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### Dear Friend:

Greetings and welcome to the Weekly Wrap! In this week's edition, you'll find plenty of great news about grand openings and ribbon cuttings for new and expanding business across the 43rd Senate District. I've also included updates on my legislation preventing "Porch Piracy," my local bill helping Mechanicville being signed into State Law, and utility scam prevention tips. Have a great weekend! – Senator Daphne Jordan, 43rd District

### ValuSpace Grand Opening



On Friday, the Rosenblum Companies celebrated the grand opening of the company's third, and currently largest, ValuSpace Personal Storage facility in Halfmoon. ValuSpace Personal Storage represents a \$9 million investment, consists of a three-story, 91,000-square-foot, temperature-controlled main building and 20,000-square-feet of single-story drive-up buildings. The new facility creates virtually no traffic impact or parking demand and will generate significant additional property tax revenues. The Rosenblum Companies also presented a \$1,000 check for VFW Post 1498 to Commander Dave Brinkmoeller as a "thank you" for allowing construction vehicles on their property during the project. **Naval Support Activity Saratoga Springs Field House Ribbon-Cutting** 



Friday was also the Naval Support Activity Saratoga Springs Field House ribbon-cutting ceremony. This project was made possible through the strong support of the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce and especially my predecessor and good friend, Senator Kathy Marchione, who secured the state funding for this new facility.

### **LISSMAC Grand Opening**



In addition, Friday featured the Chamber of Southern Saratoga County's grand opening of LISSMAC in Halfmoon. Pictured above are Klaus Kiefer, President, Ingo Heiland, Vice President, Saratoga County Board of Supervisors Chairman, and Halfmoon Town Supervisor, Kevin Tollisen, and Pete Bardunias with the Chamber. Over the past three decades, LISSMAC has developed from a manufacturer of exclusively construction machinery to an international system partner for highly technical machines and systems. Today, LISSMAC stands for outstanding innovative force, technological competence and first-class system and service solutions from a single source. Congratulations to everyone at the LISSMAC Corporation!

Grow the Valley New Lebanon Farm History Pamphlet Launch



Last weekend marked the New Lebanon Library and Grow the Valley New Lebanon Farm History Pamphlet launch. This community event and initiative help further showcase our fantastic region and the wonderful heritage of family farming so important to our economy and way of life.

## Sounding the Alarm on Bail "Reforms"

A few weeks ago, I took part in a Senate Codes Committee Public Hearing on Discovery Reform. This is a crucial public safety issue that affects every New Yorker – that's why I'm sharing the video link to the hearing in my Weekly Wrap. Many officials are likewise sharing and advancing the concerns I initially stated during our hearing and continually raised during Session. I encourage you to watch the video outlining the issues that law enforcement and I have regarding the so-called bail "reforms" enacted during the last Session and how they could harm public safety. My remarks are toward the beginning of the video accessible on my Senate website at <u>https://www.nysenate.gov/newsroom/video/daphne-jordan</u> /senate-public-hearing-discovery-reform.

#### **Choice Physical Therapy Grand Opening**



Tuesday saw the grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for Choice Physical Therapy at their new location in the Town of Schaghticoke. In the picture above are the owners, Doctors Joe and Erin Napoleon, along with Rensselaer County Legislator Dan Casale, who represented me at the event. Congrats to the team at Choice Physical Therapy. **Unstoppable Nutrition Ribbon Cutting** 



Wednesday marked the grand opening and ribbon cutting of Unstoppable Nutrition (pictured above) in East Greenbush. Congratulations to everyone at Unstoppable Nutrition.

#### **Celebrating Small Businesses**

Small businesses are the heartbeat of our economy and employ more than half of all New Yorkers. As the former owner and operator of two small businesses, I want to recognize, celebrate, and showcase successful small businesses throughout our community. If you have news about an upcoming ribbon cutting/grand opening for a new or expanding small business, e-mail me at jordan@nysenate.gov so I can help share the good news and recognize the special occasion.



This week I released an infographic (pictured above) highlighting the seriousness and severity of "Porch Piracy," where unscrupulous thieves brazenly steal deliveries from porches, doorsteps, and driveways. My infographic highlighted my new legislation – Senate Bill S.6794 – to prevent porch piracy. I'm hopeful my bill will receive strong, bi-partisan support during our upcoming legislative session.

## My Local Legislation Signed Into State Law

The Governor recently signed into State Law my legislation – Senate Bill S.2068 – waiving the residency requirement for the City Attorney in the City of Mechanicville. It can be difficult to find qualified individuals to serve as City Attorney, which is why my bill allows the City of Mechanicville to look in Saratoga County and adjoining counties for a qualified candidate. I'm pleased my local bill helping Mechanicville is now law!



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