

## Municipal updates (cont.)

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These policies and measures are subject to change and will be updated as needed.

Both I and Town staff will do our best to keep you informed as things change in the coming days and weeks.

To all of our residents, we will come out of this crisis stronger than ever, with a greater appreciation of our families and friends. It is also a time to rely on our faith for strength and guidance to get through this difficult time. If you have a neighbor in need, help out when you can especially with our Senior community.

Remember to follow all social distancing and cleanliness guidelines as advanced by the Department of Health and the CDC. Take care of yourself and do your best to look out for others who may need extra help.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Town with any questions. Thank you and please do your part to stay safe.

Don MacSwan  
Wheatfield Town Supervisor  
**Niagara-Wheatfield School District**

Niagara-Wheatfield School Superintendent Daniel Ljiljanich provided the following update:

Beginning Monday, March 23 the Wheatfield school district will only provide grab and go food service at Wheatfield High School and Tuscarora Elementary School. Food Service will be limited to Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Two days worth of meals will be provided on each day of meal service.

### Town of Niagara

The Town of Niagara Active Hose released the following statement via Facebook on March 24:

You stay! We'll go!  
In these trying times, we recognize that some of our residents may fall in the high risk category, yet still need essential supplies to sustain everyday life.

If you are a Town of Niagara resident and find yourself in need of necessities such as main grocery items, prescription pickup or OTC medications, please reach out to us via the comments or messenger and we will make arrangements to get you what you need. If you are the family member of someone at risk who has a need but no access to social media, you may reach out as well. As funds are limited, we will arrange for payment at drop off so we can continue to utilize the funds we

have for upfront purchases and continue to help others.

All we ask is that you please respect the severity of the situation and only utilize this service if absolutely necessary.

Thank you and stay safe.  
Chief William Jasper Jr.  
The phone number for the Town of Niagara Active Hose is 298-8100

### North Tonawanda

The state of emergency expanded in North Tonawanda. From Mayor Arthur Pappas:

A State of Emergency for the City of North Tonawanda as was declared under Section 24 of New York State Executive Law which preserves public safety. In line with this declaration effective Sunday March 22, 2020 at 7 pm all City Municipal playgrounds, pavilions, and athletic fields including tennis and basketball courts, disc golf, and softball fields will be closed. Swings will be removed by the Parks Dept, and all facilities will be closed until further notice. Walking/riding on trails is still permitted. Working in conjunction with the schools, County Health dept. and the State we are trying to prevent the spread of COVID 19.

City Hall will remain closed to

the public as well as the Youth Center and Senior Center. The Keller Building remains closed also. While the Federal Post Office remains open, please abide by the 6-foot distance rule and comply with social distancing when attending the City Market. Trash pick-up will continue as usual but we are asking that all trash be put in plastic bags and the bags then deposited in the totes. Please do not leave anything outside a tote. Bulk pick up will remain on schedule as usual but please put out what is only necessary at this time and not prior to the scheduled date of pick up.

As the governor has stated the virus rate increases with density and for that reason we wish to keep everyone from joining together to infect others. Therefore, no group activities may take place in NT City Parks.

It is paramount that everyone adhere seriously to these measures to prevent the spread of the virus as we already have confirmed cases locally and wish to curtail the rate of increase. Thanks to our local responders and city employees for their work in helping to make our City as safe as we possibly are able at this critical time.

## NU donates much-needed supplies to area hospitals

What initially appeared to be a mistake might actually have been a happy accident, as an order of personal protective equipment, initially intended to be used by Niagara University nursing students, is now being donated to the places that need them most: area hospitals and nursing homes.

Margarita Coyne, interim dean of Niagara University's School of Nursing, spearheaded the effort, with the help of Dr. Maria Frosini Gadawski, a faculty member in the school, and Dr. Mary McCourt, a professor of chemistry whose daughter works at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center.

"Last summer, we received a double-order of the surgical gloves, gowns, and masks we use to teach students," Coyne said. She planned to keep the inventory to use in courses during the upcoming academic year, but when she heard medical professionals were in dire need of this equipment because of the coronavirus pandemic, she contacted Dr. Tim Ireland, Niagara University provost, and Dr. Debra Colley, Niagara's executive vice

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