"Twin Tiers Focus" Weekly Public Affairs Programs - 07/01/13 through 9/30/13

07/07/13; 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes: Guest: Carol Kawolic, Lance Chaffee, Olean Public Library

The library is offering adult and children's programming for the summer. There's still time to sign up for reading programs. Special events will go along with these, such as a program on gravestone architecture by Allegany County Historian Craig Braak. There are also computer programs for adults.

Additional Issues...

Using the internet to notify patrons about overdue materials is now being done, helping to reduce paperwork. There are thousands of e-books and audiobooks that can be downloaded for free, and many people are not aware of that.

07/14/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Jim Boser, Cattaraugus County Legislature

The county budget surplus is in good shape, but lawmakers must be conservative about spending it, so that it is maintained. State retirement is tough on the county, since the state lost money on the stock market. About casino revenues, the state has yet to deliver those monies to the City of Salamanca.

Additional issues...

Cattaraugus County must also decide on how to spend casino monies, as presented by Governor Cuomo this month after a settlement reached between New York State and the Seneca Nation. These monies have in the past been used for economic development, water lines in Allegany, and the Challenger Learning Center.

07/21/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Olean Mayor Linda Witte

The City of Olean is applying for a federal grant and expects to use the monies to repair aging infrastructure. including sewer lines and street lamp poles along North Union Street. People will be able to vote on the lamp style. Water and sewer rates may have to go up because of water line updates.

Additional issues...

Bradner Stadium repairs are continuing, along with sidewalk repairs in front of the stadium. The tunnel leading to the stadium will be made safer with better lighting and will be made into the main exit and entrance for safety reasons. Olean Schools will continue to use Bradner Stadium next year.

07/28/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Mike Zilker, Outdoor Skills Camp, Bolivar NY

This is a new camp being organized to teach kids outdoor skills, and runs August 4-7, for grades 3-6. The idea is to spark an interest in the community. Local people with a greatc interest in the outdoors are involved. Anyone interested can contact Faith Bible Church.

Additional issues...

Archery will be toned back for kids in grades 3-6. Safety is a key component of teaching children and when that's done, everything else follows. Back to the basics will include learning the skill of reading a compass. This camp will help introduce kids to the outdoors, away from the computer.

08/04/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: John McMullen, Theresa Piccarello, Abby Fest

The festival in Allegany is in memory of Abagail Ruby of Olean, who passed away at the age of 32 in April of 2013 after a brief illness. This is a celebration of her life later today at the Allegany American Legion, with the monies raised to cover the cost associated with her untimely passing.

Additional issues...

Work on the festival started back in May. "It has not been hard to get donations; that part has been a joy." "This is a celebration of life, lots of fun, which is what Abby would want."

08/11/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Kathleen Martel, JCC Olean, "Dream It, Do It"
The program started in 2007 between Dresser Rand and the Olean School District. It addresses the need for people to work in advanced manufacturing, and now covers five counties. The program starts at the middle and high school levels, and continues into college.

Additional issues...

Machinists, welders, drafters, engineers, marketing are some examples of a wide variety of careers covered by the program. Activities in the classroom get students excited about math and science. Once excited, students learn much better.

08/18/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Randy Langdon, Rally in the Valley

It will be held August 21-25 in Olean, at Bradner Stadium. An antique car show has been added this year. It's a large, marquee family event centered on motorcycle events, including a street dance, games for kids, music, and has grown over the past eleven years.

Additional issues...

The parade of motorcycles is on Friday, starting at the Olean Federal Credit Union to the stadium. Roadwork going on around the stadium will be completed before the rally starts. For safety, people will now be directed under East State Street into the stadium.

08/25/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Colleen Taggerty, Olean School Superintendent

This year, unlike previously, there are no transitions or major changes as the new school year begins. The budget will be tight in the coming years, but avenues are being explored to offer students more. One possibility is "mass customized learning" for better career preparation.

Additional Issues...

Olean will continue to play football at Bradner Stadium, which is being renovated. The Booster Club is looking to raise funds for artificial turf at the Olean Intermediate Middle School track. Efforts to align to the new Common Core standards continue.

09/01/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Megan Monahan, Amy Hollman, Suicide Prevention Coalition

The "Out of the Darkness Walk" will be Saturday Sept. 21st and is a community event toward suicide prevention and education. They're trying to get the word out about their group. Trainings are held for any member of the community. "It's ok to talk about suicide."

Additional issues...

A support group for survivors of suicide has been formed on the St. Bonaventure University campus. The basic warning signs of suicide are taught. Olean General Hospital fields a crisis hotline which has saved lives.

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09/08/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Lenora Leasure, Cattaraugus County Tourism Specialist

"Wilma" is something new at the Cattaraugus County Fairgrounds, October 19 and 20. "We Invite Local Manufacturers and Artisans" come together to get local businesses together. The event will attract shoppers and their families. Vendors are being sought; anybody that makes something, from small artisans to larger manufacturers.

Additional issues...

The fee from the event goes to a lucky shopper, who gets a gift certificate. Also, Leasure and her department assist small businesses with their startup and contract questions.

09/15/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest: Candy Plants, United Way of Cattaraugus County

The recent Swine Wine and Craft Festival raised over \$10,000 for United Way. The monies go toward the campaign and operating costs. The goal of the new campaign is \$400,000 by December 31, and they've gotten a pretty good start, with company campaigns starting early. More employee rallies are underway at local companies.

Additional issues...

All of the gifts stay here in Cattaraugus County. United Way helps people who are just a paycheck away from poverty. Eighteen community services benefit from United Way. "The board of directors is extremely vigilent with your gifts."

09/22/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes

Guest: Lori Bennett-Kolasa, Bonagany Festival

The Village and Town of Allegany have established the annual Bonagany festival in Allegany on parents' weekend, involving university students in running the games and other activities from 11am-5pm. The students also help with the cleanup.

Additional Issues...

Relations between Allegany residents and St. Bonaventure students have improved since Bonagany began in 2005. The goal is to continue building bridges to further enhance neighborly relationships.

09/29/13: 6:45 a.m. on WPIG; 10:05 a.m. on WHDL; Duration 15 minutes Guest Tom Windus, Olean Department of Public Works

Windus discussed plans to reconstruct North Union Street by slowing down traffic in an effort to attract businesses to vacant storefronts. The city has received a \$6.5-million grant to do the work, but public concerns have been raised about constructing new roundabouts, back-in parking, and the ability of emergency vehicles to get through a narrower street.

Additional issues...

The only way for Olean to afford replacing aging sewer lines under North Union Street is to use the federal "Tiger" grant. The city is working with Dresser-Rand and other manufacturers to accommodate their large trucks in a proposed more narrow street.

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Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	9-Jul	6-9am	:25	Town of Allegany Planning Board President Frank DiFiore on pending litigation with the Everpower Wind Company over a proposed wind farm
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	10-Jul	6-9am	:30	Olean Mayor Linda Witte on trying to get Cattaraugus County Social Services to inspect rental properties in Olean
Misc	WHDL/WPIG News	7/12/2013	6-9am	:30	Shannon Barrie, of the new Good Times of Olean entertainment complex on the opening of the new business.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	7/12/2013	6-9am	:30	SPCA of Cattaraugus County representative Kelly Chaffee on a growing cat problem in the Olean area.
Local Education	WHDL/WPIG News	7/15/2013	6-9am	:15	Olean School District Superintendent Colleen Taggerty on the sale of the former Boardmanville and IJN Elementary Schools.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	7/24/2013	6-9am	:25	City of Olean CSEA Rep Brad Camp on the city's refusal to negotiate a new contract.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	7/24/2013	6-9am	:15	Olean Mayor Linda Witte responds to unionized city worker demands for new negotiations on their contract.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	8/1/2013	6-9am	:25	New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo comments on the new agreement with the Seneca Nation of Indians that will again allow the flow of gambling receipts back to local government
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	1-Aug	6-9am	:20	Seneca Nation President Barry Snyder III talks about the negotiations with the state over the gambling issue.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	8/7/2013	6-9am	:15	Senator Charles Schumer on using the American Works Act in the Southern Tier.

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Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	8/14/2013 6	6-9am	:15	Olean Mayor Linda Witte on getting inter-governmental cooperation to crack down on absentee landlords who do not take care of their houses
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	8/14/2013 6	6-9am	:20	Olean Mayor Linda Witte on the search for a new playground in North Olean.
Misc	WHDL/WPIG News	8/20/2013 6	3-9am	:15	ABC News Medical Expert Dr. Richard Besser on the new report from the CDC on the occurrence of Lyme Disease in the United States.
Local Education	WHDL/WPIG News	8/21/2013 6	3-9am	:15	Olean School District Superintendent Colleen Taggerty on the efforts to sell the former IJN Elementary School
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	8/23/2013 6	6-9am	:30	ABC News correspondent Scott Goldberg on President Obama's stop in Buffalo.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	8/28/2013 6	6-9am	:25	Olean Common Councilman Paul Gonzalez on a vote by the council to eliminate more parking meters in the city.
Local Education	WHDL/WPIG News	4-Sep 6	6-9am	:15	Olean School Board President Mike Martello on proposed changes to the Board of Education, including a reduction of members and meetings
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	9/11/2013 6	6-9am	:20	Olean Mayor Linda Witte on the time frame for considering the 6.5 million dollar Transportation grant recently awarded the city.

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Local Education	WHDL/WPIG News	18-Sep	6-9am	:25	Olean School Superintendent Colleen Taggerty talks about a new telephone hotline available to the public to alerts school resource officers about potention problems.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	25-Sep	6-9am	:40	Olean Public Works Director Tom Windus talks about the 6.5 million dollar grant to be used to re-do North Union Street.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	9/27/2013	6-9am	:20	Olean Public Works Director Tom Windus on developing the plans for the "Walkable North Union Street" in Olean.
Misc	WHDL/WPIG News	9/27/2013	6-9am	:15	Lori Bennett-Kolasa promotes the annual Bonagany Day in Allegany North Olean.
Local Government	WHDL/WPIG News	9/30/2013	6-9am	:10	New York Senator Charles Schumer (D, NY) talks about the looming federal government shutdown, saying the House is holding the nation "Hostage"

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- July 11 Brigit Dean, representing the SPCA of Cattaraugus County, on WPIG's "Morning Pig Pen" from 7-7:30, discussing the SPCA's "Give a Dog a Bone" concert, set for July 7
- July 25 Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Meme Krahe on WPIG's "Morning Pig Pen" from 7-7:30, to discuss
- August 15 Meme Yanetsko, representing the Olean Sports Boosters Club, was on the "Morning Pig Pen", from 7-7:30, to promote the Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball event, set for August 16-18
- August 22 Randy Langdon, co-chairman of the "Rally in the Valley" Motorcycle event, from 7-7:30 on WPIG's "Morning Pig Pen", to promote the five-day event.
- Sept. 10 Michelle Riehle, from the American Red Cross, on WPIG's "Morning Pig Pen", from 7-7:30, to promote their 12th annual 9-11 Memorial Blood Drive.