

THE WEEKLY WRAP

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Dear Friend:

Happy Friday and welcome to the October 22 edition of my Weekly Wrap!

BIG happenings:

- Remembering the life of Colin Powell
- Hudson Valley Community College Foundation 2021 Gala
- Columbia County Family Fun Public Safety Day was a huge success!
- Honoring the life and service of U.S. Army Veteran William J. Satter
- A visit from U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Denis McDonough
- My letters to Governor Hochul and NYSDEC Commissioner Seggos on behalf of the Town of Poestenkill.

Other important news:

- Celebrating the American victory at Saratoga 244 years ago
- Propositions you'll find on your ballot this year
- National Prescription Drug Takeback Day
- Districts determined by the people - The IRC needs your input on redrawing district lines

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



Remembering Colin Powell

Colin Powell's lifelong dedication and service to this country will never be forgotten. My heart goes out to his family and loved ones who are mourning from his passing on October 18.

IN THE NEWS



U.S. veterans secretary tours hospitals, VA centers

From the article:

"Jordan regularly works with Flaherty to ensure maximum services and support for local veterans. Her office recently sent out a mailer with information about the Dwyer Program, which led up to 200 people contacting the county center for assistance."

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Family Fun Day draws hundreds to Greenport

The first ever Columbia County Family Fun Day had a fantastic turnout last Saturday. Looking forward to partnering with David Bartlett, Columbia County Sheriff again next year to host this great event!

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Here's where New York is in the mobile sports betting process

There's an effort being made to have this all done so that New Yorkers will be able to bet on games from their phones by the Super Bowl.

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GOP lawmakers call on Hochul to suspend NY's gas tax

NY's Gas Tax is already among the highest in the nation. Enacting the Climate and Community Investment Act would make NY's gas tax at least 57% higher than any other state. This will only drive New Yorkers OUT.

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Hudson Valley Community College Foundation 2021 Gala



It was an honor and a wonderful night out last Friday to attend the Hudson Valley Community College Foundation 2021 Gala honoring Global Foundries benefitting the HVCC North Expansion.

Hudson Valley is now expanding its Malta extension center to create HVCC North, which will increase access and broaden education and workforce training opportunities in healthcare, STEM and skilled trades. In support of the HVCC North expansion, Global Foundries made the lead campaign gift, which includes specialized equipment for workforce training.

The evening's fun included great food, terrific music by the Ten Most Wanted, seeing old friends, meeting new friends and most of all having the pleasure of sitting with HVCC President Dr. Roger Ramsammy and his lovely wife, Annette.

And speaking of Hudson Valley... this is a great video on the School's partnership with Questar III for the brand-new new STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics) high school program that kicked off September 8th! Click the video below to learn more.



WATCH VIDEO



Columbia County Family Fun Public Safety
Day was a huge success!



An absolutely FANTASTIC turnout for our Columbia County Public Safety Family Fun Day held outdoors at Greenport Town Park last Saturday! I was proud to partner with my good friend David Bartlett, Columbia County Sheriff, the Columbia County Sheriff's Office, and Corrections Officers for this special community event.

Saturday provided so much family-friendly F-U-N featuring: Life Net Helicopter, Dive Team, water rescue, UTV rides, K-9 Jarno, aerial drone demonstrations, ICandy Designs Face Painting for kids, ID cards for kids and senior citizens, car seat safety checks, free balloons, hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream and much, much more.

This special community event helped build and strengthen community bonds, positively showcasing the OUTSTANDING men and women of law enforcement who are true HEROES and DEDICATED, SELFLESS PUBLIC SERVANTS!

The genesis of this event was Sheriff Bartlett and I brainstorming ideas on how we could deliver vital services (such as Senior Citizen ID Cards) in the absence of the Golden Gathering this year, due to concerns about a large indoor gathering and the importance of ensuring the health and safety of senior citizens. So, we partnered together for the event, "Columbia County Public Safety Family Fun Day" and,

judging by our terrific turnout, it was a grand slam!

Special thanks to Sheriff Bartlett and the Columbia County Sheriff's Office. Also, thank you to WNYT NewsChannel 13, The Columbia Paper, and Register-Star for stopping by and BIG THANKS to everyone for taking part. What a GREAT day, already looking forward to next year's event!

Celebrating the Turning Point of the Revolutionary War 244 years later



It was a wonderful ceremony in Fort Hardy Park on Monday morning commemorating "Surrender Day," the American victory at Saratoga 244 years ago! The ceremony was officiated by Saratoga Town Supervisor Thomas N. Wood and we were welcomed by Schuylerville Mayor Dan Carpenter.

We enjoyed several cannon salutes by the 2nd Continental Artillery and remarks by Ann Clothier, Assemblywoman Carrie Woerner, Saratoga County Historian Lauren Roberts, and a very well written essay by 5th grader Makayla Reilly. ?? The 5th graders also preformed a Ceremonial Grounding of the Arms and "Yankee

Doodle.”

Thank you to the Town of Saratoga, Village of Schuylerville and the Saratoga County History Center for putting on this wonderful event! Although I couldn't make it in person, I am grateful that my staff member, Brooke Amedore, could and am looking forward to next year!

Honoring the life and service of U.S. Army Veteran William J. Satter



On Monday morning, we honored William J. Satter at the Columbia County Honor-A-Veteran Ceremony.

William Satter was born in 1928 and worked as an auto mechanic after graduating high school. He joined the United States Army in 1951, studying artillery and completing jump school at Fort Benning, earning the coveted silver jump wings of a paratrooper.

Tech. Sgt. Satter was assigned to the First Army and was responsible for

maintaining the vehicles that transported field artillery. He was discharged in 1953 and earned the National Defense Ribbon and Parachute Wings.

William and his wife, Veronica Francis McCormack married in 1952, and raised their three children together in Newark, NJ. William served as a police officer for the Newark PD and received numerous citations of commendation. He retired 25 years later and opened a security business named "Satter Security." After retiring in 1996, William moved to Columbia County and became a member of the American Legion in Philmont.

At the age of 80, William died on November 29, 2009 and was buried in his home state of NJ. He left behind three children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. His life and service to our great country will never be forgotten.

A visit from U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Denis McDonough



Early this week, Denis McDonough, the United States Secretary of Veterans Affairs, visited Columbia County to see the successful Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans

Peer to Peer Program run by Master Sergeant Gary Flaherty and hear from local veterans.

Great things are happening in SD-43!!

Propositions you'll find on your ballot this year

Ballot Propositions 2021
GET THE FACTS!

PROPOSITION 1: REDISTRICTING This would reverse some of the key reforms already approved by voters to help remove politics from the once-a-decade process of redrawing state Legislative and Congressional district lines.

PROPOSITION 2: CLEANER ENVIRONMENT This proposal would amend New York's Bill of Rights to include the right to a clean environment.

PROPOSITION 3: SAME-DAY VOTER REGISTRATION This proposal seeks to eliminate safeguards that protect the integrity of the ballot box by removing the reasonable 10-day registration requirement prior to casting a ballot.

PROPOSITION 4: "NO EXCUSE" ABSENTEE VOTING Existing law limits absentee voting to the sick or disabled, or individuals otherwise unable to make it to the polling place, including members of the military. This proposal would allow for "no excuse" absentee voting, removing existing limitations on who is eligible for an absentee ballot.

PROPOSITION 5: NYC CIVIL COURT This proposal applies only to Civil Courts in NYC and doubles the monetary limits for cases to \$50,000, the first such increase in 38 years. Expanding access to Civil Courts helps ensure plaintiffs their day in court, while reducing expenses both to claimants and taxpayers.

Stay informed and get the facts on the propositions that will be on your 2021 ballot this coming Election Day, so that you know what you're voting before you walk in!

National Prescription Drug Takeback Day



Bring all your unused, unwanted and expired medications and prevent them from falling into the wrong hands.

Please no liquids, needles or radioactive materials.



**Saturday,
October 23**
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**SARATOGA COUNTY
LOCATIONS:**

Saratoga Police Dept.
Maple Ave - Behind City
Hall

474 Broadway
Saratoga Springs

Round Lake Fire Dept.
13 Curry Road
Exit 11 off the Northway

CVS Pharmacy Parking Lot
12 South Central Ave
Mechanicville

New York State Police
5 Municipal Plaza State
Route 146
Clifton Park

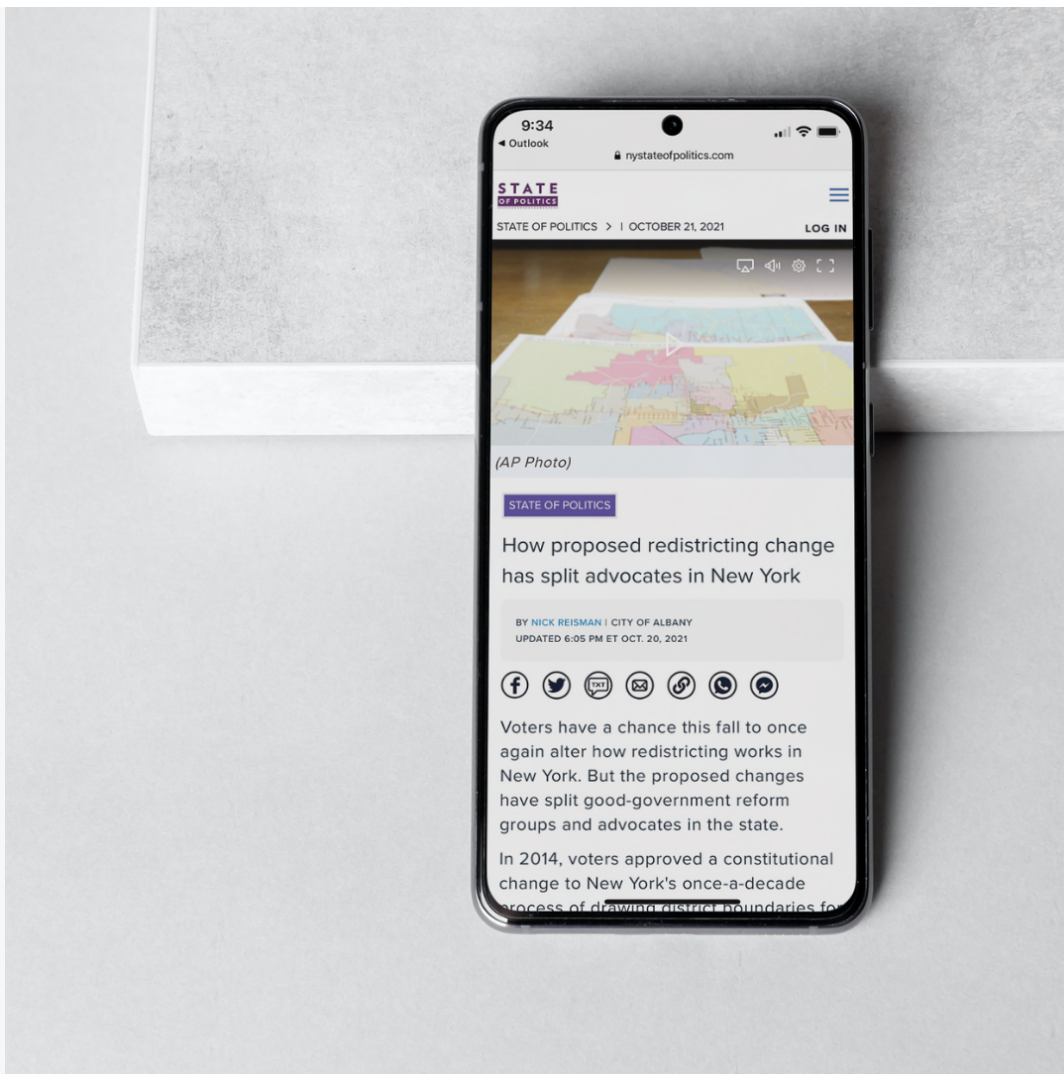
Moreau Emergency Squad
1583 Route 9
Moreau



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Helping youth navigate life's challenges
www.PreventionCouncil.org

Please be aware that the Nationwide Drug Takeback day is tomorrow, Saturday, October 23. This is where you can safely dispose of unwanted prescription drugs that have been sitting in your medicine cabinet.

Districts determined by the people



A citizen-led commission, independent from parties, politics, and lawmakers, should be what determines district lines. That is what the newly-implemented NYS Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) is for. New Yorkers voted to change the redistricting process in 2014, and before getting through this process for the first time, there is a proposition looking to change it. Proposition One (on our ballots this Election Day) will make it easier for politicians to take the redistricting process out of the Independent Redistricting Commission's hands and back into their own should they not agree with the Commission's maps.

Learn more about the IRC and their public hearings on the district maps at <https://www.nyirc.gov/>

The IRC needs your input on redrawing district lines

New York's INDEPENDENT Redistricting



ALBANY

Monday, November 1, 2021

4:00 PM

**Location: University at Albany (SUNY) Page Hall
Downtown Campus 135 Western Avenue Albany, NY 12203**

The NYS Independent Redistricting Commission is having a public hearing on the redrawing of district maps. It is SO important to have the power of redistricting in the hands of the POEPLÉ, not politicians. Please consider attending this meeting and encouraging others to as well.

Sign up and view meeting information at nyirc.gov/meetings.

A written testimony may be sent in at nyirc.gov/participate.

My letters to Governor Hochul and NYSDEC
Commissioner Seggos on behalf of the Town
of Poestenkill.



Linked above are my letters to Governor Kathy Hochul and NYS DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos on the PFOA contamination in the Town of Poestenkill.

On behalf of the Town of Poestenkill families, I asked for a comprehensive sampling of wells near potential sources of PFOA. I also asked that anyone in Poestenkill be able to have his or her well tested at no cost.

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