

Around & About Olean

*News and information from the Mayor's Office at
101 East State Street*



PICTURES TELL THE STORY: OLEAN IS A GREAT CITY



When Olivia Hollowell entered Tammy Crawford's Introduction to Computer Design Class at Jamestown Community College little did she know that she would design the logo that would hang from the press box at Bradner Stadium. Her winning design incorporates the logos of the teams and events that use the stadium.



Summer employee Ryan Burke fills the City's new self watering planters along North Union Street. The planter above was adopted by Tom and Joey Enright.



Junior League Members Janet Shaw and Karen Guenther working on the garden at J.J. Ash Community Center during a recent clean up of the grounds. On June 1 the Catt. Co. Senior Nutrition Program moved back into the North Barry Street facility.



The fifth annual Juneteenth celebration took place on June 21 at the African American Center for Cultural Development in Olean. From left Bill Clemens, Della Moore, Mayor Aiello and Mike Marvin.

On the 70th Anniversary of D-Day, George Portlow planted flowers at the Military Tree in front of the Olean Municipal Building.





On August 3, 1949 the US Congress designated June 14th as Flag Day in the United States. Over the years the annual event has gained strong support from civic leaders nationwide.

The Olean VFW Post 1619 hosted a joint event with the Olean American Legion Post 530 to honor our flag. Former Olean Mayor William Quinlan was the Master of Ceremonies at the event and current Mayor Aiello proclaimed the day Flag Day in the City of Olean.



In his proclamation the mayor said, "The American Flag is a universal symbol of the resilient strength and the enduring national unity and spirit of the American people.

"Whether flying atop the White House, or at a solemn memorial to events that have shaped our history, or at a small ceremony of veterans in Olean, our flag signifies the freedom and opportunities we all enjoy."

From the Mayor's Office:



Boy Scout Troop 621 at the Workers' Memorial in Forness Park on Saturday June 7th.



Boy Scout Troop 621 at the Children's Day Celebration at Franchot Park on June 8th..



(Above and to the right)

Scenes from the Flag Day ceremony at Olean VFW Post 1619 on June 14, 2012.



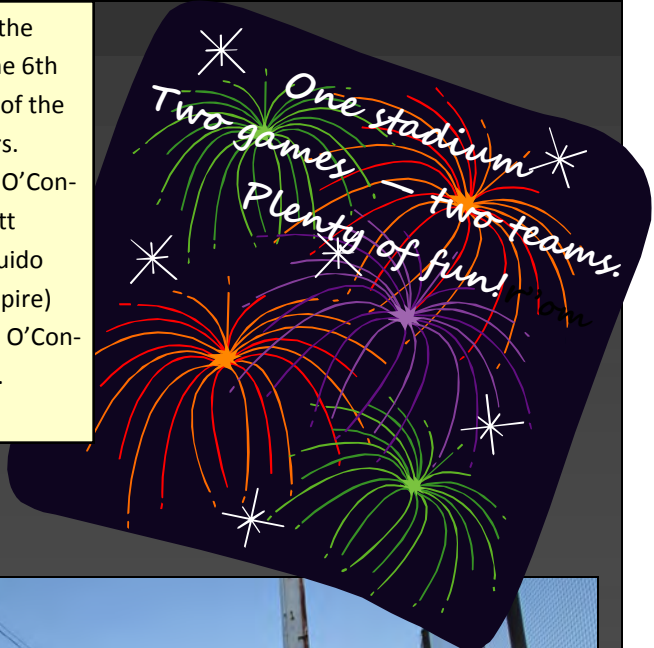
It has been a busy couple of weeks—from moving day to opening days to Flag Day. I am proud to report that the Cattaraugus County Senior Nutrition Program has returned to the John Ash Community Center.

In addition Olean's Jewel by the Allegheny, Bradner Stadium, is functioning for both the Olean Oilers and the Southern Tier Diesel. I want to thank our DPW and Parks Departments for a job very well done.

Finally, the Municipal Pool is open for business; our parks are gearing up for a busy summer; and the streets are being patched. It should be smooth driving very soon. Have a great summer!



Season opener for the Olean Oilers on June 6th honored members of the historic Olean Oilers. From the left Rene O'Connell, Carroll Anstaett (former catcher) Quido Ramire (former umpire) Mayor Aiello, Brian O'Connell and Evan Ryan.



The officiating team prior to the season opener for the Southern Tier Diesel.

Below: The refurbished tunnel under East State Street to the Stadium makes for a grand entrance for the teams.



Above: As the Oiler game went on for 11 innings the crowd got larger and larger Below the Southern Tier Diesel as seen by the spectator behind the new netting.





THE LEGION OF THE PURPLE HEART



Mel Cunningham knows firsthand about bravery. He worked his way across Europe during World War II. He saw the beautiful countryside of France, the Netherlands and Belgium being ripped apart. He was waiting to advance into Germany when he was wounded in action. He was evacuated to a field hospital in Belgium. As luck would have it, that hospital was in the line of fire during the incredibly brutal Battle of the Bulge. He was

safe; he and the other patients were evacuated from the hospital. They woke up in England--out of the line of fire. Mel Cunningham was awarded the Purple Heart, a distinction and honor given to those soldiers who are wounded in combat.

Mr. Cunningham is also a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, a service organization that was Chartered by Congress in 1958 for veterans wounded in combat. After 9/11 the members of the organization realized that there was no national medal for first responders. They created the First Responders' Award.

Mr. Cunningham was in Florida when he read about Patrolman Brian Cross's bravery on a very cold night on February 13, 2014. Cross had smelled smoke in the air while on patrol. He quickly tracked down the source; called in for back-up; knocked the door down and found an elderly woman quietly sleeping as her kitchen was on fire.

Cross escorted her to safety and awoke the residents of the adjacent homes.

Mr. Cunningham knew immediately that

Patrolman Cross was the perfect candidate for the First Responder's Award.

On Thursday July 12, Mr. Cunningham presented the plaque to Patrolman Cross in the presence of his fellow police, his family and friends. At the ceremony Mr. Cunningham also presented Mayor Aiello with a pin designating him as a proud supporter of the Purple Heart.



CITY OF OLEAN
Youth Bureau & Recreation Department
SUMMER PROGRAM 2014
William O. Smith Recreation Center • 373-RINK (7465)

MUNICIPAL POOL
PUBLIC SWIM SCHEDULE
SATURDAY, JUNE 7 & SUNDAY, JUNE 8
SATURDAY, JUNE 14 & SUNDAY, JUNE 15
SATURDAY, JUNE 21 & SUNDAY, JUNE 22
Times for each session:
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Public Swim Fees
PER SESSION: \$1.00
Child/Student/Child: \$2.00
Adult: \$3.00
Family: \$8.00

SEASON PASS:
Child/Student/Child: \$10.00
Adult: \$15.00
Family: \$35.00

FAMILY SWIM NIGHTS
FRIDAY, JULY 4TH
Pool open: 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Times: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Locations: Center Municipal Pool
*Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
*Regular admission fees.

BEGINNER SWIM LESSONS
-SESSION 1 - JUNE 20 - JULY 6
-SESSION 2 - JULY 14 - JULY 28
-SESSION 3 - JULY 28 - AUGUST 14
Times for each session:
11:45 AM to 12:30 PM

*Classes run Monday through Thursday.
*Swims to 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM, and ends at 6:00 PM.
*Cost is \$20.00 per session (\$60.00 total).
*Cash/Check or \$25.00.
*The registration is required by August 15th, 2014.
Call 373-7465.
*Bath Area, Pool & Activity Room available for group rental upon request, call 373-5651.

Got kids?
Are they bored yet?
Please come to the City Building and pick up the lime green flyer from the City's Parks & Recreation. It says the benefits are endless and it starts in our parks. The brochure is invaluable to a parent:

everything from the schedules of the pools to the weekly activities and special events in our parks as well as the STAR program at the high school and Youth Court in the court room. The schedules for the Summer Concert series and the roller derby are also listed. Stop by the Mayor's office for your copy—we'd love to see you!

Street sweeping continues in the City of Olean through October 15th.

Cars must be off the street on nights in which the street is scheduled for sweeping. Please check the schedule for more details.

The schedule is posted on the City's website—www.cityofolean.org.



Curb-side Yard Waste Pick up
WHEN: Last Wednesday of each month (April through September)

DETAILS: All yard waste must be in PAPER lawn bags and/or containers no larger than 30 gallons.

Brush must be bundled together with twine or rope and be no larger than 3' long and 18" in diameter.

There is no charge for this service. Yard waste must be at the curb by 7AM on the last Wednesday of each month.

Please call the City of Olean Department of Public Works with any questions 376-5651.

Contact information for Common Council members:

Ward 1	Gerard Iefeber	716-378-7877
Ward 2	Ann McLaughlin	716-560-8407
Ward 3	Paul Gonzalez	716-790-1121
Ward 4	Steve Barnard	716-307-1862
Ward 5	Jim Finch	716-373-0163
Ward 6	Nate Smith	716-307-8199
Ward 7	Adam Jester	716-790-8226



PROCLAMATION FOR CHILDREN'S DAY



Mayor Aiello proclaimed Sunday June 8, 2014 as Children's Day at an event in the Children's Memorial Garden in Franchot Park. Olean Firefighters Sean McLaughlin, Dan Gonska, Jared Isamen and Olean Police Sgt. James Comstock joined the Mayor in the 19th annual celebration of children, both living and deceased.

Participants cleaned the flower beds, planted flowers in the garden and there were many games for the children to play.



Salute to labor

June 7, 2014



Mayor Aiello joined Senator Cathy Young at the Salute to Labor. In his proclamation the Mayor said, "The events of September 11th, 2001 dramatized the dangers associated with many of the jobs performed by working people. It is important to remember workers who have been killed and injured, it is even more important to continue the struggle for safe jobs and safe workplaces."





HOUSING IN OLEAN



In March Mayor Aiello appointed a number of local residents to the Housing Committee. The committee immediately developed its mission statement: **Make Olean a safe and appealing community where citizens foster respect which will enhance the quality of life in Olean.** The Housing Committee has since divided into sub-committees and is currently studying the issues and planning to make recommendations based on their findings in the near future.

In the meantime an interesting article in the *Olean Historical and Preservation Society's Fall and Winter 2013 Newsletter* came across our desks. In the early days of Olean, investors were buying up land and offering lots for sale.

In 1910 large beautiful sites were opened across the street from the Hamilton Country Club. Ranging from \$75 to \$215 they offered city water, natural gas and the street car right to your door. The development was called Windsor Heights.

In 1911 the Spindler Brothers' Brookview sub-division was developed on a 38 acre tract of land that ran down North Union Street to St. John's Church and west to North Fourth Street.

In 1912 the 260 acres of Homer Hill which included Buffalo Road, Homer and Fountain Street, was sub-divided into large lots and sold at auction.

Edward Court on Green Street between Union and Barry opened in 1915. The one family homes were ready to be inspected and rented.

In 1919 the 52 acre fair grounds in the West End included all the land from North 17th Street to the East side of North 20th between West State Street and Sullivan Street. The land was purchased by Olean Real Estate Company to be developed into home sites.

In the 1920's lots in Fair Acres located between Main Street and the Olean Creek were sold by Southern Tier Realty for \$10 down and \$1 per week. Lots in the Shawmut Park sub-division, on the east side of East State Street by Clark Street went for the same price. The number of weeks was not listed. More on the history of Olean development later.

Making Wedding Plans?



Mayor Aiello is available to perform marriage ceremonies in the City of Olean. Please call his office (376-5615) for more details. There is no set fee, however any donations will be placed in the Mayor's Scholarship

Fund.

New York State law requires you to obtain a marriage license twenty-four hours prior to a marriage ceremony. For more information about marriage licenses please call the Department of Vital Records at 376-5605 or the City Clerk at 376-5604.

Many marriages are performed right in the Mayor's Office. The John Ash Community Center on Barry Street is an excellent spot for a reception as are Olean's various parks facilities. For more information on the city's facilities please call 376-5666.



Seniors are Never Bored In Olean

The Olean Senior Center located at the John Ash Community Center on North Barry Street has many activities and programs for those age 55 and above. Some of the June activities include:

Square Dance/Silvertones: Mondays 12:30/1:00pm

Walking Program: M-F at 9:00am

Pizza Party: July 2 at 11:30am

Movie Day: July 15 at 1:00pm

Coffee Hour: 9:00am Wednesdays

Euchre: July 11 at 1:00pm

Secret Pals: July 22 at 1:00pm

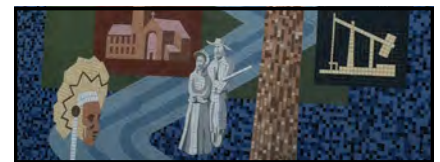
Computer Class: June 1, 8, 22 & 29 at 1:00pm

For more information or for a complete calendar of events please call Kathleen Hamed at 376-5670.



"I'm open to suggestions and I'd like to hear from people. If we're doing something you think is right, I'd like to know. If we're doing something you think is wrong, I'd like to know. If you have suggestions for me, I beg you pass them along."

—Mayor Aiello, January 2, 2014



You can reach the mayor at his office in the Olean Municipal Building at 101 East State Street in Olean, or by phone at 716 376-5615, or by e-mail at waiello@cityofolean.org