

THE WEEKLY WRAP

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Dear Friend:

Happy Friday and welcome to the October 28th edition of my Weekly Wrap!

BIG happenings:

- Commemorating the 90th Anniversary of St. Basil Church
- New York State Senate Woman of Distinction Celebration
- Renewed calls to repeal bail reform
- Fed-Up New Yorkers continue to flee One-Party Albany
- Fall fun out in the 43rd
- Recognizing National First Responders Day

Other important news:

- Halfmoon Veterans Memorial Ceremony October 29th
- Souvlaki Fest November 5th at Saint Basil Greek Orthodox Church
- Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration
- The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train is back
- Ribbon Cuttings:
 - Rensselaer County Workforce Development Center at Hudson Valley Community College and
 - Dancing Grain Farm Brewery

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



Gov. Kathy Hochul says she's reducing crime in New York

The Governor has had ample opportunities to repeal bail reform and make public safety a priority. She has gone with a soft on crime approach and New Yorkers are paying the price. We need to make community safety a top priority.

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Sheriff: Watch for cannabis edibles masquerading as children's candy

AMSTERDAM — Montgomery County Sheriff Jeffrey T. Smith put out an alert about "potentially dangerous impersonating candy" ahead of Halloween on Monday.

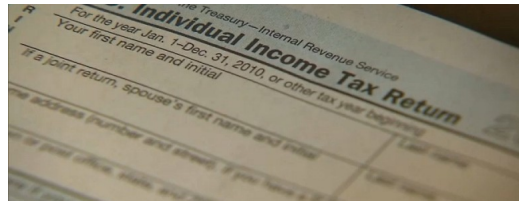
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Stillwater Man wins USA Mullet Competition

Fun for the week. . . Congratulations to Scott Salvadore, "The Lord's Drapes" from Stillwater for winning the USA Mullet Championship aired on the Today Show on Saturday. Inquiring minds want to know if he cuts his prize winning mullet off now that the champs are over with???

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New York tax climate ranked second-to-last

It's no wonder people are racing for the exit. One-Party Albany is forcing people to leave thanks to their horrendous tax system. Without a more balanced approach, New York's economy will be left behind and more New Yorkers will become former New Yorkers.

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Commemorating the 90th Anniversary of St. Basil Church



Opa! Happy 90th Anniversary St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church. Saturday's celebration was outstanding! Thank you to the Committee that planned it. Thank you to Father Emmanuel Mantzouris (Father Manny) for serving at St. Basil for 40 years and lifting me up each Sunday that I am there.

New York State Senate Woman of Distinction Celebration



Wonderful event Wednesday evening at The Fairways of Halfmoon as we honored Megan Quillinan, Executive Director for the Mechanicville Area Community Services Center, Inc. (MACSC), as my 2022 NYS Senate Woman of Distinction for the 43rd Senate District.

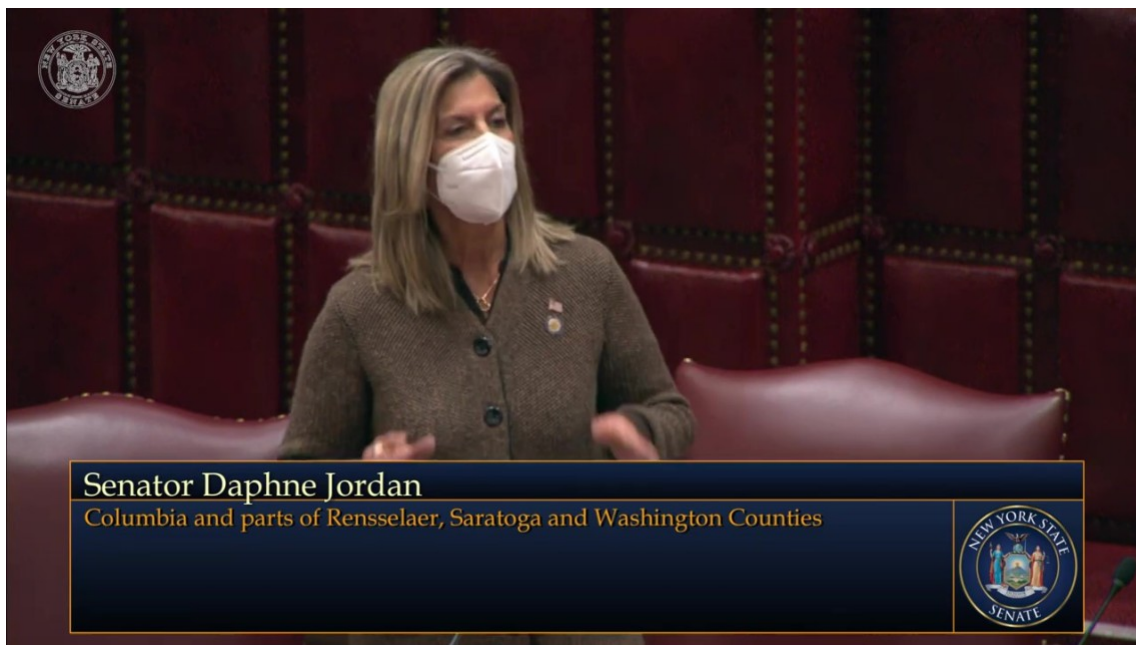
The ceremony recognized Megan's countless contributions to our community, her years of selfless service, and her dedicated, highly effective public leadership that's made a positive and lasting difference for area families. Hallmarks of Megan's leadership include tripling the agency budget to over \$1 million with diversified funding streams including State and local grants, fundraising, collaborative community partnerships, and an increase in revenue-yielding programs.

This year marked the 24th annual Woman of Distinction program and exhibit, hosted by the NYS Senate in honor of Women's History Month, celebrating and honoring New York women: the barrier breakers, difference makers, risk takers, and trailblazers that have selflessly served, led, and enriched our state and nation. Megan fits this description to a "t." I was incredibly proud to name Megan Quillinan as my Woman of Distinction for 2022 and wish her continued success in leading the MACSC and successfully meeting the needs of our community. Congrats Megan!

My thanks to the Fairways of Halfmoon staff (who always do a fantastic job) and my fellow elected officials who joined us: Halfmoon Town Supervisor Kevin Tollisen; Halfmoon Town Councilman and Deputy Town Supervisor Paul Hotaling; City of Mechanicville Mayor Mike Butler; City of Mechanicville Supervisor Tom Richardson, City of Mechanicville Commissioner Mark Seber, and City of Mechanicville Commissioner Fred Hosley.

Learn more about this year's nominee

Renewed calls to repeal bail reform



Way back in January I spoke on the floor of the Senate to address the 5 times people had been pushed onto the tracks at NYC Subway stations just a couple of weeks into the new year. The number of crimes in the subways has increased exponentially since then. On Monday, the Governor wanted to dismiss the real fear people are feeling rather than take the necessary action. I, along with my Republican colleagues, have called for the repeal of bail reform in order to take repeat offenders off the streets, and out of subway stations. Only real solutions will finally address the problem.

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[Watch my remarks](#)

Fed-Up New Yorkers continue to flee One-Party Albany

Dear Senator Jordan,
Just a note of thanks for your continued support and leadership to attempt to bring New York State in a more positive direction. Unfortunately, there are too many uneducated, uncaring and selfish people in leadership right now which has hurt this once great state. For that reason my husband and I are relocating to Arizona. This state has been my home for 66 years but as we both move into retirement we can no longer afford to live here and feel very unsafe to travel to other parts of the state. I assure you that we will be voting RED before we leave and hope that it helps.

I pray you will continue to fight the good fight.

All the best,
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I get emails like this all the time. New Yorkers are so fed up with One-Party Albany that they are becoming Floridians, Texans, and Arizonans. Crime, taxes, and education are all going in the wrong direction so it's no surprise New York leads the nation in people rushing for the door. New Yorkers are craving a balanced government that will take their concerns seriously, and put New York on the path to a brighter future.

Fall fun out in the 43rd



We used to go every year with the kiddos, but Phil and I decided Saturday afternoon that there was nothing wrong with us kids going all by ourselves and having fun . . . and so we did! We navigated phase 1 and 2 of the corn maze in record time . . . maybe. We also enjoyed meeting the Giffords who own Liberty Ridge Farm. There are so many great things to see and do in the current 43rd Senate District and this is one of them!

Liberty Ridge Farm

Recognizing National First Responders Day

National First Responders Day



October 28

THANK YOU for keeping
our communities safe.

As citizens run from danger, our heroes run toward it. Today and everyday, we choose to recognize our first responders and all that they do to keep our communities safe. God Bless our brave police officers, firefighters, paramedics, and EMTs.

Halfmoon Veterans Memorial Ceremony
October 29th

Halfmoon Veterans Memorial 6th Annual Memorial Ceremony



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**Saturday, October 29, 2022
10:00 AM**

**Halfmoon Veterans Memorial
Halfmoon Town Park, 162 Route 236, Halfmoon**

JOIN US AS WE HONOR OUR VETERANS

*The names of all Veterans engraved on the
walkway will be read aloud during the ceremony.*


For additional information call
Town Supervisor Kevin Tollisen's office
at 518-371-7410 ext. 2200

Refreshments will be served following the ceremony.



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Halfmoon Parks & Recreation

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Honoring Our Veterans

Tomorrow, October 29th, the Town of Halfmoon will host the 6th annual Halfmoon Veterans Memorial Ceremony at the Halfmoon Town Park. This moving ceremony will honor all those who have their name inscribed on the memorial for their sacrifice and service to our nation.

**Souvlaki Fest November 5th at Saint Basil
Greek Orthodox Church**



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.

Next Saturday Saint Basil Greek Orthodox Church - Troy, NY 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!

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](#)

The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train is back



The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train is back this year! The train will again raise money, food and awareness for local food banks in communities along the CP network. Live musical performances are free to the public at each stop. The train will be in Mechanicville and Saratoga Springs on November 27th for all those interested.

Check out the website for more info



Rensselaer County Workforce Development
Center at Hudson Valley Community College



I was excited to celebrate another Hudson Valley Community College success Thursday and be a part of the opening of the Rensselaer County Workforce Development Center in conjunction with the Capital Region Workforce Development Board. Both HVCC President Ramsammy and Brian Williams, Executive Director of the Workforce Development Board have made it their mission to strengthen needed skills in the Capital Region. It is the perfect marriage for the Board to have a Satellite Workforce Development Center at HVCC.

Their services are readily available to residents and students. It is a win all the way around, a win for people seeking careers, a win for our employers, a win for the Capital Region, and a win for our economy! Congratulations!

Capital Region Workforce Development Board

HVCC Website

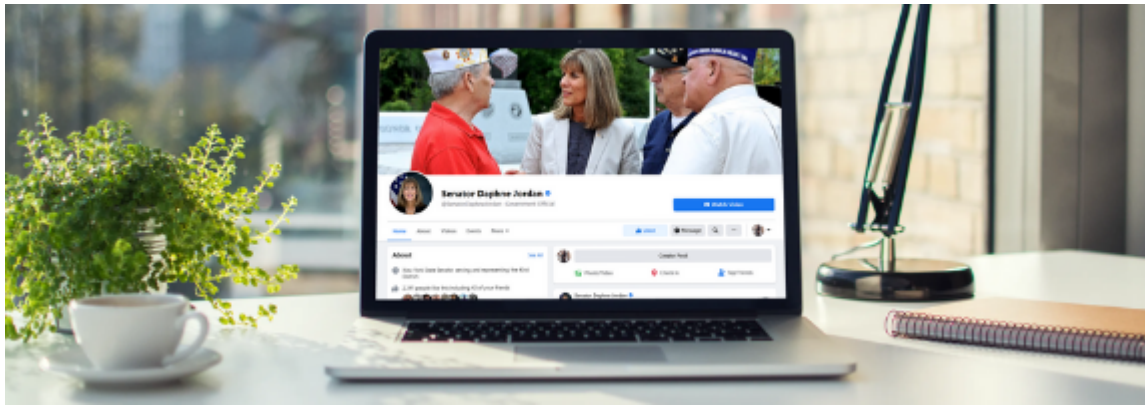
Dancing Grain Farm Brewery



Today, I joined the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce for the grand opening of Dancing Grain Farm Brewery. Dancing Grain Farm is a second-generation farming family producing specialty grain crops for the craft beverage industry. In order to “save the farm”, Rachel McDermott left her NYC investment banker job to come home and design the brewery around the crops most suitable to the family farm. She partnered with Bert and Christian Weber of Common Roots Brewing Company and now at the farm, we can all “savor the beer.” More than 90% of the ingredients come from their fields to your glass. Cheers and Congratulations to all and best wishes for continued success! Check them out!

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