



Dear Friend:

Welcome to the latest edition of the Weekly Wrap. From important news regarding potential water sources for Hoosick Falls, to visiting the Halfmoon-Waterford Fire District 1, congratulating Rensselaer County Clerk Frank Merola, raising awareness of domestic violence, dedicating the Saratoga Surrender Site in Schuylerville, to congratulating the State Championship Taconic Hills High School Trap Team, this edition of the Weekly Wrap features lots of important information and community happenings. Thanks for reading, and have a great weekend!

– Senator Daphne Jordan

Important News Regarding Potential New Water Source for Hoosick Falls

The State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) announced that the Hoosick Falls Drinking Water Source Study is available for review and public comment. The study evaluates potential options for a clean, safe and reliable drinking water source for Hoosick Falls. This long-awaited study presents five options for the public's consideration and review. The study is available on the DEC's website:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/108791.html#water>. Once you click on that link, look for the bolded heading “**Municipal Water Supply Study for the Village of Hoosick Falls.**” If you would like the study e-mailed to you, e-mail my office at jordan@nysenate.gov and we will send you an electronic copy.

The public comment period regarding the study is open through Monday, November 18, 2019. Comments on the report will be accepted until November 18 by e-mail to:

HoosickWaterSupply@dec.ny.gov or by mail to: DEC Project Engineer, Ian Beilby, P.E., Chief, Section C, Remedial Bureau D, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233. I encourage ALL stakeholders to read the study and utilize the public comment period to share their thoughts on the five options reviewed, as I will be doing the same.

Visiting Halfmoon-Waterford Fire District 1



On Saturday, I visited Halfmoon-Waterford Fire District 1 for a Wet Down Celebration for their new engine 321. I'm pictured here with District Fire Chief Rick Gaudette at this event. It's important to support our first heroic responders who do such an incredible job protecting families and serving our communities!

Honoring Rensselaer County Clerk Frank Merola



Last Saturday was also the Italian Community Center Charitable Foundation Columbus Day Dinner honoring my good friend — and fantastic public servant — Rensselaer County Clerk Frank Merola. My Director of Constituent Services (and Rensselaer County Legislator) Dan Casale represented me and presented a Senate proclamation to Clerk Merola in honor of this special occasion. Congratulations to Rensselaer County Clerk Frank Merola on this well-deserved recognition!

Attending the New York State Thoroughbred Breeders Event

On Sunday, I took part in the New York State Thoroughbred Breeders celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Harry M. Zweig Memorial Fund for Equine Research at Fastig Tipton in Saratoga Springs. Dr. Douglas Antczak and Dr. Jonathan Cheetham of the Baker Institute for Animal Health at Cornell University presented important equine research being studied. Making sure our breeding industry is healthy – and that horseracing is healthy – is of paramount importance for the welfare of our equine friends and our economy.

Rensselaer County Honor-A-Veteran Program



Tuesday was the Rensselaer County Honor-A-Veteran Program recognizing William A. Nedoroscik who served in the United States Navy from 1958 to 1961, and again in the United States Marine Corps from 1965 to 1968. Mr. Nedoroscik's son is pictured above speaking at the podium during the program. America is eternally grateful for the honorable, faithful, and dedicated service of William Nedoroscik and all of our courageous veterans.

Saratoga County Honor-A-Veteran Ceremony



Tuesday also was Saratoga County's Honor-A-Veteran Ceremony honoring PFC John Martin, who served in World War II in the United States Marine Corps from 1944 to 1946, and re-enlisted in the United States Army in January of 1950. He was declared MIA then later KIA and was awarded a Purple Heart, Army Good Conduct Medal, the Combat Medical Badge, the Korean Service Medal, the UN Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, Korean War Service Medal, and World War II Victory Medal. In September 2001, his remains were recovered at a burial site in the Chosin Reservoir and John's Great Grandnephew, Airman Schuyler Colton, accompanied the remains home. On December 2, 2018, he was buried with full military honors in Schuylerville next to his parents on the 68th anniversary of being listed as MIA. God Bless John Martin and all of America's heroes who served and sacrificed.

Raising Awareness of Domestic Violence





October is recognized as “Domestic Violence Awareness Month” and on Tuesday, I took part in the Stillwater Police Department’s domestic violence awareness press conference. This annual press conference also highlighted the importance of victims having access to cell phones that can serve as a vital lifeline in the event of an emergency. More than 6,000 cell phones have been donated since Stillwater Police Department First Sergeant Ray Cordani (who I’m pictured with above) began this successful program. I was honored to join my partners in government, law enforcement, and the business community in this effort to help raise awareness about domestic violence prevention.

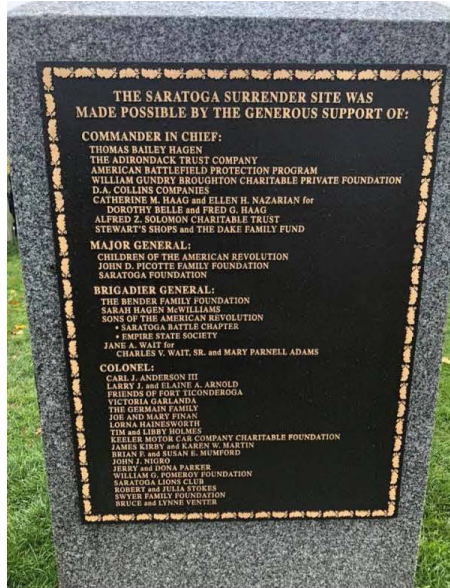
Honoring the Taconic Hills State Champion Trap Team



On Wednesday, I congratulated the Trap Team at Taconic Hills High School for their 2019 High School Spring Conference championship. With 1,600 students in NYS participating, 11 team members of Taconic’s 35 were top 100! On June 30, the team became state champions in competition with 66 teams and 960 shooters. Clay target shooting is the fastest-growing high school sport in the nation and the only high school sport that has an accident free record. To participate in a clay target team, each team member must get their Firearm Safety Certification. Congratulations to Coach Siter and his team! I also presented a Senate Proclamation honoring their achievement.

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On Thursday, I spoke at the Saratoga Surrender Site dedication ceremony in Schuylerville. The site observes the surrender of British General John Burgoyne to American General Horatio Gates, concluding the Battles of Saratoga, known as the turning point of the Revolutionary War. The site is a testament to the enduring spirit of America, as well as the courage, fortitude, and resolve of our Founding Fathers and the Continental Army. Thank you to the Germain Family, Friends of the Saratoga Battlefield, Hudson-Hoosic Rivers Partnership, National Park Service, and the many volunteers and donors who brought this project to fruition. Let us never forget the service and sacrifice of the brave American patriots whose courage and commitment keeps us free!

Celebrating 50 Years of MACSC Making a Positive Difference

2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the Mechanicville Area Community Services Center (MACSC). Established in 1969, the MACSC has created a lasting legacy of neighbors helping neighbors by providing innovative programs and services that reach across the lifespan and empower the community. For more details about MACSC's 50th anniversary celebration, visit www.mechanicvilleacsc.org.

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