

NT department working with DiBernardo to assist people in getting vaccinations

The North Tonawanda Department of Youth, Recreation, Parks & Seniors, in collaboration with Second Ward Alderman Frank DiBernardo, recently announced a COVID-19 vaccine assistance program (CVAP) for North Tonawanda senior citizens who are seeking help with navigating the process of registering to receive a vaccination.

“Our goal is to bridge the gap as best as we can in the process to help seniors who wish to receive the vaccine,” Senior Program and Recreation Supervisor Pam Hogan said. Currently, information and links to register are available at <https://www.niagaracounty.com/health/Services/Public-Health-Preparedness/2019-Nov-el-Coronavirus-COVID-19/COVID-19-Vaccination>. However, they said the process can be difficult for seniors who lack internet access or need support in navigating the process.

The North Tonawanda Senior Center (110 Goundry St.) will be available to help seniors with the preregistration process over the phone from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. weekdays. Those in need of assistance can call 695-8582. Additionally, in-office appointments are available from 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Interested individuals can call to schedule an appointment.

“It’s our duty to serve the needs of our community, and currently there is a vast need for this type of assistance,” DiBernardo said. Whether calling with basic questions on eligibility, or a need to help with preregistration or transportation to an appointment, North Tonawanda seniors are encouraged to call the Senior Center for assistance.

LEWISTON POLICE BLOTTER

The following activity occurred Monday, Feb. 14, to Sunday, Feb. 21, as reported by the Lewiston Police Department. For more information on arrests and other activity, visit the Lewiston Police Department’s mobile app or its page on Facebook.

Sunday, Feb. 14

- **Military Road/Fourth Avenue** – vehicle/traffic stop – Call officer initiated. One female in custody for driving while intoxicated.
- **700 block of Walker Drive, assist public** – Caller reported an elderly female had subjects coming to the residence, trying to get her to sell the property. Patrol spoke with the homeowner and Realtor; all OK and no scam involved.

Monday, Feb. 15

- **5700 block of Lewiston Road, suspicious activity** – Female caller to 911 reported being approached in the Castellani parking lot by a male in a red sedan; description provided. Patrol and Campus Safety checked area; male GOA. Patrol to monitor.
- **700 block of Center Street, assist public** – Male caller reported a threat made via an online post to police, courts, etc.
- **4400 block of Lower River Road, 9-11 hang-up** – Patrol reported an open 9-11 line at Stella Niagara. Patrol stated that all parties at the location have been accounted for.
- **5500 block of Townline Road, vehicle/traffic stop/warrant service** – Officer initiated call. Driver cited for speed in zone; uniform traffic ticket issued for Lewiston Town Court. Suspect remanded to Niagara County Sheriff’s Office on an active warrant.

Tuesday, Feb. 16

- **2000 block of Saunders Settlement Road, suspicious activity** – Caller to 911 reported a white vehicle was stuck in the drive and a male party was on the porch. Subject left heading towards a nearby house and ran down the tree line. Patrol responded.
- **5900 block of Hyde Park Boulevard, theft** – Caller to 911 reported prescription medications were stolen from a vehicle sometime overnight.
- **5400 block of Walmore Road, disturbance non-domestic** – Caller reported an unwanted male on the premises outside fighting with employees; male using his car keys as a weapon. Caller states employee has facial lacerations from being struck with car keys and there is blood everywhere. Patrols responded. Report taken.
- **100 block of N. Water Street, assist** – U.S. Border Patrol out with an unruly individual, requesting assistance; no further information. Patrols responded.
- **100 block of N. Water Street, assist** – U.S. Border Patrol reported a female attempting to inflate a mattress to cross the Niagara River; agent currently with the female. Patrols responded.
- **1100 block of Ridge Road, vehicle/traffic stop** – Officer initiated call. Rightful owner cited for speed in zone; vehicle clocked at 57 mph in a 40 mph zone. Uniform traffic tickets issued for Lewiston Town Court.

- **Locations at Lockport Street/Niagara Scenic Parkway Southbound; the 1000 block of Ridge Road, the 2500 block of Upper Mountain Road; and Chew/Saunders Settlement roads, assist public** – Numerous reports of vehicles in ditches; calls attributed to heavy snows in area.

Wednesday, Feb. 17

- **1700 block of Mount Hope Road, shots fired** – Caller to 911 reported a male outside shooting at his house. Patrols responded.
- **N. Fourth/Center streets, suspicious activity** – Officer initiated call. Patrol responded to a report of a female, 56, walking around confused. Patrol checked the surrounding area and was unable to locate the subject. Call cleared.
- **1100 block of Jarrett Drive, MVA property damage** – Caller reported a male driver had pushed in the caller’s mirror, breaking it and was refusing to pay for damages. Suspect was plowing a driveway two houses down the street. Patrol responded.
- **4400 block of Autumn Lane, forgery** – Officer initiated call. Complainant reported she had sent \$200 to a cash app for an investment that promised her a \$2,000 return. Caller reported receiving a message from a Snap Chat account informing her she would “only get a 20% return from the \$2,000” if she invested. Others were contacted via Snap Chat with the same message.
- **900 block of Center Street, traffic complaint** – Caller to 911 reported a Ford F-150 pickup, black, heading westbound on Center Street was all over the roadway. Patrol responded; officers reported one suspect in custody, charges not listed. Vehicle towed with 12-hour hold placed.
- **Townline/Saunders Settlement roads, traffic complaint** – Caller to 911 reported a red Toyota Tundra pick-up, reckless driving and unable to maintain lane. Patrol responded.
- **2500 block of Lockport Road, vehicle/traffic stop** – Caller reported blue Chevy Cobalt was all over the road; driver now inside a store. Patrol reported the driver was experiencing leg issues and not intoxicated.

Thursday Feb. 18

- **5700 block of Lewiston Road, drug investigation/vehicle/traffic stop** – Patrol reported the pullover of a white SUV with an obstructed plate. No further information.
- **5400 block of Walmore Road, narcotics** – Patrol responded to a phone call at a business from a male.
- **5400 block of Walmore Road, disturbance non-domestic** – Per a 911 call patrol advised of a male suspect at the business who came via his father’s black pickup. Patrol reported one male in custody for violation of a court order.
- **1500 block of Saunders Settlement Road, assist** – Response 911 call listing a male/female, subjects negative on intoxication/weapons. Male caller reported his mother was screaming in the bathroom; male unsure what is going on.
- **4400 block of Porter Center Road, harassment** – Caller reported receiving texts from an unknown person. Patrol unable to make contact at the suspect’s residence and left a message to recontact LPD on said complaint.
- **Locations at Ridge Road/Big Vista Drive, the 5500 block of Townline Road; and Center Street eastbound to Niagara Scenic Parkway, vehicle/traffic stops** – Violations in order included rightful owner, driving to the left of pavement markings (no passing zone); rightful owner, unregistered motor vehicle and uninspected motor vehicle; and driver, unlicensed operator, unregistered motor vehicle, uninspected motor vehicle and speed in zone, vehicle clocked at 48 mph in a 30 mph zone. Uniform traffic tickets issued to all violators for Lewiston Town Court.

Friday, Feb. 19

- **6500 block of Bear Ridge Road, traffic complaint/investigation** – Caller advised patrol that a male driving a newer white vehicle, possibly a Kia, was en route to an address on the 700 block of The Circle Drive. No further information.
- **2400 block of Upper Mountain Road, traffic complaint/investigation** – Caller to 911 reported a small black vehicle with a loud muffler travelling at a high rate of speed; ongoing problem.
- **Swann/Model City roads, vehicle/traffic stop** – Officer initiated call. Driver cited for speed in zone; vehicle clocked at 55 mph in a 45 mph zone.
- **2500 block of Lockport Road, vehicle/traffic stop** – Patrol reported the rightful owner of a vehicle struck a mailbox while pulling over for a traffic stop. Driver attempted to make contact with homeowner

on damage, with negative results. Note left at residence with accident report. Warnings issued to driver on V/T violations.

Saturday, Feb. 20

- **700 block of Fairchild Place, domestic disturbance** – Patrol responded to a 911 call; no further information.
- **900 block of N. Hewitt Drive, assist public** – Caller to 911 said he was possibly scammed on a sweepstakes offering and wanted to talk with patrol.
- **3400 block of East Avenue, suspicious activity** – Caller to 911 reported a male driving a gray Dodge pickup with a plow pulled into the driveway and attempted to attack the caller’s husband. Caller does not know the male.

Sunday, Feb. 21

- **Upper Mountain/Military roads, MVA-injuries** – Caller to 911 reported a vehicle drove into a pole. Female reported with minor injuries from an airbag; subject conscious and alert. Patrol responded.
- **800 block of Oneida Street, animal complaint** – Caller reported a dog has been barking all day. Patrol spoke with the homeowner; barking dog in garage brought into the house. Patrol cleared.

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