

THE WEEKLY WRAP

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Dear Friend:

Happy Friday and welcome to the May 14 edition of my Weekly Wrap!

BIG happenings this week:

- It's National Police Week, and we honor the men and women in Law Enforcement.
- The Senate Republican Conference and I introduced a package of bills protecting police officers.
- Our ally, Israel, is under attack and I am standing with them and praying for peace and safety.
- Congresswoman Elise Stefanik was elected to serve as House Republican Conference Chair, and I congratulate her on all her hard work!

Other important news:

- I partnered with The Red Cross for their "Sound the Alarm" initiative
- A therapeutic riding center who helps those with special needs, disabilities and military veterans suffering from PTSD, were named a professional association.
- Troy is beginning a major infrastructure project to replace century-old water lines.
- I spoke on the Senate floor advocating for overnight summer camps, who have not received any guidance from the NYSDOH, and offered an amendment to truly repeal Governor Cuomo's extraordinary emergency powers.
- Halfmoon officially opened their outdoor farmer's market for the season!
- I recently introduced legislation in honor of the late Marylou Whitney.
- Halfmoon gained another business with Capital Gate Insurance opening a second location.

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

National Police Week



This week past week, May 9-14, was National Police Week, and I want to thank all of our men and women in Law Enforcement. In this profession, every day brings unexpected challenges that can often be life-threatening, yet every day these men and women put on that uniform in service to others.

Thank you to our police for all you do, and I promise that as your state Senator, I will continue to fight for policies that support and protect our law enforcement, so they can protect all of us.

"Protect Those Who Protect Us" Package



With the Democrats in the Majority, we have seen one pro-criminal piece of legislation advanced after another. However, my colleagues and I will continue to advocate for law enforcement and the safety of our constituents.

On Tuesday, my colleagues and I in the Senate Republican Conference submitted a “Protect Those Who Protect Us” package of bills that would:

- Strengthen the penalties for assaulting a police officer;
- Make it a crime to release personal information to threaten or intimidate police or peace officers;

- Make it a crime to falsely accuse a police or peace officer of wrongdoing; and
- Withhold state funding to municipalities that abolish or defund their police departments
- Within the past year, we have seen a huge spike in violent crime. For the sake of law-abiding New Yorkers and vulnerable communities, this trend must stop!

Passing the “Protect Those Who Protect Us” package would be the first step in restoring order and peace to communities in crisis, and help make our state safer and more secure for all of us.

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Congresswoman Stefanik Elected to House Republican Conference Chair



NEWS

from New York State Senator Daphne Jordan

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Statement from New York State Senator Daphne Jordan (R,C,I-Halfmoon) on Congresswoman Elise Stefanik's election to House Republican Conference Chair:

"Congratulations to my good friend, and the North Country's true champion, Congresswoman Elise Stefanik on her election to serve as House Republican Conference Chair. In this vitally important leadership role, Congresswoman Stefanik will continue her tireless efforts to make our communities and nation stronger, protect taxpayers, help small businesses, secure our border, and oppose the Biden-Pelosi radical socialist agenda that wants to raise taxes, curtail freedom, and take America backward. The North Country, Capital Region, New York State, and our entire country are truly blessed to have Congresswoman Stefanik – a dedicated public servant of true character and courage – serving in this influential national leadership position."

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Congratulations to Congresswoman Elise Stefanik on her recent election to serve as House Republican Conference Chair! My full statement is pictured above.

Red Cross Sound the Alarm Initiative



This past weekend, I partnered with the Red Cross for their Sound the Alarm Event. Teams went door to door to provide fire safety education and to install smoke alarms to those who wanted them.

Pictured above is Robert Coughlin, Government Operations Liaison of NENY Red Cross; Josh Moskowitz, Senior Disaster Program Manager; Kevin Coffey, CEO, ENY Red Cross; and Holly Brunos, Americorps Volunteer.

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High & Mighty Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



It was a wonderful opportunity to be able to honor High & Mighty Therapeutic Riding and Driver Center, Inc. as they were named a Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International Premier Accreditation Center.

The Corsun family founded the farm as a therapeutic riding and driving farm for children and adults with special needs. Gary Flaherty, Director of Columbia County Veterans Services utilizes High & Mighty for his military veterans through the Dwyer Peer to Peer program. It has been instrumental in bettering the lives of veterans in the program. This farm is an incredible organization with an incredible mission!

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Tomhannock Transmission Line
Ground Breaking Ceremony



GREAT things are happening in Rensselaer County, and GREAT things are happening in the City of Troy. On Monday morning, Troy Mayor Patrick Madden announced the start of a major infrastructure project to replace water transmission lines between Tomhannock Reservoir and the City of Troy's water treatment plant. This project will replace 7 miles of water lines that are over 100-years-old. We were also invited to spray paint our initials on the pipes, which was my favorite part!

It was great to stand alongside hardworking leaders who are collaborating on the bipartisan project and putting the community first: Rensselaer County Executive Steve McLaughlin, Assemblymember John McDonald, Troy Mayor Patrick Madden, Troy City Council President Carmella Mantello, and Superintendent of Public Utilities Chris Whelan.

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Advocating for Overnight Summer Camps



Overnight summer camps have been completely left in the dark. They were told that they can operate this season, but have not received any guidance from the DOH as to what precautionary measures they must take and what restrictions will be in place.

Many of these camps are far behind in their planning because they can't get answers, and parents are left in a bind planning for summer child care.

I wrote to Governor Cuomo on February 11, advocating for overnight summer camps to resume. A week after I sent my letter, the Governor said overnight summer camps could begin reopening in June.

But these camps are left wondering how many people they can accommodate in the camps? Are there any sleeping, eating, or staffing requirements? What supplies will they need to purchase?

Summer camps are reopening in less than a month, and they want to know what's going on. The Governor should be completely aware of this. I have written to him on behalf of the many camps, campers and parents that have been in contact with my office.

It is past time that we end the one-man rule and help our businesses reopen after being hurt by these restrictions. I also offered an amendment to truly end Governor Cuomo's extraordinary emergency powers, and for the 43rd time, the Majority rejected to restore check and balances to New York.

MY FEBRUARY LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR

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I Stand with Israel



Israel's very right to exist — and its citizens — are once again under deadly attack from radicals and violent extremists.

As the Israeli people fight to rightfully defend themselves, we should renew our commitment to their nation and join them in solidarity. Israel is a key ally and strategic partner for our country.

Our Senate Republican Conference and I are proud to stand with Israel, and the Israeli people, during this extraordinarily difficult time of renewed violence and rocket attacks. We support Israel's right to defend itself from these continued, violent attempts to destroy their nation.

Sending prayers for Israel and prayers for peace!

Halfmoon Farmer's Market Opening Day



The Halfmoon Farmer's Market Opening Day was Wednesday, featuring 20+ vendors, and we celebrated with a ribbon cutting ceremony! If you missed out on it, come back any Wednesday from 3-7 p.m. at Abele Park across from the Halfmoon Town Hall. Let's support the local economy!

Introducing Legislation in Remembrance of Marylou Whitney



I am proud to be introducing legislation that designates a portion of the state highway system in the city of Saratoga Springs as the "Marylou Whitney Way." The Bill is currently in the Senate Transportation Committee.

SENATE BILL S6738

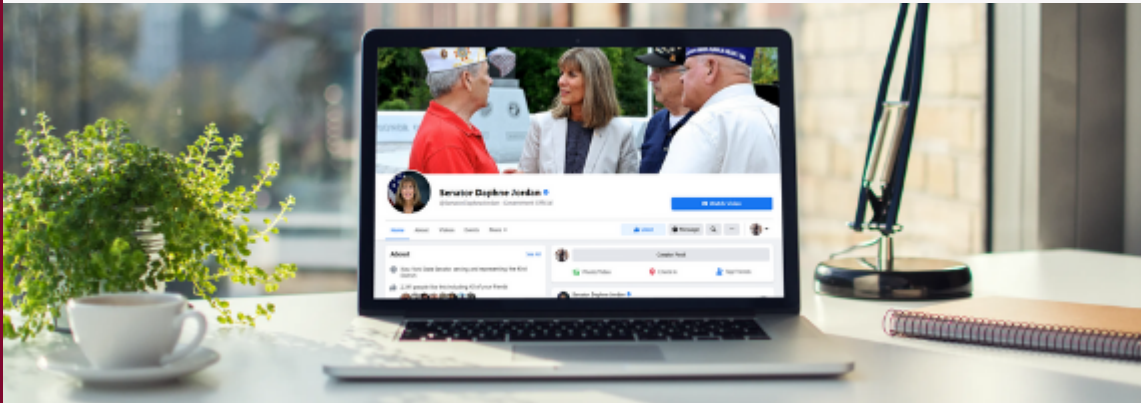
Capital Gate Insurance Opens a Second Location in Halfmoon



Congratulations to Capital Gate Insurance Group on the grand opening of their second location Thursday! Owned by Caroline and Christopher Migliaro, and located in the town of Halfmoon, Capital Gate offers all types of insurance.

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