

Senator Robach's Community Connection



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Legislatively Speaking

Earlier this week, the New York State Senate passed legislation that I sponsored, bill S709, regarding initiative and referendum.

This constitutional amendment that would give New Yorkers a more direct role in the legislative process by empowering them to enact and amend laws through initiative and referendum.

An initiative is a proposed statutory or constitutional change that is placed on the ballot for a public vote; referendum refers to the power of the people to place laws on the ballot that already have been enacted by the Legislature and either accept or reject them in whole or in part. Approximately one-half of states across the nation have some form of initiative and referendum.

For more information on this legislation, visit my website.

Out and About Events Around My District This Week

The 10th edition of the Xerox Rochester Jazz Festival is underway and it continues through Saturday, June 18th. For all the details and a complete schedule of the events and entertainment, visit www.rochesterjazz.com.

Wednesday night, June 15th, Literacy Volunteers of Rochester will hold its Annual Awards Ceremony from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m.

Also on Thursday, the Town of Greece will host its 2011 Senior Father's Day Dance from 12:30-2:30 p.m. at the Greece Community and Senior Center.

On Saturday, June 18th, the Juneteenth Celebration begins at 11:00 a.m. at Susan B. Anthony Square across from the Frederick Douglass Resource Center.

Next Sunday, June 19th, on Father's Day, Honor Flight will hold a welcome home ceremony at the Rochester International Airport. The flight is scheduled to return around 11:50, with the ceremony taking place around 12:30.

Take Back the Beach

Recently, I had the opportunity to speak with visitors at Ontario Beach Park during Rocin' the Beach. The event was put on by the morning show

The Break Room, from local radio station WCMF 96.5 FM. The event was in response to the events which took place on Memorial Day at the park. It was great to see so many families enjoying the day at the beach, despite the rainy weather!



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