

THE WEEKLY WRAP

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NYS SENATOR DAPHNE JORDAN
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Dear Friend:

Happy Friday and welcome to the August 27 edition of my Weekly Wrap!

BIG happenings this week:

- My statement on the tragic loss of 12 (now 13) American Service Members in yesterday's deadly terror attacks in Afghanistan
- It's time to write a positive, new chapter for New York State
- Speaking with Doug & Kelly about Cuomo's last day
- New NY governor adds 12,000 deaths to publicized COVID tally
- Celebrating 101 years of women's right to vote
- I proudly announced my selection of Kyle McCauley Belokopitsky, Esq., as my 2021 NYS Senate "Woman of Distinction" for the 43rd Senate District

Other important news:

- Visiting Harvest Spirits Farm Distillery
- Halfmoon Senior's Picnic
- COVID-19 vaccine information/appointments in the 43rd Senate District
- Neighborhood family welcoming home Sgt. 1st class infantry Oleg Lerner
- Veterans, there is help for you.
- NY's future is on the LINE: Here's your chance to help make history
- Businesses to check out:
 - My Little Dog & Co.
 - Hilverman Handcrafted

As always, I want to hear from YOU. If you have a comment, question, or concern, please email me at jordan@nysenate.gov or call my office at (518) 371-2751. Thank you for reading and subscribing to my Weekly Wrap. It's an honor and a privilege serving you!

– Senator Daphne Jordan, 43rd District

My statement on the loss of 12 (now 13)
American Service Members in yesterday's

deadly terror attacks in Afghanistan:



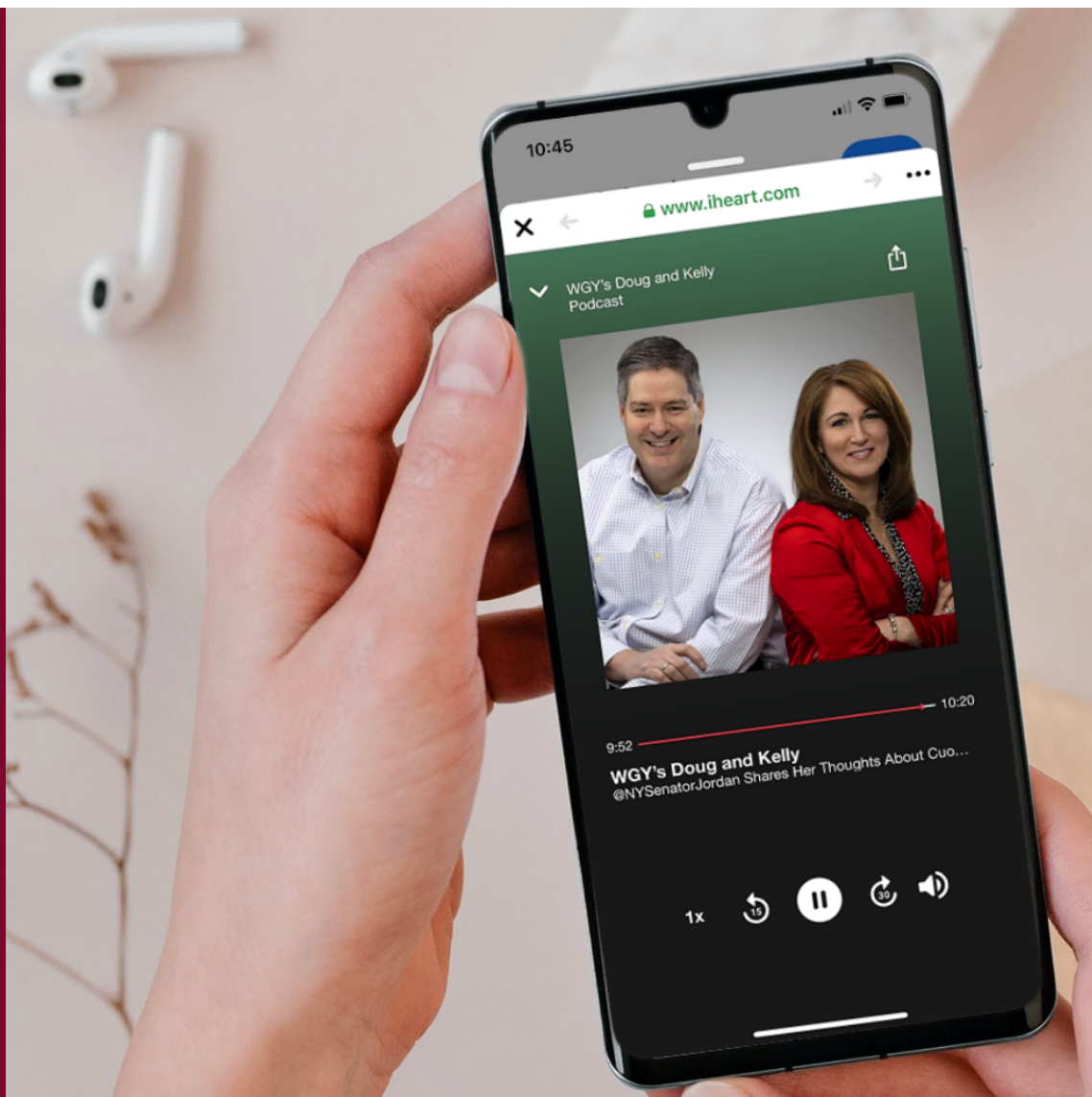
"Our thoughts, hearts, and prayers go out to the families of the 12 United States Marines, and the United States Navy Medic, killed, and the American Service Members wounded, during the horrific terror attacks in Afghanistan today. This is a devastating loss of life of our best, bravest, and brightest. Today is a dark, tragic day for our entire nation. Please keep these courageous American patriots, and their families, in your prayers. And please pray for the safety of our servicemen and servicewomen, and the safe return of all Americans and our allies."

It's time to write a positive, new chapter for
New York State



Congratulations to New York State Governor Kathy Hochul on making history! I look forward to working with Governor Hochul to move our state forward. I'm praying for her success because I want our state – and all New Yorkers – to succeed. With her deep Upstate roots, I'm hopeful that Governor Hochul will make advancing an agenda that helps Upstate, and recognizes our unique challenges and opportunities, a top, bi-partisan priority. We have much work to do: it's time to write a positive, new chapter – and create a brighter future – for New York State.

Speaking with Doug & Kelly about Cuomo's
last day



On Monday morning, I had the opportunity to be on WGY's Doug & Kelly discussing Andrew Cuomo's LAST day in office. You can still listen [here](#)!

In the News



EDITORIAL: Retain more of governor's records longer

My bill ([S7334](#)) expands the scope of records which shall be preserved by the executive chamber.

[Read Article](#)



GOP Sen. Wants Executive Records Kept Longer

This is another great article on my bipartisan legislation ([S7334](#)) to ensure accountability and transparency in state government.

[Read Article](#)



Editorial: Ready to help

“The power to decide which Executive Chamber documents get saved, and which ones hit the shredder, lies in the hands of... the Executive Chamber.

What could go wrong?”

[Read Article](#)



New NY governor adds 12,000 deaths to publicized COVID tally

- More corruption is being uncovered about the previous administration
- Both Andrew Cuomo & DOH Commissioner Howard Zucker knowingly underreported NH deaths
- Any & all involved must resign or be terminated immediately

[Read Article](#)

Celebrating 101 years of women voting

august 26, 2021
**WOMEN'S EQUALITY
DAY**

Commemorating the adoption of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, granting American women the constitutional right to vote, 101 years ago.



Thankful for the women who made our right to vote a reality!

We celebrated Women's Equality Day at the Palette Cafe in Saratoga Springs with owner and host Catherine Hover! The day started at 8 a.m. on Thursday and went until 8 p.m. that night and was packed with speakers, panels and voter registration sign-ups! I was happy to present Catherine with a NYS Commendation Award and Senate Proclamation for her exceptional work empowering the lives of women. Thank you for having me on for "Dialogue with Daphne," I really enjoyed it!



Women of Distinction: Kyle McCauley Belokopitsky, Esq.



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 HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

Kyle McCauley Belokopitsky, Esq.

In recognition of Women's Equality Day, I proudly announced my selection of Kyle McCauley Belokopitsky, Esq., (Pictured above) as my 2021 NYS Senate "Woman of Distinction" for the 43rd Senate District. Click the image above to [read more](#), or watch the [video here](#)!

Visiting Harvest Spirits Farm Distillery



Agriculture is a major driver of New York's economy. Not only did I visit beef, dairy, pig and poultry farms last week, but I also had the good fortune to visit Derek Grout, owner of Harvest Spirits Farm Distillery located at my favorite farm stand in Columbia County this past weekend -- Golden Harvest Farms. Golden Harvest apples are much of the 600,000 pounds per year of locally grown fruit from across New York that goes into the Harvest Spirits products. Harvest Spirits also has the distinction of being the first licensed farm distillery in New York State in 2007. Since then, the distillery business has grown to be a thriving agribusiness. Continued success to Derek at Harvest Spirits! Visit their website [here](#).

Welcome home, Soldier.



I saw this on my morning walk in the neighborhood this past weekend. Proud sister welcoming her brother to his home for now. Welcome home Sgt. 1st class infantry Oleg Lerner. He has served the US Army for 22 years including two tours in Iraq and one in Afghanistan. Thank you for your service!

Veterans, there is help for you.



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We have heard from veterans that are having a hard time dealing with the fall of Kabul and Afghanistan. Please know there is help for you:

Columbia County Veterans Service Department: 518-828-9511
Rensselaer County Veterans Service Department: 518-270-2760
Saratoga County Veterans Service Department: 518-884-4115
Washington County Veterans Service Department: 518-746-2470

My thoughts and prayers are with those in Afghanistan facing the rapid takeover of Taliban control. My heart breaks for the women who are in grave danger of being taken and forced back under Sharia Law. I pray for the safety of Americans still there and our troops.

Veterans Crisis Line

Halfmoon Senior's Picnic



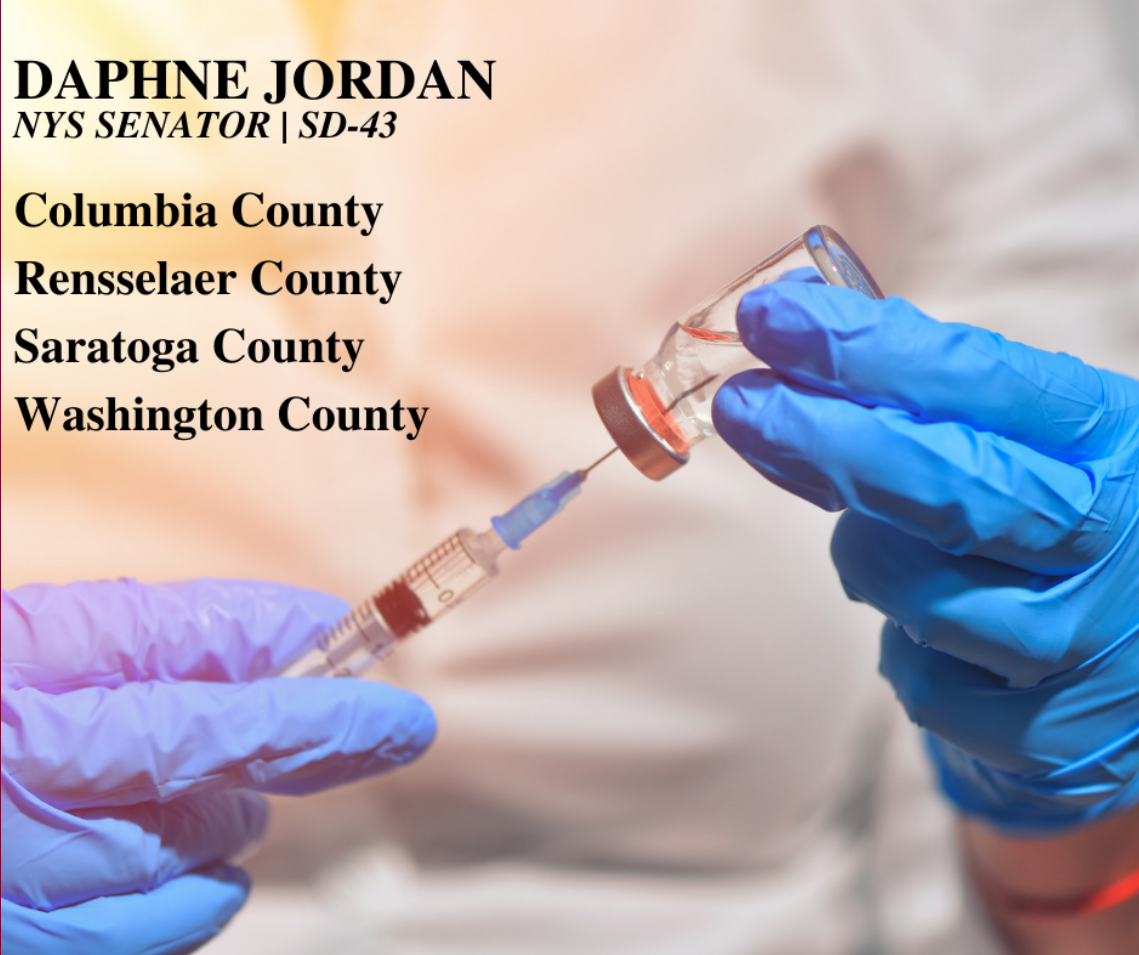
After almost a year of no events for the seniors, the town of Halfmoon organized a picnic featuring a Christmas tree, Halloween decorations and candy, an Easter egg hunt and of course a traditional summer time picnic with all the tastes of summer! I had the honors of judging the cake eating contest and the winner was..... a great job by all participants! Those participating in the donut eating contest had 2 minutes to eat a donut off the line... a lot harder than you think!

Always a fun time with the Seniors in Halfmoon! Many thanks to Halfmoon Town Supervisor Kevin Tollisen and all the employees of Halfmoon.

COVID-19 vaccine information/appointments in the 43rd Senate District

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Columbia County
Rensselaer County
Saratoga County
Washington County



**Please visit the following web pages for COVID-19 vaccine
information/appointments in the 43rd Senate District:**

[Columbia County Vaccine Information](#)

[Rensselaer County Vaccine Information](#)

[Saratoga County Vaccine Information](#)

NY's future is on the LINE: Here's your
chance to help make history



Reform gives citizens a greater say in reshaping our government

An historic reform is changing the way NY draws its legislative and congressional district maps—a once-a-decade process that helps decide who will represent you in the halls of state and federal government for the next 10 years.

A new, voter-approved Independent Redistricting Commission will rely on input from citizens—not politicians—to decide how best to divide the state into the

required number of Senate, Assembly and Congressional districts while ensuring that individual neighborhoods and communities are fairly represented.

This new process will ensure that no region, special interest or political party gain an unfair advantage or too much power at the expense of the others. But it only works if citizens like you join with neighbors, friends and communities to get involved and make your voices heard.

The Commission is planning a series of hearings and any group, community or individual may submit testimony, either in person, or through its website, www.nyirc.gov. This is your chance to learn more and get involved.

Please consider submitting testimony related to how redistricting will affect you, your family and your community. This feedback is critical and is your chance to help steer the future of New York and speak out for the concerns of our communities.

I hope you will visit the Commission's website to see the schedule of hearings and to learn more.

New York State Independent Redistricting Commission

Happy National Dog Day!



My little Yorkie, "Baby," and I relaxing and celebrating National Dog Day!

RIBBON CUTTINGS

My Little Dog & Co.



Congratulations to My Little Dog & Co. on their ribbon cutting Tuesday morning!

Located at 48 North Greenbush Road in Troy, My Little Dog & Co. specializes in apparel, accessories, wellness products, bedding, toys and beautiful home goods. Shop for all your pet supplies for your pup and kitty needs!

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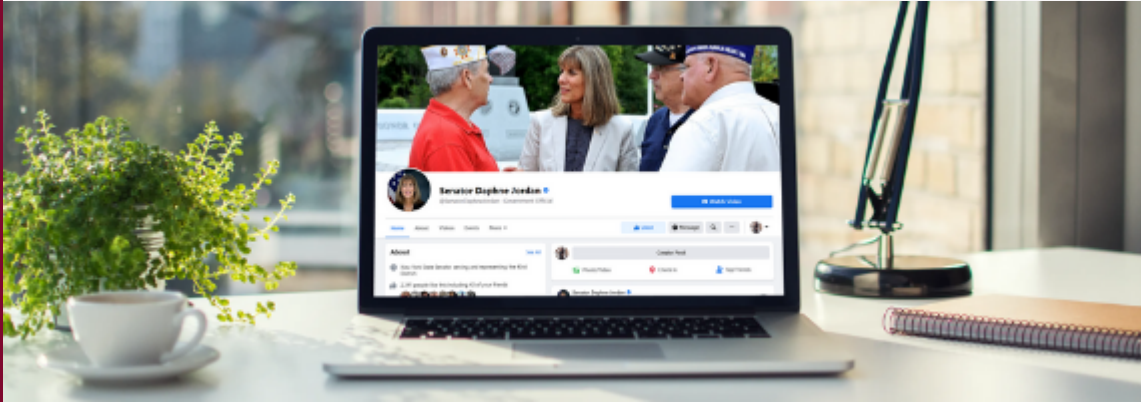
Hilverman Handcrafted



On Wednesday evening, my Director of Constituent Services, Dan Casale, attended the Hilverman Handcrafted Grand Opening ribbon cutting with owners Ron & Caitie Hilverman and the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce. Absolutely beautiful woodwork. Hilverman Handcrafted builds custom pieces for both personal and commercial clients and is located at 145 Healy Blvd in Hudson. Congratulations Ron and Caitie and best wishes to your family and your business! Go check them out!

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