

THE WEEKLY WRAP

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Dear Friend:

Happy Friday and welcome to the November 4th edition of my Weekly Wrap!

BIG happenings:

- Halfmoon Veterans Memorial Ceremony
- Purple Heart Community Visits
- Waterford Town Board Meeting
- Donald R. Kline Technical School Dedication

Other important news:

- Early Voting Ends Sunday
- St. Basil's Souvlaki Fest Tomorrow
- Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library Giving Tuesday
- Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration
- Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Ribbon Cuttings:
 - The Local - Pub & Teahouse 15th Anniversary,
 - Sylvan Learning Center
 - Life Made Simple Boutique

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

IN THE NEWS



Past due! Hochul on the hook to release "important" overdue budget update

Tick-Tock Governor, the people of New York are waiting for this report.

[Empire Center Report](#)

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Digital Gadgets owner, spouse give \$235K to state Democratic Party

Pay-to-Play Albany must be held accountable. We need a full investigation into the State's contracts with businesses that are donating big money to campaign accounts.

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NYPD Commissioner Sewell calls on Hochul to roll back bail reform as Adams bites tongue

Repealing Bail Reform is key to ensuring our communities are safe for families. NY is the only state that does not allow for a judge's discretion in considering the dangerousness of the defendant to hold that defendant in jail. I will continue to work with those seeking to improve public safety for New Yorkers.

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Drug deaths surged during pandemic, comptroller's report shows

This is heart breaking. So many people are falling victim to deaths of despair. As a State we need to work harder to prevent these terrible tragedies.

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Halfmoon Veterans Memorial Ceremony



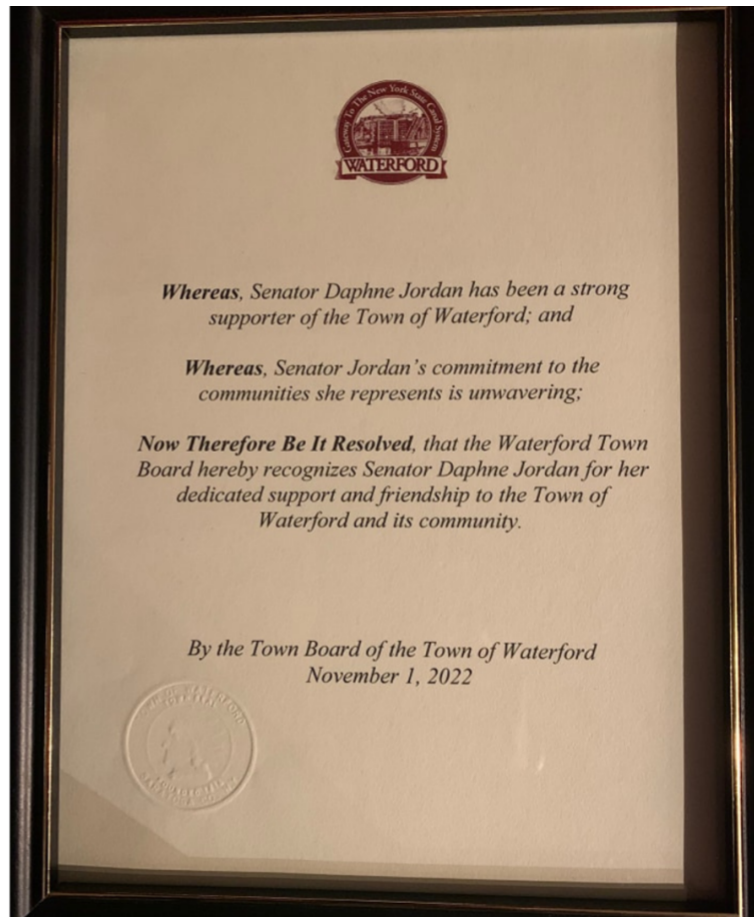
Every day we must honor and remember those who sacrificed everything on behalf of our nation. I was honored to join the Town of Halfmoon for the 6th Annual Halfmoon Veterans Memorial Ceremony on Saturday. Halfmoon Town Supervisor Kevin Tollisen and his team do a terrific job in hosting this ceremony! Thank you to all of our veterans and to those veterans that were in attendance. Thank you to all who came to honor our veterans including, Supervisor Kevin Tollisen, Assemblywoman Mary Beth Walsh, Father Dave Haig, Town of Halfmoon Board Members John Wasielewski and Eric Catricala, our soloist Maria Pfigl, Art Hunsinger, and the members of VFW Post 1498 Colorguard. We must never forget the sacrifices of our veterans.

Purple Heart Community visits



This week I had a chance to visit several Towns and Villages that had passed resolutions to become Purple Heart Communities during the pandemic, and present them with NYS Senate Proclamations in recognition. Thank you to Pittstown Supervisor Matt Curley, Poestenkill Town Supervisor Keith Hammond and Town Clerk Sue Horton, Town of Moreau Supervisor Todd Kusnierz, Jr., Village of South Glens Falls Mayor Nicholas Bodkin, and their governing boards for passing these resolutions. I am proud to say that my initiative for all 60 municipalities within the current 43rd Senate District to become Purple Heart Communities was completed months ago. It is so important to recognize our courageous American patriots who gave “all” for us and those who live with wounds on our behalf.

Waterford Town Board Meeting



At the Town Board meeting in Waterford Tuesday evening, I was incredibly proud to be honored with a resolution and plaque in recognition of my service to the town. Over the past four years, it has been a privilege to serve as Waterford's voice in the New York State Senate. Thank you to Town Supervisor Jack Lawler, each member of the Board, David Ball, Jim Boudreau, Laurie Marble, Frank McClement, and Town Clerk Mary Shannon Carrigan for this tremendous honor. My best wishes for Waterford's continued success. I'm honored to call you friends.

Donald R. Kline Technical School Dedication



Schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility, and equality. Today Questar III BOCES dedicated their Columbia-Greene Educational Center in honor of US Army veteran Donald R. Kline. Mr. Kline was a passionate volunteer and served on the Questar III BOCES board for over 35 years. By dedicating the now Donald R. Kline Technical School, Questar III BOCES will ensure people remember his important contributions to the community.

[Learn More](#)

Early voting Ends Sunday



Early Voting is underway, and you can cast your ballot until this Sunday until 6pm! Find your local polling place at the links below. Don't forget that this Tuesday is Election Day!

[Columbia County](#)

[Rensselaer County](#)

[Saratoga County](#)

[Washington County](#)

St. Basil's Souvlaki Fest Tomorrow

Tomorrow Saint Basil Greek Orthodox Church will be hosting its 4th annual Souvlaki Fest on November 5th. Many of your Greek favorite dishes are on our menu. I hope to see you there!



Souvlaki Fest 2022



Come Enjoy Greek Souvlaki and Much More

St Basil Greek Orthodox Church
909 River Street Troy, NY

Saturday, November 5th, 2022
11:00AM to 6:30PM



Greek Salad



Souvlaki



Gyros



Rice Pilaf



Spanakopita



Pastitsio



Moussaka

Proceeds to benefit the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA)
Chapter 306 charitable and philanthropic programs.

Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library Giving Tuesday

Attention Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library patrons! Consider your Giving Tuesday gift to the Library Foundation to purchase Hot Spots, Launchpads and Wonder Books. I'm proud to be a Director of the Clifton Park - Halfmoon Library Foundation. Please Help!



In the 19th century Libraries shared scarce resources, BOOKS, with their communities. In the 21st century the scarce resource is the INTERNET and TECHNOLOGY

Established on the 50th anniversary of the Library, the goal of the Foundation is to enrich the overall services of the Library by funding programs and projects that traditionally are not or would not be financed through local tax dollars or other public resources reflected in the annual library budget.

You Can Help

Make a donation on Giving Tuesday to provide additional funds for Hot Spots, Launchpads and Wonderbooks. Go to our website, www.cphlibrary-foundation.org to make a donation and while there sign up to be on our email list. Or mail your donation to us at CPH Library Foundation, 475 Moe Rd. Clifton Park 12065



**GIVING
TUESDAY**

Together
we give.

Nov 29, 2022

CPH Library Foundation

Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration



To celebrate and honor the Thanksgiving holiday, I will be sponsoring a Thanksgiving Day Celebration for students to take part in.

The theme for this year's program is **“What qualities do you have that you are thankful for?”** Participating students will submit electronically—in JPEG or PDF format via my official Senate website—an original poem, short essay, or artwork expressing what qualities they have that they are thankful for. All submissions will be published on the website and participating students will receive a personalized certificate from me.

[Submit Your Entry Here](#)

Thanksgiving Food Drive

16th Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

Sponsored by: Toyota of Clifton Park, C.J. & Carmine DeCrescente and all employees, John & Amy Pickett, Evolution, Bruce Tanski & Snyder's Restaurant, Scott Earl & Prestige Vending, G.A. Bove Fuels, Vince Laurenzo and Quick Response, CarFax, Hannaford Supermarkets, Ernie Zecca, Charles Dyer & Son Inc., The Richardson Family in Memory of Ann Marie, Nick & Marie Rinaldi & Family, The Mark Mondoux Scholarship, The Express, Rotary E-Club of Upstate NY, Michael & Jane Zurlo, Carol & Al Dorn, Josh & Krista Phelps, Val's Sporting Goods, Arvin Hart Fire Department, New Country Motor Car Corp., William J. Dyer & Son, Carola, Bagnoli, and Tollisen, New Country Lexus of Latham, Greg & Marie Miller, The Izzo Family, The Boucher Family, Jan & Steve Ascenzi, DeVito Salvatore Funeral Home, Del's Wine and Spirits, John Greene

The Challenge: To collect enough food by noon, Nov. 18th to feed over 1,000 families in our local area...
(Mechanicville, Halfmoon, Pittstown, Schaghticoke, Stillwater and Clifton Park)

DROP OFF BOXES ARE SET UP AT:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toyota of Clifton Park • The Express Office • DeCrescente Distributing • The Connors Agency • Bubbles • LaVigna Agency • The End Zone | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legends Barbershop • G.A.Bove Fuels • Très Jolie Hair Salon • Undeniable Nutrition • Valley Falls Library • The Diver Library • Temple Baptist Church | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mechanicville Chiropractic • Mechanicville Country Living • Nickleback Bottle Return • Town Halls of Halfmoon, Pittstown, Stillwater, and Schaghticoke • Sub King • Highway Tabernacle Church | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Saints on the Hudson • St. Luke's on the Hill (Thurs-Sun) • Kearney's Service Center • United Methodist Church • Commissioner of Accounts Office, Mechanicville City Hall |
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Any other area businesses who would like to have a drop box please call Mike at 664-4444 or Cindy at 664-3335.

In these difficult times, let's all try to help our neighbors who are in great need this Thanksgiving.

All donations are welcome.

Items Needed:

Canned vegetables, potato flakes, stuffing, muffin mixes, jello, pastry shells, gravy, gift cards, coffee, tea, pickles, cranberries, soup, peanut butter, cereal, rice tuna and pasta.

Thank you for your support!

Questions: call Mike Raucci at 664-4444 or Tom & Cindy Mahoney at 664-3335

Thanksgiving is an important time of the year for family and friends to get together and celebrate their blessings in life. If you are able please consider donating to families in need this Thanksgiving at one of the many drop off points above.

RIBBON CUTTINGS

The Local - Pub & Teahouse 15th Anniversary



Congratulations to the team at The Local Pub and Teahouse in Saratoga Springs as they celebrate 15 years in business! Their unique offering of English and Irish dishes, as well as craft beers and organic teas, will whet anyone's appetite. Thank you the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce for helping celebrate, and good luck to The Local on another 15 great years!

Business Website

Sylvan Learning Center



Audrey and John Waterfield are the NYS certified teachers, husband and wife team who have opened the newest Sylvan Learning location in Wilton. They also opened a satellite office on Beekman Street in Saratoga Springs several weeks ago. They offer personalized plans for students that will meet the needs of any family. It was my pleasure to join in The Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce's ribbon cutting to wish the Waterfields much success

Sylvan Learning Center Website

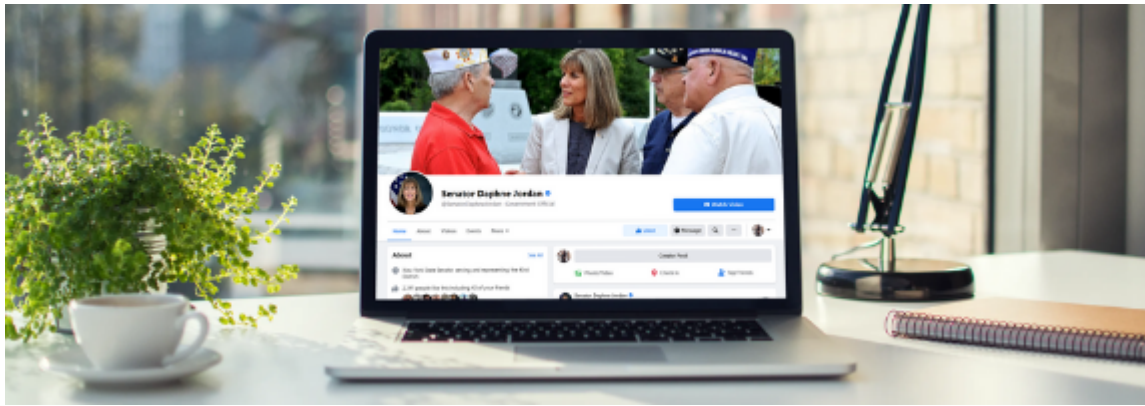
Life Made Simple Boutique



Wednesday was yet another celebration of small business with the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce. Congratulations to Nicole Wilson who opened up her second location of Life Made Simple Boutique in the Wilton Mall. The store is great for gifts or just to treat yourself . . . I did! The boutique features many local vendors, small businesses throughout the USA, drinkware, home décor, healing crystals, clothing, coffees, teas and so much more! You can shop at the Burnt Hills and now the Wilton Mall location.

Business Website

Stay up-to-date with me throughout the week
on Social Media!



FACEBOOK

TWITTER

INSTAGRAM

YOUTUBE

VISIT MY WEBSITE

Albany Office:
188 State Street, Legislative Office
Bldg.,
Room 706
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518-455-2381

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