

# Rebecca Seawright

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## A Message From Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright

Dear Neighbor,

This week I joined Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney and women's advocates at a rally to oppose Supreme Court pick Brett Kavanaugh. There is too much at stake-- our fundamental civil rights, health care and protections for women's bodies-- to approve this nomination. I am urging the US Senate to vote NO on Brett Kavanaugh!

Next week, I hope you will join us for a panel on clutter, *"What to Do With All That Stuff"* at the Church of the Holy Trinity, 316 East 88th Street, on Tuesday, July 17 from 6-8pm.

I hope you find this update informative. Please 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,



**REBECCA A. SEAWRIGHT**



## Community Update...

### Seawright Stands with Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney To Slam Supreme Court Pick



On Monday, Assembly Member Seawright joined with New York City elected officials and representatives from local and national women's organizations to oppose Brett Kavanaugh, President Trump's Supreme Court nominee to replace retiring Justice Anthony Kennedy.

Brett Kavanaugh is a known conservative with hostile views towards Roe v. Wade, affordable health care labor unions, LGBTQ rights and civil rights. If his nomination is approved, these and other bedrock rights will be at risk and the court could be dominated conservatives for decades.

***"Trump's SCOTUS pick represents everything we have been fighting against. The Supreme Court should be an institution that moves us forward, not one that threatens our fundamental rights and freedoms. We, as New Yorkers and Americans, cannot stand for someone who will roll back protections against discrimination and access to critical healthcare. That is why I stood With Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney and so many other advocates to call on our leaders in the Senate to vote NO on Brett Kavanaugh's nomination," said Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright.***

In 1970, the New York State Legislature proved to the nation that it was a progressive champion for women's reproductive rights by legalizing abortion for all New York residents and non-residents – three years before the landmark U.S. Supreme Court *Roe v. Wade* decision. The court's decision made abortion access a fundamental right for all women and expanded on New York's 1970 legislation by ensuring every woman has access to a safe, legal abortion at any stage of pregnancy to protect her life and

health. Now more than ever, we know these federal protections are in grave danger. And without *Roe v. Wade*, women in New York would be dependent on state laws to protect their reproductive rights, highlighting a dire need to update these laws.

Without the protections of *Roe v. Wade*, women in New York would be left with outdated laws that still criminalize third trimester abortions, with very limited exceptions. The New York State Assembly, and every other progressive leader knows that every woman deserves the right to determine the course of her pregnancy and her reproductive health. These decisions are personal and complex. That is why we have repeatedly passed legislation to ensure women have access to cost-free contraception and that their reproductive decisions are kept private from their employers. We also believe that women's reproductive health issues belong in the public health code, not the penal code. In turn, we have fought tirelessly for years to update our laws and codify the protections of *Roe v. Wade* into New York State Law.

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Albany, NY 12248  
518-455-5676**



Since 2013, the New York State Assembly has passed legislation to codify *Roe v. Wade* into New York State law six times. Year after year, we have been told by Senate Republicans that this legislation is unnecessary. *Roe v. Wade* isn't going anywhere they told us. Even after the constant attacks by the Trump administration on women's reproductive rights, they have continuously refused to vote on the bill. So year after year, New York women are left vulnerable and we are left wondering why our colleagues don't value women's self-determination or respect their ability to make their own health care choices.

There may have once been a time when we felt comfortable with the protections *Roe v. Wade* offered. That time has passed! Now these fundamental rights are threatened like never before. We cannot afford to take this right for granted. New York has led the charge on many critical issues: same sex marriage, sensible gun legislation, fair minimum wages, and paid family leave – just to name a few. This is not a time when we can afford to fall behind. Women in New York are counting on us to do the right thing.

President Trump campaigned on a promise to appoint anti-choice Supreme Court justices in hopes of undermining and even overturning *Roe v. Wade*. With the loss of Justice Kennedy and the appointment of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, women are closer than they have ever been to losing access to safe, legal abortions. The loss of these critical protections would have real consequences with lasting effects for women for generations to come. This regressive administration is testing New York's legacy as a progressive leader. The time to act is now!

## Seawright Supports Girl Scouts of Greater New York Troop 6000 Now Serving More Than 500 Girls and Women Across Five Boroughs

*Thanks to a public-private partnership and \$1-million City investment, Girl Scout Troop 6000 has expanded to 15 shelter locations citywide*

The de Blasio Administration announced that Girl Scout Troop 6000, the first of its kind Girl Scout troop dedicated to serving girls and women in the shelter system as they get back on their feet, has expanded to 15 shelter facilities for families with children across all five boroughs. Troop 6000 has more than 500 girls and women now participating in the leadership-and-community-development program. Girl Scout Troop 6000 was established in February 2017 through a partnership between the City's Department of Homeless Services and the Girl Scouts of Greater New York.

***“As a former Girl Scout, troop leader and mother of a scout, I know firsthand how the Girl Scouts molds young women into the next generation of leaders. In their training and everyday acts of kindness, they have been instrumental in exemplifying the ideals of fairness, equality and community service we should all strive to live by,” said Assembly Member Rebecca Seawright. “I couldn’t be more thrilled that Troop 6000 is expanding its reach to 15 additional shelters citywide. This expansion will leave young women with the same important life lessons and leadership skills I received and will prepare them with the confidence, character and compassion to live by the Scout Law.***

Homelessness today is driven by economic factors, including years of stagnant wages not keeping up with the rising costs of housing. Families comprise nearly 70 percent of the Department of Homeless Services shelter census—and roughly one third of the shelter census is school-age children 17 years old or younger. Programming like Girl Scouting engages young New Yorkers through positivity, promotes teamwork by strengthening the bonds between young New Yorkers experiencing homelessness, and preserves stability, all while demonstrating the importance of ongoing community involvement. Research has shown that Girl Scout alumnae have a stronger sense of self, achieve higher levels of education, and are more likely to reach a higher socio-economic status. Through innovative partnerships and supportive programming like this, the Department of Homeless Services is offering new opportunities to homeless New Yorkers, improving the experience for families with children during challenging times, and helping to turn the tide.

Each week, Troop 6000 meets in shelters across the city, led by trained troop leaders—women also living in the shelter system as well as community volunteers in conjunction with shelter staff. To accommodate the mobility of these girls and women, troop leaders and girls alike can attend meetings at any shelter knowing they are all already part of the same welcoming troop.

To contribute to the expansion of Girl Scout Troop 6000, visit: <http://www1.nyc.gov/site/fund/initiatives/support-girl-scout-troop-6000.page>.

To contribute to the Girl Scouts of Greater New York, visit: <https://www.girlscoutsnyc.org/donate>.



*Seawright with Roosevelt Island Girl Scouts from her district.*

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### RI Public Purpose Funds Grant Application Period Now Open

Eligible nonprofit organizations that provide direct services and programs that enrich the Roosevelt Island community are invited to apply to the 2018 Public Purpose Funds grant program.

Interested parties are advised to submit a Letter of Intent, the form of which is now available on the Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation's website [here](#). Completed Letters of Intent are due to RIOC by July 27 at 4:30 p.m.

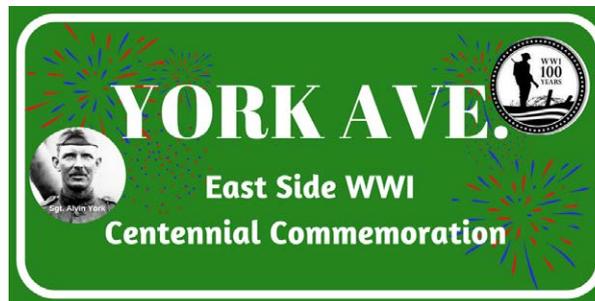
This year, returning applicants will have a reduced burden of administrative paperwork. Please see the website for more information. Questions may be submitted to [PublicPurpose@rioc.ny.gov](mailto:PublicPurpose@rioc.ny.gov).

Previous grant awardees include Island organizations that provide art, music and dance scholarships; summer camps, program and transportation services for the disabled and seniors, and staffing for the Roosevelt Island Visitor Center.

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### World War I Centennial Commemoration Committee Updates

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### Upcoming East Side WWI Centennial Commemoration Committee Events



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The Colonial Dames of America*

**Coming in July**

**421 East 61st Street (between York and First Avenues)**

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## Exhibit Opening Night Celebration

July 16, 6-7:30 pm.

Join us as we salute our new exhibit "New York Women, War & Patriotism, 1812-1918," with refreshments and music. Enjoy an after-hours evening in the Museum, and meet the descendants of Hildreth Meière, mural artist, designer, and member of The Colonial Dames of America. Meière was one of the thousands of women who enlisted in the Navy during WWI and her story is featured in the exhibit. Enjoy a special selection of songs from the era of the Great War performed by Paul Errico.

Free with Museum admission; free for Museum Members. Reservations required: click [here](#).



image courtesy of the Hildreth Meière family collection

## New York Women, War & Patriotism, 1812-1918

June 30-September 9

From the War of 1812 to World War I, women who were loading shot on front lines, building ships in navy yards, furnishing hospitals and supplying ambulances were also simultaneously battling for their own right to vote as citizens. Join us in commemorating the American women who fought for their country even as they also fought the battle for the ballot box. This exhibition features the efforts of New York artist, Colonial Dame and Navy Yeomanette Hildreth Meière during WWI.

Free with Museum admission during Museum hours.



image courtesy of the Hildreth Meière family collection

## Upcoming Events ...

**SHRED DAY**

Join us and shred your documents containing personal/sensitive information.  
*This is a free service. Limit of 3 boxes per household. Please look for on-site shredding truck.*

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<p><b>Saturday,</b> <b>July 14, 2018</b> 10:00am – 2:00pm</p>	<p><b>East Harlem</b> 334 East 108th Street New York, NY 10029</p>
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NYS Senator  
Liz Krueger

# WHAT TO DO WITH ALL THAT STUFF:

Information on clutter, hoarding  
and how to get help.



NYS Assembly Member  
Rebecca Seawright

Tuesday, July 17, 2018  
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Church of the Holy Trinity,  
Draesel Hall  
316 East 88th Street  
(1st and 2nd Avenues)

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JULY 26

APPTS. BEGIN  
9AM



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Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center Honors  
World Head and Neck Cancer Day

# Free Head and Neck Cancer Screening

Thursday, July 26, 2018 | 9:30 AM – 12:00 NOON

#### LOCATION

60th Street, Outpatient Center  
16 East 60th Street  
4th Floor (Suite 405)  
New York, NY

#### NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

For further information,  
call **646-497-9161**

#### HEAD AND NECK CANCER

This type of cancer can occur in the nasal passages, mouth, throat, or voice box. There are thousands of new cases of head and neck cancer each year, many of which can be cured. The best chance for a cure is when the cancer is found early.

#### THE WARNING SIGNS

Frequent nose bleeds; ongoing nasal congestion; persistent sore or growth in mouth or throat; constant earaches; lasting change in voice; bloody phlegm lasting several days; lump in neck lasting more than two weeks; or problems swallowing

#### SCREENING

- Ten-minute exam by conducted by MSK Head and Surgeons and Nurse Practitioners to look for signs of head and neck cancer.
- Counseling on quitting smoking.
- Nutritional advice on cancer-preventive diets.

#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Adults who smoke, drink, or spend a lot of time in the sun.
- Adults who notice any of the warning signs of head and neck cancer.

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# FRAUD PREVENTION SEMINAR

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2018

10:00 AM-11:00 AM

COMMUNITY OFFICE

1485 YORK AVENUE (78/79 STREETS)

CALL 212.288.4607 OR EMAIL  
SEAWRIGHTR@NYASSEMBLY.GOV TO  
RSVP

[RSVP Fraud Prevention Seminar](#)

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**Construction Updates**

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# WEEKLY CONSTRUCTION BULLETIN

7/14/18 - 7/20/18

**RECONSTRUCTION OF YORK AVENUE COMBINED SEWERS AND WATER MAINS PROJECT- PROJECT#: SEN002169 BOROUGH: MANHATTAN DATE ISSUED: 7/13/18**

The following is an anticipated work schedule for the upcoming week. However, due to unforeseen field and weather conditions, it may become necessary to change some scheduled work locations, operations and dates.

DATE	WORK HOURS	LOCATION	OPERATION
7/14/18 SATURDAY	9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Intersection of E. 61 <sup>st</sup> Street and York Ave.	Continue Con Edison work
7/14/18 SATURDAY	9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Intersection of E. 62 <sup>nd</sup> Street and York Ave.	Trench excavation for sewer work
7/16/18 - 7/20/18	9:00 am - 3:00 pm	York Ave. between E. 61 <sup>st</sup> and E. 62 <sup>nd</sup> Streets (West side)	Continue Con Edison utility work.

**WATER SHUT-OFF NOTIFICATIONS:** In addition to a 72-hour Advisory, a prior 24-hour notification will be distributed / posted to any / all affected locations(s).

**NO PARKING SIGNS:** Will be distributed / posted 72 hours prior to the temporary elimination of street parking. Please observe posted parking regulations in construction areas.

**TRAFFIC INFORMATION:**

After Work Hours On York Avenue between E. 60<sup>th</sup> and E. 63<sup>rd</sup> Streets - Traffic will be reduced to two (2) lanes on both the South and North bound sides.

During Work Hours On York Avenue between E. 61<sup>st</sup> and E. 63<sup>rd</sup> Streets - Traffic will be reduced to one (1) lane on the South Bound side, from 9:00am to 3:00pm, Mon-Fri.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact Laura Rivera, the Community Construction Liaison, at (646) 838-7942 or by e-mail [YorkAvecc@gmail.com](mailto:YorkAvecc@gmail.com)

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## CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY

### East 73rd/74th Street and FDR Drive site

- Necessary construction activity will take place at the site on **Saturday, July 14th, 7:00 am - 6:00 pm**

Please call the project's Construction Information Line at **212-639-4444** with any questions or comments.