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WINTER ON-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS

Effective November 15th through April 15th, no on street parking is allowed anywhere on State Highway 395/Main Street within the Village limits, when a 3" or greater snowfall is forecast, and for a 24-hour period after the snow event has ended.

The Village has designated News Channel 6 - CBS 6 - as the "official" station for snowfall forecast amounts.

Parking is available in the Village Hall/Fire Department parking lot. Enforcement may include ticketing and/or towing at the owner's expense.

This local law is intended to provide safety to not only pedestrians and vehicular traffic, but to allow adequate access for snow removal.

Residents on all Village streets are encouraged to follow the parking regulations. Your cooperation will help ensure the prompt delivery of services and enable crews to efficiently maintain the roadways.

To report road conditions within the Village, that present an immediate hazard, please contact the Town Highway Department at (518) 895-2772. To register complaints of a non-emergency nature, please contact the clerk or the mayor at (518) 895-2199.



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WATER SERVICE LINE INVENTORY

The time has passed to submit village data to the EPA. There are still many residents who were scheduled and many who did not respond. The EPA will likely have another round each year until they have nearly 100% from each community.

Previously scheduled appointments to have the Water Commissioner determine your service line material will be rescheduled for the Spring of 2025, if necessary, and we will continue to collect individual data on a regular basis. We encourage all residents to take a picture of your service line and send in the required information.

It is our hope have to all resident's water service lines documented by Spring, and we appreciate your help with this.



Village General Elections

Mayor Gifford has officially announced she will not be seeking reelection.

The next Village Election will be held on March 18, 2025 for Mayor and one Trustee, each for a four-year term.

Independent nominating petitions are now available and are time sensitive. Please contact the Village Clerk to obtain one or contact the Schenectady Board of Elections.

For an absentee ballot visit www.delanson.net, call the Village Clerk, or contact the Schenectady County Board of Elections to obtain one.



Village Office: (518) 895-2199, www.delanson.net
Schenectady County Board of Elections: (518) 377-2469,
www.schenectadycounty.com/boe



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UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER:

3 - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
3 - PANCAKE BREAKFAST 8AM - 11AM
4 - BOARD MEETING 7PM - 9PM
5 - ELECTION DAY
11 - VETERAN'S DAY
25 - LEAF PICK-UP
28 - THANKSGIVING DAY

DECEMBER:

8 - PANCAKE BREAKFAST 8AM - 11AM
9 - BOARD MEETING 7PM - 9PM
25 - CHRISTMAS DAY
31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

JANUARY:

1 - NEW YEAR'S DAY
6 - BOARD MEETING 7PM - 9PM
31 - WATER RENT DUE 9AM

HAPPY
HOLIDAYS

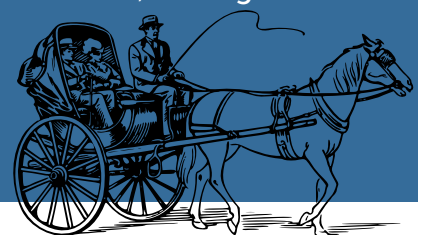


YOUR CORNER OF HISTORY: A CASE OF MURDER

The afternoon of April 14, 1898, a serious affray occurred at the Windsor hotel at 113-115 State street Schenectady, resulting in the critical injury of James Shoudy, Jr., son of a hotel proprietor of Delanson. Shoudy was an innocent spectator of a drunken row, who was struck on the head by a heavy dinner bell thrown by Thomas King, a machinist and boarder of the hotel. Shoudy was hospitalized with a fractured skull and Jacob Tillapaugh, the 18 year old son of Abram Tillapaugh, the proprietor of the Windsor hotel, Thomas King, a boarder and Thomas Edwards, a laborer employed at the hotel, were under arrest at the police station.

Earlier that afternoon, John Lawyer and Charles White of Central Bridge, James Shoudy Jr. and his two friends named Rector from Delanson, Jacob Tillapaugh, Edward King and the barkeeper, Harold Miner were at the Windsor hotel. Shoudy was seated in the parlor, which was separated from the barroom by a flight of three steps, a billiard room and a hall, talking to a woman when a fight broke out in the barroom. The rest of the story as gathered from different sources seems to be that King went into the parlor and attacked Shoudy. They grappled, continuing the struggle until they were in the hall, where the heavy brass dinner bell was standing. Shoudy finally broke away and ran into the barroom. As he went down the steps from the billiard room the bell was thrown, striking him above the left temple.

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Toys for Tots

Saturday, December 14th, the Toys for Tots Train will stop in Delanson, bring new unwrapped toys to the Delanson Fire Department for donation. Follow the Delanson Fire Company on Facebook for updates



CONGRATUALTIONS TO 2ND ASST. CHIEF JOHN LAWYER for being awarded the 2024 Schenectady County BLS provider of the year!

Be on the lookout for the 1st annual Delanson Fire Company calendar to be distributed to all residents in December.

Welcome to new residents of Delanson!

WELCOME

Be sure to check in with the Village Clerk to make sure your records are updated and visit our website at www.delanson.net for important information about Village happenings.

You can also sign up for emergency email notifications, like water main breaks, etc.

Fall Leaf Pick-up

Leaves must be contained in biodegradable paper bags, no plastic.

No contaminants, leaf bags containing dog feces will be refused.

Please place leaf bags by the side of the road on Sunday, November 24th to be picked up by the Duaneburg Highway Dept. on Monday, November 25th, 2024.



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STARS OF LIFE: ADIAN ENDERS

The Stars of Life Program was initiated in 1996 by the American Ambulance Association (AAA). The program was aimed at identifying and celebrating those EMS professionals who exhibited extraordinary qualities of service, commitment and dedication.

The AAA Stars of Life celebration is the nation's most prestigious event to recognize and honor dedicated EMS professionals. EMTs, Paramedics, Dispatchers, and other EMS professionals and their guests, accompanied by executive hosts, are celebrated in a series of events in our nation's capital. The Stars themselves deliver important information on the value of quality ambulance services as an essential component of an effective and efficient healthcare system. This year, Adian Enders, Paramedic Chief Supervisor, Mohawk Ambulance Service received this prestigious nomination... continued on page 7

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join the Delanson Volunteer Fire Company on the first Sunday of the month from 8:00 am - 11:00 am for freshly made pancakes and sausage, Sunday December 8th, there may be special guest...

Come on in and enjoy a hot cup of coffee and delicious breakfast served by Delanson's finest!



CALL for VOLUNTEERS

The Delanson Fire Department, the Village Planning Board, the Village Zoning Board and the Duanesburg Volunteer Ambulance Corp (DVAC) all need volunteers!

- Call Fire Department Chief, Kevin Morrison at 518-657-9273 to discuss becoming a member.
- For the Board positions, please call the Village office, 518-895-2199.
- For the Volunteer Ambulance, please contact DVAC, 518-895-2200.

There is great satisfaction in volunteering.
Why don't you give it a try?

There will be NO pancake breakfast in January 2025, breakfast will resume February 2025.

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Shoudy assisted by the Rectors, walked to Ellis hospital, where it was discovered that his skull was fractured. Dr. Van Zandt, assisted by Drs. Schoolcraft, Duryee, Goodard, Clute and Fodder removed several splinters of bone from the wound. The doctors in consultation agreed that Shoudy's condition was serious and advised that his ante-mortem statement be taken. He was accordingly visited by District Attorney Wemple and Coroner Dettbarn.

Although he was conscious, Shoudy was not entirely recovered from the effects of the ether which had been administered and could not tell how the fracas occurred. He said, however, that he could identify the man who threw the bell, but it was feared that the excitement would cause a relapse and on that account it was decided not to take the arrested men before him. From members of the party, however, it was learned with certainty that King was the main perpetrator. Over the next few nights Shoudy was resting quietly and was expected to recover.

While Shoudy remained in the hospital making a slow but steady recovery, Thomas Edwards and Jacob Tillapaugh were arraigned in police court, Edwards was found guilty of breach of the peace and was committed to the county jail for ten days. Tillapaugh was held under \$1000 bail to await the result of Shoudy's injuries. Jacob Tillapaugh and Thomas King, were charged with assaulting James Shoudy at the Windsor hotel and were arraigned, but their examination was not progressed, awaiting the recovery of Shoudy.

Shoudy was brought home, to Delanson, from the hospital in early May, however his condition deteriorated to critical. On Monday, May 23rd, 1898, James Shoudy Jr. passed away in his home beside his father, mother, five sisters and two brothers. Dr's. George E. McDonald and H. C. Van Zandt went to Delanson where they, together with Dr. Paul Roach, performed an autopsy. The death of Shoudy changed the charge under which King and Tillapaugh were held from assault to manslaughter in the first degree. Jacob Tillapaugh, one of the men accused of having caused Shoudy's death, was arrested at the railroad station, he having returned from Sharon Springs and having been surrendered by his bondsmen. Tillapaugh and King were placed under Arrest at Schenectady and held for the Grand Jury. They were arraigned in police court at Schenectady and were committed without bail to await the action of the grand jury. Shoudy's family, along with many friends mourned his loss and he was laid to rest in Grove Cemetery.

On April 21, 1899, Jacob Tillapaugh was cleared of the charge of having caused the death of James Shoudy Jr. with the jury reaching a verdict of not guilty. The next step in the law's course was to fix the responsibility for Shoudy's death. The county court convened a special term to select a new panel of trial jurors for the continuance of the inquisition. Tom King, the man whom Shoudy pointed out as the one who threw the dinner bell, then was presented on the charge of manslaughter.

Original article can be found at www.findagrave.com



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STARS OF LIFE: ADIAN ENDERS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5)

Aidan Enders was born, raised, and still lives in the small rural town of Duanesburg, New York. He attributes to this hometown his success, dedication, and work ethic.

Aidan started his career in public safety at the young age of 10, invited by the local fire chief to clean tables at the pancake breakfast. The more he hung around the firehouse, the more his interest in becoming a first responder was piqued. After joining the fire company at 12 as a junior firefighter, Aidan really knew this was the path for him. In 2019, Aidan was one of the first in New York State to become certified as an EMT at just 17, two months after his birthday.



In November 2019, Aidan began his journey with Mohawk Ambulance Service. Aidan worked through his senior year of high school, which also meant working through the COVID-19 pandemic. When Aidan's high school dismissed in March 2020, he began working full time hours at MAS to help with the significantly increased workload. After graduation, Aidan continued to work full time and fell in love with the job. The busy shifts with dynamic calls only drove Aidan's passion for the job. In September 2022, Aidan decided to take the next step in his career and enrolled in Mohawk Valley Health Systems Paramedic Program. Aidan would earn certifications as a Paramedic through both New York State and the National Registry.

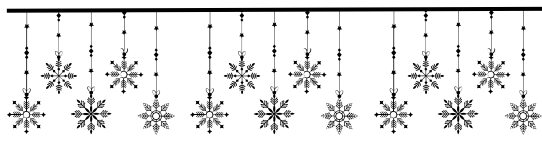
From a young age, leadership has been a passion of Aidan's. In March 2023, Aidan was promoted to Supervisor and just this year, in June 2024, Aidan was promoted to Chief Supervisor. Being a frontline leader during his shifts is Aidan's favorite thing about working at Mohawk Ambulance Service. Aidan enjoys interacting with the crews, problem solving, and ensuring the operational needs of the agency are met. Aidan's favorite motto is "lead from the front."

In Aidan's free time he enjoys being with his fiancé, Hannah, his lifelong best friends, and his family. Aidan is still an active member of the Delanson Fire Company in the town where his journey in public safety began many years ago. Aidan would like to thank everyone who helped him throughout his career and hopes to repay his mentors by one day mentoring a young provider, as he once was.

Congratulations Adian!

Original article can be found at <https://stars.ambulance.org/stars/aidan-enders/>

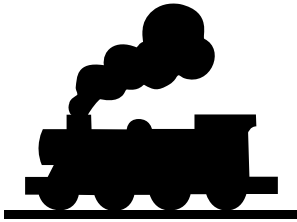




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