

## Dear Friend:

This edition of the Weekly Wrap features a Golden Gathering recap, a link to my latest monthly column, pictures from the recent East Greenbush Honor-A-Veteran program, and much more. Feel free to forward news of local charitable events that you'd like my office to share with the community by e-mailing me at jordan@nysenate.gov. Thank you!

Sincerely,

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# 27th Annual Golden Gathering was a Fantastic Success!



Last Saturday's 27th annual Golden Gathering was a fantastic success, as over 1,000 individuals attended this beloved free health and wellness fair held at Columbia-Greene Community College. I was proud to sponsor this event with my good friend Columbia County Clerk Holly Tanner and meet with so many constituents. Our Golden Gathering featured 70 fantastic exhibitors and sponsors who generously donated their time and talents to help Columbia County senior citizens. Without our generous exhibitors and sponsors, there would be no Golden Gathering, so I want to be sure and recognize everyone!

Our exhibitors and sponsors included: Adult Fire Safety Beyond Stop, Drop and Roll; Adult Learning Institute; Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern NY; Arbonne International; Assemblyman Jake Ashby; Bankers Life; The Battlefield & Beyond; Beach & Bartolo Realtors; Blue Shield of Northeastern New York: Breast Cancer Options: Camphill Ghent; Catholic Charities of Columbia & Greene Counties; Catholic Charities Senior & Caregiver Support Services: CDPHP: Columbia County Clerk Holly Tanner; Columbia County Community Healthcare Consortium; Columbia County Department of Health; Columbia County Department of Health Flu Shot Clinic; Columbia County Department of Human Services/Mental Health; Columbia County Department of Social Services: Columbia County District Attorney Paul Czajka; Columbia County EMS Coordinators; Columbia County Healthy Neighborhoods Program; Columbia County Office for the Aging; Columbia County Sheriff David Bartlett and the Columbia County Sheriff's Office; Columbia County Veterans Service Agency and Gary Flaherty; Columbia-Greene Community College; Columbia Memorial Health; Columbia Memorial Hospital Auxiliary: Columbia Memorial Hospital Bone & Joint Center; Columbia Memorial Hospital Rehab; Columbia Opportunities, Inc.; Community Action; Consumer Directed Choices, Inc.; Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene Counties; Hendrick Hudson Chapter, NSDAR: Eddy Alzheimer's Services; Eddy Community Services; Emblem Health; Funeral Consumers Alliance of the Hudson Valley: Galvan Foundation Housing Resources: Greene County Public Health; Greene Meadows Nursing And Rehabilitation; Greenport Rescue Squad; Hearthstone Care; Kinderhook Elks Lodge #2530; Livingston Hills Nursing and Rehabilitation Center: Long Term Care Community Coalition; Louis Payn Foundation; Medicare Tailor; Mid-Hudson Cablevision: Music by Rockin' Rob: MVP Health Care: Neighbors of Northern Columbia County; Northeast Home Medical Supplies Inc.; Northeastern Association of the Blind; NYS Comptroller's Office of Unclaimed Funds; NYS Public Service Commission; NYS Bureau of Adult Services: Palatine Manor Elderly Housing Development: PFC Dwyer Program; Pine Haven Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center; The Pines at Catskill Center for Nursing & Rehabilitation; Rip Van Winkle Brass Quintet; Senator Daphne Jordan Constituent Services; SHARE; Dr. Terry Sullivan Speech & Hearing, PC; United Healthcare; William J Kowalski, D.C.; and Zumba Gold.

THANK YOU to everyone and yes, the Golden Gathering will return to Columbia County in 2020!

#### Addressing New York's Deepening Upstate-Downstate Divide

My latest monthly column in the Saratogian and Troy Record focused on the deepening Upstate-Downstate divide and the need for Albany to focus on common-sense policies – real tax relief, fewer job-killing regulations, restoring respect for the rule of law – that can help bridge New York's growing divide. You can read my monthly column on my Senate website at <u>https://www.nysenate.gov/senators/daphne-jordan</u>.

#### East Greenbush Honor-A-Veteran Program

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Tuesday, October 8, was the East Greenbush Honor-A-Veteran ceremony. Veterans David Neal Caneen, Arthur Harold Summers, and Selby Edward Summers (both of whom are pictured above) were all honored during the program. God bless America's veterans and all who serve and sacrifice!

### The Wilton Report Featuring Operation Adopt-A-Solider

Bill O'Donnell of the Wilton Report, shared with me the Report's terrific video ("Operation Adopt-A-Soldier Soldiers On") focused on Operation Adopt-A-Solider. The video includes an interview with my good friend Cliff Seguin who serves as Chairman of this great organization dedicated to helping our troops. You can watch the video, provided courtesy of the Wilton Report, here: <u>https://www.youtube.com</u>

/watch?v=WQpZ7QOb8QU&feature=youtu.be. Your help is needed to restore to pre-fire levels and replenish the supply of goods that Adopt-A-Soldier is consistently sending to the troops.

**City of Mechanicville Economic Development Forum** 



On Thursday, October 10, I attended the City of Mechanicville Economic Development Forum. This terrific event was focused on growing our economy and showcasing all of the great local economic development efforts happening across Mechanicville-Stillwater. At the forum, I also presented a NYS Senate Proclamation and NYS Senate Commendation to honor successful businessman Roger Grout, who has been such a strong supporter of our community, along with so many charitable and civic causes. Roger Grout has created countless jobs and opportunities and is always giving back to our area. Roger's years of leadership and philanthropy were also recognized by the Mechanicville-Stillwater Chamber of Commerce. Congratulations Roger!

#### **Recognizing October 10 as "Organ Donor Enrollment Day"**

Organ donation is a profound and hugely important step individuals can take to help save someone's life. I recognized Thursday, October 10, as "Organ Donor Enrollment Day" to encourage organ donation. If you aren't signed up already to be an organ donor, I strongly encourage you to do so without delay by registering online at <u>https://registerme.org/campaign /enrollmentday</u>.

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