

The **Arsenal City Run** was Sept 23rd, and we would like to thank those who participated. We would also like to thank our sponsors and encourage you to support them—**The Reis Group**, **Troy Industrial Solutions**, **Anjo Construction**, **Nigro Companies**, **Pioneer Bank**, **Stewart's Shops**, **Weston & Sampson**, **Bonded Concrete**, **Douglas Industrial**, **Flex Electric**, **Greenwood Contracting**, **Highland Tank**, **Schuyler Companies/Watervliet Plaza**, **Strecks**, **Advance Glass**, **Bob's Diner**, **Goldberger & Kremer**, **Ground Equipment**, **Gus's Hot Dogs**, **Hart Alarms**, **Bruce Hidley-Albany Co. Clerk**, **Lamb & Lamb**, **Paul Murphy—MFCS**, **Rusty Anchor**, **SM Gallivan**, **Watervliet AOH**, **Watervliet Elks**, **Watervliet VFW**, and **Whitney Young Health**. This year we had a good amount of sponsored runners register, and we are getting more **"Watervlietians"** participating. Next year's race is Sunday, Sept. 22nd—make it a point to get a group of friends together to participate in this fun community event. Who knows—you might even win some prize money!

**Heroes Banner Program**—What better way to honor the hard to buy for veteran in your family than with a banner as a holiday gift! Order yours by December 7th and a card will be provided to show the veteran the gift you purchased. Veterans must have been born in Watervliet, lived or currently living in Watervliet. Call Phyllis at 270-3800 ext. 100 or Chris at 270-3815 for more info.



#### Winter Vacation Reminder

Many residents take vacations during the winter months. In case of a snow emergency, please make sure someone has access to your car keys if you leave your car parked on the street. Every year we have someone call to say they are on vacation and cannot move their car. Unfortunately, we weren't able to make exceptions and those cars were towed. If you don't have someone who can move your vehicle, the City will allow you to park at Hudson Shores Park while you are away. If this is something you need to take advantage of, you must call City Hall at 270-3815 in advance (*please note the City would not be responsible for theft or damage to your vehicle*).



Many residents, business owners and visitors faced frustrating road closures, detours and water shutdowns this summer and fall. We know these inconveniences are not easy, and we sincerely

**THANK YOU** for your patience.

## DEPARTMENT NEWS...

**Fire Department** - Service your chimney and heaters yearly. This is the time of year we receive a number of calls for carbon monoxide (CO) alarms. If your CO alarm activates, call us immediately. **CO KILLS**. It can cause flu-like symptoms as well as dizziness and possibly unconsciousness. **Also, don't forget to change the batteries in your smoke detectors!**

**Police Department** - We encourage residents to follow Chief Spain's WPD Facebook page. It's one of the best way to keep up to date on what is going on in the community and the department.

**Finance Department**—Reminder to homeowners—all in person or over the counter property tax and water bill payments must be paid at the Watervliet branch of Pioneer Savings Bank. Payments can be mailed to City Hall (to the attention of the Finance Director) or paid online at [www.info.xpresspay.com](http://www.info.xpresspay.com) (please note a fee is collected for this service by Xpress-Pay).

**Building Department** - All rental units must be inspected and a Rental Unit Compliance Certificate (RUCC) issued prior to occupancy. Failure to comply will result in a court appearance and minimum \$250 fine for the first offense. Also, to ensure the safety of our residents and emergency personnel during the winter months, home/business owners **MUST** shovel/remove the snow from their sidewalks within 24 hours after the cessation of the snowfall (Section 244-6A of the Watervliet City Code). Failure to comply will result in a court appearance and fine.

The **Parks & Recreation Department** is always looking for volunteers for City-sponsored events. Future events include the City Holiday Tree Lighting on Saturday, December 8th, Keep Vliet Neat in April 2019, and Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 20th. If you are interested in volunteering for these or any other events, please call 270-3815.

**Economic Development Department** - Check the City's website for homeowner and business grant availability. We will be posting opportunities as these programs are developed and/or awarded.

**Civil Service Department** — The Watervliet Civil Service Commission announces an examination for **Clerk/Typist** for the Watervliet City School District to be held on Saturday, December 1, 2018. Applications are available at Watervliet City Hall in the City Clerk's office or on our webpage. Last filing date for this exam Thursday, November 22, 2018.



We are looking for lifeguards for the 2019 summer season. Lifeguard candidates must be at least 15 years of age and are required to go through the standard 40 hour American Red Cross training (pre-requisite testing must be met). We will work with candidates to find a class that fits their schedule. The courses normally run between \$350-\$400. CDYMCA also offer pre-lifeguarding classes to help prepare prospective candidates for pre-test. If you are interested in learning more, call Chris at 518-273-3815.



Every year the City works with the school district to assist families during the holiday season. If you or your business would like to adopt a family or purchase a gift for one of the children in these families, please call 270-3815.



**Commercial Grade 95 Gallon Tipper Garbage Cans**—CEJJ is offering Watervliet residents the opportunity to purchase 95 gallon commercial grade tipper garbage cans for a price of \$65 (including tax). If you are

interested, call CEJJ at 518-732-7733. Once your purchase is complete, CEJJ will deliver the cans to the City Garage; and we will deliver them to your house. This is a discounted price for a good quality garbage can.



#### ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS

There are 2019 changes to school tax and property tax exemptions for property owners age 65 and over. For more information, log onto [www.tax.ny.gov](http://www.tax.ny.gov) or call 518-457-2036. Renewal applications will be sent as usual. New applicants need to contact the NYS Tax Department at the telephone number listed here.