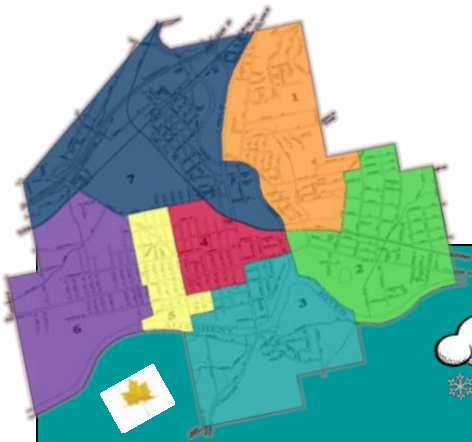


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OLEAN'S FIRST SNOW EVENT



Olean's winter had been very mild until February 16, when snow flurries turned to rain and back to heavy snow. After hours of snow accumulation, the City had to designate it's very first Snow Event.

In November the Common Council approved a change to the snow ordinance that allows a **Snow Event** to be called by the Mayor in consultation with the DPW Director and the Fire Chief.

The combination of snow—rain—snow brought a beautiful sparkle to Olean's trees, but also brought down many limbs. The City's staff worked hard to clear the streets of snow, ice and debris.



The Snow Event designation restricts and prohibits parking on specific streets during snowfalls to allow for City snowplows to effectively clear City Streets.



Parking of motor vehicles on **primary streets** shall be prohibited between the hours of 3:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. Parking on **sub-primary streets** shall be prohibited between 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m. The parking of motor vehicles on **secondary streets** shall be prohibited between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.



Primary streets are: North and South Union; East and West State.



Sub-primary streets are: Alder from Seneca to Spring; Buffalo; Clark; Clinton, North and South; Constitution; Delaware from Union to Barry; Eighth, North, between West Sullivan Street and Wayne Street; Elm, East and West; Euclid, Fifteenth; First South from State to Irving; First, North; Forest, North (200 and 300 blocks); Fourth, South (200 block); Fourth, North from Wayne north; Franchot Boulevard (east of Union); Franklin; Front; Genesee; Green, West; Hamilton; Henley West; Higgins; Highland Terrace; Homer; Indiana Avenue; Irving; Johnson; King; Laurens; Madison; Main; Nineteenth, South; Oregon; Oviatt (east of Main); Pine; Prospect; Queen; Reed from Third to Thirteenth; River; Seneca; Seventh; South; Spring, East; Spruce; Stardust; Sullivan, West, from Union to Fifteenth; Sunrise, from Stardust to Van Buren; Terrace; Third, North (300 block); Twelfth; Twenty-first; Twenty-fourth; Times Square; Union Street, North Extension; Van Buren; Washington; Wayne; York.



Secondary Streets are all streets that are not identified as Primary or Sub-primary streets.



During a Snow Event, an owner of a motor vehicle who resides at a premises that does not have a driveway is permitted to park their vehicle in any city owned public parking lot free of charge during the Snow Event.

The fine for any violation is \$50.00 and will be imposed on the registered owner of the vehicle. The fine is in addition to any costs for removal and storage payable to any towing company engaged to remove a vehicle under this section.





Olean's Fire Department can trace its roots back to 1855 when the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company was established with 24 volunteer firemen. As Olean flourished and grew so did the number of volunteer fire companies, and in 1894 the recently incorporated City established the Olean Fire Department with William H. Simpson as the first fire chief.

In 1898 the Fire House on South First Street was completed. And in 1910 the first truck—with a motor—was purchased. Horses were not retired though—the automobile still had some imperfections. And with fires, time is always of the essence.



Ambulance service was added in 1954 after WHDL radio personality Theo Sheldon witnessed an accident. An SPCA truck transported an injured pedestrian to the hospital after a private ambulance failed to respond to the accident. Mrs. Sheldon implored upon the Common Council to create an ambulance service run by the City.

The Olean Fire Department will be making more history in the next few weeks as they roll out their newest vehicle—a ladder truck manufactured right here in the United States. Guaranteed, unlike the first 1910 fire truck, to have the power to make it up Sullivan Hill.

More information on this topic is available at the [city's website](#).



Mayor Aiello joins the winners of the Olean Community Theatre Ovation and John Shortencarrier award at the theatre group's annual award ceremony on January 13, 2016 at the Bartlett House in Olean.

No explanation necessary. A tee shirt that says it all is available at the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce. Residents have survived—as the project is half finished, travelers have learned to maneuver the three new roundabouts, Dresser shipments have turned from Wayne to North Union Street with ease, and the City has cleared the streets of snow with no difficulty at all. Short sleeve shirts sell for \$12 and long sleeve for \$15. And what is driving the car on the tee shirt? A tee shirt—a squirrel—of course!



From Mayor Bill Aiello's Office

A surgeon in Buffalo has confirmed that I do have a heart and it is working very well! I appreciate all the get-well wishes that I received before and after my surgery.

Once again my theory that Olean has the kindest, most sincere and generous people in the world proved true.

I started back to work slowly, but the City didn't stop in my absence. Olean is a busy place!

We had our first Snow Event in February. Last year, the Common Council tweaked a law that was on the books to allow for the Streets Division to clear the streets.

We are also working on a new parking policy. In short—the meters will not return to North Union Street—there will be two hour free parking— and the City lots will be free if validated by a North Union Street shop. There is more to come on parking....

The mild winter has helped our bottom line. Because we have not had much snow, our usage of salt is down, and our overtime expense is reduced as well.

The City's new ladder truck was delivered in February and is at the Fire Station. The firefighters are busily training to use the new apparatus. You will see it on the streets soon. Again, thank you for the over-the-top support while I was down and out.



THE COURT RULES



It may be cold outside, but the basketball courts throughout Olean are hot!

From Archbishop Walsh to

New Life Christian to the Olean High School and Intermediate Middle School, games are exciting and the teams are winning. So many of our local players have learned skills and caught that basketball bug at the City of Olean's Youth and Rec. Basketball program.

Olean comes by it's love of basketball honestly—as the sport developed at St. Bonaventure, the team's fan base outgrew Butler gym and moved to the Olean Armory. And the *Bonnies* did not disappoint their local fans— a 99 game winning streak, right here in the center of Olean. And once again this year—both Bonaventure men and women teams are keeping their fans on their feet.

The City's Youth and Rec. basketball program runs every year from mid-November to mid-February at St. John's. League play for grades 4-6. Open basketball for grades 4-8. Check it out next year and for more information call 376-5698.

*Thank you to John Anastasia , Jerry Volz and the staff at the Youth Basketball program for providing the pictures.



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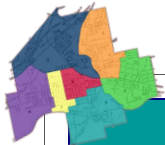
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African American Heritage Weekend



Mayor Aiello was invited to give the Official Greeting during Olean’s first official African American Heritage Weekend held from February 19 to the February 21, 2016. The Mayor attended the Official Community Worship Service at the Trinity United Methodist Church and gave the following proclamation:

WHEREAS, the Religious Community of Olean has organized a three day, non-denominational event for the residents of our community to celebrate Black History Month;

WHEREAS, this inaugural event addresses the issues of diversity, poverty and caring for the community;

WHEREAS, the organizers hope for this to become an annual celebration to take place at area churches;

THEREFORE, I, **William J. Aiello, Mayor of the City of Olean**, and on behalf of the Common Council, do here by proclamation **that the third weekend in February be designated as African–American Heritage Weekend in the City of Olean** and urge all residents to take part in the events.

Reverend Jerry Lefeber, Ward 1 Alderman also took part in the event.

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.



So Many Ways to Pay your Bills

We love to see you in the Municipal Building. But if you can’t find parking—or it’s raining or slick, there are many other ways to pay your bills. Just installed—a drop box right on Times Square. You can’t miss it—it’s white and has the City Logo proudly displayed. In addition, you can pay on line at this link:

www.municipalonlinepayments.com/oleanny/



The City’s website is great source of up-to-date information. Please visit it at www.cityofolean.org. In addition the city has a Face Book page and Twitter feed—all are excellent sources for information.

“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



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