



Bailey's Briefing

Hearing Your Voices: Energy, Affordability, And Life In Our District This Fall

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It has been a blessing to be able to see so many of you in person. I have been meeting many of you during my mobile office hours, which will continue through early December, or at local events I have attended. I love hearing comments, questions, and concerns directly from you so I can continue to be your voice in Albany.

I wanted to highlight some of my favorite fall activities in the district. If you love witnessing the landscapes dressed in golden colors while the leaves fly with the wind, some of these will be your perfect fall activities.

Head to Bristol Mountain (5662 NY-64, Canandaigua, NY) and experience the Fall Sky Rides. You can ride the Comet Express, chairlift to the summit of the mountain, and take in the view of Bristol Hills and the valley below.

For fall foliage and scenic trails, visit High Tor Wildlife Management Area (3996-3960 Donley Rd., Naples, NY). Featuring 6,315 acres of wilderness, this family-friendly destination offers miles of trails and roads where cyclists, hikers, runners, and walkers can enjoy all the splendors of fall.

At 2,256 feet, Gannett Hill Park (6475 Gannett Hill Park Dr., Naples, NY) is a scenic spot that ranks among the highest points in Ontario County and offers one of the best views around. Locals call it "The Jump Off," a breathtaking panorama that becomes even more spectacular as fall deepens.

Letchworth State Park - drive through and look at the fall colors.

Visit Great Brook Apple Farm (1640 NY-444, Victor, NY) to lose yourself among the orchards.

Sincerely,

Assemblywoman
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NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY

Legislative Updates



I will not back down until I see changes made to NYSEDA's Draft Energy Plan. I strive to be a strong voice for my constituents, and I want to be the best representative for you that I can be. I have been all around the district, attending local events and holding mobile office hours to hear your voices. A common theme that kept arising was energy, and New Yorkers have had enough.

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We're also seeing a heartbreaking trend: residents aged 24–44 are leaving New York in record numbers. The leading cause? Affordability. First-time homeowners and young families are struggling just to stay afloat.

Below is a letter I sent directly to NYSERDA (New York State Energy Research & Development Authority), along with the local media. This letter outlines the concerns I have heard directly from you. Although it is a small act, I hope it represents our district's displeasure with NYSERDA's draft energy plan.



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As a proud representative of New York State, I submit these comments to express serious concerns about the current direction of the Draft Energy Plan. While I fully support our collective commitment to a cleaner, more sustainable future, I believe the plan's electrification mandates and compressed timelines require a more balanced, affordable, and inclusive approach.

Affordability Must Be Front and Center: The proposed mandates for full electrification—particularly in heating and transportation—are ambitious, but they risk placing an unsustainable financial burden on New Yorkers every day. Retrofitting homes, replacing appliances, and upgrading infrastructure are costly undertakings. Without robust financial support and realistic timelines, we risk leaving behind working families, seniors, and small businesses who simply cannot afford these transitions.

We Must Address Outmigration: New York is already facing a troubling trend: residents and businesses are leaving. High costs, regulatory pressures, and economic uncertainty are driving this outmigration. If we fail to manage our energy transition with economic sensitivity, we will accelerate this trend and weaken our communities. We must ensure that our energy policies do not inadvertently push people out of the state.

Diversification Is Key to Sustainability: Electrification is one piece of the puzzle—not the whole solution. A resilient and sustainable energy future requires a diversified portfolio that includes:

- Renewables like solar and wind
- Responsibly managed natural gas
- Hydrogen and bioenergy
- Advanced nuclear energy, which offers zero-emission baseload power and technological promise for long-term reliability

Overreliance on a single energy stream, especially electricity, during peak demand or extreme weather could jeopardize grid reliability and public safety. Natural gas and nuclear must be part of the conversation if we are serious about decarbonization and energy security.

A Call for Balance and Equity: I urge the state to revise the Draft Energy Plan to:

- Pause implementation timelines to allow for economic and infrastructure adaptation
- Conduct thorough affordability analyses and provide meaningful financial support
- Embrace a diversified energy mix—including natural gas and nuclear—to ensure reliability and resilience
- Prioritize regional equity and community engagement throughout the transition

New York's energy future must be bold—but it must also be balanced, affordable, and inclusive. I stand ready to work with my colleagues, stakeholders, and constituents to ensure that our path forward reflects the needs and realities of all New Yorkers.

Andrea Around the District

1.



Eagle Scout Award Ceremonies

1. It was an honor to attend recent Eagle Scout Award Ceremonies—always a proud moment to celebrate the dedication, leadership, and service of our young community members. This ceremony was especially meaningful as we recognized a remarkable sibling duo, Rian and Audrey, for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Wheeler Mobile Office Hours

2. I'm incredibly grateful to the Town of Wheeler for the warm welcome yesterday—and to everyone who stopped by to meet me and share their thoughts. It's always a privilege to hear directly from you.

I'll be continuing my mobile office hours so I can keep listening, learning, and advocating for the issues that matter most to you. Your voices guide my work—and I'm here to make sure they're heard.

2.



The Not Dot Shop 15th Anniversary Ribbon Cutting

3. Happy 15th Anniversary to The Not Dot Shop on Main Street in Geneseo!

I was honored to attend the ribbon cutting celebrating this incredible milestone for a beloved small-town business. Congratulations to the three founding members who are still part of the shop—your dedication and creativity have built something truly special. And a big shoutout to the entire team of 17 who keep this vibrant space stocked with unique, handcrafted, and locally loved items.

The Not Dot Shop is a shining example of what makes Main Street thrive—community, collaboration, and heart. Here's to many more years of success and inspiration!

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Lakeland Concrete Products, Inc.

4. I had the pleasure of visiting Lakelands Concrete Products, Inc. and spending time with CEO Stacy Stevens. It's always inspiring to see innovation and hard work happening right here in our district—and Lakelands is no exception.

These visits are a vital part of understanding how I can best advocate for our local businesses in Albany. I'm grateful to Stacy for sharing her insights and walking me through the many exciting projects underway. Supporting upstate businesses like hers is a top priority, and I'll continue working to ensure their voices are heard at the state level.

5.



K's Canine Ribbon Cutting

5. It was a true pleasure to attend the ribbon-cutting ceremony at K's Canine to celebrate the exciting new addition to their facility. This expansion is a testament to their continued commitment to providing top-notch care and services for our furry friends—and to supporting pet owners across our community.

Congratulations to the entire team at K's Canine! Your dedication and growth are a win for Dansville and for every tail-wagging visitor who walks through your doors.

Updated Mobile Office Hours:

FARMINGTON:

Wed, Dec. 10

3:30–5:30pm

LOCATION:

Farmington Town Office

1000 County Road 8

Farmington, NY 14425

RUSH:

Mon., Nov. 17

10:30–12:30pm

LOCATION:

Rush Town Office

5977 East Henrietta Rd.

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