



Dear Constituent,

Below please find information about this month's events and initiatives from my office, along with other time-sensitive information and a list of new laws going into effect in May 2026.

Sincerely,
Assemblymember Dana Levenberg

Upcoming Mobile Office Hours



Office of Assemblymember
Dana Levenberg

U P C O M I N G MOBILE OFFICE HOURS

Get help navigating state agencies, information about state programs, other resources, and more!

- **Monday, May 11 | 1-4 PM**

Croton Free Library, 171 Cleveland Dr.
Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520

- **Monday, June 8 | 1-4 PM**

Desmond-Fish Library, 472 NY-403
Garrison, NY 10524

- **Monday, June 22 | 1-4 PM**

Briarcliff Manor Public Library, 1 Library Rd.
Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

For more information, email levenbergd@nyassembly.gov
or call (914) 941-1111.

My staff hosts mobile office hours to bring the services of our district office to all corners of AD95. Stop by for assistance with anything you might call or visit the district office for: assistance navigating state agencies, information about state

programs, and more. Here are the dates, times and locations for the next three sessions:

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Riverkeeper Sweep & I Love My Park Day, Saturday 5/2

Parks & Trails New York's
I LOVE MY PARK day
SATURDAY, MAY 2
Starting at 10am Rain Date: Sun. May 3

**On the Old Croton Aqueduct
in Croton on Hudson**
On Quaker Bridge Road, look for "Volunteers Park Here" signs

Learn from expert crew leaders to:

- Identify INVASIVE plants
- Lop, pull and dig them up
- Remove tree-strangling vines

For more information and to register, scan here or go to:
aqueduct.org/ILMPD

Hosted by: Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct

In collaboration with Robbins Pharmacy, Feed the Birds, Hudson View Auto, Green's Natural Foods & Baked by Susan, The Black Cow Coffee Co. and:

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RIVERKEEPER SWEEP **Saturday, May 2, 2026**
100+ shoreline cleanups • NYC and the Hudson Valley

Come Clean Your River

riverkeeper.org/sweep

Two of the year's biggest local cleanup events are coming up this Saturday: the annual Riverkeeper Sweep and I Love My Parks Day. If you are able, I hope you'll join me and legions of other volunteers in participating. [Click here to see a full list of Riverkeeper Sweep locations and sign up to help.](#) [Click here for a list of I Love My Park Day locations and to sign up.](#)

Sen. Gillibrand Service Academy Information Night 5/28

Senator Kirsten Gillibrand invites you to a

Service Academy Information Night



Thursday, May 28th | 6:00 pm
Pace University Westchester Campus
860 Bedford Rd
Pleasantville, NY 10570

RSVP



The Hudson Valley office of U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand will be holding a 2026 Service Academy Information Night on **Thursday, May 28 from 6:00-8:00PM** (doors open at 5:45PM) at **Pace University's Westchester Campus** (860 Bedford Road, Pleasantville, NY 10570).

Interested high school students, parents, and school counselors/officials are invited to register online to attend the event and receive more information [HERE](#). This event will highlight the unique opportunities available through the nation's five service academies. It will also feature presentations by a local Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program and a representative for the Department of Defense (DoD) Cyber Scholarship Program.

If you are unable to attend the 2026 Hudson Valley Service Academy Night, please note that Senator Gillibrand's office will be hosting similar events in other regions, including an event in New York City on **Wednesday, June 3** at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice. [Click here to learn more and register for that event.](#)

Students may apply for a 2026 Service Academy Nomination through Senator Gillibrand's website: <https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/academy-nominations/>. The deadline to apply and submit all materials in consideration for a nomination through their office is **Monday, October 12, 2026, at 11:59 PM ET.**

FAQ: U.S. Service Academy Nomination

What is a federal service academy?

The service academies are four-year colleges that are sponsored by the United States government. Upon graduation, each student receives a Bachelor's Degree, a commission as an officer, and a guaranteed job. Students have a five-year obligation after graduation to serve in the Armed Forces, Coast Guard, or maritime commerce industry.

How much does it cost?

The service academies are tuition-free and include full room and board. Additionally, every student receives a monthly stipend.

How many service academies are there?

There are five service academies. Three are located less than 120 miles of New York City.

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Great Neck, NY – 5 miles from Queens, 15 miles from the Bronx

U.S. Military Academy, West Point, NY – 51 miles

U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, CT- 1 miles

U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD – 227 miles

U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO- 1,785 miles

Why should I go?

This is an opportunity to receive a free undergraduate degree from some of the most prestigious colleges in the nation. The academies produce a disproportionate number of Rhodes Scholars, business leaders and CEOs, general and admirals, and political leaders. Presidents Grant, Eisenhower, and Carter were all graduates of the service academies.

What do I have to do to get in?

A student interested in the service academies must meet certain academic and physical standards to be eligible for admission. The student needs to be medically qualified for military service. One must also receive a nomination from a congressional office.

How does the nomination process work?

Every member of the U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate can award ten nominations to each of the service academies. Every office has its own process, so contact your Congressperson and Senators.

When do I apply?

Students must apply both to the academy and to their congressional delegation. Students should begin their applications no later than September of their senior year. Those who apply in their junior year may be selected to attend summer leadership sessions hosted by the academies. Students have expressed great satisfaction with the summer programs and report that the programs have heightened their interest in attending the academies.

What if my grades are not competitive?

Students who demonstrate leadership potential, but who lack the current academic capacity to handle the rigors of the academy, may be selected to attend a one-year preparatory program at no cost. Moreover, the academies are particularly eager to receive applications from NYC students, as both urban and minority candidates are underrepresented as officers in the United States military, and it is important that our nation's leadership reflect the diversity of its people.

U.S Senator Kirsten Gillibrand

Email: nominations@gillibrand.senate.gov



<https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/help/academy-nominations/>

New Podcast Episode - Westchester Disabled on the Move

Building Healthy Communities

with

ASSEMBLYMEMBER DANA LEVENBERG



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The latest episode of my podcast series, *Building Healthy Communities*, is available now; [click here to watch it](#). In this episode, I speak with Charlie Italiano and Jaden Salmon of Westchester Disabled on the Move (WDOM). WDOM has long been a trusted organization helping people with disabilities access resources,

advocate for their rights, and live independently in our community. You can learn more about the organization by visiting www.wdom.org.

Old Traditions, New Beginnings - Call for Submissions



Presenting an Assembly proclamation to "Old Traditions, New Beginnings" co-creator Cora Silvestri

The *Old Traditions, New Beginnings* project aims to give seniors the opportunity to connect with others by sharing their stories, memories, recipes, or whatever legacy they would like to impart to the generations that follow. Contributions to this project are now regularly featured in the *River Journal* and *River Journal North*. The latest issue features a story about one of the project's co-founders, who was celebrated for these efforts recently; [click here to read more about it](#). If you are interested in contributing your own writing (250-1000 words) or volunteering to help others share their contributions, please email district95@nyassembly.gov.

New Laws for May 2026



New state laws go into effect every month. Here is a list of laws going into effect in May 2026:

5/4/2026: Ch. 491 of 2025, [A8476/S8150](#)

Enacts the Governing Unaccredited Representatives Defrauding (GUARD) VA Benefits Act, which protects veterans from fraud by making unaccredited

representation of a veteran a class A misdemeanor and creating a dedicated Veterans' Services Fund.

5/9/2026: Ch. 55 of 2025 Part HH, [A3005-C/S3005-C](#); Ch. 707 of 2025 Part H, [A8871/S8415](#); Ch. 36 of 2026 Part H, [A9516/S8825](#)

Expands the membership and functions of the State Commission of Correction to provide for enhanced oversight of correctional facilities through visits and interviews with staff and incarcerated individuals as well as facilitating the submission of written complaints via mail and the internet.

5/9/2026: Ch. 56 of 2025 Part P, [A3006-C/S3006-C](#)

Allows certified child care support centers to place substitute caregivers in licensed and registered child care programs, helping providers maintain staffing and continuity of care.

5/11/2026: Ch. 495 of 2025, [A6768/S5509](#)

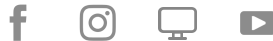
Requires businesses that lease excavation equipment to provide notice to lessees of their responsibility to protect underground utilities by calling the 811 telephone number for the UDig NY system.

5/20/2026: Ch. 506 of 2025, [A1395/S3360](#); Ch. 40 of 2026, [A9488/S8756](#)

Permits a close friend to make an anatomical gift of a decedent's body.

5/22/2026: Ch. 491 of 2024, [A9729/S9186](#)

Authorizes and sets parameters for pharmacists and pharmacies engaged in shared pharmacy services.



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