they recently stole out of mailboxes. They then make the checks payable to themselves or other parties.

What can you do to prevent your checks from being altered?

- Use a pen with pigmented ink to write checks. The ink is not easy to alter.
- Shred any voided or incorrectly written checks.
- Check your account balance frequently to ensure checks were cleared by the establishment that you wrote them out to. Note that thieves usually re-write the check for the original amount you wrote, but simply change the payee name.



NYPD Crime Prevention Division

UPCOMING EVENTS





Roosevelt Island Constituent Hours

NEED HELP WITH A STATE AGENCY? HOUSING QUESTIONS? APPLYING FOR BENEFITS?

WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

Assembly Member Seawright's staff will be on Roosevelt Island every other Wednesday, from 10am-2pm to provide resources and answer your questions!

Wednesday, January 24 10am-2pm Roosevelt Island Senior Center 546 Main Street

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MARCH 16 11AM- 1PM

ASSEMBLY MEMBER REBECCA SEAWRIGHT RENT FREEZE CLINIC

learn about the senior citizen/ disabled rent increase exemption program for renters! COMMUNITY OFFICE 1485 YORK AVENUE 78/79 STREET

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY CALL 212.288.4607

Please join





A FORUM ON HOW THE NEW TAX LAW AFFECTS NEW YORK

Hear from experts about the law's impact on our state, seniors, healthcare, and more.

Lenox Hill Neighborhood House 331 East 70th Street (between 1st & 2nd Ave)

> Saturday, January 13th 2-4pm



Council Member Ben Kallos with U. S. Representative Carolyn B. Maloney State Senator Liz Krueger & Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright present

WORKING FOR COUNCIL DISTRICT 5



SPACE IS LIMITED - PLEASE RSVP BY JANUARY 16TH AT 5PM

TO RSVP Visit: www.nyc.gov/cd5townhall Email: manhattantownhall@cityhall.nyc.gov or Call: (212) 788-8526 ACCESS PROVIDED: ذر بالح

Please contact us if you have any additional accessibility needs.

What you give will feed the hungry. What you receive will feed your soul.

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Help us feed those in need.

Northwell Health is proud to honor the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. by **hosting a food drive to benefit City Harvest**, dedicated to helping feed the nearly 1.4 million New Yorkers facing hunger.



Please join us! Now through Wednesday, January 31, drop off non-perishable items in the main lobbies at these locations:

Lenox Hill Hospital 100 East 77th Street

Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital 210 East 64th Street Monday - Friday only

Lenox Health Greenwich Village 30 Seventh Avenue

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, what are you doing for others?" Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION

NOTE: HOLIDAY COLLECTION WILL OCCUR

Garbage, Recycling and Organic Collection WILL Occur on Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Monday, January 15

Due to the need for ongoing collection services following the snowstorm, the New York City Department of Sanitation announced that there would be garbage, recycling and organics collection on Monday, January 15, 2018.

• Residents who normally receive **Monday collection** should place their material out at according to their normal schedule.

Preparing for the storm, such as putting plows on trucks, storm response, and post-storm snow clearing

operations keep Sanitation Workers from collecting material on schedule. Nearly 10,000 tons of trash and 2,000 tons of recyclables are "missed" when storm operations are underway. Once snow operations start to subside, the Department can return to collection work.

For questions about Sanitation services and holiday schedules contact 311 or visit nyc.gov/sanitation.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES MSK/CUNY

Necessary construction activity will take place at the site on **Saturday, January 13th and Sunday, January** <u>14th, 7:00 am - 6:00 pm</u>.

91st Street Waste Transfer Station

TWO WEEK LOOK-AHEAD

Monday, January 15 - Sunday, January 28 2018 East 91st Street Marine Transfer Station

Deliveries - including concrete with pump at all Zones

ZONE 1: Ramp Work (Along field) & York Ave/91st Street Install utilities Install gas meter assembly Con Ed work at property line manholes and excavation for gas line ²

ZONE 2A: Ramp Work (Along field) Install utilities

ZONE 2B: Ramp Work (Asphalt Green back door) Install utilities

ZONE 2C: Ramp Work (FDR overpass & Esplanade) Install utilities

ZONE 3: Marine Work MTS building interior walls and ceilings Mechanical, electrical and plumbing installation Building envelope and roof

¹ Utility work schedule to be confirmed by Con Ed.

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