



Home Access Chronicle

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NYC Transit for Disabled on Strike

New York City, NY

Individuals who rely on para-transit in New York City will have to find other means to get around. Monday December 10, 2007 the Para Transit Drivers and Mechanics of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1181-1061 went on strike, affecting more than 9,000 passengers who use the City's Access-A-Ride program. [Read more >](#)



Speeding in a Wheelchair

Geseke, Germany

A 54 year-old German man was recently cited for going 40 mph in a 20 mph zone – in his electric wheelchair. Guenther Eichmann modified his wheelchair and was driving it down the street when police stopped and issued him a ticket. [Read more >](#)



Service Animals – More than Just a Companion

Wheeling, IL

Raising awareness about service animals is essential. Individuals who have certain disabilities are eligible under the Americans with Disabilities Act to have a service animal accompany them into stores, restaurants and other public areas without discrimination. Recently in Wheeling, IL a family was refused access to a restaurant based on the fact they had their dog, who is a service animal, with them. [Read more >](#)



Featured Products: ELECTRIC SEAT ASSIST

The Electric Uplift Seat Assist transforms any chair or couch in your home into a lift chair. Featuring a 10-foot power chord and built in handle, the Electric Uplift Seat Assist is great for use in the home or when traveling. Designed to raise and lower up to 300 lbs. the 16" wide x 19" deep seat weighs only 12 lbs. A black, waterproof, removable seat cover makes cleaning a breeze. [For more information click here >](#)



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CAR DOOR HANDLE ASSIST


The Car Door Handybar provides assistance to individuals who have a hard time getting into and out of vehicles. Simply place the unit into the U-shaped striker plate on the vehicle's door frame. Use the Handybar on cars, trucks and SUVs for both driver and passenger doors. [For more information click here >](#)






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Featured Realtor:

Phyllis Waters

I have been a Realtor for 7 years and am licensed to sell in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

As a Seniors Real Estate Specialist, I work with seniors to help them achieve their goals and objectives. It is a very emotional time for seniors when they have to sell the house they lived in for years and raised their children..

When it is time for seniors to sell, I am there from the beginning until the closing assisting them. I find contractors for repair work, handle all of the details involved in selling a house, help clean out the house, dispose of the furniture, help find legal and financial services; often transport them to appointments and run errands for my clients.

I also work with buyers of all ages, helping them achieve their dream of owning a home and work with sellers of all ages to sell their residential or investment properties as quickly as possible for the best price.

Educating my clients about the real estate market is my number one responsibility. It is very important for my clients to be knowledgeable about the physical and social condition that may affect the value of the house they are selling or buying. It is not just about selling and buying a house; it is a big investment and my clients must understand what may or may not take place during the transaction. My clients must fully understand every form they sign and the housing market in general.

I am proud to report that I am a member of RE/MAX International's Executive Club for outstanding year-to-year sales for 2006 and 2007.



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Home Access Program News

Have you done something great that relates to home accessibility? Do you know someone who has used the Home Access Program? Send us your stories mktg@handiramp.com

December Events

ATIA Leadership Forum on Accessibility

Jan. 31 – Feb. 1, 2008

Caribe Royale All-Suites Resort & Convention Center
Orlando, Florida

The ATIA Leadership Forum on Accessibility is a two-day event assisting large corporations, government agencies and educational institutions with education on accessibility/disability issues. More information >



Special Camp Fair 2008

January 26, 2008 11am

Church of St. Paul the Apostle
New York City, NY

Special event will discuss camp opportunities for children with disabilities across the Northeast. At least 70 representatives will be in attendance to discuss day and sleep away camps for children. More information >



Growing the Home Access Program

The Home Access Program is growing, but we need your help! Tell your friends and business associates about the Program. Send us an e-mail and we'll contact them on your behalf. Our goal is by the end of 2007, to have 1 realtor and 1 consultant in each major metropolitan area.

Fun Facts

- ~ Humans blink over 10,000,000 times a year!
- ~ 40% of McDonald's profits come from the sales of Happy Meals.
- ~ There are 2 credit cards for every person in the United States.
- ~ There are over 58 million dogs in the US.

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