

# THE WEEKLY WRAP

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Dear Friend:

Happy Friday and welcome to the July 22nd edition of my Weekly Wrap!

## **BIG happenings:**

- Primary Election Mass Communication Blackout
- Opening the Saratoga County Fair
- Aftercare Day with ReRun Thoroughbred Adoption at Saratoga Race Track
- I Sponsor another Successful Blood Drive
- New York State Summer Reading Program

## **Other important news:**

- Garden of Hope at the Saratoga County Fair
- New York State Association of County Clerks
- Visiting Local Farmers Markets
- Some Tips to Help Save Gas
- Ribbon Cuttings
  - Siena Wealth Management
  - Creative Compliance Software Solutions

As always, I want to hear from YOU. If you have a comment, question, or concern, please email me at [jordan@nysenate.gov](mailto: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! I hope everyone has a safe and happy Fourth of July!

– Senator Daphne Jordan, 43rd District

# IN THE NEWS



## **NYS Sheriffs: New gun laws unconstitutional by creating rules impossible to follow**

The New York State Sheriffs' Association is right, these unconstitutional laws were authored without all players at the table, rushed through before anyone could read them, and without any regard for the rights of law-abiding New Yorkers. By making these laws unworkable, the Democratic Majority has made it impossible for local law enforcement to do their jobs.

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## **A family donated \$300K to Hochul. New York has paid the family business \$637M.**

Governor Hochul promised transparency and openness with New Yorkers when she took over for her disgraced predecessor. Hmm....????

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## Hochul flies on NY's dime as everyone struggles to fill gas tanks

Having trouble filling your gas tank? Governor Hochul isn't. In fact New Yorkers have paid \$170,000 to make sure her planes and helicopters are fueled up and ready whenever she wants.

Spend...spend...spend....it's only your hard earned taxpayer money

[Learn More](#)

## Alleged Lee Zeldin attempted attacker charged with felony, immediately released just as congressman predicted

Last night the Republican candidate for New York Governor, Lee Zeldin, was attacked by a man with a brass knuckle knife. Thankfully, Congressman Zeldin was unharmed by the attack.

Unfortunately, thanks to the Democrat Majority's disastrous Bail Reform laws, the attacker has already been released back onto the streets with an appearance ticket. Crime is out of control and the One-Party controlled legislature will not address it.

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# Primary Election Mass Communication Blackout



Because I am on the ballot in the August 23rd Primary Election (on the Republican line and the Conservative line), I must heed the New York State Senate guidelines regarding mass emails. Mass emails are prohibited between July 24th and August 23rd. Rest assured, my Weekly Wrap will return on August 26th bursting with information and happenings. Thank you for reading my Weekly Wrap; it's wonderful being able to share these regular weekly updates with you.

You can still follow me on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

See you soon!

Facebook

Instagram



## Opening the Saratoga County Fair



I joined Jennifer Flinton, President of the Saratoga County Agricultural Society and General Manager at the Saratoga County Fairgrounds and Pete Bardunias of the Capital Region Chamber, for the official opening of The Saratoga County Fair! This is the first time since 2019 that the Fair has been at its full capacity and I'm hoping that this year will bring record breaking attendance. As a member of the Senate Agricultural Committee, I know how important agriculture is to nourish New Yorkers and to our local and State economies. Our county fairs originated as a place for farmers to show off the fruits of their labor and to educate each other on new and improved farming practices and mechanical innovations; the fairs are important to our farmers! Today, the Saratoga County Fair still serves its original purpose, but provides so much more in terms of fun contests, 4H shows, amusement rides, tractor and truck pulls and musical entertainment. Whether you are looking for fantastic foods or for unique handmade crafts, the Saratoga County Fair has something for everyone. It was so great to see Assemblywoman Mary Beth Walsh, Saratoga County Clerk Craig Hayner, and the Saratoga County Fair Pageant Champion Alyssa Litvaitis. Plan your visit and some old-fashioned FUN today.

## Aftercare Day with ReRun Thoroughbred Adoption



I couldn't wait to meet up with friends at New York Thoroughbred Aftercare Day at the track Thursday morning before post time at the Saratoga Race Track. This event highlighted the fact that thousands of thoroughbreds who are finished with their racing careers (usually by age 4...with an average of a 30 year lifespan to go) are given another home and other jobs in life. It has been my pleasure to assist ReRun Thoroughbred Adoption in East Greenbush throughout my time as Senator. ReRun is the leading thoroughbred adoption program in NY and the northeast, taking in and placing more than 100 horses per year. ReRun also provides sanctuary to 18 horses that are not deemed adoptable for various reasons. Those that are able and suitable are used for military veteran equine-assisted therapy. ReRun's Program Director, Lisa Malloy, and crew brought Bourbon Rising and Sicilia Sal to demonstrate the skills they've learned for the show ring (Remember, these horses were race horses and raced here in Saratoga). They performed wonderfully! Keeping cool in a shed with a fan and a net of Canadian alfalfa was ReRun's Flash Trading who gave me horse kisses and flirted with me. He entertained a lot of other fans as well, including Najja Thompson, Executive Director of New York Thoroughbred Breeders. There are many other aftercare programs in NYS for our retired thoroughbred racers and that ensure they live long, happy, well-cared-for lives.



[Learn More](#)

## Saratoga Springs Blood Drive



Today I teamed up with the American Red Cross to sponsor a blood drive in Saratoga Springs. I want to thank all of the Red Cross workers and volunteers who were here today, ran the drive like clockwork and ensured it was a big success. We were able to get 55 out of 60 appointments filled. I also want to give a special thank you to the American Legion Post 70 for allowing us to use their facilities today; their dedication to our community is truly humbling. Our nation is currently experiencing a blood crisis so if you are eligible to donate please go to the link below and sign up for a blood drive near you.

I'll fill you in on a little secret, I was the kid that feared shots and would have to have an extra person hold my other arm down because I would try to cover up the cleaned area for the shot with my other hand. If I can give blood, so can YOU... and it really doesn't hurt!

[Find a Blood Drive](#)

# Summer Reading Program



If you can read, you can do anything! It is my hope that parents and guardians from across the 43rd Senate District encourage their children to read all summer long. Getting lost in a book creates adventures of the imagination while building, and more importantly when school is out, retaining reading skills.

That's why I am inviting parents and guardians from across the 43rd Senate District to participate in the New York State Senate Reading Program by going to <http://www.nyread.com/>. The program, hosted in conjunction with the State Education Department and the New York State Library, is partnering with 1,100 public libraries and neighbor branches statewide. This year's theme is "Oceans of Possibilities," which is meant to connect students of all ages to the theme of oceanography and water resources.

As the Ranking Republican Member on the Senate Libraries Committee, I worked to ensure that the Summer Reading Program received \$150,000 in funding from the Love Your Library Special Revenue Fund. Students who complete the program by reading three books will receive a Certificate of Achievement from Senator Daphne Jordan.



[Learn More](#)

## Garden of Hope at the Saratoga County Fair



When I was at The Saratoga County Fair on Tuesday, I visited the Garden of Hope. Located just outside the Lewis building in the middle of the fairgrounds, this garden is a project designed to help bring our community back together after years of separation. When you visit the Fair be sure to pick up one of the hand-painted rocks; then you can either bring it home or hide it somewhere else for someone to find, and hopefully bring a little light to their day.

New York State Association of County Clerks



## **New York State Association of County Clerks Memorandum Regarding New Gun Control Legislation**

As Constitutional Officers of the State of New York and stakeholders in the handgun licensing process; we are writing to expressly voice our concerns over the recent changes to the NYS gun laws which were offered and passed on July 1, 2022, during an “Extraordinary Session” ordered by Governor Hochul.

The resulting legislation is both confusing and cumbersome to navigate for both the citizenry as well as the various agencies in charge of administering and implementing the new laws. In haste to pass the new regulations as a reaction to the recent United States Supreme Court ruling, the process as it stands will now be riddled with complex, confusing, and redundant barriers of compliance. Furthermore, to enact three potentially separate processes for license recertification, with different recertification agencies, will not only lead to further confusion but also create additional problems of record sharing between agencies while placing unfair burdens on handgun license owners.

The County Clerks, County Sheriffs, New York State Police and the Licensing Officers are all partners in the handgun license process. It is imperative that we are provided the necessary tools to best serve all New Yorkers wishing to exercise their right to obtain a handgun or semiautomatic rifle license. To set arbitrary deadlines for compliance and new mandates on local governments without seeking their input, again, sets us and the citizenry up for failure.

The New York State Association of County Clerks is right to be deeply concerned by the new gun laws that were forced through the Legislature by the Governor. These unworkable new laws will place unfair burdens on local governments to enforce Albany's dictates.

NYS Association of County Clerks Website

## **Farmers Market**



# Fresh IS THE TASTE OF SUMMER



## SENATOR DAPHNE JORDAN FARMERS MARKET GUIDE



FRESH FOOD SHOULD BE ON EVERY SHOPPER'S LIST, AND YOU CAN'T GET BETTER QUALITY THAN BUYING LOCAL. I'M PLEASED TO PROVIDE THIS LIST OF FARMERS MARKETS IN OUR AREA. I HOPE YOU WILL VISIT YOUR FAVORITE MARKET — OR EVEN TRY A NEW ONE — AND TAKE SOME TIME TO MEET THE FARMERS AND PRODUCERS WHO BRING TO OUR TABLE SOME OF THE BEST-TASTING, NUTRITIOUS FOOD ANYWHERE.

*Daphne V. Jordan*

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## Farmers Markets NEAR YOU

### TROY WATERFRONT MARKET

Monument Square  
Troy, NY 12180  
Saturday 9 am - 2 pm

### BRUNSWICK FARMERS MARKET

18 Keyes Lane  
Troy, NY 12180  
Tuesday 5 pm - 8 pm

### TROY WATERFRONT FARMERS MARKET

1 Third Street  
Troy, NY 12180  
Wednesday 3 pm - 6 pm

### NORTH GREENBUSH FARMERS MARKET

95 Williams Rd.  
Wynantskill, NY 12198  
June - September, Thursday 2:30 pm - 6 pm

### SARATOGA FARMERS' MARKET

High Rock Park  
112 High Rock Ave., Saratoga Springs  
Saturday 9 am - 1pm, Wednesday 3 pm - 6 pm

### HALFMOON FARMERS MARKET

Abele Park  
Harris Road, Halfmoon  
Wednesday 3 pm - 6 pm

### CLIFTON PARK FARMERS MARKET

Shen UMC  
971 Route 146  
Monday 2 pm - 5 pm

### SPA CITY FARMER'S MARKET

A Year Round Farmer's Market located in Saratoga Spa State Park  
Lincoln Baths - 65 South Broadway  
Saratoga Springs  
Sundays (Year Round) 10 am - 2 pm  
\*NEW MARKET\* Thursdays starting  
June 9th - September 29th

### GORSKY'S FARM MARKET

84 Turner Rd  
Stillwater, NY 12170  
(Daily farm fresh eggs ...)

### PETUSKE'S PRODUCE LLC

39 Halfmoon Drive  
Waterford, NY 12188  
(Vendor at several farmers markets and also has a stand on their own property)

### FARMERS MARKET

103 Main Street  
Greenwich, NY 12834  
Year round - Wednesday 3 pm - 6 pm

### MILLERTON FARMERS MARKET

Dutchess Avenue  
Millerton, NY 12546  
Saturday through December 31st 10 am - 2 pm

### HUDSON FARMERS MARKET

6th and Columbia Street  
Hudson, NY 12534  
Saturday 9 am - 1 pm

### HUDSON WEDNESDAY MARKET

7th Street Park on Warren Street  
Hudson, NY  
Wednesday 4 pm - 7 pm

### GANSEVOORT FARMERS' MARKET

Gansevoort Village Park  
Catherine Street, Gansevoort, NY 12831  
Tuesday 3 pm - 6 pm

### WATERFORD FARMERS MARKET

At the confluence of the Hudson and Mohawk Rivers, just below Lock 2 on the Erie Canal  
1 Tugboat Alley, Waterford, NY 12188  
Sunday 9 am - 1 pm

### GLENS FALLS FARMERS MARKET

South Street Pavilion, Downtown Glens Falls  
Saturday 8 am - Noon



Our local farmers markets offer everyone an opportunity to buy farm-fresh foods and support a local business at the same time. I love to stop by my hometown of Halfmoon's farmers market and pick up some fresh food I know my family will love. If you want to find a farmers market near you check out the link below, the 43rd Senate District has so many great options.

[Find a Farmers Market Near You](#)

## Some Tips to Help Save Gas



# SUMMER GAS SAVINGS TIPS

We're all feeling the pinch of higher gas prices on our wallets and family budgets. Here are some tips on ways to save on your next fill-up.

- Senator Daphne Jordan



Make sure your car is **tuned up** and properly maintained. Regular tune-ups help ensure your car is running at its top efficiency, and replacing a dirty air filter can **boost your gas mileage** 10 percent or more



Keep your **tires** inflated to the correct pressure. Air naturally escapes from your tires, especially as seasons and temperatures change, so checking them frequently makes sense, and helps save your tires from wearing prematurely too



**Remove** rooftop carriers and empty bike racks, and clean out your trunk. Added weight and drag from **unnecessary** accessories and cargo makes your car gulp gas



**Driving safely saves money.** Jack-rabbit starts, hard acceleration and frequent, sudden stops waste fuel. Drive at a steady rate of speed and keep to the speed limit to **improve efficiency**



**Plan ahead** to try to avoid high-traffic times, and try to anticipate red lights and stop signs and take your foot off the gas a little sooner



**Buy gas earlier in the day** when it's cooler and the fuel is more dense; your fuel dollar may actually go a little farther



**Download one of many** popular fuel-finder **apps** that are available online to help find lower prices



Turn down the a/c and **park in the shade**, or use a window shade to keep your **car cooler**



## GAS TAX CAP

NY's gas tax cap is lowering the price at the pump by 16 cents a gallon. Gas dealers are required to pass that savings on to you.

To report gas price gouging, contact the Attorney General's Consumer Frauds Bureau at (800) 771-7755



Find more fuel-saving tips online at **AAA.com** or any number of auto-related websites



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We all know how out of control gas prices have been, having almost doubled in the last 18 months. For over a year I have been working to CAP the state gas tax at \$2.25 per gallon and suspend the tax in perpetuity at \$3.00 per gallon to ease pain at the pump for middle-class families. In the meantime, while Albany's One-Party controlled legislature dithers, here are some helpful tips to maximize your fuel efficiency.

Learn More at [AAA.com](http://AAA.com)



## Siena Wealth Management



Congratulations to Marisa Rothstein on the opening of Siena Wealth Management in Kinderhook. Siena Wealth Management is able to assist clients through a wide range of financial services. Marissa is a Certified Financial Planner and Accredited Estate Planner with a unique approach to help you identify those priorities that could set you on a path to financial well-being. Good luck to Marissa and the entire Siena Wealth Management team, and thank you to the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce for helping welcome this new addition to the community. Check them out at the link below.

[Business Website](#)



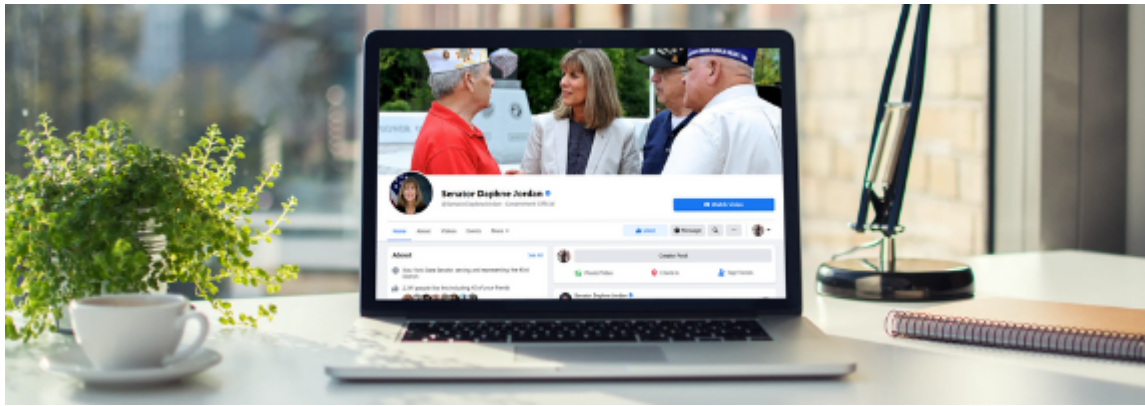
## Creative Compliance Software Solutions



On Thursday, the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce welcomed Creative Compliance Software Solutions as they cut the ribbon on their new office in Saratoga Springs. Founders Gary T. Harker Esq., CEO Elizabeth Harker, and their team built a company that addresses something that was missing, the need for an online insurance license platform that can meet the needs of their sister company 3H Corporate Services, as well as others in the industry. Since 2017 they have been building their platform and are continuing to see growth nationwide. Congratulations on the new office and good luck! Check them out at the link below.

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