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Petrozzi is the vice president of Capitol Cleaners and Feldman Furs with locations throughout the city. Capitol Cleaners has sponsored the "Coats for Kids" program for 35 years and participates in the Adopt-A-School program with the Alternative School. Petrozzi serves on the Niagara Falls Area Chamber of Commerce board of directors and heads up the Small Business Council. He is vice president of the board of directors on Niagara United Cerebral Palsy, and a board member of the Society of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Currently, he serves as vice president of the board of directors of the Neighborhood Cleaners Association international and represents the NCA-1, lobbying for sterner standards in the industry. He has received several business awards, including: the Chamber's Small Business of the Year Award, the Main Street Business and Professional Association's Business of the Year Award and the Tops Good Neighbor Award.

Power Authority program airs tonight on cable

A program on the New York State Power Authority's relicensing application for the Niagara Power Project will air tonight at 5:30 on Cable Channel 24. Produced by the Niagara Power Coalition, the program is designed to spread awareness on the relicensing issue, said Mark Zito, coalition chairman.

"This is the part that people need to know and understand," Zito said.

The program will feature Town of Niagara Supervisor Steve Richards, State Sen. George Mazarz, the Niagara Wheatfield School District's business manager, Kerin Dumphrey, and Niagara Falls School Superintendent Carmen Branto.

The program will also air Monday at 7 a.m., April 25 at 7 p.m. and May 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Anello pleads innocent to drug possession charges

Phillip Anello, 20, of 824 17th St., pleaded innocent Monday to third- and fourth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance charges in Niagara Falls City Court.

The nature of his plea was misstated in a headline in Wednesday's Gazette.

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Site clean up moving along

REPORT: Progress reports were given Wednesday night on the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works Site and the Niagara Falls Storage Site.

By Lisa Marie Danish
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PORTER — U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project managers directing clean-up efforts at two former defense sites updated the community on the progress of their investigations Wednesday night in the Primary Building on the Lewiston-Porter campus.

Bill Kowalewski, who directs the corps at the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works Site, reported that Severson Environmental will be awarded a \$1.5 million contract to remove all remaining pipelines that were formerly used by the Department of Defense in the manufacture of TNT, and other pipelines in a closed-system chemical waste sewer. The work is scheduled to begin in May, be complete by October on the site which is located behind the Lewiston-Porter campus as far back as Porter Center Road, Kowalewski said.

The pipelines — 3,570 linear feet of TNT waste pipeline and 2,200 linear feet of chemical waste sewer pipeline — are all on property owned by Chemical Waste Management.

The corps also expects to remove material in a drum trench and trash pit found on the site, but that removal will not begin until next year.

Lastly, Kowalewski said the corp received funding to contract with EA Engineering & Science to conduct a \$2.3 million remedial investigation into the site, which will include field sampling of soil, sediments, water and wastes on the site. The contractor will produce a report and maps of the site by next year so that people have a better idea of exactly what materials were found there in what concentrations.

The corps has not been able to determine that information before these projects at either the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works Site or the Niagara Falls Storage Site, even though some studies or information is available on sections of



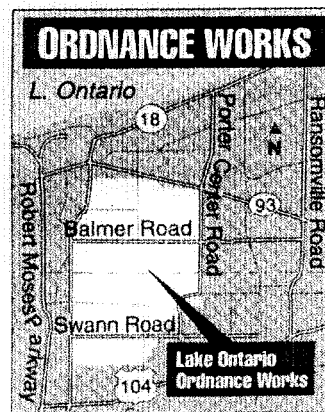
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UPDATE: Bill Kowalewski, who directs the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works Site, gives an update of what's happening there.

the land, because the historical record is incomplete and previous studies were not uniform.

Judith Leithner, who directs the corps at the Niagara Falls Storage Site, also expects to show to community a map of contamination by next year. Initial sampling at the Niagara Falls site is complete but a final report and map cannot be completed until a second round of testing is done this summer.

"A lot of this [contamination] was done in wartime when they didn't keep documentation for national security reasons," Leithner said, explaining the need for the project's extensive sampling and testing. "They didn't anticipate the situation we're in now, where



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we're looking through boxes of papers and not finding enough information."

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The state of the city isn't the only thing that's