

# KEY EVENTS

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## Employee Safety & Wellness

### Recordable Injury / Illness

Municipality	1/1/21 – 4/27/2021	1/1/20 – 4/27/20	2020 Year End
Ontario County	3	3	7
Sheriff's Office	6	4	10
Cities	4	2	10
Towns & Villages	5	2	9
FLCC	0	1	2
Fishers Fire District	0	1	3
Victor Fire District	0	0	0
Soil & Water District	0	0	0
Volunteers	2	8	18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>59</b>

### ONTARIO COUNTY EMPLOYEE BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, May 27, 2021

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

3019 County Complex Dr. – Human Resource Building

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Rooms 204/205

The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Give blood.

Click [here](#) to access the registration link through the employee portal.

You are eligible to donate if you donated on or before

**April 1<sup>st</sup>** (Whole Blood) or **February 4<sup>th</sup>** (Double Red Cell/Power Reds).

**Appointments Only – No walk-ins! Must have a mask on to enter the blood drive.**

**Donors will automatically be entered for a chance to win a travel trailer camper that sleeps five!**



## County Administrator

As part of the budget process, Chris DeBolt met with Department Heads to discuss their 2022 position needs.

On May 6 Assemblyman Jeff Gallahan and Chief of Staff Alexis Ogra met with Chris DeBolt as a formal meet & greet. Administrator DeBolt thanks Assemblyman Gallahan for the time he spent meeting with him, and we appreciate his hard work at the State level advocating on behalf of Ontario County.

Brian Young continues to assist Public Health with COVID Vaccine Clinics. Now that the drive thru clinic registrations are slowing down, Public Health is focusing more on pop-up clinics throughout the County. G.W. Lisk, FLCC and Hobart William Smith College hosted clinics at their facilities last week for their employees and students.

## Economic Development

Akoustis Technologies, Inc. designs and manufactures radio frequency (RF) semiconductor bulk acoustic wave (BAW) silicon filter chips for 5G wireless, Wi-Fi, defense and other advanced mobile communications. The Company is in the middle of a \$40 million expansion of its fabrication facility in Canandaigua. The current expansion will enable the company to capture market share in the \$2.2 billion market for 5G mobile infrastructure, high-frequency Wi-Fi and defense markets. Akoustis employs 70 people in Canandaigua and is currently recruiting over 65 positions here to expand its capacity on the current 6" semiconductor line. With the proposed investment, Akoustis plans to enable 24-hour manufacturing on a new 8" silicon wafer production line and support backend manufacturing, design engineering and technical trade skill jobs. These jobs are high-quality, with an average annual salary of approximately \$75,000. The OCIDA assisted Akoustis with the purchase of their Canandaigua manufacturing facility, and the successful privatization of the former STC.

## Human Resources

**[Biometric screenings for Ontario County employees and spouses will be on-site June 7-18.](#)**

**Get Rewarded!** If you and your spouse participate in the Personal Health Assessment, which includes both the online health survey and the biometric screening, and authorize UR to send results to your physician by June 30, you will each earn a \$150 contribution to the employee's HRA account. **That is a potential \$300 reward!** All three steps MUST be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup> to be eligible for the HRA contribution. You will also be able to register for Telemedicine at many of the screening sites.

## Office for the Aging

### Community Dining Programs:

The Office for the Aging had to close its seven Senior Community Dining programs last March when COVID first hit our community. Although we provided a home delivered meal to all those that wanted them, it left many older adults without a way to socialization and many became isolated. We are happy to announce that we will be reopening three of our sites in May - Shortsville, Geneva and Honeoye. Older adults are thrilled to get out of the house again to meet up with their old friends.

### Mobility Management:

Starting June 1, 2021, Mobility Management will be offered through Ontario NY Connects for County residents of all ages. A Mobility Manager provides individualized one to one assistance linking people with transportation options that are right for them. The Mobility Manager also assists residents with filing applications for subsidies.

The mobility manager will also administer a small scale “brokerage” program using ride hailing services such as UBER and LYFT. The Office for the Aging can subsidize rides for people age 60 or older who have no other means of transportation.

This service is provided through an FTA Section 5310 Grant to Lifespan of Greater Rochester in partnership with the Ontario County Office for the Aging.

Call NY Connects at 585-396-4047 for the mobility manager.

## Office of Sheriff

The week of May 2<sup>nd</sup> through May 8<sup>th</sup> we recognize Correctional Officers and other Correctional Employees as we observe National Correctional Officers Week 2021. Our Correctional Officers play a critical role in an ever more stressful environment, acting in increasingly more complex and demanding roles including simultaneously custodial, supervisory and counseling roles with complexity that continues to grow, while they are also charged with keeping all inmates safe and secure. We recognize and honor our Correctional Officers and Correctional Employees for their dedicated service to the people of Ontario County, and extend to those public servants our gratitude for jobs well done.

The week of May 9<sup>th</sup> through May 15<sup>th</sup> we recognize our County Police Officers as we observe National Police Week. During this week we commend the brave men and women of our law enforcement community for fulfilling their oaths to protect and serve. We also pause to remember all those who have lost their lives and have suffered permanent disabilities defending their communities and the rule of law. This week we recognize and honor the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our communities and citizens safe.

Deputies from the Office of Sheriff assisted with the annual unwanted medication drop off which was held at the Canandaigua Wegmans on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Deputies who are currently in the Police Academy volunteered their time to help make this a successful day. Almost 800 lbs of unwanted medication were collected, to be properly destroyed. Thank you to all of the other volunteers as well as The Partnership for Ontario County who works with us each year.



## Public Health

Only 6.7% of Ontario County 16-year-olds have received at least one COVID-19 vaccine. Ontario County is ahead of the region for total number of residents vaccinated (60.2% of our residents have received at least one dose). Loved ones, help us get the youngest group vaccinated!



**I Got the Shot!**

**"I got the shot to help protect my younger brother, he has asthma."**

Kyle Richards #344

**#COVIDVaxOC**




**I Got the Shot!**

**Maggie (Left)**  
 "To keep my friends and family safe, the only way out of this is listening to science and vaccinating."

**Morganne (Right)**  
 "I received my vaccine to help the community get back to a better place. And to protect myself against this frustrating virus."

**#COVIDVaxOC**



**We Want Your Shots For Our "I Got the Shot" Campaign:** The Public Health team is running a social media campaign called "I Got the Shot!" to help promote the COVID-19 vaccination. Your help with this campaign would be greatly appreciated. Simply take a cell phone photo of a family member(s) or friend(s) or a selfie and email it to [Christy.Richards@ontariocountyny.gov](mailto:Christy.Richards@ontariocountyny.gov). In the email include a brief reason why or for whom the vaccine was received. Then, watch our Facebook page for your post. We're still all in this together. Thanks!



**COVID-19 VACCINE**

**Pfizer Vaccine**

**May 12, 2021**  
**4:30 PM - 7:00 PM**

Ontario County Highway Office,  
 2930 County Road 48, Canandaigua, NY

Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/5yvm44c>

Trouble registering?  
 Call 585-396-4439/leave a message.

**Clinic is for 16 and older**



## Records and Archives

RAIMS was able to purchase through CIP funds a replacement for a book scanner. The Indus 9000 scans from overhead protecting the bookbinding and at the same time producing high quality color, gray scale and black and white images. It will be able to scan large volumes when wide open or a flat document of the same size. This will help us preserve our most fragile historical volumes by scanning the pages in house so researchers can review the scanned copies and then the original book can be kept in the vault. In the past, we have been approached by some of the small towns and historical societies to scan some of their old permanent volumes. We now will be able to contract with them and accommodate their needs to preserve their history too.



## Sustainability & Solid Waste Management

### ELECTRONIC WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

Saturday, June 5, 2021  
8:00 am to 2:00 pm

**Bristol Highway Facility**  
6740 Co. Rd. 32, Canandaigua, NY

#### PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Registration open May 10<sup>th</sup> - June 2<sup>nd</sup>

To pre-register call: (585) 394-3977 x427

The event is limited to 500 residents who pre-register

#### **Materials Accepted at this Event - Residentially Generated:**

Computers (including laptops, desktops, tablets and e-readers), Televisions, Microwaves, Small scale servers, Computer peripherals, Monitors, Electronic keyboards, Electronic mice or similar, pointing devices, Fax machines, document scanners, and printers (less than 100 lbs.), Small electronic equipment, VCRs, Digital video recorders, Portable digital music players, DVD players (including projectors with DVD player capabilities intended for home-use), Digital converter boxes, Cable or satellite receivers (including digital media receivers), Electronic or video game consoles.

FREE and  
open to  
Ontario  
County  
Residents  
ONLY



#### **Materials NOT Accepted at the Event:**

Alkaline batteries, Smoke detectors/Carbon monoxide detectors, Devices containing liquid mercury (thermostats, switches, medical devices, thermometers), household appliances, liquids/oils, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, refrigerators, fluorescent lamps, and tape media (DVD's, VHS, CD's, cassette tapes, floppy disks, SD cards, etc.)

For information and other recycling events visit:

**OntarioCountyRecycles.org**

**Cornell Cooperative Extension**  
Ontario County



## Workforce Development

Workforce Development is assisting our employers with an unprecedented number of job openings! Despite the pandemic and Covid-19 restrictions, our job market is very active and literally hundreds of jobs are currently available, throughout all communities of the County and in all industries. WD is open and available to assist any resident ready to re-enter the world of employment. A big thank you to all of our County departments that are willing to help spread the word, by making visible in public areas, our newly created posters. (thank you, Shelly Dinan!). You can view one of them at this [link](#). If you'd like additional colored posters, please contact us.

## Youth Bureau

**Important Message from the Youth Bureau and our Safe Harbour Advisory Board:**



**Free APP Available**

### **Know the Warning Signs that Might Indicate Exploitation:**

- Unexplained bruises, cuts or marks
- Unexplained Tattoos (“branding”)
- Signs of substance abuse
- Sudden change of behavior
- Frequent running away or skipping school
- Family Dysfunctions: violence, history of child abuse/neglect, alcohol/drug abuse

**Safe Harbors Hotline 800-247-7273**



## OUR TEAM AGENCIES

### **Cornell Cooperative Extension**

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection was Saturday, April 24, 2021, 7:00 am – 3:00 pm at Casella Recycling Facility.** A total of 435 residents took advantage of the event to get rid of their household hazardous waste. People per township: Bristol- 7; Canadice-5; Canandaigua-71; East Bloomfield-19; Farmington-28; Geneva-35; Gorham-15, Hopewell-13; Manchester-30, Naples-10; Phelps-29; Richmond-12; Seneca-5; South Bristol-15; Victor-54; West Bloomfield- 3. City of Canandaigua-49 and City of Geneva-35.

**The Ontario County 4-H Tractor and Farm Safety Program** concluded 9 weeks of classes on May 1<sup>st</sup>. All 10 youth passed the written and driving test. This course is required for youth age 14 or 15 to be legally hired on non-family owned farms.

**The Parenting Skills Workshop Series** offered by CCE-Ontario concluded the Spring series on April 27<sup>th</sup> with 6 parents completing the series of classes and receiving certificates. The next series will be offered in late August.

**Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ontario County is your resource for gardening information** throughout the year. You will find helpful growing and pest management information that will provide you the knowledge to be successful in growing your own fruits and vegetables this year. Just log onto our website [www.cceontario.org](http://www.cceontario.org) and click on gardening. You will find cultural practices to build a healthy soil, insect and disease fact sheets, garden and lawn videos and so much more. Our gardening services include soil testing; plant

and insect ID; and plant disease and diagnostics. Email our Homes and Grounds Educator, Russ Welser at [rw43@cornell.edu](mailto:rw43@cornell.edu) with any of your gardening questions.

### **Finger Lakes Grape Program Spring IPM Meeting, May 11, 2021; 4:00-5:30 pm, Hoover Farm, Penn Yan.**

This meeting is mainly intended for those who are unable to participate in our online IPM meeting due to the lack of Internet access or for other reasons. Event Offers DEC Credits. Registration can be done by calling or emailing Brittany Griffin, 315-536-5134 or [bg393@cornell.edu](mailto:bg393@cornell.edu).

## **Finger Lakes Community College**



### **FLCC To Host Renowned Holocaust Author:**

Finger Lakes Community College will host an online talk by one of the world's leading authorities on the Holocaust on Thursday, May 6, from 1 to 2:15 p.m. The link is available on the FLCC events calendar at [events.flcc.edu](https://events.flcc.edu). Peter Hayes is professor of History and German and the Theodore Zev Weiss Holocaust Educational Foundation Professor Emeritus at Northwestern University in Illinois. His talk will focus on his 2017 book "Why? Explaining the Holocaust." In "Why?" Hayes tackles misconceptions about the Holocaust and answers questions about why the Jews were targeted. He conducts a detailed analysis showing how social and economic conditions in Germany over many

years contributed to the genocide of European Jews during World War II. For information email [Robert.Brown@flcc.edu](mailto:Robert.Brown@flcc.edu)

## **Finger Lakes Visitors Connection**

Finger Lakes Visitors Connection has just released its new website. It's been a work in progress for over a year. The site provides aspirational travel ideas for those considering a trip to the area, as well as specific details about tourism places, which is also helpful to Visitors. [www.VisitFingerLakes.com](http://www.VisitFingerLakes.com) (P.S. we welcome lots of proofreaders, link checkers, etc.) Just let [David@visitfingerlakes.com](mailto:David@visitfingerlakes.com) know if you see something we should fix up a tad.

It's National Tourism week and we're proud to work in an industry that plays such a critical role in the economic fabric of Ontario County and the Finger Lakes Region. It's admittedly been a tough year, but our industry is resilient and stronger together. We appreciate the new partnerships we've developed, especially with the public health officials, county administrator's office, economic development, and planning offices as we've weeded through the onslaught of Governor's Executive Orders. As County employees and as residents of the County, we hope that you'll consider supporting the "go local" movement that has been enhanced this year. Make sure that during National Tourism Week, and beyond, that you thank a frontline hospitality person for their efforts to keep you safe and entertained or fed during the past year. Here's to a new season, a new year.

## **Soil & Water Conservation District**

### **Upcoming Free Tire Recycling Event: May 15**

The deadline to register for the upcoming tire recycling event is May 12, 2021. Call (585)396-1450. This event is free for all Ontario County residents. Each household can recycle up to 10 tires. Only car and light truck tires will be accepted. All tires must be clean and free of debris. No tires on rims will be accepted. Tires will not be accepted from commercial facilities. [For more info, click here.](#)



### Successful 2021 Virtual Envirothon

The Western Finger Lakes Regional Envirothon went virtual this year! The Ontario County, Seneca County, Yates County, and Wayne County Soil & Water Conservation District partnered together to make this event possible. We had teams from each County participate on May 5, 2021 in a Google Classroom platform where the students were tested on 5 subjects: Wildlife, Soil & Land Use, Aquatic Ecology, Forestry, and the Current Issue of Water Resources Management.



### Spring Newsletter

[Click here](#) for Ontario County Soil & Water Conservation District's Spring Newsletter!



If you would like additional information on any of the key events, please feel free to contact our office or the appropriate department head.

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