



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Today marks the 50th anniversary of the passage of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973—the first federal legislation to address access and equity for people with disabilities. The Rehabilitation Act laid the foundation upon which the more comprehensive Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 now stands. These laws continue to be vital tools used to advance access and equity for workers from historically underserved communities.

In case you missed it, there is a new episode of Rise Up With Rebecca Seawright featuring retired NYC teacher Marty Raskin who owns the largest collection of school memorabilia in New York City. Tune in to learn more about the history of our school system and his collection this Sunday, October 1 at 6pm on MNN.

Enclosed in this report you will find information on the signing of a legislative package to prevent human trafficking, a small business feature, and upcoming events. We held the first in a series of no-cost flu shot clinics this week. Appointments are still available for the next clinic on Friday, October 13 at our Community Office.

Please take precautions today and tomorrow as a National Weather Service Flood Watch remains in effect until 6 a.m. on Saturday and NYC Emergency Management has issued a Travel Advisory. New Yorkers have been advised to limit travel and stay inside during periods of hazardous weather.

Join us this Sunday, October 1 from 10am-6pm at the Lexington Avenue Street fair. Our booth will be between 84<sup>th</sup> and 85<sup>th</sup> Streets. See you there!

Please don't hesitate to reach out if we can be of assistance.

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Sincerely,

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# Seawright Flu Shot Clinic



Community activist Frank Wilkinson gets his flu shot. There are still appointments for Friday, October 13. *Register here.* 



Rise Up Featuring Marty Raskin



The latest episode of Rise Up with Rebecca Seawright features Marty Raskin, a retired NYC school teacher and owner of the largest private collection of educational memorabilia in New York City.

Join New York State Assemblymember Rebecca Seawright for her monthly television broadcast with special guests. Watch the last Tuesday of each month at 8pm and first Sunday of each month at 6pm on MNN (Spectrum 34, 1993, 1995, RCN 82, FiOS 33).

This episode aired on Tuesday, September 26 at 8pm and will replay this Sunday, October 1 at 6pm.

### Order Your Free At-home COVID-19 Tests



The federal government relaunched its free COVID-19 at-home tests program. Households can receive four free rapid tests delivered directly to their home. For more information and to place an order, visit https://www.covid.gov/tests.

# Legislative Package to Extend Protections Against Human Trafficking in New York State Signed Into Law

Legislation that Assembly Member Seawright supported in the Assembly has been signed into law expanding protections against human trafficking in New York.

Bills signed this week will:

- Require the Port Authority airports, MTA facilities, truck stops, commercial service airports and the New York State Thruway facilities to provide information that may be useful for human trafficking victims.
- Add the New York Secretary of State to the members of the Interagency Task
  Force on Human Trafficking and extends the task force for an additional four years
  to ensure the work done by the task force to prevent, reduce and assist human
  trafficking survivors continues uninterrupted.
- Direct the Interagency Task Force on Human Trafficking to investigate connections between social media and human trafficking.

# **Small Business Spotlight**

# Thomas Taft Salon Celebrates A Decade of Excellence, Resilience and Diversity



Thomas Taft Salon, an UES, UWS and SoHo based hair salon, celebrates a remarkable decade of success, perseverance, and unwavering dedication to the art of beauty. The multi location hair salon is proudly owned and operated by a team of passionate women.

In the face of the unprecedented challenges posed by the global pandemic, Thomas Taft Salon emerged triumphant, a testament to their resilience and commitment to their valued clientele. Throughout the past ten years, the salon has thrived, demonstrating a unique ability to adapt and innovate, ensuring exceptional service and safety remained at the forefront.

"We are immensely proud to mark this milestone of ten years in the industry," said Melyssa Graham, Founder and

Owner of Thomas Taft Salon . "Our journey has been defined by a dedication to diversity, excellence, and the empowerment of women. We have not only survived the pandemic but flourished, emerging stronger and more united than ever."

Visit their website for more information: <a href="https://www.thomastaftsalon.com/upper-east-side-hair-salon">https://www.thomastaftsalon.com/upper-east-side-hair-salon</a>

### Consider Our Office A Resource!



NO-COST THURSDAY PPE GIVEAWAY





12:00PM-2:00PM

COMMUNITY OFFICE 1485 YORK AVENUE (78/79 STREETS)

212-288-4607

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**Upcoming Events** 



# **No-Cost Flu Shot Clinics**

Friday, September 29 - 11 am - 6 pm Friday, October 13 - 10 am - 5 pm

Community Office, 1485 York Avenue (78/79 Streets)

Appointment required:
Call 212-288-4607 or email
SeawrightR@NYAssembly.gov
to reserve your flu shot.

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## A Fireside Chat with PiTech VIP Karen Bhatia

How business model innovation and technology can power social change

Monday, 10/2, 5:30 PM, Bloomberg 71 or virtually





Lawyer and Policymaker, Stanford University (Former SVP at NYCEDC)

**RSVP Here** 







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# Manhattan Community Board 8 Calendar

The Manhattan Community Board 8 (CB8M) represents the Upper East Side of Manhattan and Roosevelt Island. CB8M is comprised of 50 volunteer members who serve as advocates and service coordinators for the community and its residents, as well as help citizens resolve municipal service delivery complaints.

CB8M reviews and makes recommendations on various issues, including applications for Zoning Text Amendments, building variances and special permits, liquor licenses, sidewalk cafes and street fairs, changes to landmarked buildings or buildings in historic districts, traffic and transportation issues, and more.

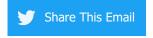
Each month, CB8M committees meet to discuss and resolve issues in the community.

Full Board Meeting - 3rd Wednesday
Land Use Committee - 2nd Wednesday
Street Life - 1st Tuesday
Transportation - 1st Wednesday
Housing - 1st Thursday
Parks - 2nd Thursday
Landmarks - 3rd Monday
Social Justice - 4th Monday
Zoning and Development - 4th Tuesday
Youth and Education - 4th Thursday

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