



## *On the Go*

June 2017

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### **Corporate Challenge finishes strong for seventh year**

The annual Southern Tier Corporate Challenge Run/Walk held on June 22 again saw a strong turnout, with more than 800 people participating.

The event, hosted by Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce and the Olean High School Sports Boosters, is the seventh held in Olean. It was created with the goal of supporting companies in creating internal wellness programs. The 3.1-mile road race ran throughout downtown beginning and ending at JCC-Olean.



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### **Chamber, OBD add three to staff**

Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce and Olean Business Development (OBD) announces the addition of three new employees.

Both organizations recently welcomed Bobi Cornelius, Erica Dreher, and Charmaine Dwaileebe to their staffs.

Cornelius is the administrative services manager for both the Chamber and OBD. Dwaileebe serves as the Chamber's administrative specialist, while Dreher is the Chamber's membership outreach coordinator.



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**Area restaurants to serve up fun in July**



Restaurant applications for this year's Taste of Olean are now being accepted. More than 50 restaurants in the greater Olean area have been mailed applications for the 27th Annual Taste of Olean scheduled for July 23, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the fan favorite location – War Veterans Park, 551 E. State St., Olean.

The Taste is co-sponsored by Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce, its 49 Corporate Sponsors, and National Grid Co. The Taste of Olean is a festival filled with great food and entertainment. [Continue reading](#)

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### Lions Club seeks donations of hearing aids, eyeglasses

The Olean Lions Club wants your gently used eyeglasses and used hearing aids. There are many places in town that have drop off boxes including: Vic Vena Pharmacy, Council Optometric, Allegany Eye Associates, Directions In Independent Living and Enchanted Mountain Eyecare.



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### Solvay under new ownership

On June 1, Elantas PDG, Inc., a U.S. subsidiary of the Germany-based Elantas Electrical Insulation, introduced itself to the community as the new owner of the former Solvay. Top company officials, as well as community and business leaders, were present for a ribbon cutting and tour of the facility.

Elantas officials say the former Solvay will work closely with its operation in St. Louis, and plan to increase employment at the Olean facility.



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### Corporate Golf Challenge returns July 17

The fourth-annual Chamber Corporate Golf Classic will be held Monday, July 17, at the Bartlett Country Club, in Olean. The format of the classic will be a scramble with a limit of 30 teams and no handicaps. Registration will open at noon that day with a shotgun start set for 1p.m. A steak bake with awards and cash bar will be at 6 p.m.

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### Liberty Tax Service is now offering "Free Tax Talks"

Seminars/Q&A sessions will last approximately 30 minutes to 1 hour. These talks include but are not limited to subjects such as issuing W-2s to your employees, correctly issuing 1099s when required to avoid penalties, Filing your schedule C small business and schedule E rental property income making sure that

Please take this opportunity and contact Tina at 716-373-7500 to schedule an appointment.

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## **Trietley steps down as Olean Business Development board chair**

There's a change in leadership within Olean Business Development.

After more than two years of service, Rick Trietley stepped down from his post as the chair of OBD's Board of Directors at the group's most recent meeting. Board members approved Dennis Pezzimenti, an OBD board member, former board president of the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce, and owner of the local Howard Hanna Professionals branch, to serve as interim board chair. [Continue reading](#)



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## **Olean Area Young Professionals to meet July 6**



Olean Area Young Professionals will hold its next event from 5:15 to 7:15 p.m., Thursday July 6, at Napoli Pizza, located at 683 E. State St., Olean. Food will be provided and there will be a cash bar. This month, the group will be raising money (a suggested \$5 donation) for the Independence Day Olean Fireworks Show. The fireworks show is funded solely by donations and is one of the largest fireworks displays in the area. Money collected for the fireworks pay for display the following year.

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## **Leadership Cattaraugus holds Health and Medical Services Day**



The 2017 Leadership Cattaraugus class gathered again on June 20 for Health and Medical Services Day. During their time together, the group learned about a wide variety of medical, mental, and alternative health treatment options available in the county. [Continue reading](#)

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**Sponsors announced for YEA!**

The Cattaraugus-Allegany Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) is pleased to announce the first round of support for its innovative program that transforms local middle and high school students into real entrepreneurial successes.

YEA! is a groundbreaking program that takes students in grades six to 12 through the process of starting and launching a real business or social movement during the course of an academic year. By the end of the class, students own and operate fully formed and functioning businesses, which may be carried on after their graduation from the program.

