

## **For Immediate Release**

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## City of Olean to Open Pools

**June 23, 2021--Olean**—William J. Aiello, Mayor of the City of Olean, announced that the City pools will be open this year on a limited basis.

"We are pleased that all COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted and we can open the City pools in War Veterans Park and in Franchot Park," said Mayor Aiello. "Unfortunately, the schedule will have reduced hours as it has been difficult to hire the number of lifeguards necessary to man the pools at the regularly scheduled hours."

"Kris Shewairy, Olean's Youth and Recreation Coordinator has worked diligently to recruit lifeguards, including significant advertising, offering incentives for certification and increased pay; despite these efforts the lifeguard positions remain unfilled," Mayor Aiello added. "We will have to look on the bright side: the pools will be open and on those hot summer days they will help to provide relief from the heat."

For the first week of the swim season, only the Franchot Wading pool will be open with the following schedule:

- Saturday June 26: Noon-2:30 PM and 3:00-5:30 PM
- Sunday June 27: Noon-2:30 PM and 3:00-5:30 PM
- Monday June 28: Noon-2:30 PM and 3:00-5:00 PM
- Tuesday June 29: POOL CLOSED
- Wednesday June 30: Noon-2:30 PM and 3:00-5:30 PM
- Thursday July 1: Noon-2:30 PM and 3:00-5:30 PM
- Friday July 2: Noon-2:30 PM and 3:00-5:30 PM

An updated pool schedule for the remainder of July will be posted later next week and it will include some LIMITED DAYS/TIMES for the William O. Smith Recreation Pool. Updates can be found on the city website: <a href="https://www.cityofolean.org">www.cityofolean.org</a> and on our social media: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/oleanyouthrec">www.facebook.com/oleanyouthrec</a> or <a href="https://www.twitter.com/oleanyouthrec">www.twitter.com/oleanyouthrec</a>

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