

United Way, Leadership Niagara announce partnership

The United Way of Greater Niagara and Leadership Niagara announced a new partnership Thursday, with a focus on reaffirming the commitment of both agencies to Niagara County's youth.

"Known as the Leadership for the Youth Communities program, LYNC is an eight-month leadership development program designed for youths to discover the leader within while learning about our community," said Connie Brown, president of the United Way of Niagara.

LYNC participants will now be introduced to United Way's efforts to improve the community as part of Leadership Niagara's commitment to allow the opportunity to examine important institutions impacting change in WNY,

and meet facilitators and mentors who are both experts in their fields and community leaders.

"By working with the LYNC program, United Way of Greater Niagara is continuing our commitment to building stronger connections at all levels in our community, focusing our efforts on strengthening the future of the Greater Niagara Region as its source: the youth of our community, working to build a path of prosperity for the next generation," said Robert Kazeangin, board chair of United Way of Greater Niagara's board of directors.

Diana Henry, chairman of the Leadership Niagara's board of directors, said the new association will have its focus on better preparing the leaders of tomorrow.

"Today, as we enter into a partnership with the United Way of Greater Niagara, we are reminded that our organization was founded out of collaboration," she said. "As a matter of fact, Mr. Kazeangin is one of our founding members. So, this is all the more special as we realign with our roots in this partnership. ..."

"We are thrilled for the opportunity to partner with the United Way of Greater Niagara to expand LYNC and include valuable lessons on the importance of collaboration and service. This new partnership will help us cultivate the next generation of philanthropists and servant leaders for the betterment of the Niagara Region."



Wear-n-Share welcomes residents to stop in

Volunteers with the Wear-n-Share Community Clothing Closet invite River Region residents to stop by and check out its wide variety of slightly used clothing items for men, women and children. Located on the left side of the Community Resource Center on the Lewiston-Porter Creek Road campus, Wear-n-Share is open for those who may be in need of used clothing items and foot wear, as well those seeking to donate those no longer needed personal items.

"We welcome visitors to stop by and we also accept donations" from the community, volunteer Dianne Gambino said. "Come in, visit and see what's available; there's no charge for our items."

A division of Inter Community Services, Wear-n-Share is open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. Wednesdays at Lew-Port. For more information, call 716-799-2963 or visit intercommunityservices.org.

Shown in the photo are volunteers Pam Parker of Youngstown, Pat Falk of Ransomville and Carol Sembert of Lewiston. (Photo by Terry Duffy)

LEWISTON POLICE BLOTTER

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Locations at N. Ninth/Mohawk streets; the 900 block of Mohawk Street and N. Ninth/Onondaga streets, vehicle/traffic stops – All calls officer initiated. All drivers were cited for failure to stop at stop sign violations. Uniform traffic tickets issued for Lewiston Town Court.

Friday, March 25
4700 block of Model City Road, overdose – Patrols on location for a 911 call; no further information.
University Drive, NU camps, assist – 911 caller from Campus Security reported a fire alarm on campus had been triggered by hair-spray. Patrol cleared.

Locations on the 4800 block of West Eddy Drive; the 800 block of Cayuga Street; 1300 block of Swann Road; N. Ninth/Onondaga streets; the 600 block of Ridge Road; 100 block of N. Eighth Street; Lewiston/Creek roads; I-190/Porter Road; I-190/Connecting Road; and the 900 block of Ridge Road, vehicle/traffic stops – All calls officer initiated. Violations per stop included registered

owner, uninspected motor vehicle from December 2021; driver, unlicensed operator and texting, vehicle towed; driver, unspecified violation; next three drivers, texting violations; driver, unspecified violation; and last three drivers, speed in zone violations. Uniform traffic tickets issued for Lewiston Town Court.

Saturday, March 26
5100 block of Garlow Road, suspicious activity – Caller reported observing four younger individuals walking out of nearby woods. Patrol spoke with subjects and told them to contact their parents to arrange for rides. Patrol cleared.
300 block of Oak Street, domestic disturbance – Patrol on location for a 911 call. No further information.
5100 block of Bronson Drive, animal complaint – Caller to 911 reported an injured cat in the roadway; animal appears deceased.
1200 block of Saunders Settlement Road, animal complaint – Patrol reported a loose black dog in the roadway; owner advised.
400 block of Roosevelt Avenue, theft – Caller reported his ex-girlfriend stole \$30 worth of groceries. No further information.

400 block of Center Street, disturbance not domestic – Patrol on location for a 911 call; no further information. Report taken.

Locations on the 700 block of Upper Mountain Road and Townline/Old Pekin Hill roads, vehicle/traffic stops – Calls officer initiated. Both drivers cited for speed in zone violations. Uniform traffic tickets issued for Lewiston Town Court.

Sunday, March 27
4700 block of W. Eddy Drive, suspicious activity – Caller reported hearing an unknown person had tried her door handle to the residence and no response when she asked who it was. Patrol checked and advised the caller the building was secure from random entries.
Locations on the 1400 block of Saunders Settlement Road; the 1700 block of Saunders Settlement/Garlow roads and Center Street/Niagara Scenic Parkway, vehicle/traffic stops – Calls officer initiated. All drivers cited for speed in zone violations; last vehicle clocked at 66 mph in a 50 mph zone. Uniform traffic tickets issued for Lewiston Town Court.

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