The Official Newsletter of the

SENECA NATION



December 20, 2019 - visit us @ sninews.org

A message from President Rickey L. Armstrong, Sr.



Greetings!

By now, I hope most everyone has heard that our Seneca Nation Newsletter has gone digital! It can be found, on-line, at: SNINEWS.ORG. Everything published in the newsletter will now be available on the internet. The first day the newsletter website went public, it received 1,400 views. Since then, it has increased to over 2,600 views and has, at times, slowed down our servers due to the high volume of users. Members are using the contact page at: sninews@sni.org, to email the newsletter staff; while numerous members have opted out of the mailing list all together and are choosing to read the newsletter on-line. Also, effective January 17th, 2020, anyone

aged 25 years or younger, will no longer receive the paper Seneca Nation Official Newsletter in the mail. If you would like to remove yourself from the mailing list to

stop your newsletter, you can complete a form, which is available in both Clerk's Offices; or call the Seneca Nation Newsletter Office at: (716) 945-1790, X3029 or X3030, or (716) 532-4900, X5495.

In 1990, the United States Congress passed the Seneca Settlement Act (SSA). The SSA, provided the Nation with compensation for use of our land and for the impact on the Nation, from prior lease arrangements in the City of Salamanca. The

funds appropriated under the SSA were made available to be used at the Nation's discretion to acquire lands within our aboriginal area – to increase our land base. The Seneca Nation owns a piece of commercial property, which is a little less than one acre, at 180 Perry Street in the city of Buffalo. The intended use for this property has always been for a future economic development project, which means this land will need to be put into restricted fee status. The Nation submitted

our application to the Secretary of the Interior, to begin this process, on December 3rd, 2019. The Secretary of Interior then has 30 days after the expiration of a state



President Armstrong places the first sports bet: \$40 on the Bills against Pittsburg

and local government comment period, to make a final decision whether the land may be taken into restricted fee status. Once placed into restricted fee status, the property has the same legal status as our existing territories.

On Friday, December 13th, the Seneca Gaming Corporation celebrated the opening of the first sports wagering lounge in Western New York, at our Buffalo Creek Casino by providing an exciting new

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CAR. TR. MKTG MAIL US POSTAGE PAID PERMIT NO. 244 BRADFORD, PA entertainment option for our patrons and sports fans in and around the Inner Harbor of downtown Buffalo. The Seneca Nation is proud to be leading this movement. Sports Wagering Lounges will also open at the Seneca Allegany Casino on December 17th;



at the Seneca Niagara Casino on December 20th. In addition to our sports lounges as a new economic addition, our Capital Improvement Authority is making progress in their discussions with what we will do with the property located in Irving, known as the Hanover Field Project. Although the Authority has had several ideas about how to develop that property, they are getting closer to finalizing their plans and should be making an official announcement, in the near future.

The final of four scheduled Constitutional Reform Public Listening Sessions was held on Wednesday, December 18, 2019, in the Cattaraugus Council Chambers, from 6pm-8pm. The intent of these sessions, were for the Constitutional Reform Panel to listen to our membership. The question which posed to our membership was, "Does our Constitution need to be amended?". Essentially, these sessions are an information gathering process and the panel has no preconceived agenda. Each session is in the process of being transcribed and will be delivered to Executives and Council, upon completion. If you do not live near Cattaraugus or Allegany territories, but would like to comment, written comments will be accepted until Friday, January 3rd, 2020, at 4:00pm. They may be emailed to Millicent Proud, on my staff, at millicent.proud@sni. org or mailed to her at: 90 Ohi:yo' Way; Salamanca, NY 14779.

When I was elected as President of the Seneca Nation, last November, I knew it would be important for our administration to have an open-door policy and to have open lines of communication with our membership. Therefore, I would like to encourage any of our members whom are interested in participating in an open

dialogue and exchange of ideas, about how we can make improvements and/or advancements for our people, to attend one of the upcoming Community Meetings which have been scheduled. We have scheduled two (2) Community Meetings for:

- Thursday, January 23rd, 2020, from 2pm to 5pm, in the Allegany **Council Chambers**
- Thursday, January 30th, 2020, from 2pm to 5pm, in the Cattaraugus **Council Chambers**

Please come and share your needs, concerns and ideas with Executives, Council and Department Directors.

Respectfully,

Rickey L. Armstrong, Sr.



FROM THE DESK OF THE TREASURER



Treasurer Matthew Pagels

Season's greetings,

May the Holiday Season bring only happiness and joy to you and your loved ones. Let me start by thanking all for the trust and support allowing me to serve this far as Seneca Nation Treasurer. As the year winds down, we often reflect on the challenges, successes and accomplishments met throughout the year. I'd like to congratulate all within the Nation for a successful 2019.

I can briefly, share some of the highlights we've experienced. Budgets and forecasts were held and surpassed with cuts and investments by this administration. We have had a beneficial year continuing to provide all services and programs while spending far less! With audited financial statements more information will be passed along publicly.

My vision for the year was to strengthen our economies by creating healthy sustainable and culturally vibrant communities, while continuing to focus on infrastructure, capital investing through business development and creating a pathway to do so. With the 5 year spending plan Council and executives have created, I believe everything is viable moving forward. We hope you see our continued service as a success.

I'd like to express to our community members staff and their families, thankful thoughts, happy hearts and well wishes. On behalf of myself and the Treasurer's staff, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

As always, feel free to stop by and ask any and all questions.







Bethany Johnson, Clerk ALLEGANY TERRITORY

CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS

We are open Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm, as well as the second Saturday of every month from 8am-12pm on both territories.

The Buffalo Clerk's Office is located at: 533 Amherst Street Buffalo, NY 14207 (716)951-7555 8am-4:30pm

ANNUAL REGISTRATIONS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO STOP INTO OUR OFFICE TO COMPLETE YOUR ANNUAL REGISTRATION!

WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 1,600 MEMBERS NOT REGISTERED!!

THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS IS THE LAST BUSINESS DAY IN DECEMBER.

Local home visits are available for the elderly and disabled, that need to have their forms completed, please call for more information.

The Buffalo Clerk's Office is available in Niagara Falls on the 1st Wednesday of every month from 9:30am-1:30pm for Annual Registrations. The location is:

Seneca Office Building – 2nd Floor 310 Fourth Street Niagara Falls, NY 14303



Marta Kettle, Deputy Clerk CATTARAUGUS TERRITORY

DIRECT DEPOSIT OF ANNUITY AND/OR ELDERS PAYMENTS

If you would like to sign up for Direct Deposit of your Annuity and/or Elders Check, you will have to complete the form. The form is available on the web at www.sni.org under Documents/Clerk's Office /

Direct Deposit forms or at the Clerk's Office.

- All direct deposit forms MUST have a voided check or deposit slip attached (start-up checks will NOT be accepted).
- Members must be at least 18 years old to sign up for Direct Deposit
- Minors are NOT eligible for Direct Deposit

ADDRESSES UPDATED

Please remember to keep your address current with the Clerk's Office. This includes changes with custody of minor children or legal guardians (Court orders). Also, your address needs to coincide with the information on your annual registration.

Be aware that, an address change only with the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) does not update your address with the Nation.

RELEASE OF MINORS TRUST FUND

In order to begin receiving Minor Trust Fund disbursements. A member must be at least 18 years old and submit the following documentation:

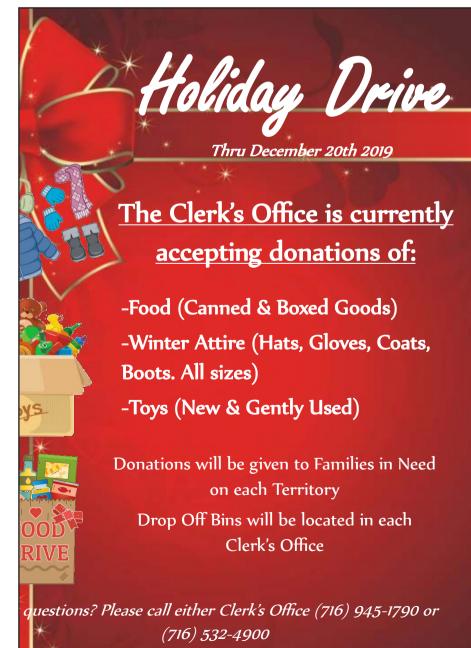
- Application for Release of Minors Trust
- High School Diploma / GED
- Financial Literacy Certificate

If you need to obtain a Financial Literacy Certificate please contact the Seneca Nation Education Department for details.

SEEKING ORGANIZATIONS TO SERVE COUNCIL

We are currently seeking organizations to serve Council through the 2020 calendar year, please contact Ashley Warrior in the Cattaraugus Clerk's Office 532-4900 ext. 5038 or Adrianne Cook in the Allegany Clerk's Office 945-1790 ext. 3036

NEXT COUNCIL SESSION WILL BE HELD ON THE ALLEGANY TERRITORY- SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2019 AT 9:30 A.M.



Seneca Nation welcomes new enrollments at council

Photos by Seneca Media















SENECA GAMING CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Term "C" SENECA NATION OF INDIANS REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

The Seneca Nation of Indians is seeking interested individuals to submit their qualifications to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Seneca Gaming Corporation. The Corporation Board currently has three (term C) seats which expire in 2020; therefore will be up for appointment.

Pursuant to the Charter adopted by the Nation's Council, every director shall meet the following minimum qualifications:

- must be at least 21 years of age
- must have earned at least a high school diploma or equivalent
- must not have been convicted of a Felony, as defined under the Indian Major Crimes Act (18 U.S.C. §1153)
- must meet the substantive standards necessary to obtain a license as a Class III Gaming Key Employee (although formal licensing is not required)
- no Elected Nation Official may serve on the Board; and
- no Company employee, nor any person with an economic interest in the Company's activities may serve on the Board.

Interested individuals are invited to submit a letter of interest and a resume to the Nation's Clerk and a licensing application to the Seneca Gaming Authority Licensing Manager as set forth below. The Council plans to schedule interviews once the SGA has completed its background check and both the SGA and the Nation's Clerk have certified that the individual is an eligible candidate for the director position. As such, candidates are strongly encouraged to submit their materials to both the Nation and the Seneca Gaming Authority as soon as possible, in order to provide sufficient time for the background check and certification process to occur.

Copies of this RFQ and the SGA application are being made available through the Seneca Nation Clerk's Office, and on the Nation's website at www.sni.org. under GOVERNMENT/RFP/RFQ. The Nation may reject any proposal that is received after the specified date and time. The deadline to submit your letter of interest and resume is on or before 4:30 pm on January 31, 2020 to:

Bethany Johnson, Seneca Nation Clerk 90 Ohi:yo' Way Salamanca 14779

Interested Individuals are also required to submit a complete Seneca Gaming Authority license application that is required for the position of Seneca Gaming Corporation Board of Directors. SGA will accept the License application after all letters of interest & resumes have been received. Please contact SGA License Manager, Teresa Palumbo at SGA Niagara Falls office (716) 299-1246 or License Manager, Tracy Wrona at SGA Allegany office (716) 244-5330 for a February appointment. The Seneca Gaming Authority Offices are located at:

345 Third Street Suite 404 Niagara Falls, NY 14303 777 Seneca Allegany Blvd. Salamanca, NY 14779

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Seneca Nation is currently accepting letters of intent to serve on the following Commissions, Committees & Boards:

HEALTH COMMISSION

(See Separate Posting) 3 Vacancies

SENECA NATION HOUSING COMMISSION

HUMAN RESOURCE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

IMPORT EXPORT COMMISSION

NATURAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE

SENECA GAMING AUTHORITY

SENECA GAMING CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(See Separate Posting) 3 Term "C" Seats

SENECA HOLDINGS LLC

(See Separate Posting)

UTILITIES COMMISSION

If interested, please submit your letter of intent no later than January 31, 2020.

Submit letters to: Seneca Nation of l

Seneca Nation of Indians Clerk's Office Attention: Bethany Johnson; Clerk 90 Ohi:yo' Way Allegany Territory Salamanca, NY 14779

Holiday Hours for the Clerk's Office

DON'T MISS THE UPCOMING REGISTRATION DEADLINE! **Deadline is December 31, 2019** @ **5 p.m.** with the exception of Buffalo

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
December 23, 2019	8am – 5pm	SNI Clerk's Office (both territories)
December 24, 2019	8am – 12pm	SNI Clerk's Office (both territories)
December 27, 2019	8am – 5pm	SNI Clerk's Office (both Territories)
December 30, 2019	8am – 5pm	SNI Clerk's Office (both territories)
	5pm – 7 pm	HERO event @ Steamburg
		Community Center
December 31, 2019	8am – 5pm	SNI Clerk's Office (both territories)
	12pm – 3pm	Allegany & Cattaraugus
		Community Center New Year's
		Event
December 31, 2019	5pm - 6:30pm	First Night @ Buffalo Convention
		Center

Have a safe and Happy Holiday! From the Clerk's Office

Trailblazing Women of WNY

Submitted by Dr. Lori Quigley

Lori Quigley, SGC Board of Directors, Holly Gagnon, SGC CEO, and Tina Abrams, SNI Councillor, served as co-hosts for a fundraiser event sponsored by the Seneca Nation and SGC in support of the Trailblazing Women of WNY, an initiative whose purpose is to erect statues of phenomenal women in Erie County. Of the first three women selected, Geraldine "Sid-Tah" Green, former faithkeeper at the Newtown Longhouse will be featured.

For more information on Trailblazing Women of WNY, please follow this link:

Trailblazing Women: https://trailblazingwomenwny.org/



Pictured L to R: Lori Quigley, SGC Board of Directors; Holly Gagnon, SGC CEO; Tina Abrams, SNI Councillor. Woman featured in photo-Geraldine "Sid-tah" Greene.

GAMING

With a bet on the Bills, Seneca Creek casino takes its first wager

By James Fink, Reporter, Buffalo Business First | Reprinted from bijournals.com 12.13.19



Sports betting in Buffalo officially debuted at 11:14 a.m. Friday at the Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino. Rickey Armstrong Sr., Seneca Nation of Indians' president, approached the window and placed a \$40 wager on the Buffalo Bills beating the Pittsburgh Steelers Sunday night.

Besides Friday's debut at the downtown gambling venue, Seneca Gaming will soon be taking sports betting at its casinos in Salamanca and Niagara Falls. All three should be operational within the next week, sources said.

"This is something we've been waiting for a long time," said Holly Gagnon, Seneca Gaming president and CEO. "In many ways, it is historic and monumental for us."

Sports betting in the U.S. became legal in 2018 and has been allowed in limited form in Ontario. Earlier this year, New York lawmakers approved sports betting legislation and across the state other casino operators began taking wagers.

Seneca Gaming leaders understood patrons wanted sports betting but waited a few extra months by design.

"We wanted to do it right," Gagnon said.

Bets can be placed either at the window or one of nine electronic kiosks on professional sports such as football, hockey, baseball and basketball. Some betting on collegiate sporting events is allowed, but under state mandate, no bets can be placed on any Division I New York State college or university. That means no wagers will be accepted on Syracuse University or the University at Buffalo, for example, said Gavin Mercado, Seneca Gaming executive director of sports books and iGaming.

"We have to stay within the law," Mercado said.

The operation will run on a 24/7 basis. Seneca Gaming has hired 40 new workers initially because of its sports betting operations. More will be hired later, Armstrong said.

Mobile betting — another in-demand option available in other states — may be added within the next year, Armstrong said. "This is a new avenue for us," Seneca said. "But, Buffalo is a big sports town and this is something we had to offer. We didn't want people driving to Erie (Pa.) or Waterloo or Niagara Falls (Ont.) because we didn't offer sports betting."

Photo: Rickey Armstrong Sr., Seneca Nation of Indians' president, bet the Buffalo Bills with the points

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Source: https://www.bizjournals.com/buffalo/ news/2019/12/13/with-a-beton-the-bills-seneca-creek-casino-takes.html#i/11558645





Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino classes begin- January 6th 2020. Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino classes begin – January 13th 2020. Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino classes begin- January 27th 2020.

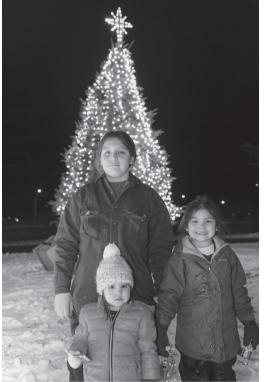
Seneca Allegany Casino hosts Tree Lighting ceremony

The Seneca Allegany Casino Resort & Hotel hosted a Tree Lighting ceremony on Thursday December 6th outside the events entrance. President Armstrong and CEO Holly Gagnon welcomed the large crowd with hot chocolate, cookies, a visit with Santa and Christmas carolers from Salamanca Central School District. A great time was had by all!











Seneca Gaming Corporation to Hold Quarterly Meeting for the Seneca Public

Enrolled Seneca Nation members are invited to join the SGC Board of Directors and members of the Corporation's management team to discuss updates of the gaming facilities and the ongoing financial health and well-being of the Corporation. The date, time and location of the meeting are as follows:

Date: Time: Location: January 25, 2020 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Seneca Allegany Casino & Resort

The meeting is one of SGC's quarterly Stakeholders' meetings held by the Corporation on the fourth Saturday of January, April, July and October of each year. Lunch is provided.

To help ensure that all issues of concern are adequately recognized and addressed, enrolled Seneca Nation members should submit written questions addressed by email to the SGC Board of Directors at SenecaStakeholders@senecacasinos.com or by regular mail to the SGC Board of Directors at 310 Fourth Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14303, for consideration at the meeting.



HOLIDAY LOAN SPECIAL!

Make your family's Holiday season extra special with a loan from the SNIFCU.

Available Nov 1st – Dec 20th Up to \$1,000 for 12 months



Rates starting at

Some Restrictions apply. Please see a

SNIFCU representative for more information.

*APR = Annual Percentage Rate. Rate shown is the standard rate for SNIFCU members based on a preferred credit rating. Your savings federally insured to at least \$250,000 and backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government

Irving Office

12837 Route 438 Irving, NY 14081 (716) 532-8179

Hours

Salamanca Branch

90 Ohi:yo Way Salamanca, NY 14779 (716) 945-8510

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

CERT is designed to prepare you, your family, and your neighbors with specific actions to take in the event of a emergency situation. Because emergency response personnel are called to many situations during an emergency they may not immediately be able to help everyone, YOU can make a difference by using CERT Training to act quickly and safely to save lives and protect property.

TRAINING IS OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS

CERT Training is FREE

Classes begin as soon as we get six people and run 6 weeks

Sessions includes leader based trainings and hands-on instruction

Course Topics include:

- ♦ Emergency Preparedness & Fire Safety
- **\(\)** Hazardous Materials and Terrorist Incidents
 - ♦ Medical Operations
 - ♦ Light Search and Rescue
 - ◊ Disaster Psychology
 - ⋄ Final Emergency Simulation Exercise

For more information or to sign-up contact:

Cattaraugus Emergency Management (716) 532-8178

Ioin The Team!









Next Newsletter Deadline:

Tuesday, January 7th, 2020 Next issue to be dated January 17th, 2020

Attention Elders/ Disable Medicare Beneficiaries

The Medicare Savings Program (MSP) can assist people with limited incomes in paying for their Medicare Part B premiums. You may be eligible if your monthly income is less than \$1426.00/ single or \$1923.00/married. Please contact Gail Kennedy, Seneca Nation AOA HIICAP Counselor at 945-8991. She will be please to assist you.

NOTICE- Cattaraugus Residents

Let this notice serve as confirmation that Tilson Tech has been granted permission to be on the Seneca Nation Cattaraugus Territory in order to perform surveys of National Grid utility poles as part of an engineering and design study for the Seneca Nation's broadband initiative.

Work will begin December 2019 and continue through mid-January 2020.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Seneca Energy's Project Managers Anthony Memmo at 716-532-9221 ext. 5022, a.memmo@sni.org or Wes Jackson at 716-532-9221 ext. 5307, wes. jackson@sni.org.

Nya:wëh for your cooperation on this very important and exciting project.

Family Photograph **Opportunity!**

The Seneca Iroquois National Museum is expanding the "On the Mother's Side" clan exhibit. If you would like for your family to be photographed and included, please call to set up an appointment. Please call Jennifer Jimerson at 716-945-1760.

*You may also submit your own 8x10 portraits for display

Seneca Nation Area Office for Aging

The SN AOA participates with NY Connects: Choices for Long Term Care. The purpose of the NY Connects Program is to provide consistent, locally based information and assistance on long term services and supports (LTSS) to individuals, caregivers and families to help them make informed choices and assistance in accessing such services and supports. Additionally, the NY Connects: No Wrong Door network offers consistent comprehensive information, assistance and coordinated guidance to available public benefit options, as appropriate, regardless of age, disability or payor source. It is an optional, voluntary service provided to the public to create seamless coordination across systems and populations seeking LTSS and provide easier access and understanding. The SN AOA NY Connects/Options Counselor is Gail Kennedy and she may be contacted at (716) 945-8991. She would be pleased to offer information and assistance.

Tribal Advocate seeks household items

The Allegany Tribal Advocate Office is seeking household items, baby furniture and gently used furniture for donation at 93 RC Hoag Drive, Salamanca, NY 14779. If you need assistance getting your large item, please contact Andrea Perkins at 716-945-1790 ext. 7902 to make arrangements for pick up.

Seneca Nation Library hosts Coffee Club

Friday's from 10am-12pm with a sweet treat!

Seneca Nation Library- Cattaraugus 3 Thomas Indian School Drive Irving, NY 14081 716-532-9449

"Come for the coffee, stay for the conservation."

Seneca Iroquois National Museum seeking memorabilia involving "Seneca People in Protest"

Submitted by Jennifer Jimerson

Our staff is collecting material for a future exhibit. If you have any photos, news articles, videos or any other memorabilia you would like to share, please bring them by to be part of our new exhibit.

We accept copies and can also scan materials as they are brought in for your convenience. If you simply have a story to tell, we are happy to audio record your experience.

Please contact Jennifer Jimerson for more information @ (716)945-1760 ext.7853 or j.jimerson@sni.org

Need help getting your High School **Equivalency Diploma?**

Come to the Training & Employment Resource Center at 3674 Administration Dr. Salamanca, NY. We can help!

- We can help you obtain your HSED
- Provide various readiness workshops
- Resume writing, customer service, working with difficult people, interview skills, appearance & attire, soft skills
- Need transportation? We can assist with that as well!

Call Tari @ 716-945-8120 ext. 3058 or 716-801-3332

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Social Security Assistance

Cattaraugus Territory

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Representative Jessica Gansworth, SSA will be available on the following dates:

December 17, 2019 **January 28, 2020** February 25, 2019

at the Supportive Services Bldg. 210 Thomas Indian School Drive Extension Irving, NY 14081

To file a claim for SSI/SSDI or Retirement, ask questions, fill out forms, hand in paperwork or sign up for a new card APPOINTMENTS ARE HIGHLY

RECOMMENDED

This schedule is subject to change

Phone: 716-532-4900, ext. 5152 or 5151 Or email: leanna.leroy@sni.org ashley.kennedy@sni.org

National Grid Electric Collections Public Notice

To: Residents of the Cattaraugus and Allegany Territories

From: Seneca Nation Utilities

Re: National Grid collection of past due balances

National Grid has notified Seneca Utilities of its intent to begin collection efforts to recoup past due amounts owed by residential and commercial customers on the Seneca Nation Territories. National Grid has stated that they will begin with notification to customers via phone calls and letters. National Grid will request that customers make a down payment and agree to a payment plan. Customers will maintain service once a payment has been made or a payment plan has been agreed upon. It is Seneca Utilities understanding that National Grid will begin terminating services in the event that no payment or payment plan has been finalized in a timely manner. You will receive a final termination letter prior to service being shut off.

It is the customer's responsibility to ensure that taxes are not being charged to the account. Sales Tax will be removed going forward with the inclusion of a completed New York State Department of Taxation and Finance form DTF-801 "Certificate of Indian Exemption for Certain Property or Services Delivered on a Reservation" with your payment plan agreement. Tax exempt forms should be emailed to TaxExemptUpstateNY@ nationalgrid.com or you can provide it to the NGRID representative working your case.

To make a payment or set up a payment plan, please contact National Grid's Billing Dept., Shannon Guernsey at 315-428-6776 (residential) or Sara Zerrillo at 315-460-7032 (commercial).

NGRID is offering the below two payment plans to customers in arrears.

Deferred Payment Agreement

- 10%-20% down payment (based off past 6 yr. balance)
- 18 monthly installments (past 6 yr. balance, minus down payment, divided by 18 mo.'s)
- NGRID will write off remaining balance (amount owed beyond 6 yrs.)

For Residential call: Shannon Guernsey at 315-428-6776 For Commercial call: Sara Zerrillo at 315-460-7032

Minimum Payment Agreement

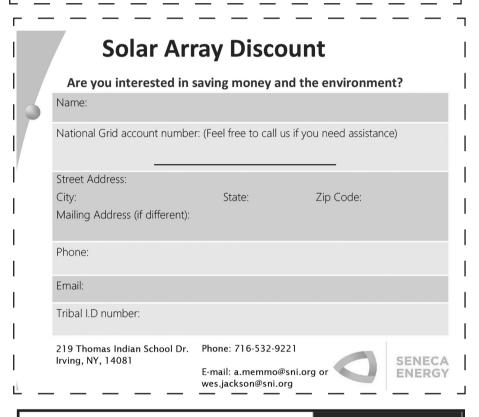
- No down payment
- Must pay current balance plus \$10/mo.
- Must prove low income through financial statements

* NGRID is only permitted to go back and charge the balance over the past six year period (under the "Deferred Payment Agreement"). The remaining balance after the six year period will be forgiven by NGRID per NYS civil law, statute of limitations. You can call the Public Service Commission at 800.342.3377 if NGRID attempts to collect more than the six year arrear balance.

If you think you qualify for a Minimum Payment Agreement, you can either call Shannon Guernsey (315428-6776) or call NGRID's Collections Dept. at 800.443.1837. Please contact the Seneca Nation Utilities Department at 716-532-9221 with any questions or concerns.

Nya:wëh - Seneca Nation Utilities Department

Wind Turbine Discount Are you interested in saving money and the environment? National Grid account number: (Feel free to call us if you need assistance) Street Address: City: State: Zip Code: Mailing Address (if different): Phone: Email: Tribal I.D number: 219 Thomas Indian School Dr. Phone: 716-532-9221 SENECA Irving, NY, 14081 E-mail: a.memmo@sni.org or **ENERG** wes.jackson@sni.org





Seneca Nation Disability Services

Services and Programs

Monthly Supplemental Payment Program
*Enrolled Seneca *Full-time On-Territory Resident

*Age 18-59 *Long-term Disability Award

Information and Referral

Internal and External Agencies and Programs

Supportive Services- (Per calendar year only)

Limited emergency minor home repairs (with a Valid Deed or Bill of sale required), mobility equipment to promote independence, transportation to SSI appointments. (All transports require 1-week notice)

On-site Social Security Representative every last Tuesday each month (Cattaraugus)

-claims assistance, benefit advisement, disability advocacy, retirement -OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

-Appointment highly recommended, 9am-3pm

Disabilities Committee Meet Every 3rd Wednesday of the month

- Waiver hearings
- Program discussions & needs

Informational Sessions

-Luncheon and Informational Sessions from SN departments as well as outside agency's that can assist in your area. Watch for Flyers for upcoming sessions.

SNOW PLOW WAIVERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE 2020 SEASON. You must sign a new one every year, please stop in to do so. HONEY WAGON IS CLOSING FOR THE SEASON ON 11/18/19

Program Mission

Seneca Nation Disability
Services will focus on our
members under 60 years of
age with disabilities. Our
goal is to make our territories
disability-friendly and to
ensure members receive a
quality life.

OFFICE LOCATIONS:

Cattaraugus Territory
210 TIS Dr. Ext.
Irving, NY 14081
716-532-4900
Extension 5151
Allegany Territory
83 Wildwood Ave.
Salamanca, NY 14779
716-945-8163
Extension 8309
Office Hours: FRIDAYS ONLY
from 10:00am-2:00pm

Mailing Address as follows Cattaraugus SN Disability Services

12837 Rte. 438
Irving, NY 14081
Allegany
SN Disability Services
90 Ohi:yo' Way
Salamanca, NY 14779
Director
Leanna LeRoy
Administrative Assistant

Ashley Kettle <u>leanna.leroy@sni.org</u> ashley.kennedy@sni.org

Seneca Nation Utilities- Natural Gas Department updates

Submitted by Anthony Giacobbe

Converting to natural gas will save customers \$1,000-\$1,500 a year vs. propane!

There will be no charge for the pipeline to be installed to residences within 200' of road. There will be a per foot charge (approx. \$7-\$10/ft.) for residences that are further than 200' from road.

It will be necessary to determine what appliances need to be converted to natural gas or if any new appliances will be required to be purchased. Homeowners will need to work with a contractor and/or plumber to schedule a home visit with an outside contractor at a time that is convenient for you.

The installation of the new service will involve digging in your yard/lawn. Following the installation of the service your yard will be restored.

Buried propane tanks will need to be

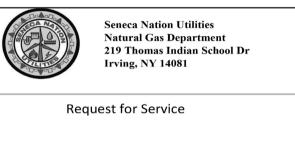
emptied. Buried tanks can remain in the ground or be removed at the owner's discretion. Above ground tanks can be removed by your current supplier.

New customers will be entered into the Seneca Nation natural gas customer pool.





Seneca Energy/Seneca Utilities will notify residents as soon as possible regarding a tentative installation timeline. If you have any questions regarding the conversion to natural gas please contact Seneca Energy Project Managers, Tony Memmo or Wes Jackson at 532-9221.



I, ______, do hereby certify that I am the Owner of the following property:

Authorization

As Owner of the above-described property, I authorize the Seneca Nation and any of its partners to install a natural gas pipeline and deliver natural gas service to the residence(s) on my property (the "Project").

Acknowledgment of Service Obligations

As Owner of this property I understand and acknowledge that, upon installation of the natural gas pipeline and delivery of natural gas service to the residence, I will be subject to Seneca Nation natural gas policies and procedures and any other applicable laws of the Seneca Nation. I understand and acknowledge that the pipeline installation will be of no charge to the Owner for the first 200ft and that there will be a charge of approximately \$7 per foot* after the first 200ft. I understand and acknowledge that upon installation of the pipeline and start of service, will become a natural gas customer of the Seneca Nation. As a customer, I understand and acknowledge that I will be subject to payment policies and procedures of the Seneca Nation and I understand and acknowledge that monthly service bills and all costs associated with Seneca Nation natural gas service are solely the Owner's responsibility.

Nation ID No.		
Phone No.		
Email Address		
Signature	 Date	

*price per foot (after the first 200ft) will be determined after bid selection

	Natural Gas Department 219 Thomas Indian School Dr Irving, NY 14081
	CONSENT
The undersigned, being the person(s) following address:	in lawful possession of the premises located at th
its agents to enter the above premises Route 438, S. Sulphur Springs Rd. a mainline installation I'm hereby granting the Seneca Nation	and Versailles Plank Rd. natural gas distribution in a right of way across my property to install the ight of way granted will be approximately 23' from ad 36"- 48" deep.

Received by:

New rental fees for the SAAB Grand Hall

Kitchen & Patio will be in effect January 1, 2020: \$50.00 Reservation Fee – Refundable if checklist for post event clean up is satisfactorily met \$50.00 Rental Fee

Seneca Nation Representative

Seneca Nation Official Newsletter goes digital! SNINEWS.ORG is live!

Tami Watt, Editor

Sick of waiting for your newsletter in the mail? The Seneca Nation Official Newsletter will now be available online! The site will be updated every two weeks to mirror the current edition of the newsletter. Everything that is published in the paper will be online including the president's message, information from the Clerk's Office, AOA menus and calendars, personals and announcements.

By taking the newsletter digital, Seneca members will get their news faster, more efficient and can access on the go. Articles and photos can be shared via social media and email, simply copy and paste the link from the site. Photos can be saved to any digital device with a quick right click and save. All articles submitted to the newsletter by the deadline will available to read, print, share or download from sninews.org.

The Seneca Nation Official Newsletter works cohesively and combines resources with the Seneca Media and Communications Center. Staff for both departments do their best to attend, document and photograph every event sponsored or centered on Seneca Nation activities. Activities covered by Seneca Nation staff will be posted to the Seneca Media's facebook page and published in the Seneca Nation Official Newsletter.

Effective January 17th, if you are 25 years old or younger, you will no longer receive a copy of the printed newsletter in the mail. All content will be available to the public at sninews.org. The site will be updated every two weeks to the most recent edition.

The newsletter will charge for business ads to be placed in print and online. Ads will appear on both and will charge per issue. A half page ad in color will be \$175, for gray scale \$125. A quarter page ad in color will be \$100, for gray scale \$75. Personal ads will accepted for free, however, donations of any amount are greatly appreciated.

If you would like an in depth article for your department or event for publication or want to share your news with us, please call the Seneca Nation Official Newsletter on either territory to make arrangements for an interview and/or coverage. On Ohi:yo' territory, you can reach out to Stephanie Crowley at 716-945-1790 ext. 3029 or Tami Watt at 716-945-1790 ext. 3030. In Ga'degësgëö', please contact Megan Torres at 716-532-4900 ext. 5495.

Seneca Nation to assert sovereignty and promote a new industry

The Direction of Industrial Hemp

Submitted by Jessica Crouse



Since the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) release of the Interim Final Rule: Establishment of a Domestic Hemp Production Program1 on October 31, 2019; the Seneca Nation has been vigorously working on drafting our own Hemp Production Plan that will assert our sovereignty while taking into consideration commercial activities already in-place and help bolster those looking to get into the hemp industry. The balance of effective governance while navigating among a burgeoning market is no delicate matter.

Under Section 7606 of the 2014 Farm Bill, the framework was created for producers to cultivate hemp while registered under a state's hemp research pilot program; and who cultivate cannabis containing no more than 0.3% of THC on a dry weight basis and who meet the requirements of their respective state departments of agriculture. However, with the 2018 Farm Bill, those that have been licensed

under the state authority have been given a 12-month extension from October 31, 2019 via a Notice to Trade issued by the USDA Secretary (84 FR 58539). Thus, considerations were given to those already growing to wrap-up their crop within the next year and then seek licensing in their respective jurisdiction if they so choose to keep growing hemp.

The goal of the Seneca Nation is to have our Hemp Production Plan submitted and approved prior to the 2020 outdoor growing season. Currently, those interested in growing hemp may apply under the USDA for licensure (84 FR 58527), but once a Nation or State submits a Plan to the USDA, those applications will be held until the Nation or State have their Plans approved (84 FR 58528). Then the prospective producers will have to apply for a hemp production license under their respective jurisdiction. Hemp is classified as having 0.3% or less of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) based on a dry weight - of which THC is the substance responsible for the psychotropic effects. Upon looking and smelling the plant, one may not easily distinguish the differences between hemp and "marijuana," hence the need to send hemp for testing of THC potency to quantify their differences. For, under current regulations once hemp has been found to be above 0.3% THC, it is classified as a schedule I controlled substance (21 U.S.C. et seq.). So, it is with great care that those who venture into this

industry take great strides to protect their investments.

Outside of the technicalities, hemp has thousands of uses such as: clothing, diapers, jeans, canvas, tarps, rope, paper, caulking, molded parts, oil paints, hempcrete, varnishes, fuel, fiberboard, insulation, fiberglass substitute, soaps, lotions, shampoos, balms, hemp seed hearts (food), hemp seed oil, and hemp seed powder (food). Then there is the extremely popular cannabidiol (CBD) that is commercially available in multiple forms and infiltrating markets by storm. Yet, there are calculated risks involved with CBD, for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has only approved one "CBD" drug, Epidiolex which use to treat a rare form of epilepsy.2 But the industry now has the "green-light" to grow and more research avenues are opening to fully vet the safety and develop standards to ensure public health. So, it is an exciting time to watch how this plant may change our world one seed or one clone at a time.

So, with the assertion of the Seneca Nation, combined with entrepreneurs with the passion to grow hemp, the possibilities abound amid a rapidly growing market. Agriculture is hard work and it will take the collaboration of astute farming and creative market alignments to ensure that this versatile crop takes a strong root on Seneca lands.

Native Roots Artist Guild Updates Their Website!

Inspiring the Next Seven Generations – Pass It On by Bradley Jimerson, Seneca Media and Communications Center

The excitement of a new website is in the air! Keep up-to-date with the latest news from our artists on nativerootsartistsguild. com while enjoying the rich traditional and contemporary arts and crafts produced by Haudenosaunee artists.

View stunning interpretations of pottery, bone carvings, stone carvings, bead work designs, basket makers, corn husk makers, regalia, photography, paintings and more. Let's ask our NRAG artists: Penny Minner, a corn husk and basket maker, and Mary Jacobs, bead work and leather work crafts, a couple questions:



 ${\it Mary Jacobs, bead work \& leather work}$



Penny Minner, corn husk & baskets

1) What accomplishments do you foresee of the revised website?

Penny: "It will give a broader picture of who the artist is and why we continue to do our art. It is a fantastic opportunity to work with the Seneca Media and be able to show Haudenousaunee art to the masses. I see this as a great advantage for the SNI members to see the artists who are a part of the NRAG more fully. The new website is able to deliver to a worldwide audience as some folks do not realize we are busy still doing our art, despite our everyday jobs."

Mary: "The revised website will enable the guild members to increase their internet presence. Utilizing social media is the best way for artist to promote-themselves. A new and revised website helps the general public search for native art by medium and artist." 2) What encouragements can someone that wants to become a member of the Native Roots Artist Guild?

Penny: "I always encourage my students of basket making to bring patience and time and also forgiveness to oneself. If it's their first basket to not just stop with the one project at hand but to continue learning, even with different materials and techniques. I have a variety of interests as an artist and I find that I am more likely to explore other mediums and keep fostering the ones that you excel in but also mindful that I am still learning and keep learning every day, it doesn't matter what it is. Be open to new experiences and explore art but be true to who you are and where you come from. We have such a beautiful culture and heritage in which we should be proud, show case your talent, and share your abilities as an artist with the world."

Mary: "Being a guild member means the artist sets a higher standard for their artwork. The artist creates to the best of their ability which ensures quality and authenticity while representing their heritage and culturally appropriate creations. The guild encourages members to learn the history behind their creations.

The guild encourages the members to share their knowledge by teaching and lecturing about working with their medium. The guild networks with local and regional art galleries to host exhibits to promote its members. Guild members are encouraged to display their creations for others to enjoy and appreciate."

The NRAG has established relationships with many museums and art galleries within the region. The guild thrives to expand our market base and opportunities for our artists. These efforts have elevated Native artists from local to national levels. With the high standards set by the guild, collectors and museums are ensured original quality artwork reflecting Native impressions and



Basket by Penny Minner

expressions of indigenous culture. The guild now has several annual exhibits and is constantly seeking new venues to display their wide variety and mediums of artwork.

The Native Roots Artists Guild has established a valuable resource for quality artwork, exceptional mentors, and an expansive resource for Haudenosaunee knowledge. For more information on the guild or its membership, please visit nativerootsartistsguild.com or become friends on facebook at: friendsofnativerootsartistguild@groups. facebook.com



Hat by Mary Jacobs

Onöndowa'ga:' Gawë:nö' (Seneca Language) community classes offered by the Allegany Language Department are cancelled on the following dates:



- Monday, December 23, 2019
 - No online Seneca language
- Tuesday, December 24, 2019
 - O No class at AOA or Seneca
- Wednesday, December 25, 2019
 - No class at the Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural

snow squalls

- Monday, December 30, 2019
 - No online Seneca language
- Tuesday, December 31, 2019
 - O No class at AOA or Seneca
- Wednesday, January 1, 2020
 - No class at the

Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural safety tips There is a long history of deadly Avoid or delay motor travel traffic accidents associated with these until the squall passes intense snow events that are accompanied by strong winds and a quick reduction in visibility. - Reduce your speed, turn on your headlights and hazard lights, and try to exit the road

Vinter Huzurus

The winter season brings many weather events that can "sneak" up on you. These are weather hazards that cause big impacts and make travel difficult without making big news.

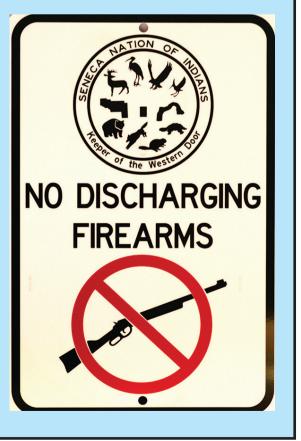
weather.gov

Safety Message from Emergency Management for your Holiday Season Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Protect your Family – Have a Plan

Reminder Regarding the Discharge of **Firearms**

NO discharging firearms within 500 feet of the Faithkeeper's School or any near by residences. Make sure to exercise caution while you're out there hunting. Be safe.

Nya:wëh in advance!



AOA support systems

Submitted by Gail Kennedy

The Seneca Nation Area Office for the Aging is pleased to offer NY Connects, a program that offers a Long-term and Supports (LTSS) system to individuals who desire to live as independently as possible and remain at home and in their communities. This program offers Information & Assistance (I&A), application and enrollment assistance for public health benefit individuals through financial and functional eligibility processes. Options Counseling/Person-Centered Counseling is also available.

NY Connects/No Wrong Door serves disabled individuals of any age by providing information and resources and assisting individuals and families to access services and/or programs. The goal is to provide the individual, family, and/or caregiver a seamless experience in accessing Longterm Services and Supports (LTSS).

Please call Gail Kennedy, Options Counselor at 716.945.8991. She will be pleased to assist you.

Unifying Seneca Nation communities, systems and resources so our youth and families are protected against suicide and substance misuse.

NATIVE CONNECTIONS Honor your journey.

Check us out online for more information about our prevention team, events, programs, and the Youth Clubhouse!

Cattaraugus CHWC

36 Thomas Indian School Drive 716-532-5583

Allegany LRJHC 987 R.C. Hoag Drive 716-945-9001

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Seneca Clubhouse

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Ages 12 - 17 Monday - Friday 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. The Saylor Building 12861 Route 438

Irving, NY 14081



arcade games • health & wellness classes outdoor activities • group excursions peer groups • movies • gaming culinary classes • cultural programs

nativeconnections.org





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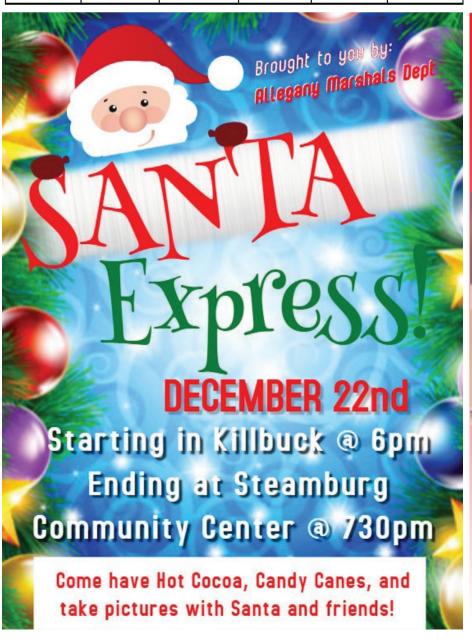
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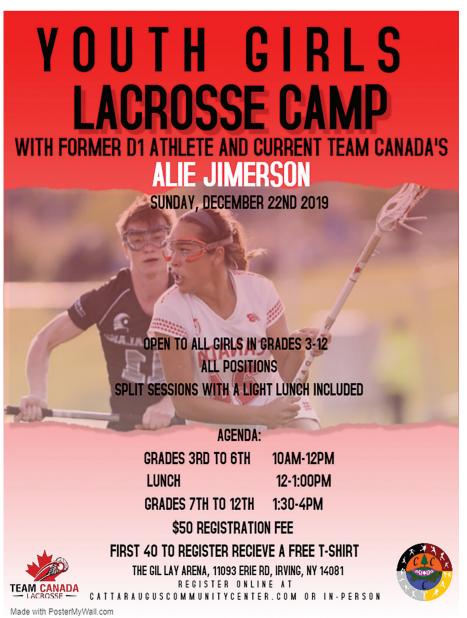


Date: jan, 25-26

ABANDONED/ DISABLED VEHICLE	7	DOMESTIC: ALCOHOL/DRUG	1	RUNAWAY PERSON	
ALARM	11	DOMESTIC: NO ALCOHOL/DRUG		REFERRED TO C&F/C.P.S.	
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	2	HARASSMENT	2	SEXUAL ASSAULT	
ASSIST PERSON	11	IMPOUND		SOLICITATION	
ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENT	3	LAND DISPUTE		S.N.I. TRAFFIC STOP	1
ASSIST C&F		LARCENY	2	S.N.I. TICKET ISSUED	
ASSIST C.P.S.		LARCENY/ SMOKESHOP		SNI DRUG/ ALC TICKET ISSUED	
ASSAULT		LOCK OUT	12	STATEMENT	2
A.T.L. PERSON		LOST PROPERTY	1	SUICIDE/ SUICIDE ATTEMPT	1
A.T.L. VEHICLE		MISSING PERSON		SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT	9
A.T.V. ACCIDENT	1	MVA:INJURIES ALCOHOL/DRUG		SUSPICIOUS PERSON	
A.T.V. COMPLAINT		MVA:INJURIES NO ALCOHOL/DRUG		SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	3
BAILIFF REQUEST		MVA/PDO: ALCOHOL/DRUG		UNWANTED GUEST	7
BURGLARY		MVA/PDO: NO ALCOHOL/DRUG	10	U.U.M.V.	
COUNTERFEIT MONEY	1	MVA/FATAL: ALCOHOL/DRUG		VEHICLE JUMPSTART	4
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	2	MVA/FATAL: NO ALCOHOL/DRUG		WELFARE CHECK	3
CUSTODY DISPUTE		NARCOTICS COMPLAINT/ARREST		9.41 /22.09	2
DISTURBANCE	6	O.D./NARCAN ADMISSION	3	D.W.I. ASSIST	1
ENFORCE/VIOLATE COURT ORDER	2	O.C. ADMISSION		10-60	2
FIRE/VEHICLE		OPEN WINDOW/ DOOR/GATE	12	FOLLOW-UP	2
FIRE/BLDG		P.D.O.	2	TOTAL S.N. TICKETS ISSUED	1
FIRE/OTHER		PREMISES CHECK (S.N.)	583	WRITS SERVED	5
FIRST AID	28	PREMISES CHECK REQUEST	974	PREMISES CHECK TOTAL	1555
FOUND/RETRIEVE/ RECOVER PROP.	5	RECKLESS OPERATION		TOTAL REPORTS	166
GENERAL COMPLAINT	1	ROAD HAZARD	2	TOTAL	1726

































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January 2020

AOA Nutritional Menu AOA Daily Trips Allegany Territory AOA Daily Trips Cattaraugus Territory

USDA Schedule

Menu	Allegany To	Cattarau	gus Territory		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
WEEKEND TRIP* Allegany AOA January 19th Faithkeeper's School Breakfast Buffet		NATION CLOSED	NATION CLOSED	Baked & breaded fish, cornbread, coleslaw, steamed broccoli, mandarin oranges	
Depart @ 10am		HAPPY NEW YEARS!	ADMINISTRATIVE DAY	Scenic Ride Amish Trail	
				Fish Fry Dinner 3pm	
Beef stroganoff w/noodles, roasted brussels sprouts, orange slices	Vegetable pizza w/side salad, roasted brussels sprouts, fruited jello	8 Tarragon roasted chicken, carrot & zucchini blend, parsley potatoes, cinnamon peaches		Ham & scalloped potatoes, cauliflower, dinner roll, green beans, strawberries w/whipped cream	
Red & Trudy's Eatery	Wegmans 5% Sr. Discount	Good as New	Reid's Food Barn	Buffalo Botanical Gardens	
Portville	Jamestown	Conewongo	Olean	\$11 - Depart @ 10am	
Scenic Ride	Savers	Walmart	Vidler's	Local Banking & Shopping 1pm	
1pm	Hamburg - 1pm	1pm	1pm		
Cattaraugus - call to place	Delivery to Newtown	Delivery to Indian Hill	Delivery to Ozarks	Delivery to Irving	
your order for timely delivery	& Oaktree	& Pinewoods	& Gowanda		
Roasted stuffed pepper, dinner roll, side salad, ambrosia fruit dessert	Liver & onions, parsley potatoes, dinner roll, sautéed spinach	pomodoro served over pasta, broccoli, warm cinnamon pears w/graham crackers	Birthday Party! Brown sugar pork loin, roasted potatoes, carrots & buttered green beans, birthday cake	Toasted tuna melt sandwich, carrot raisin salad, grapes & oranges	
Aldi's & Arby's	Lakewood Cinema 8	Bingo @ Irving Fire Hall	Walmart & Wendy's	Michaels & Johnny's Lunch	
Bradford	Movie Theater	Depart @ 4:45pm	Olean	Box - Jamestown	
Teds Hot Dogs	McKinley Mall	Walmart	JoAnne Fabrics	Hamburg Fairgrounds	
1pm	1pm	1pm	1pm	RV Show - 1pm	
Allegany - call to place your order for timely delivery	Delivery to Sr. Complex & Salamanca	Delivery to Jimtown	Delivery to Steamburg & Killbuck	Delivery to Olean	
Vegetable beef soup, garden salad, apple slices w/peanut butter & yogurt	Roasted chicken dinner, mashed acorn squash, seasoned peas, yogurt w/berries & graham crackers	Beef & noodle goulash, roasted cauliflower, peach cobbler	Chicken & biscuits, steamed broccoli, warm applesauce	Hearty meatball sandwich served in a toasted bun, green beans, fruit cup	
Home Depot & KFC	Local Banking &	TJ Maxx & Davidson's	Scenic Ride	Big Lots & Taco Bell	
Olean	Shopping	Restaurant - Jamestown	Allegany State Park	Bradford	
Fiesta Bamba Mexican	Regal Movie	Walmart	Local Shopping 1pm	Buffalo Creek Casino	
Restaurant - Springville 1pm	1pm	Hamburg - 1pm		1pm	
Cattaraugus Distribution	Cattaraugus Distribution	Cattaraugus Distribution	Cattaraugus Distribution	Cattaraugus Distribution	
9am - 3:30pm	9am - 3:30pm	9am - 3:30pm	9am - 3:30pm	9am - 3:30pm	
Homestyle macaroni & cheese, green beans, tomatoes, fresh strawberries, brownie	28 Brunch Western sausage & egg bake, strawberry spinach brunch salad & bran muffin	Chicken cacciatore w/seasoned brown rice, sautéed spinach, warm cinnamon peaches	Salisbury steak & gravy served over brown rice, roasted cauliflower, mixed berries over yogurt	Tortellini w/sundried pesto spinach, toasted garlic bread, pudding	
Cuba Gaming &	Dunham's & Perkins	Chautauqua Mall	Beef N Barrel	Rider's Choice	
Cheese Shop	Bradford	Jamestown	Olean - Depart @ 4:30pm	Open for Suggestions!	
Rider's Choice	Savers	Walmart	Local Banking		
1pm	Hamburg - 1pm	Dunkirk - 1pm	1pm		
Cattaraugus Distribution	Cattaraugus Distribution	Cattaraugus Distribution	Cattaraugus Distribution	No Distribution	
9am - 3:30pm	9am - 3:30pm	9am - 3:30pm	9am - 3:30pm	Inventory Day	

Bowen Named Empire 8 Men's Basketball Player of the Week!

Reprinted from https://gosax.com | Men's Basketball | 12/3/2019



ALFRED, NY -- For the fifth time in his career at Alfred University, sophomore Elliot Bowen (Salamanca, NY/ Ellicottville) was selected for one of the Empire 8 Men's

Basketball Weekly Awards as he earned his first Player of the Week honors on Monday afternoon, as made official in an announcement from Associate Commissioner, Joe Venniro. Bowen earned four Empire 8
Men's Basketball Rookie of the Week honors last season as he was also the conference's Rookie of the Year for the 2018-19 season.

Bowen was one point away from tying his collegiate careerhigh of 27 points

as he scored 26 to lead the game against Rochester Institute of Technology on Tuesday evening. He was an impressive 9-of-13 from the floor and added eight free throws on his way to a double-double by pulling down 11 rebounds as well. Bowen tacked on four steals, two assists and one block while only fouling once in his 35 minutes of play.

Bowen also was named a Saxon of the Week on Tuesday along with women's basketball's Gillian Flint (Caledonia, NY/ Caledonia-Mumford).

PLAYERS MENTIONED: #42 Elliot Bowen, F, 6' 6", 220 lbs, Sophomore

Source: https://gosaxons.com/ news/2019/12/3/bowen-namedempire-8-mens-basketball-playerof-the-week.aspx

Miya Scanlan scores 1,000th point!

By Tami Watt, Editor

Gowanda High's Miya Scanlan reached the pinnacle of high school basketball success after scoring her 1,000th point Tuesday December 10th in a victory over the Salamanca Lady Warriors 30-40.

The season opener for both teams, Scanlan shot her 1,000th basket at the free throw line minutes before half time as she was cheered on by a large group of family, friends and fans. She needed 21 points to meet the milestone. Scanlan dominated the court with 23 points, numerous turn overs and went hard on defense with her sister Crissa, a freshman.

Scanlan, a junior at Gowanda Central



School District, has reached an achievement usually reserved for seniors in her first

game of the season and will have a lot of time to add to her scoring record. "She makes it look easy!" Gowanda head coach Ross John Sr. states.

An all-star athlete in basketball, lacrosse and volleyball, Miya has won numerous awards and accolades for her achievements and will take her lacrosse skills to Jacksonville University after she graduates in 2021. Miya is the daughter of Jodi and Charlie Scanlan and resides on the Cattaraugus territory. We will continue to follow this rising athlete and support her success! Stay tuned!





Left: Miya pictured with her parents Jodi & Charlie Scanlan. Right: Pictured with Coaches Ross John & Jay John

Zed Williams (Seneca): Multi-dimensional Georgia Swarm Player Is The Total Teammate

Ja:goh Zed Williams (Cattaraugus Territory, Seneca, Wolf)

By Dan Ninham | Reprinted from ndnsports.com | December 10, 2019 | Photo Credit: Kyle Hess

The National Lacrosse League began play last week. Zed Williams scored a goal in the season opening 14-4 win for the Georgia Swarm vs. the Rochester Knighthawks.

The Georgia Swarm selected Zed Williams in the First Round (No. 4 overall) of the 2017 National Lacrosse League Draft. He is a 24 yr. old, 6-3, 230 lb. offense player and shoots right. Zed played last summer with the MLL's Boston Cannons. He also played for the Silver Medalist Iroquois Nationals at the World Indoor Lacrosse Championships 2019 (WILC'19). Zed recorded 52 points during his collegiate senior season at the University of Virginia in 2017 plus other noteworthy honors.

"I am from the Cattaragus Reservation of the Seneca Nation. My parents are the late Dan Sr. and Wendy Williams and they live on the Cattaragus Reservation." The Cattaragus Reservation is located just south of Buffalo, NY.

"I was raised very disciplined and tough and strived to be my best in everything I did," said Zed. "I come from a family of five brothers, two sisters and three half-brothers. Our parents are our heroes and my whole family including my wife and kids are all my heroes. When I play, I'm not out there for myself. I'm out there to bring out the smiles on my loved ones faces and everyone who is cheering me on."

"Beside my whole family, I've had a coach named Rob Genco who coached me my whole life and took me under his wing and helped shape the man I am today," added Zed.

Zed attended Silver Creek HS in NY. He broke two national career high school records in goals (444), and points (729) and also had 285 career assists. He was an Under Armour All American and helped lead Silver Creek to five consecutive Class C Sectional titles.

Rob Genco was the lacrosse coach at Silver Creek HS. He was also the physical education teacher. Rob is not unlike any other physical education teacher that contacts varsity coaches when potential athletes are noticed in the elementary or middle school grades. "I noticed him in the fourth grade when I got mini-lacrosse sticks for our gym class," said Rob. "He had great stick skills and hand-eye coordination. I told other people to watch this kid in fourth grade and he's going to be a great player. This kids a wizard."

"Zed was moved up from the eighth grade to varsity lacrosse team," said Rob. "He was the centerpiece our senior year and everyone prospered. He led the lacrosse, football and basketball teams to post-season play."

"Zed has been a big part of my life," said Rob. "We talked on the phone last night for two hours. He is the godfather of our 3-yr. old son Jordan. Zed is someone who is not only great as a player, but also great as a person. He plays at the highest level and has brought our community together. He visits our school when he comes home. Zed and Chase give hope that the goal is attainable."

"Zed fits the Swarm mold," said John J. Arlotta, Owner and General Manager, Georgia Swarm. "He has high character and when we drafted him that is what we look for. He's not just athletic ... he's big, strong, quick and athletic. He is a great young man who values his family and playing for the Creator. Talent and character is who the Swarm are after."

Stew Monture, offense coach for the Iroquois Nationals, said: "Zed is one of the best lacrosse player's in the world in my opinion. He was raised right and he's honest and humble. He doesn't need any accolades.

He's the total teammate."

"The WILC'19 was his coming out party, so to speak, where he stood out amongst the best in the world. Again I believe he's one of the best players at the world level right now and he is still improving at his age. His mother and late father really kept

him and his siblings close and it translates on the floor. We could ask him to play offense, defense, or on the faceoff team, and he had no problem with doing any of that. He isn't a one-dimensional player by any means, we can put him in any situation and he did it with a smile on his face," added Coach Stew.

"Lacrosse has taken my family and I all over the world," said Zed. "I have made relationships to last a lifetime and helped me grow as a person by interacting with so many different humans on this earth. I will always be thankful for this game and all the opportunities and blessing it has presented me with."

"I'm not one to remember my accomplishments, to me it's always about my next game and how I can get better," added Zed.

Being humble is a cultural value of many indigenous people. Although having an accomplished career, one does not boast of the honors that coincide with being an elite athlete. The accomplishments are tremendous and fit the person who has them perfectly. Zed was mentioned in the Oct. 2010 issue of Inside Lacrosse "as a young Iroquois player to keep on your radar." The past decade was impressive in the direction that Zed has been moving toward.

Zed had a stellar tenure at the University of Virginia and the progression from first year freshman to senior year was astounding. He was the first player in the nation in 2017 to reach the 20-20, 30-30, 40-40, and 50-50 levels in points and ground balls. His recognition included being All-ACC, USILA/BSN DI Offensive National Player of the Week twice, and (Continued on page 21)



ACC Offensive Player of the Week, and USILA All American.

"I go down to the field and box and see players with as much talent as Chase Scanlan and Zed at their ages," said Rob. "The older guys are proud of them. Chase and Zed had doors open for them with the right support. The older guys and Chase and Zed are paving the way for kids in the territory. We have a great community here. I'm taking my fourth grade lacrosse team to see Chase at his first game at Syracuse."

Ed Comeau is the head coach of the Georgia Swam. He is in his fifth season with the Swarm and has spent 18 years coaching in the National Lacrosse League. Comeau led the team to a league-best 13-5 regular season record and a Champion's Cup in 2017. Coach Ed commented: "Zed has developed over his two years with us. In the first year we asked him to perform a role he hadn't done before. He accepted that role and worked hard and last year he went back to offence and did an excellent job. Based on his progression we expect Zed to be an integral part of our offence this season. Brings great physicality to the offensive zone and works

hard to get others open and is unselfish. His strength allows him to create his own shot while being difficult to guard one-onone as a threat."

Check out Zed Williams profile page for the Georgia Swarm: https://www.georgiaswarm.com/players/player?id=10514121&postid=4169

Chase Scanlan (Seneca): Playing Lacrosse At An Elite Level For Family, Community And Heritage

By Dan Ninham | December 10, 2019 | Reprinted from ndnsports.com Photo Credit: Rich Barnes Photography

Chase Scanlan competes for Syracuse University Men's Lacrosse. He is 6-0, 180 lbs., and plays the attack position.

Chase is a member of the Seneca Nation of Indians, Cattaraugus Territory, just south of Buffalo, NY. His father is Thomas Scanlan, mother is Heather Kettle and both are Seneca and from Cattaraugus Territory as well.

Chase was an Under Armor All American in high school. He played in the FIL World Games with the Iroquois Nationals in 2018 as an 18 year old and youngest in the blue division. In college, he was 2nd team All American in NCAA DI lacrosse as a freshman, First Team All Patriot League and Patriot League Rookie of the Year. In box lacrosse, he was a member of the 2018 Minto Cup Champions.

"Lacrosse is the Creators game that was given to us to entertain him," said Chase. "I was always taught to respect the game and play with a clear mind.
The game brings joy to my community and when I play, I play for my family, community and heritage."

"One extremely influential person in my life is my cousin Zed Williams," said Chase. "He's Seneca as well from the same territory. I grew up watching him play and developed a similar style of play to his game. He went to Virginia University and now plays pro lacrosse and everything he has done up to this point has shown me anything is possible as long as I stick to it."

"I've known Chase since he was in elementary school," said Zed. "He's always been a stand out at his age, but as he got older he kept being a bigger and bigger standout no matter the age, or no matter the sport. He is a great athlete, but he also has toughness and the passion to be great at lacrosse. But most importantly I'm proud of the young man he is now as I know he's going to be great off the field as well in everything he does."



"Another huge influence in my life is my Dad," said Chase. "My dad would give all the money he had just to send me to tournaments or pay for equipment just to make sure I could play. He always believed in me and told me growing up that I can be a leader for the community."

Chase's dad Thomas Scanlan talked about his son: "Chase growing up was almost always the best player on the floor or field. I coached him for most of his childhood in football and basketball. I tried to instill in him to always lead by example and always pick up your teammates when they're down. It took him a few years to understand this concept but once he understood it he

implemented in my opinion in everyday life. When he went to middle school in 7th grade he played at a varsity level so I let him play with the likes of Zed Williams and I told him watch and learn. Sometimes you need to follow to learn how to lead. He seemed to understand this and Zed took him under his wing so to speak. Zed was a quiet leader and Chase is the total opposite of that. I believe that the encouragement he received from the community and his family molded

him into the man he is today and as his dad I am his biggest fan and support him in ever aspect of his life." "Uncle Charlie Scanlan influences me most with life lessons," said Chase. "I learn so much from him, he has 11 kids and cares so much about his family it's something that can be explained but felt. He helps the community and goes out of his way for others and that is what I admire about him so much. His daughter is Shayla Scanlan who has been featured in

NDNsports before."

Uncle Charlie talked about his nephew:
"Chase has always been the kinda kid ...
young man that makes things happen. At
a young age Chase would set his mind on
something and figure out a way to make
that happen. He would ask me things most
kids wouldn't. Things like when he was an
8 yr old he asked, "how far is Nappanee,
Ontario? I asked why, his reply was, I want
to go try out for the Iroquois National Minor
Box Lacrosse peewee team. I told him and
he made it happen. He found himself on
that Peewee National Team. And every year
he made that team until he aged out at the
midget level. Next he (Continued on pg 22)

wanted to try out for the Iroquois National U19. And what do you know he made the roster. Along with the men's Iroquois National teams."

"Chase is always up to something it just so happens that he loves sports. Not just one sport but many sports. Chase is competitive in everything. It's in his DNA. He isn't afraid to take that first step into the unknown. Whenever he needs someone or something he will ask his folks. But when he wants something, he will ask me how to achieve the issue/issues set in front of him. My wife of 27 years and I have 11 children together ranging from 26-2 years of age. We have seen many situations pop up over the years. And our door is always open to our nieces/nephews. So Chase would always be hanging out at the house with our son Clay and they are two peas in a pod. Chase is like a fifth son to me. We are excited for him as he prepares for his next great unknown. Not many young men are up to the challenges of stepping into the jersey's of #22 for SU. They just don't give that to just anyone. I believe Chase is going to do great things in his life. This is the beginning of a new chapter for him at SU and the kid is up for it. So watch out

SCANLAN #22 is coming from SU," added Uncle Charlie.

A family tradition of lacrosse is happening in the extended Scanlon household in

Seneca Territory. "My cousin Shayla Scanlan is at Louisville University, is a junior and she was the first one in our family to play DI lacrosse, I was second and now my other cousin Lois Garlow is a freshman at Coastal Carolina playing DI lacrosse. My father Charlie and Lois's mother Cheri are siblings and we are the first generation playing DI lacrosse while getting educated at great colleges. Shayla's younger sister Miya Scanlan just committed to play DI lacrosse at Jacksonville University. We as the Scanlan family are trying our hardest to inspire other families and kids within our community that they can use their gifts of lacrosse to get educated and at the end of all of it use the knowledge we gather to help advance our community. It's the start of a tradition in our family and I hope it keeps growing because I have a lot of younger siblings and the Scanlan family is a big family," added Chase.

"Our family is blessed we are able to watch our children achieve there dreams, and get a education through lacrosse," said Uncle Charlie. "Our daughter Shayla #66 is a junior at Louisville. Our son Clay #81 is the youngest player to be drafted and signed in the NLL to the Halifax Thunderbirds. He is a senior in high school. And Miya our daughter is a junior in high school and has committed to Jacksonville University. Our children love this game as I do. It has taken us to places most people can only dream of.

Clay will be on the Iroquois National U19 team 2020. He has been training with the Thunderbirds but got a call from the head coach asking him if he will be ready to play this summer."

Mark Burnam, Chase's former head coach at IMG Academy and current Iroquois Nationals coach said: Chase Scanlan is a fierce competitor with a never quit attitude! I don't ever remember him missing not one practice or a game due to injury as long as I have coached Chase and I have been around him since 8th and 9th grade. It is his never quit attitude that I think fuels his drive for competition and coming in first at everything he does. Chase has always been a leader on and off the field. When players want to win at everything they do is often misread as selfish. Chase's preparedness for competition has earned him all the accolades now and so well deserved. The toughness shows in his game is his willingness to compete at the highest level that I felt is second to none.

Chase wears everything on his sleeve and there's is no faking it with Chase. He is a 'what you see is what you get' kid who comes prepared and ready to play no matter what every single game. I feel that is Chase's biggest accolade in my mind. It's something as a coach you would love all your players to have ... fierce competitiveness and a never quit attitude and Chase absolutely portrays that!"

Summer Hemphill' Career Thus Far

Ja:goh Summer!



Biography

2018-19: Turned into one of the most dominant post players in the conference during her junior campaign appearing in 26 games for the Bulls while earning 24 starts... Averaged

career-highs in minutes (36.6), points (14.5) and rebounds (10.3) while making 58.1% of her field goal attempts and 73.7% of her free throw attempts... Named Second Team All-MAC... Named to the MAC All-Tournament team after averaging 17.7 points, 13.0 rebounds and 2.3 assists over three games in Cleveland... Set the MAC Tournament record with 21 rebounds and scored 16 points in the win over Ohio in the championship game (3/16)... Led the Bulls in rebounding (10.3) while also ranking first on the squad in offensive rebounds (190) and blocks (35) and third in steals (42)... Scored a game-high 23 points in the Bulls' NCAA first round win over Rutgers (3/22)... Tied a career-high with 24 points and

nine rebounds against Central Michigan (2/16)... Scored a then career-high 24 points and grabbed 14 rebounds in her first game of the season at Dartmouth (11/18)... Averaged 13.6 points, 10.4 rebounds, 1.2 steals and 1.2 blocks while shooting 59.2% from the floor across 18 regular season MAC games. Produced a team-high 13 double-doubles and 21 double digit scoring efforts on the year.

2017-18: Appeared in all 35 games for the Bulls while earning 28 starts as a sophomore... she started the final 21 games of the season for the Bulls... led the Bulls in rebounding (7.3) while also ranking first on the squad with 89 offensive rebounds... averaged a career-high 10.1 points while ranking second in

the MAC in field goal percentage (.572)... ranked second on the team in blocks (52) and third in steals (56), both career-highs... notched a double-double with 17 points and 11 rebounds in the Bulls" second round NCAA win over Florida State (3/19)... had a monster game in the win over Ohio (2/24) as she notched a double-double with 10 points and program record 23 rebounds... scored a careerhigh 19 points to go along with 10 rebounds in the win over Ohio (1/17)... notched 18 points and 13 rebounds in a road win over Toledo (2/3)... averaged 11.9 points, 8.7 rebounds, 1.7 steals and 1.7 blocks while shooting 58.6% from the floor across 18 regular season MAC games... scored in double figures a career-best 18 times while also grabbing (Continued on pg 23)

Attention High school, college and health professional students: If cancer research or a PhD degree is your career goal, begin your journey this summer at one of the world's first cancer centers

Shared on behalf of Dr. Rodney Haring. The deadline is coming up soon so he is encouraging people who are potentially interested to apply now.



Visit: https://www.roswellpark.org/education/summer-programs for more information.

Nick Lone wins Native American Music Award

By Megan Torres, Newsletter Reporter

Nick Lone of Indian Hill on the Cattaraugus Territory was nominated for Best Rap/Hip Hop/R&B Recording "Native Pride" at this year's 19th Annual Native American Music Awards that was held on November 2nd at the Seneca Niagara Casino. Nick beat out other top Native artists and ended up taking home the award. When asked how he felt when he won, he explained how he was in a state of shock, "I just couldn't believe it." This was his second nomination but first time bringing home the prize.

he wants to give to aspiring musicians, "Take it seriously, buy your beats, put your music up for sale. You have to own the exclusive rights in order to make money." All of Nick's music including his single "Native Pride" are available to stream or purchase on all the top Mp3 sites.

The next step in Nick's career is to travel and perform at more shows along with putting out a music video and work on his next album. For next year's Native American Music Awards, he plans on submitting a music video

and a couple more songs in the hopes of being nominated again and ultimately winning. **Ja:goh Nick!**

Nick started his music career years ago as just something to do but started taking it seriously about two years ago, which is the advice

SUMMER HEMPHILL

double digit rebounds a teambest eight times... collected a career-high five double-doubles on the year... handed out a career-best 32 assists... led the team in blocks 17 times and rebounds 15 times on the year.

2016-17: Appeared in all 32 games while earning 10 starts as a freshman... earned MAC All-Freshman team honors... ranks fourth on the team in scoring averaging 6.0 points while leading the team in rebounding as she is averaging 7.4 rebounds... has grabbed a team-best 81 offensive rebounds... averages 21.3 minutes/game which ranks third on the team... leads the team with a .525 shooting percentage... ranks second on the team in blocks with 37 (1.2/ game) while ranking third in steals with 31 (1.0/game)... led

the team in rebounding a teamhigh 15 times while gathering 10+ rebounds six times this season... led the team with four double-doubles on the season... dished out 23 assists... had the best game of her career against Ohio (2/22) as she tied a careerhigh with 15 points and grabbed a career-best 17 rebounds for her fourth double-double of the season... the 17 rebounds were a freshman record for the Bulls and the eighth most in a game in program history... netted a career-high 15 points, 12 rebounds and a career-high three blocks in the Bulls win at Miami (1/14)... notched a season-high eight offensive rebounds in a 16-rebound effort against Bowling Green (2/25)... scored in double figures six times as a freshman.

High School: The first team

All-WNY performer finished off her impressive senior season averaging 16.0 points, 10.0 rebounds and 3.1 steals per contest as she led the Hawks to a 23-3 overall record and a **Monsignor Martin Association** championship... The athletic forward was also named All-Catholic Player of the Year following her great senior season as well as earning Most Valuable Player honors at the Pastor Cooper Tournament, Jamestown Tournament and Lady Dragons Tournament... One of the top players in all of WNY, Hemphill also earned third team All-WNY honors during her junior campaign and was a four-year team captain for the Hawks... She also played volleyball and ran track at Cardinal O"Hara, earning second team All-Catholic in volleyball and helping the

4x100 relay team earn a State Championship on the track... Hemphill is rated as a three-star recruit with an 88 scouts grade by ESPN.

Personal: Born on August 9, 1998... daughter of Willie Hemphill and Tina Kettle... has four sisters, Justina, Tacara, Tahawna and Teawna and three brothers Willie, Justin and Taylon... lists her favorite athlete of all-time as Lebron James... her favorite TV shows are First 48 and Full House... enjoys hip-hop and rap music and lists her favorite musician as Kanye West... she chose UB because she "loved the coaching staff, the players and the atmosphere! They make me feel like family already and i cant wait to become a member of the team officially."

Congratulations to Lanny Bennett on Winning the NRAG Fully Decorated Christmas Tree!

Submitted by Mary Jacobs

The Native Roots Artists Guild would like to congratulate the winner of the fully decorated Christmas tree. The winner was: Lanny Bennett!

Thanks to all who purchased tickets supporting the Native Roots Artists Guild. Watch for the launch of our revised website-coming soon!





News From The Four Corners United Methodist Church

Rte. 438 and Versailles Plank Road, Cattaraugus Territory Pastor – Rev. David Rood 941-5703, dgrood62@yahoo.com

Submitted by Marilyn Anderson

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT SERVICE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2019 AT 4 P.M. Please join us for this special service!

You and your family are invited to join us Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and light refreshments followed at 9 a.m. for our worship service. The service is filled with music and word that will bring joy to your life. Feel free to contact Pastor Dave by phone or e-mail if you have any questions about the church or if you need spiritual guidance. Peace be with you.

Empire Animal Rescue Society (E.A.R.S) is Seeking Donations!

The Seneca Nation is pleased to sponsor a donation site for E.A.R.S at the SAAB lobby. Due by December 31st!

Below is a list of suggested items, although it states a particular brand, they will accept any brands:

Donations in need: Purina Dry/ Canned Dog or Cat Food, Purina Dry/ Canned Puppy or Kitten Food, Friskes Canned Cat Food, Soft Dog Treats, Ceramic Pet Bowls, Bleach, Paper Towels, Garbage Bags, Medical Gloves Size Large, Cat Litter, Disposable Cat Litter Boxes.



Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Pow Wow

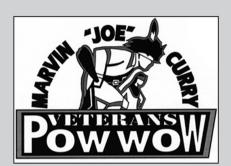
We are looking to fill the Head Staff positions in the Iroquois Division for the 2020 Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Powwow that will be held on July 17th – 19th, 2020

Positions to be filled are as follows:

- Head Smoke Dance Judge
- Smoke Dance Singer
- Head Male Smoke Dancer
- Head Female Smoke Dancer

Requirements:

- Ages 18 & up
- Enrolled Iroquois



If you are interested in this opportunity, please specify which position you would like to be considered for and send in a short bio and a clear photo of yourself in your traditional outfit and proof of tribal enrollment to info@senecapowwow.org

by Friday, January 24, 2020.

Winifred, "Wini" E. John 2/15/1961 – 12/13/2017 Memorial of a Special Mother and Sister at Christmas

There is a special place beyond the skies above,

To a place very peaceful that is full of light and love.

That special place is heaven where you're free to laugh and roam,

And though you are in our thoughts each single day throughout the year at special times like Christmas we all wish you could be here.

Now you are in a better place, Your lovely smile still shines bright and clear, we treasure all the memories you left with us.



We miss you dearly, you provided a loving, caring role as a Special Mother, Sister, Aunt and Great-Aunt.

All the love and memories we have for you will never go away.

We all love and miss you.

Love your Son Daniel and your Family Submitted by Dorsie John Bluesky

Supporting Breastfeeding in the Community

Submitted by Shaela Maybee, Acting COO

The Seneca Nation Health System encourages and welcomes breastfeeding-anytime, anywhere. So... why Mamava lactation suites? The Mamava "pods" are not to put Mothers behind closed doors but to offer an option of more privacy, if it is desired.

We chose Mamava:

- To support community members, patients, and staff who are breastfeeding
- To help moms with more than one child comfortably breastfeed, knowing their (often mobile) child is in a secure area with them
- To encourage and support the mother running errands or working nearby with a location to pump

 To ease the rush and complications of leaving the house when our newest mothers and youngest patients have appointments at our health centers

Download the Mamava app for more information!

The Seneca Nation Health System has supported over 20 women receive training as Certified Lactation Counselors (CLC) or Indigenous Breastfeeding Counselors (IBC) to-date. We also provide breastfeeding supplies to patients to support their breastfeeding journey!







- 5. Prevent burns from hot holiday food or liquid spills, simply use the back burner of your stove and turn pot handles away from the edge.
- 6. Move the ornaments that are breakable or have metal hooks towards the top of the tree. That makes room at the bottom for the ones that are safer for young kids.

Learn More

*Source: https://www.safekids.org/holidays

Holiday Safety

It's the holiday season again, a time when we enjoy festive meals with family and friends, deck our halls with colorful decorations and listen to squeals of delight as our children open their brightly -wrapped presents. To help ensure your kids have fun and stay safe this holiday, here are a few tips to remember.

Hard Facts about Holiday Safety

- In 2012, 3,270 children 19 and under were seen in emergency rooms for injuries caused by nonelectric holiday decorations, like broken ornaments.
- In 2012, an estimated 192,000 children were treated in an emergency room for a toy-related injury.
- That same year, an estimated 136,314 children ages 19 and under were injured due to a fire or burn.

Top Tips about Holiday Safety

1. Make sure your tree has plenty of

- water by checking it regularly.

 Natural trees look beautiful and smell great, but if they're not watered regularly, needles can dry out and pose a potential fire hazard.
- 2. Keep lit holiday candles at least 12 inches away from anything that can burn, and don't forget to blow them out when you leave the room or before you go to sleep.
- Consider your child's age when purchasing a toy or game this holiday season. It's worth a second to read the instructions to make sure the gift is just right.
- 4. Keep a special eye on small pieces, including <u>button batteries</u> that may be included in electronic toys. While these kinds of games are great for older kids, they can pose a potential danger for younger, curious siblings.

Employee Spotlight



Tricia Williams is an exercise specialist and is located at the Community Health and Wellness Center. She has worked for the

health system for 1 year.

We asked her the following questions:

What do you like best about your job at SNHS? "Seeing my patients everyday and helping them improve their health."

Where did you grow up? "Versailles Plank Road."

What college did you attend? "Buffalo State."

What degree did you earn and in what field? "bachelor of science in health and wellness."

What do you like to do in your spare time? "Anything with my daughter and husband."

Thank you Tricia for sharing some of your background with us!

> Do you suspect child abuse or maltreatment? Report it Now!

> > 1-800-342-3720



It shouldn't hurt to ! a child.

If you believe that a child is in immediate danger, call 911 or your local police department.



Seneca Strong

Outreach and Recovery Center 983 R.C. Hoag Dr. Salamanca, NY 14779 (716) 945-8413 ext.: 3126

Outreach and Recovery Center 36 Thomas Indian School Dr. Irving, NY 14081 (716) 532-8456 ext.: 5523

Are you or a family member currently involved with the justice system and need assistance?

Did you know Seneca Strong can help you?

We have partnered with Cattaraugus County Probation. We have a Probation Officer available Monday - Wednesday, Friday in Salamanca and Thursdays in Cattaraugus for vou.

We also have an Outreach Social Worker who can help you get linked with services. The social worker can also meet you in a controlled environment in cases of incarceration or during in-patient care.



REMINDER:

Seneca Nation Health System will be closed:

Tuesday, December 24 at noon ~ Christmas Eve Wednesday, December 25 ~ Christmas Day Thursday, December 26 ~ Administrative Day

Tuesday, December 31 at noon ~ New Year's Eve January 1 ~ New Year's Day January 2 ~ Administrative Day

> Please make sure to schedule your appointments and order prescriptions ahead of time.

Seneca Language Immersion Program

When: **Wednesdays**

Time: 9-10 a.m.

Where: CHWC, Recreation Room

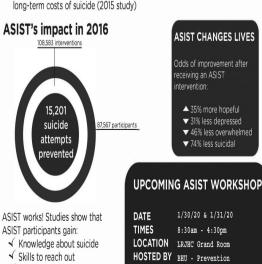
Presented by Seneca Strong. Beginner Language for all interested in learning! Register for classes at 532-8456.



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- long-term costs of suicide (2015 study)



- ✓ Skills to reach out
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REGISTRATION **DEADLINE** 1/13/2020

> TO INQUIRE/REGISTER CALL: 716 • 532 • 5583, ext. 5573

Email hward@senecahealth.org

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long-term costs of suicide (2015 study) ASIST's impact in 2016 **ASIST CHANGES LIVES** 108.583 interventions



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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF PHYLLIS LAY

Executor: Marty A. Lay, 14396 Route 438, Gowanda, NY 14070 ~ Cattaraugus Territory - Final Notice ~

ESTATE OF NINA RENALDO

Administrator: Keith Renaldo, Sr., P.O. Box 139, Irving, NY 14081 ~ Cattaraugus Territory - Final Notice ~

ESTATE OF BRENDA ALLEN

Executor: William Allen, 11287 Old Lakeshore Rd., Irving, NY 14081 ~ Cattaraugus Territory - Final Notice ~

ESTATE OF BARRY E. SNYDER, SR.

Executor: Julie L. Brant, 397 Herr Rd., Angola, NY 14006 ~ Cattaraugus Territory - 2nd Notice ~

ESTATE OF GARY W. NEPHEW, SR.

Executor: Marie Nephew, P.O. Box 168, Versailles, NY 14168 ~ Cattaraugus Territory - 2nd Notice ~

ESTATE OF MICHAEL GIOFREDDA

Executor: Arlette Giofredda, P.O. Box 252, Collins, NY 14034 ~ Cattaraugus Territory - 1st Notice ~

ESTATE OF PAUL A. PIERCE

Executor: Betty K. Pierce, 13174 Route 438, Gowanda, NY 14070 ~ Cattaraugus Territory - 1st Notice ~

Seneca Nation of Indians SURROGATE'S COURT, Cattaraugus & Allegany Territory

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedents, that all persons having claims against the decedents are required to file them with the appropriate Surrogate's Court, at the Allegany/Cattaraugus Territory. You are also required to mail or deliver a copy to the Administrator/Executor. This notice shall serve to notify creditors that they have ninety (90) calendar days from the date of the first publication of the notice to present their claims to the Administrator/Executor or the Clerk, and the estate may pay only those claims presented. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested.

Off Territory Addiction Recovery Group

Sparks of Hope at 107 Main St., Hamburg, NY

2nd & 4th Wednesdays - 7pm: Sparks of Hope for Families. For other meetings and info call: 548.2284 or

email: sparksofhope2017@gmail.com



NOTICE TO APPEAR

Notice from the Surrogate Court

ATTENTION: HAROLD E. SMITH

THE SNI SURROGATE COURT FOR CATTARAUGUS
INDIAN TERRITORY WILL HOLD COURT PROCEEDINGS
IN THE MATTER OF PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION (LAND IN
PINEWOODS) REGARDING THE ESTATE OF
JANICE E. SMITH, on **Friday, January 31, 2020 at 2:00pm** at the Judicial Court Building, 2 Thomas Indian
School Drive, Irving, New York, 14081 located on the 1st floor.

Submitted on behalf of the Administrator, Terry L. Smith

ATTENTION: JON CAMPBELL

THE SNI SURROGATE COURT FOR CATTARAUGUS INDIAN TERRITORY WILL HOLD COURT PROCEEDINGS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID R. JIMERSON, on F**riday, January 31, 2020 at 3:00pm** at the Judicial Court Building, 2 Thomas Indian School Drive, Irving, New York, 14081 located on the 1st floor.

Submitted on behalf of the Administrator, Scott A. Snyder

FOR INFORMATION PLEASE CALL THE SURROGATE COURT CLERK, NADINE MARACLE OR MEAKA GARLOW AT (716) 532-4900, EXT. 5486/5492

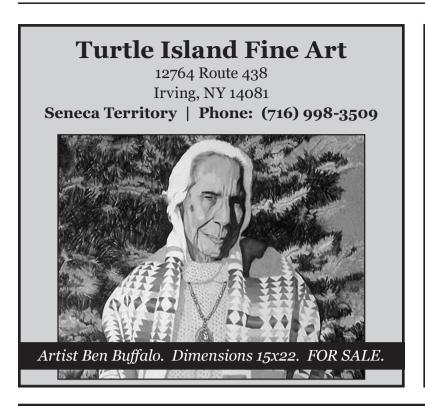
Seneca Nation Offices & Buildings will be CLOSED:

December 25th & 26th for Christmas. January 1st & 2nd, 2020 for New Year's.

Have a safe and Happy holiday.

Wishing you a wonderful year ahead!





NDN Crafts Owner: Mike Crouse

Located at **582 South Loop Rd.**, Steamburg, NY
Open Monday - Saturday
from 10am - 9pm.

For more information call Mike at **716.640.4379 or 716.354.5455**

Stop in & check us out!



REMINDER: The SNI Official Newsletter is now available via WEB!

Check us out at https://www.sninews.org

PERSONALS

Congratulations to Izaias Abrams!

He made the High Honor Roll at Randolph Central School with a 97.5 average.

Love your Family! Submitted by Nana & Mom





Sweet 16!!!

If you happen to see our sweet sassy young lady Miss Ze'Ryah-Ray AKA: Andy Girl wish her a Happy Sweet 16!! Andy will be turning 16 on Dec.23,2019.

Love Mom, Dad, Mia, Zavie, Darry, Duke, Angel and Dalaylah

Look who's turning 16! Submitted by Kerri Satiago

Dear Z baby,

When I laid my eyes on you for the first time and touched your little hand I knew we would have that strange bond that no one but us would understand. The one that no matter what I would never let go. You could be the angels of the finest things or the devil of all the



madness. No matter what it is you will always be my baby! My first born. my first true love. I love you beyond words could describe. You made me a first time mommy in 2003. I hope you have a wonderful day. I love you Z-baby. **Love Mom**

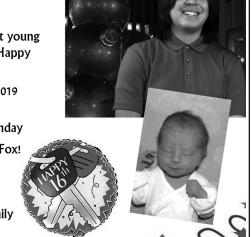


If you see this sweet young man, wish him a Happy Birthday on

December 28, 2019

Happy 16th Birthday Keagan Stanley Fox!

> Love, Mom and Family



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Calendar January of EVENTS

2020



Feel free to contribute your events, classes or meetings to sninews@sni.org. Nya:wëh.

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1	- Seneca Nation Offices & Buildings CLOSED for New Year's Day! Happy New Year!	Wednesday 1	- Seneca Nation Offices & Buildings CLOSED for New Year's Day! Happy New Year!	Wednesday 1
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I I	- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Lunch 11:45am- 12:45pm, Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Coloring 5pm	Thursday 9	1587 8pm, call 532.8456 for info. - (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles	Tuesday
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I I	- Regular Session of Council (SAAB) 9:30am - (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am,	Saturday 11	Ages 12-15 6-7pm, Co-Ed Youth Bball Games 5-6:30	pm Wednesday
i	- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am,	Sunday 12	- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Cards 10am, Puzzles 11am, Seasonal Craft 1pm, Sewing/Beading 3pm, Snack & Games 4pm - (CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5-6pm, Big Bear	8
i	Scrabble 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Coloring 5pm - (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am,	Monday	Hockey Agility Training 8-9:30pm	m 1
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WSB

= William

Seneca

Building

S-REC

= Steamburg

Recreation

Department

WINI K

Kettle

Elder

Center

= Wini

C-EDU

Education

= Catt.

NRAG

= Native

Roots

Artists

Guild

FMC

= Free

Methodist

Church

Allegany Territory

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Lunch 11:45am-12:45pm, Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Valentine Wreath 5pm

Thursday **16**

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Sewing 12pm, Movie & Snacks 1pm, Sewing 3pm, Beading 4pm, Puzzles 6pm

(CCC): Western Door Hockey 10-11am

Cattarangus Territory

Saturday 11

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Scrabble 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Valentine Wreath 5pm

Friday 17

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Sewing 12pm, Football & Snacks 1pm, Sewing 3pm, Beading 4pm, Puzzles 6pm

Sunday 12

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Saturday 18

- (CCC): Big Bear Hockey Agility Training 11am-1pm, Co-Ed Youth Bball Practice 9am

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(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 1pm, Beading 3pm, Potluck & Bingo 1pm

Monday

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Scrabble 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Coloring 5pm

Monday **20**

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(CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5-6pm, Western Door Hockey

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Seneca Language 11am, Potluck & Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 4pm

Tuesday

- Alcoholic Anonymous Meeting @ American Legion Post 1587 8pm, call 532.8456 for info.

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- Recovery on the Rez (FMC Basement) 7:30-9pm

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Friday 24

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Wednesday

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Scrabble 1pm, Fish Fry 3pm, Coloring 5pm

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Scrabble 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Valentine Wreath

Saturday

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- (CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5-6pm, Big Bear Hockey Agility Training 8-9:30pm

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Bingo 1pm, Sewing 3pm, Beading 4pm (CCC): Parisi Total Performance Ages 7-11 5-6pm & Thursday 16

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Scrabble 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Coloring 5pm

Sunday 26

Monday

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 1pm, Painting 3pm, Fish Fry 4pm

Ages 12-15 6-7pm

Friday

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Monday 20

Scrabble 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Valentine Wreath

Potluck & Bingo 5pm - (CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5-6pm, Western Door Hockey

6-7pm

Alcoholic Anonymous Meeting @ American Legion Post 1587 8pm, call 532.8456 for info.

Email the Newsletter staff at: sninews@sni.org

TERC = Training & Employment Resource

Center

5pm

SINM = Seneca-Iroquois National Museum SAAB = Seneca Allegany Administration Building

MPR = Multi Purpose Room

ECLC = Early Childhood Learning Center

SALC = Seneca Allegany Learning Center

SINM = Seneca-Iroquois **National** Museum

FIT-S = Fitness Staff

CIRVFD = Catt. Indian Reservation Volunteer Fire Department

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CCC Flyers posted below





Cattarangus Territory

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- (CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5-6pm, Big Bear Hockey Agility Training 8-9:30pm

- (**WINI K**): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Beading 1pm, Sewing 3pm, Movie 4pm

Thursday **22**

- (CCC): Parisi Total Performance Ages 7-11 5-6pm & Ages 12-15 6-7pm

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles

Friday
24

11am, Sewing 1pm, Painting 3pm, Fish Fry 4pm
- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Sewing 12pm,

Movie & Snacks 1pm, Sewing 3pm, Beading 4pm,

Saturday

- (CCC): Western Door Hockey 10-11am

Puzzles 6pm

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Sewing 12pm, Football & Snacks 1pm, Sewing 3pm, Beading 4pm, Puzzles 6pm

Sunday 26

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Thursday 30

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Friday **31**

Wishing you a beautiful Holiday Season and a year of good health, happiness and prosperity!







Nyagwai*







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Onödowa'ga:' Gawë:nö' Pronunciation Key

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HAPPY Holidays

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Shopping Happy **Holidays Candy canes Christmas Cookies Vacation** Milk **Family** Santa **Friends Songs Movies Presents Decorations** Fun

See how many of these words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.



Have a safe & happy holiday season! Wishing you a wonderful year ahead.