

Senator Robach's Community Connection



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NYS Senate Summer Reading Program: Dig Into Reading

I hope you all had a happy and healthy Fourth of July weekend. It's natural for our school children to turn their focus away from the classroom this time of the year, but it's important that we continue to encourage them to keep learning.

That's why I'm inviting students in fourth through sixth grades to continue to explore the world around them by participating in the 2013 New York State Summer Reading Program.

Students who are interested in participating can visit www.nyread.com to sign up and create an online journal to keep track of their reading progress throughout the summer. The website also features fun activities and games, ideas for reading lists and information about our public libraries.

City of Rochester & RochesterWorks! Summer of Opportunity Program

This week, I had the privilege of welcoming participants of this year's Summer of Opportunity Program hosted by the City of Rochester and RochesterWorks!

The Summer of Opportunity Program is for youth ages 14-21 that are currently enrolled in middle school or high school and live in the City of Rochester or Monroe County. I'm pleased to say that I've helped secure funding for this program the last few years.

Thanks to the support of Mayor Richards and the City of Rochester, hundreds of area youth are able to gain useful summer employment and learn valuable skills for their future. For more information on this great summer employment program, log on to www.rochesterworks.org.



Out and About Community Events Coming Up This Week

The Greece Performing Arts Society Symphony Orchestra will be performing on the front lawn of Greece Town Hall on Sunday, July 14 at 2:00 p.m.

Next week's Monroe County Movies in the Parks:

*Tuesday, July 16 at 8:30 p.m. at the Ontario Beach Park gazebo, featuring the Amazing Spiderman.

*Thursday, July 18 at 8:30 p.m. is the annual Retro Night for Movies in the Parks featuring the '80s classic Ghostbusters at the Highland Bowl.

The next Wegmans Concerts by the Shore is on Wednesday, July 17 at 8:30 p.m. also at the Ontario Beach Park gazebo. This week's performance features the Dady Brothers with the Charles Young School of Irish Dance.

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