

# News from Assemblymember Pamela J. Hunter



128 Assembly District

#### **Dear Friend:**

It's hard to believe that the "unofficial" end of summer is almost here as Labor Day is quickly approaching. I hope that you've had some time to enjoy the beautiful weather that we've had this summer and took some time to sneak in a little bit of vacation. Best of luck to those students that are off to college for the first time, those that are returning, and to all of the students getting ready to start the Pre-K through 12 school year.

As Labor Day approaches, I want to say thank you to the labor movement; it's dedication to the social and economic achievements of American workers. I thank and pay tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.

As always, we are available to answer questions and advocate on your behalf. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to my office. I want to hear from my constituents on what you would like to see accomplished in Albany. I implore you to remain vigilant, get vaccinated, wear a mask and follow health, safety and social distancing guidelines. I wish everyone safety and health.

Warm Regards,
Assemblymember Pamela J. Hunter

Assemblymember Hunter in the Community...

**Upstate Community Hospital 10 Year Anniversary** 



July 7, 2021

Marked the 10th anniversary of Community General acquisition. It was great to take part at a special celebration commemorating 10 years of unity and growth.

#### **Attorney General Letitia James Press Conference**







July 7, 2021

Attorney General James busts two major drug trafficking rings in Central New York. The recent gun violence in Syracuse, and in cities across New York state, has been deeply troubling. At the end of the legislative session, my colleagues and I passed bills that will make it easier for law enforcement to track down and remove illegal firearms. While

many of these bills are not yet enacted, I will continue to be proactive on this issue and will support legislation that addresses the root causes of gun violence in our streets.

#### **SUNY Upstate Outpatient Pharmacy Ribbon Cutting**



July 15, 2021

My office took part in the SUNY Upstate Outpatient Pharmacy Ribbon Cutting.

The new SUNY Upstate Outpatient Pharmacy is located at 5000 W. Seneca Turnpike at the intersection of Broad Road, in the building previously occupied by Syracuse Orthopedic Specialists (SOS). Upstate began leasing the 4,200-square-foot space late last year, has invested more than \$2 million in renovations and equipment, and celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon-cutting on Thursday, July 15.

#### **Rock Steady Boxing Syracuse Visit**





July 19, 2021

I was happy to visit Rock Steady Boxing Syracuse. RSB Syracuse is the cornerstone program offered by Empower Parkinson, Inc, a 501(c)3 not for profit corporation. Other programs include Yoga, Tai Chi, dance, nutrition, support group, chorus and balance classes.

They are learning every day that there are ways in which people with Parkinson's disease can enhance their daily quality of life and even build impressive power, strength,

flexibility and speed!

By exercising with coaches who know the ropes, you can fight your way out of the corner and start to feel and function better. Boxing works by moving your body in all planes of motion while continuously changing the routine as you progress through the workout. These classes have proven that anyone, at any level of Parkinson's, can actually lessen their symptoms and lead a healthier/happier life. Their Certified Coaches and Physical Therapists are very supportive and understand the effects of Parkinson's. There is plenty of laughter, camaraderie and FUN for all to share.



July 22, 2021

I took part in celebrating the 31st anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. I was a panelist at an open round table discussion and dialogue on the Fair Pay for Home Care Bill.

#### **Tribute to Fallen Soldiers**





July 24, 2021

It was a pleasure to join in with the Onondaga Veterans Cemetery,
General Pulaski, Post 1650 and welcome the Tribute to fallen soldiers memorial
Torch motorcycle ride. This was a 24 day ride from Eugene, OR to Arlington National
Cemetery and stopped at the Pulaski Post July 24th & 25th.

#### **YWCA Check Presentation**



#### July 27, 2021

I was happy to join Spectrum for a check presentation to the YWCA supporting the girls' summer camp. YWCA was given a \$4,500 check - \$3,000 for the summer

camp, and \$1,500 that went to help wire the women's residence with broadband in additional support of the computers spectrum donated to them last year.

#### "Let Me Be Great #44" Dunk Your Junk Summer Program



July 27, 2021

It spoke to middle school students at the "Let Me Be Great #44" Dunk Your Junk Summer Program. We had a discussion about how I got to where I am today, why voting is important, and what I do as a State Legislator in the NYS Assembly.

"Let Me Be Great #44" Dunk Your Junk Summer Program is a program Eastside FRC PEACE Inc. is hosting, in partnership with the City of Syracuse's Department of Parks and Recreation, the Syracuse City School District, and several other organizations. They provide programming in two sessions, three weeks each.

#### **JMA High-Tech Campus Project Tour**



July 27, 2021

I toured the progress of the <u>JMA high-tech campus</u> project in Syracuse.

JMA is now restoring U.S. leadership in wireless technology at a critical time in the transition to 5G. JMA makes the world's most advanced software-based 5G platform, which it designs, codes, and manufactures in the United States.

#### **Book Bike Week**



#### Thank You for Reading! with Us



A Very Special Story Time
Assemblywoman Hunter Treats Kids
Assemblywoman Pamela J. Hunter quickly
accepted the invitation to join our Community
Engagement team at the Thursday, Aug. 5,
edition of Picnics at the Park.
Hunter sat next to the LPL2Go Book Bike Cart
and presented a special Story Time, reading
The Magical Yet by Angela DiTerlizzi.
Indeed, folks of all ages enjoyed Hunter's
joyful reading style as Let's Read, Liverpool

sailed into August.

Afterward, the assemblywoman said she always takes the opportunity to read to young people, hoping they catch the love for words jumping from the page into their hearts just like she did. Communications Specialist Mark Bialczak wrote a column about the event that was published on Eagle News online as well as in the newsprint edition.

Hunter previously demonstrated her love for reading by securing the funding used by the LPL to purchase the Book Bike Cart.

Children, families and caregivers all appreciated meeting Assemblywoman Pamela J. Hunter at the LPL2Go Book Bike Cart on Thursday, Aug. 5, in Onondaga Lake Park. This photo first appeared on the LPL Facebook page.

#### August 5, 2021

I joined in with the American Library Association (ALA) and the Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services (ABOS) to celebrate Book Bike Week the first week of August. We had a very special story time with the children at Onondaga Lake Park.

#### **Women Veteran Recognition 2021**



#### August 17, 2021

Thank you to everyone who participated in the virtual Women Veterans Recognition Event! Women veterans from across the state were joined by Assembly Members as well as guest speakers Marcelle L. Leis, Chief Master Sergeant (Ret), and Wendy McClinton, U.S. Army Veteran. Marcelle Leis is the Director of Veteran Services for the Association for Mental Health and Wellness under the Joseph P. Dwyer Veteran Support Project and Wendy McClinton is the President and CEO of Black Veterans for Social Justice.

I would also like to thank Jeff Stockham, Larry Luttinger and all of CNY Jazz for providing the excellent **closing performance**!

#### Police Athletic League (PAL) Public Presentation



August 23, 2021

I was fortunate enough to secure \$50,000 in funding to the <u>Syracuse PAL programming</u>. <u>Syracuse Pal's</u> mission is to connect cops, kids, and community.

## Virtual Cannabis Discussion August 31st at 6 PM

Majority Leader Crystal Peoples-Stokes

Majority Conference Chair Pamela Hunter

Present

## Virtual Cannabis Discussion

Tuesday, August 31st at 6 P.M.

Register at

https://us02web.zoom. us/j/86990387826

Legislators will discuss the new cannabis industry and present guidance on the implementation of the Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act. Information on how to prepare as a business will be provided.



Click <u>here</u> to register!

#### CLICK HERE TO REPORT UNEMPLOYMENT FRAUD

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Labor and/or identity theft related to UI. The information you provide in this form will
remain confidential. If you are reporting an individual or business for fraud, you may
remain anonymous.

#### Vaccinations and Rapid Tests Available at The New York State Fair

The 2021 Great New York State Fair offers rapid COVID-19 tests and single-shot vaccinations free of charge to any fairgoer. The effort is offered in cooperation with the New York State Department of Health.

- Tests and vaccinations will be offered in the Art & Home Center from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. each day.
- The single-shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine will be offered along with the Pfizer vaccine for those needing their second shot.
- Test results should be available while patients wait.
- The Fair will also host a separate testing center for vendors and their employees,
   contractors and staff members.

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