



NEWSLETTER

CITY OF ONEIDA

APRIL 2025

A SMALL CITY WITH A BIG HEART

POPULATION (2020): 10, 329

What makes Oneida a special place to live and work are its people. The city thrives on strong community support and active involvement. There is a sincere, shared commitment to improving Oneida and building a better future for generations to come.

ONEIDA RAIL TRAIL

The Oneida Rail Trail (ORT) is a multi-use recreational trail system that connects the City of Oneida's neighborhoods, parks, and historic sites. Built along former railway corridors, it provides a scenic and safe path for outdoor activities such as walking, running, biking, and more.

MOUNT HOPE RESERVOIR

Mount Hope Reservoir is a beautiful and historic natural area offering scenic landscapes and recreational opportunities. It was originally built as a water source for Oneida but has since evolved into a cherished community destination for outdoor enthusiasts and nature lovers.

ONEIDA PARKS AND RECREATION

The City of Oneida Parks and Recreation Department is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for residents and visitors by providing well-maintained parks, diverse recreational programs, and year-round community activities.



315.363.4800



109.N. Main Street



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20 **APRIL** **25**

MEETINGS

APRIL 1, 2025

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

6:30PM-Common Council Chambers

APRIL 8, 2025

WATER BOARD

3:30PM-Water Department

APRIL 8, 2025

PLANNING COMMISSION

6:00PM-Common Council Chambers

APRIL 15, 2025


TRAFFIC SAFETY BOARD

2:00PM-Common Council Chambers

APRIL 15, 2025

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

6:30PM-Common Council Chambers

 315.363.4800

 slapera@oneidacityny.gov

 109 N. Main St., Oneida

www.oneidacityny.gov/meetings

We will be closed on Friday, April 18, 2025

CITY OF ONEIDA

We are Hiring!

UPCOMING CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

Civil Service Exams are available not only for the City of Oneida but also for the Oneida Public Library, Oneida Housing Authority, and the Oneida City School District (some exceptions apply). Click the link above for a list of upcoming exams!

JESSICA KAISER

Deputy Comptroller/Civil Service

315-363-2022, Ext. 133

jkaiser@oneidacityny.gov

Jessica Kaiser is the Deputy Comptroller for the City of Oneida as well as the Executive Secretary to the Civil Service Commission.

She is responsible for processing payroll, retirement, and all aspects of the Civil Service Department, including hiring processes, disciplinary actions, testing, and ensuring adherence to civil service laws and regulations.

For More Information:
www.oneidacityny.gov/jobs



CITY OF ONEIDA
POLICE DEPARTMENT

RECRUITING

EXPERIENCED LATERAL TRANSFERS AND NEW OFFICERS

Police Officer Exam Announcement

Join a community-focused department that values your commitment and dedication to public service.

Ideal candidates should be full-time, NYS certified Police Officers with completed training and probation, maintaining good standing within the force. Required qualities include a positive attitude, professionalism, self-motivation, diligence, and empathy.

With immediate openings and anticipated retirements, opportunities for career advancement will be readily available.

Police Chief Steven Lowell



CITY OF ONEIDA
POLICE
DEPARTMENT



Open Positions

Police Officers/
Lateral Transfers



- ✓ *Paid Academy Training*
- ✓ *Base Salary \$68K-\$88K, plus shift differential and overtime*
- ✓ *Excellent Benefits including Health and Dental Insurance*
- ✓ *Paid personal leave, holiday time, vacation and sick leave; comp time banked up to 350 hours*
- ✓ *Longevity, 20 year NYS Retirement*

ThinBlueLine Careers

**WE ARE
HIRING**

**CORRECTION OFFICERS
Join Our Team!**

*Police Officer Exam Deadline is
April 1, 2025. Apply [HERE!](#)*



KEITH HUDSON, LIEUTENANT
khudson@oneidacityny.gov



VISIT OUR WEBSITE
www.oneidacityny.gov/jobs

MONTHLY MESSAGE

CITY MANAGER

**Kyle
Lovell**

"Leadership is not about being in charge. It is about taking care of those in your charge." – Simon Sinek



FROM THE DESK OF THE CITY MANAGER

“Oneida, we made it! After what felt like an endless winter, full of snow, ice, and a seemingly constant need to shovel the driveway, we can finally see the light at the end of the (very cold) tunnel. As we shake off the chill and welcome the Spring thaw, it’s time to take stock of all those exterior projects that have been patiently waiting under the snow. If your “honey-do” list looks anything like mine—courtesy of my wife—it’s probably doubled in size over the past few months! Now is a great time to check on your home, yard, and gutters, and while you’re at it, take a look at your insurance coverage to make sure you’re well-protected for the year ahead.

A huge thank you is in order for our incredible Department of Public Works crew, who kept our streets plowed and passable through the worst of winter. Their hard work (often in the middle of the night) made sure we could all get where we needed to go safely. And let’s not forget our Water Department team, who I’ve personally seen out in the freezing cold, making repairs to keep our water flowing despite frozen and broken mains. Their dedication does not go unnoticed, and we appreciate everything they do for this community.

With Spring on the horizon, I’m excited to share that we’re working on establishing Oneida’s first-ever Park Clean-Up Day! This will be a chance for all City employees to get out, roll up their sleeves, and help freshen up our beautiful parks after a tough winter. We want to take pride in our green spaces, and if any citizens want to join us, we’d love to have you! Keep an eye on next month’s newsletter for more details.

Spring is on the way, Oneida—let’s embrace it, get to work on those projects, and enjoy the warmer days ahead!”

**Kyle Lovell (Your City Manager, and
reluctant "honey-do" list recipient)**



Fire Chief, Scott Jones

ONEIDA CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT



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- Fire Suppression
- Advanced Emergency Medical Services
- Response to specialized rescues and natural disasters
- Fire Prevention, Investigation and Education
- Community Events and Engagement



MARK BUSS

Wishing you a Happy
RETIREMENT
1989–2025



Water Maintenance Supervisor Mark Buss has dedicated 36 years to the City of Oneida Water Department. On March 21st, he will move on to the next chapter in his life as he retires. We are very grateful for his many years of service and dedication to the City and wish him the very best in his future!



**FIREFIGHTER
CHARLIE KAZLAUSKAS**

Firefighter Charlie Kazlauskas joined the City in 2004, and after 20 years of dedicated service, he is retiring. We sincerely thank him for his commitment, bravery, and service to the community. Wishing him all the best in his future endeavors and a happy, well-earned retirement!

**ENJOY YOUR
RETIREMENT**

Happy **RETIREMENT**

FIREFIGHTER

SCOTT MONROE

2005-2025

Firefighter Scott Monroe started his career with the City of Oneida Fire Department in 2005.

After 20 years of service, he will be retiring on March 26th.

We are sincerely grateful for his service and dedication to the City and wish him the very best in his future!





Congratulations on your Retirement!

2005

SERGEANT MATT COLELLA

2025

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Sergeant Matt Colella for his dedicated years of service and unwavering commitment to keeping our community safe. As he retires, we wish him the best in the next chapter, knowing his contributions will leave a lasting impact not only on the Police Department, but the City and our residents as well. Thank you!



Congratulations

INVESTIGATOR MATT GACEK

Matt Gacek began his career with the City of Oneida Police Department in 2006 and will be retiring on April 26th. Throughout his tenure, he has been a dedicated public servant, earning the prestigious Officer of the Year award in 2018. Beyond his commitment to law enforcement, Investigator Gacek has played an active role in community initiatives. He has served as a member of the Board of Directors for BRiDGES, and was appointed to the Madison County Community Services Board for a term from January 1, 2019, to December 31, 2022. We extend our deepest gratitude to Investigator Gacek for his years of service and unwavering dedication to the safety and well-being of our community. We wish him the very best in his retirement and sincerely appreciate all he has done to make our city a better place.

Happy

RETIREMENT

**SERGEANT
MIKE BURGESS
2005-2025**

This is a tough one for me. While we wholeheartedly wish you the very best in your retirement, your presence will be deeply missed by all. Your professionalism, expertise, and unwavering willingness to volunteer have left a lasting impact—and the list of your contributions goes on.

Shop with a Cop, the Fishing Derby, and Fall Fest will never be the same without you. Your dedication and contributions have left a lasting legacy, and we are incredibly grateful for everything you have done.

In August, we say goodbye and wish the best to Sergeant Mike Burgess, and thank him for his years of service to the City of Oneida Police Department, his leadership and friendship.



Mike's new venture is Owner/CEO of Proactive Venture Strategies LLC. where he is offering consulting services in crime prevention. Click [HERE](#) for more information!

Your **safety** is our #1 priority.

If you have a traffic safety issue or concern, please email the Traffic Safety Board at tsb@oneidacityny.gov.

CITY OF ONEIDA TRAFFIC SAFETY BOARD

The City of Oneida Traffic Safety Board is dedicated to ensuring the safety and efficiency of the city's transportation network. The board aims to promote awareness, implement safety measures, and address traffic-related concerns to enhance the quality of life for all residents and visitors.

Responsibilities:

- Evaluate and address traffic safety issues within the city.
- Recommend changes or improvements to existing traffic regulations.
- Review requests for traffic control devices such as stop signs, crosswalks, and speed limits.
- Collaborate with city departments, law enforcement, and community members to improve traffic flow and pedestrian safety.
- Conduct traffic studies and assessments as necessary.

Goals:

- Reduce traffic accidents and improve overall safety.
- Enhance pedestrian and bicycle accessibility.
- Promote safe and efficient traffic flow.
- Increase public awareness of traffic laws and safety measures.



SHERRI STANNARD
Telephone Operator



EILEEN ILES
Records Clerk



JAIME FEITH-MALLORY
Senior Account Clerk

Sherri is the friendly face at the Police Department's front desk and the helpful voice assisting callers. Since joining the City in 2004, she has taken on additional responsibilities with dedication and professionalism. Her efficiency and unwaveringly positive attitude are truly valued and appreciated. She plays a key role in ensuring smooth daily operations, providing support to both staff and the community with warmth and reliability. Her commitment to excellence makes a meaningful impact, and we are grateful for all she does.

Eileen has been a vital part of the City since 2016, expertly overseeing all aspects of records management with precision and professionalism. Her expertise ensures that the department operates efficiently, maintains full compliance with regulations, and upholds the highest standards of accuracy and organization. Beyond her technical skills, Eileen's dedication and meticulous attention to detail contribute significantly to the seamless functioning of operations. Her hard work, commitment, and invaluable contributions are deeply valued and greatly appreciated.

Jaime is the newest member of the administrative staff, responsible for payroll, purchasing, and voucher processing. Her role is integral to the department's efficiency and seamless coordination of essential administrative tasks. With her keen attention to detail, strong organizational skills, and commitment to accuracy, Jaime plays a crucial part in the team's daily workflow. Her contributions not only enhance operational effectiveness, but also help streamline processes for the department. We are thrilled to welcome her to the City and look forward to benefiting from her many impressive abilities and dedication to excellence!

CITY HALL ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF



Kathy Erdo
Administrative Aide
Fire-1998



Tracy Anderson
Senior Account Clerk
Finance-1998



Jeannie Markle
Account Clerk
Codes-2022

Our departments would not operate efficiently without the hard work and dedication of our administrative staff. Their exceptional skills, ability to multi-task, and unwavering dedication to their departments and the City show every day. We appreciate all that they do to enhance the customer experience and serve our community. Thank you for your dedication!

WATER DEPARTMENT



DARLEEN SCHOLL
BILLING/ACCOUNT CLERK



LIZA SAUNDERS
ACCOUNT CLERK

Darleen has been a dedicated member of the City of Oneida since 1999, bringing invaluable knowledge and expertise to the Water Department. Her commitment and hard work have played a vital role in ensuring the department's success. We sincerely appreciate her years of service and dedication to the community.

We are also excited to welcome Liza, who joined us in February. Her enthusiasm and dedication to learning her new role have been truly commendable. Wishing her continued success in her career!

315-363-363-1490

Pay your Water Bill online [HERE](#)

*Grateful,
Thankful and Blessed*



PARKS & RECREATION

Luke Griff, Director

Justin Acker, Recreation Coordinator

Mary Parker, Account Clerk



The City of Oneida is truly fortunate to have a vibrant and engaged Recreation Department dedicated to enriching the lives of our residents. Through diverse programs, well-maintained facilities, and community-driven initiatives, the department plays a vital role in fostering a sense of connection, wellness, and enjoyment for all ages.

Your hard work and dedication do not go unnoticed, and we sincerely appreciate everything you do to create opportunities for recreation, leisure, and community engagement. From organizing events and activities to maintaining our parks and public spaces, your efforts make Oneida a better place to live, work, and play.

Thank you for your commitment to enhancing our community and for continually making a positive impact on the lives of our residents.



CITY CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE

Melissa Luck was appointed City Chamberlain in January 2025 and has approached her new role with both enthusiasm and efficiency. Her sharp attention to detail and strong accounting skills have ensured great customer service and accountability within the office. Please note that the office closes daily from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM for banking and lunch.



PAY NOW



Collection of Taxes



Retiree Payments



Water Bill Payments



Civil Service Test Payments



Property Tax Searches



Parking Ticket Payments



Invoice Payments



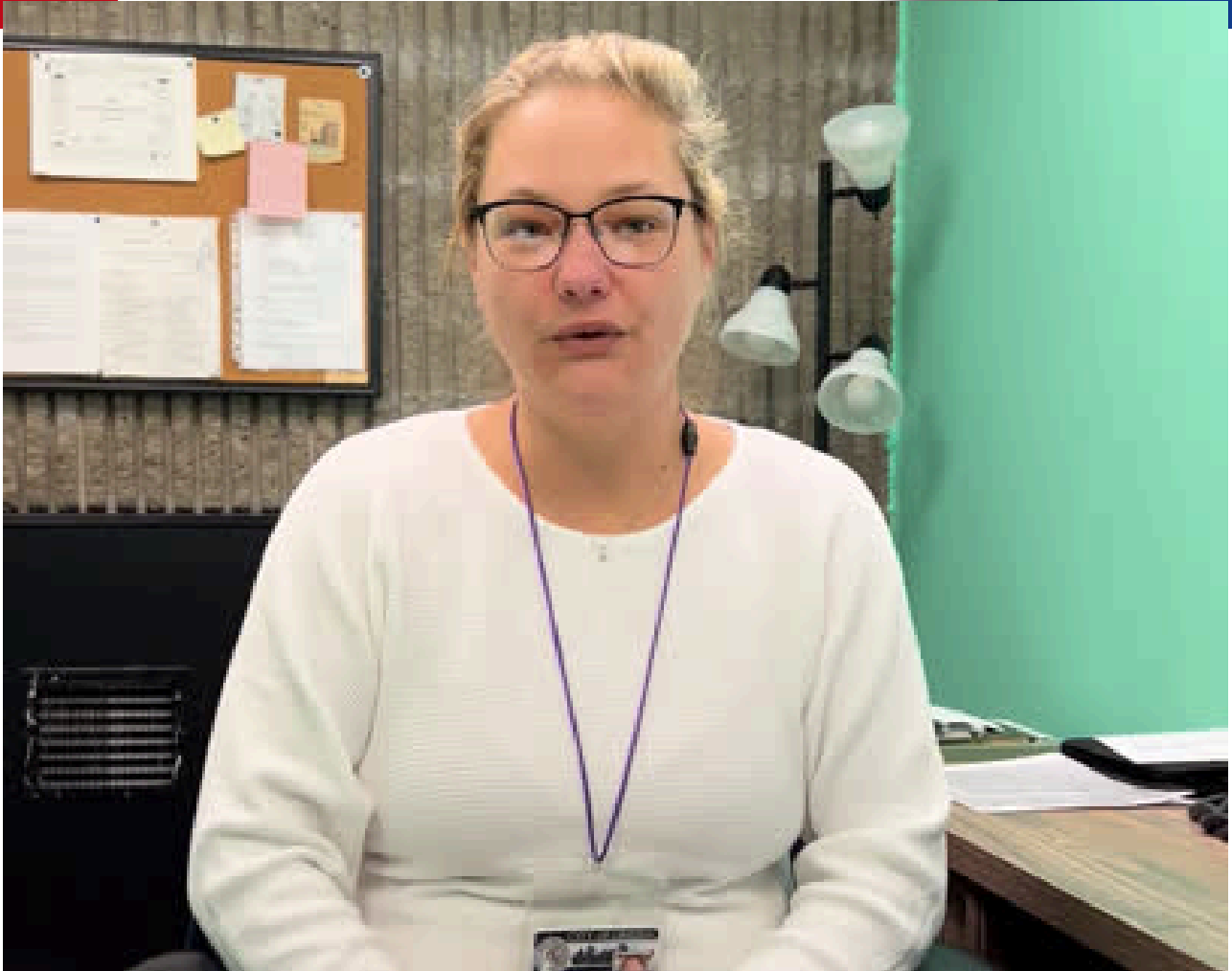
mluck@oneidacityny.gov



Contact:

315-363-7399





CITY ASSESSOR

● **LIVE**

Hello, I am Rebecca Lennon, and I am the Assessor for the City of Oneida. I just wanted to give a quick update to let everyone know that May 1st is Taxable Status Date, so all of your renewals and exemption forms are due by May 1st. If you need any help, or if you have any questions, please feel free to call me here at the office, or stop in Monday through Thursday, 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. and Friday, 8:00a.m. to 3:30p.m.

NYS PROPERTY TAX FORMS-EXEMPTIONS

For more information call 315-363-7579 or email rlennon@oneidacityny.gov

CITY OF ONEIDA RECREATION CENTER

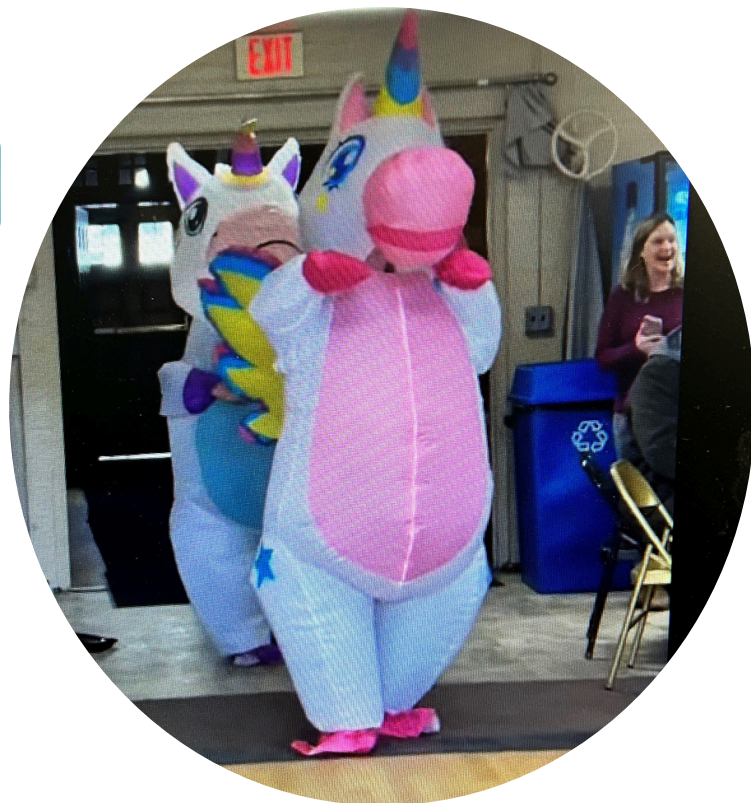
Our Rec Center is the perfect spot for a birthday party! With a safe, family-friendly atmosphere, dates fill up fast-call or register online today to reserve yours!

- Reasonable Prices
- Bouncy Houses
- Ride on Toys
- Tot Room

[Register Now](#)



Contact Us
315-363-3590



ELECTION NEWS

Madison County, NY - 2025 Election Dates

Election Type	Date	Time	Location	Notes
Village Elections	March 18, 2025	12 PM - 9 PM	Village of Earlville Clerk's Office	Only for Village of Earlville.
Village Elections	June 17, 2025	12 PM - 9 PM	Cazenovia: Cazenovia American Legion Hamilton: Hamilton Public Library	Only for Villages of Cazenovia & Hamilton.
Primary Early Voting	June 14-22, 2025	TBD	St. Paul's Methodist Church, Oneida, NY	Early voting for potential primary election.
Primary Election	June 24, 2025	6 AM - 9 PM	All polling sites in Madison County	Primary election will be held only if required.
General Early Voting	Oct 25 - Nov 2, 2025	TBD	St. Paul's Methodist Church, Oneida, NY	Early voting for the general election.
General Election	November 4, 2025	6 AM - 9 PM	All polling sites in Madison County	General election day.

Kallet Civic Center
159 Main Street
Oneida, NY 13421



St. Paul's Methodist Church
551 Sayles Street
Oneida, NY 13421



Madison County Board of Elections



315.366.2231

Green Waste Pickup Schedule

Green waste refers to biodegradable, organic waste that comes from gardens, parks, and household landscaping activities. It is mostly composed of plant-based materials that can be composted or recycled.

Green waste is typically collected separately from other types of trash because it can be composted and turned into mulch or nutrient-rich soil amendments. Proper management of green waste helps reduce landfill usage and promotes environmentally friendly practices.

Please click [HERE](#) for details



Examples of Special Waste We Handle

- ☒ Grass clippings
- ☒ Leaves
- ☒ Tree Trimmings-no large branches
- ☒ Vegetable and fruit scraps
- ☒ Weeds

CONTACT US



Phone Number
315-363-7222

Ext. 132

City of Oneida Dog License Application HERE

Madison County DRIVE-THRU



Appointments are required.


Appointments open 60 days before a clinic



Make an Appointment

Scan the
QR Code:



 315-366-2526

Go online:

healthymadisoncounty.org

Wednesday, April 23, 2025 • 4 PM — 7 PM
Madison County Highway Garage, WAMPSVILLE

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 • 4 PM — 7 PM
Oneida Public Library, ONEIDA

Saturday, June 28, 2025 • 10 AM — 1 PM
Chittenango Middle School, CHITTENANGO

Tuesday, July 29, 2025 • 5 PM — 8 PM
Madison County Highway Garage, EATON

Wednesday, August 27, 2025 • 4 PM — 7 PM
Hamilton Central School, HAMILTON

Wednesday, September 24, 2025 • 4 PM — 7 PM
Delphi Falls County Park, CAZENOVIA

Saturday, October 18, 2025 • 10 AM — 1 PM
Madison County Highway Garage, WAMPSVILLE



Free to Madison County residents, however a **\$7** donation per pet is appreciated



Out-of-County pet owners are limited to four (4) pets per household



Animals must be properly restrained with a leash and collar/harness or cage/pet carrier



Provide *prior* vaccination proof for a 3-year certificate.



A vehicle is not required to participate

CITY OF ONEIDA

Per New York State Agriculture and Markets Law (AML) Article 7, all dogs four months of age or older must be licensed in the municipality where they reside. The licensing fee is \$12 for spayed/neutered dogs and \$28 for unspayed/unneutered dogs. Owners must provide proof of a rabies vaccination (unless exempt for medical reasons).



Join Us for

**APRIL 16, 2025
8:00AM TO
3:00PM**

Allen Park / Vets Park



Just show up—every hand helps! Starting at Allen Park

Let's come together to make a difference! All ages welcome.

**CITY PARK
CLEANUP DAY**



Let's Make Our Community Parks Shine!

FIRST ANNUAL CNY EMOTIONAL & BEHAVIORAL SUPPORT EXPO

- Network with Health Professionals
- Learn about wellness resources
- See speakers in the wellness field
- Gain insight on mental health programs
- Employer mental health education resources
- School & student wellness resources

Thursday, April 17, 2024
1:30PM - 6:30PM

Vernon Downs Hotel Casino, NY



**FREE
TICKETS!**

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STUMP REMOVAL, Inc.

atd Association for
Talent Development

This incredible event is for the purposes of collaboration and offering resources to Central New York communities. Mental health and wellness is crucial to our families, coworkers, employees, students, and us.

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2025 WALK FOR AUTISM

FAMILIES FIRST

**DIVERSITY IS
OUR STRENGTH**

EMBRACE DIFFERENCES AND
SPREAD UNDERSTANDING

**APRIL 26, 2025
10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM**



Join Us for the Families FIRST Autism Walk in the City of Oneida Supporting Individuals with Autism and Their Families

Location: The walk will start at Higinbotham Park and go to the Oneida Library and back.

Registration: Contact Jennifer Bailey
jenny318@gmail.com
(315) 292-8428

The Families FIRST Autism Walk is a Special Event dedicated to raising awareness and support for individuals with autism and their families. Come walk with us to show your support, build community connections, and promote inclusivity.

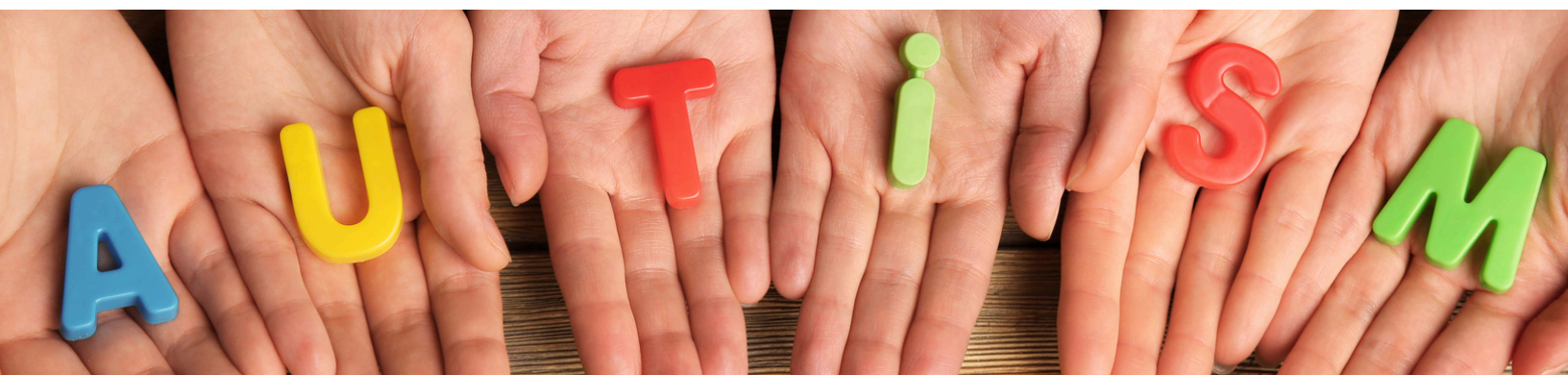
What to Expect:

- ~Quiet zones available for those who need a break
- ~A welcoming and inclusive atmosphere for all participants

Let's walk together for acceptance, understanding, and support!

MORE INFO

NY Families FIRST





CATSTOCK 5

Oneida American Legion
398 N. Main St., Oneida

**LET'S COME TOGETHER
AND SUPPORT THIS
WORTHY CAUSE!**



**SATURDAY-MAY 10, 2025
12:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

About Our Event!

The missions of the Oneida Community Cats Committee and Operation Wildcats Ltd. is to work with compassionate individuals, local governments, veterinary professionals, community members and other volunteers to achieve population decline of the unaltered, free-roaming, feral and/or abandoned domestic cats ("community cats") in our area through education and the use of the humane Trap/Neuter/Return (TNR) program.

Event Highlights

Fundraising Initiatives

Craft Vendors

Live Performances

Bounce Houses

Food Trucks

Basket Raffles

FREE ENTRY

Monetary or cat food/litter donation is encouraged



Contact John Chesebro

315-264-1710



Visit us on Facebook



CITY OF ONEIDA MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Honoring Oneida's Fallen Heroes
Local Roll Call of Remembrance

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Oneida Memorial Association for their dedication and hard work in making this event a reality. A special thank you to Sunshine Hammon for her unwavering commitment and tireless efforts in organizing this event each year. We also appreciate the generosity of all sponsors and the participation of everyone involved.

**Friday, May 23, 2025
6:30pm-Triangle Park, Parade at 7:00pm**

For More Information/Participation-Contact:
Oneida Memorial Association

Sunshine Hammon, President 315.264.7540

Email: oneidamemorialday@gmail.com



RIDE FOR MISSING CHILDREN

Friday, June 6, 2025

Cheer them on as they go through Oneida and stop at
Oneida High School at 12:52pm (lunch)

The mission of the Ride for Missing Children Mohawk Valley is to actively engage and enlighten our community about the critical issues of missing children and child exploitation. Through our Ride and various events, we diligently raise funds to provide financial backing for missing children's posters and search campaigns. Additionally, we strive to create a supportive network by bringing together families of missing individuals, fostering emotional support, genuine friendships, and instilling a sense of hope within these communities.

For more Information, click [HERE](#)

Paws on the Green



*Save
the Date*

Sunday, June 8th

8:00 am Shotgun Start



**CASOLWOOD
GOLF COURSE**

4255 Perretta Drive, Canastota



**Tee Sign
Sponsors**
1 Sign for \$150

\$400 Captain & Crew Foursome

**Pricing includes Snack Bags, Golf & Cart,
Turnaround Snack, Chicken BBQ & Dessert**



*Lock 1 Tastings
50/50 Tickets
Contests
Raffle Baskets*

No need to golf, for \$30 join us for the Chicken BBQ!

Wanderers Rest

HUMANE ASSOCIATION

wanderersrest.org



BRIDGES

STRENGTH. HOPE. COMMUNITY.



2025

Supervisor of the Year

Congratulations to our Nominees!

Cherie Ball

Colgate University

Michelle Collins

Arc of Madison Cortland

Andrea Hitchings

Madison County Clerks Office

Alexander J. Behm

Clear Path for Veterans

Andrew DeGirolamo

Madison County Sheriff's Office

Christine Mott

Community Action
Partnership

Erica Bird

Madison County Public
Health

Shelly DeGroat

Madison County Public Health

Amanda Nitzke

Crouse Community Center

Christopher Birmingham

International Wire
Group

Erin Dutcher

Community Action
Partnership

Marcia Reeder

Madison County DSS

Mary Bogdan

Hospice & Palliative Care,
Inc.

Krystyna Feola

Madison County Sherriff's Office

Sondra Shantel

Madison County DSS

Marissa Basla

Madison County Distillery

Brian Gallagher

Oneida Central School
District

James Swalgin

Oneida Family YMCA

Winner to be Selected at March 26th Ceremony



NORTHSTAR
DIGITAL LITERACY
A program of Literacy Minnesota



Working Solutions
an americanjobcenter
Workforce Development Board, Herkimer, Madison, Oneida Counties, Inc.

FREE COMPUTER TRAINING

Are you struggling to job search or need computer skills to increase your employability?

Unlock your digital potential with us!

Please call (315) 363-2400 to register for our informational session this month!

NO WALK-INS

Can't attend? Informational sessions are held on the last Monday of every month!

WHEN & WHERE?:


Madison County
Working Solutions
133 N. Court Street
Wampsville, NY 13163
315-363-2400
March 31st 2025
1:00 pm

Topics Include:

—
Basic Computer Skills
Internet Basics
Career Search Skills
Microsoft Word and Excel
And More!

Informational session attendees will receive a Northstar account and will be given an overview of the program



 (315)697-5700



"Our mission is to advocate, assist, and provide services that enrich the quality of life and promote the independence and dignity of older individuals and their families"

The office offers programs such as nutrition services, home-delivered meals, transportation assistance, health and wellness programs, and caregiver support. It also connects seniors with resources for housing, financial assistance, and long-term care planning. Through advocacy and community partnerships, the Office for the Aging ensures that older residents of Madison County receive the help they need to age safely and comfortably.

MADISON COUNTY OFFICE OF THE AGING NEWSLETTER



MADISON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

BLUE ENVELOPE PROGRAM

for Autistic Drivers and Families

The Blue Envelope gives autistic drivers a single location to hold vehicle registration and insurance that will be needed if they are involved in a traffic stop by law enforcement. The envelope provides instructions for both the driver and officer to help guide effective communication, reduce the stress of the encounter, and ensure safety of all parties. Participation in this program is voluntary and confidential. Law enforcement does not maintain a database of participants.

What is the purpose of the Blue Envelope?

The Blue Envelope is designed to ensure safe traffic stop interactions between law enforcement and autistic drivers by enhancing communication and awareness for all parties involved.

Where do I keep the Blue Envelope?

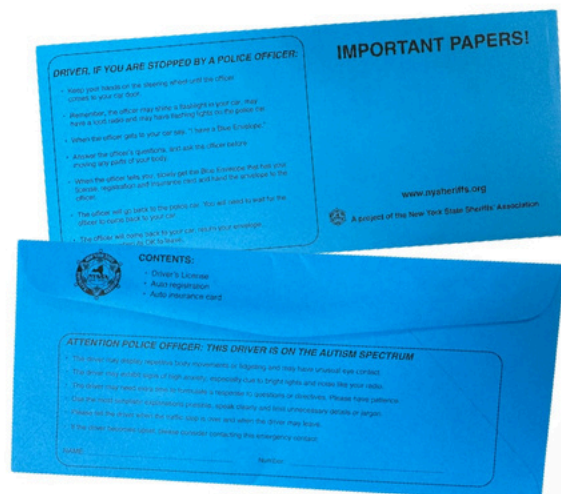
Keep the Blue Envelope in the glove compartment or other easily accessible location of your vehicle(s).

Do I have to provide any medical information to receive a Blue Envelope?

No, you just need to request an envelope from either the Madison County Sheriff's Office or one of our community partners.

If I have a Blue Envelope will I still be cited for a traffic violation?

Participation in the Blue Envelope program does not prevent a driver from receiving a citation.



MORE INFORMATION

Call: 315-366-2482

www.madisoncounty.ny.gov/3010/sheriff



HAPPY EASTER

May this Easter bring you peace,
love, and endless blessings

