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A message from President Rickey L. Armstrong, Sr.



Greetings!

On Thursday, January 9th, I had the honor of receiving the Cornplanter Pipe Tomahawk, from the New York State Museum, at the repatriation ceremony, which took place at the Onösagwë:de' Cultural Center, on the Allegany Territory. As Joe Stahlman, Director of Seneca-Iroquois National Museum, shared, during Colonial times, the tomahawk was the most feared weapon and symbol of "Indian savagery"; but, pipe tomahawks reshaped and repurposed the weapon into a sign of both war and peace. The Cornplanter Pipe Tomahawk was gifted to Cornplanter

from George Washington in 1792, to acknowledge our role in establishing lasting peace with the Haudenosaunee, which was the famous Canandaigua Treaty. As Joe pointed out, historians like to tell us this treaty meant the young American government recognized our sovereignty. More importantly, the Canandaigua Treaty means the Iroquois Confederacy recognized American sovereignty as well. Knowing this, made the repatriation ceremony all the more meaningful, historical and powerful. To learn more about the history behind the Cornplanter Pipe Tomahawk, please visit our Onöhsagwe:de' Cultural Center, where it will be on permanent display.



The Allegany Seneca One Stop has expanded their operation to include the Seneca One Stop Café. The additional space includes the café, a small office, dine-in space and a new restroom. They invited my staff and I over for lunch, recently.

Their menu consists of burgers, wings, subs, pizza, salads and daily specials. The food is delicious and the prices are very economical. The café will be open 6am to 10pm, seven days per week. They're planning for a February 3rd grand opening. If you are in the area and looking for good food at a good value, I recommend you stop in

Lenith Waterman, Director of our Area Office on Aging and two-term Seneca Nation Clerk, retired recently. Even though Lenith had some medical and physical challenges in her life, she managed to have a career working for the Seneca Nation, which spanned more than forty years. She has always been a proud, strong Seneca woman, leader and great friend and colleague. More than that, she's a true warrior. Congratulations Len, on your exceptional career and I wish you continued good health and happiness in your retirement.

The Allegany Community Meeting was held on January 23rd, from 2pm to 5pm, in the Allegany Council Chambers. This was a joint effort, which included Seneca Nation Executives, Council, Department Directors and all interested Seneca community members. The idea for the meeting was to provide a forum where our members could discuss any needs and/or concerns they have. The department directors were

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on hand to answer questions or offer solutions, pertaining to items within their specific departments. I was glad to see the participation from the community, to hear new ideas and to explore various solutions. A few of the topics which were brought out included: education, log cutting, drones, accepting responsibility, traffic issues, helping one another, drug dealers, and protecting the environment. There was good dialogue and the meeting went well. I am confident solutions will be forthcoming. Thank you to our government officials and department directors for making

themselves available to engage with our community members.



On a personal note, on the 24th, I was paid a surprise visit by the four year old Pre-K students from Seneca Arts and Learning Center. They stopped by to wish me a Happy Birthday and sing to me - in our language. It was quite the honor and I was very happy to see them.

Respectfully, Rickey L. Armstrong, Sr.

NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE



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



IT'S A NEW YEAR!! STOP INTO THE OFFICE TO DO YOUR ANNUAL REGISTRATION.

Members can complete their annual registrations anytime during the calendar year (January - December).

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



Marta Kettle, Deputy Clerk CATTARAUGUS TERRITORY

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

The Buffalo Office will extend their office hours and be open until 8:30 p.m. to accept Registrations on the following dates:

February 19, 2020 March 18, 2020 April 15, 2020 May 20, 2020

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

NINE (9) ADDITIONS TO THE NATION'S ROLL – REGULAR COUNCIL JANUARY 11, 2020

Maddex Elijah Berger Mother: Brittney Ann Berger Bear Clan

Majesty Skyy DeJesus

Mother: Savannah Dove Jackson

Wolf Clan

Hendrik Sky Jimerson Mother: Krista Marie Brooks

Hawk Clan

Weston Adam Maybee-Snow Mother: Natasha Lynn Martin

Heron Clan

Rheila Vivian Meldrum

Mother: Katherine Rachel Crowley

Wolf Clan

Gary Owen Thomas III Mother: Kelsey Lynn Lay

Hawk Clan

Axel Williams Warrior Mother: Payge Nikole Warrior

Turtle Clan

Kashmyre Phil Weaver Mother: Sarah Lynn Weaver

Turtle Clan

Hendrix Aeson Wetherby Mother: Corrine Anne Maybee

Bear Clan

FOUR (4) DELETIONS TO THE NATION'S ROLL – REGULAR COUNCIL JANUARY 11, 2020

Oxavier Kenneth Carmona 07/17/2019 – 11/27/2019 Turtle Clan

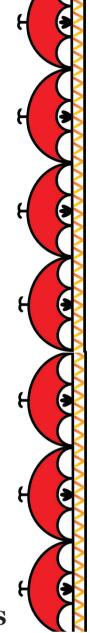
Lloyd Renaldo Sr. 02/19/1938 – 12/21/2019 Deer Clan

Kevin L. Smith 06/16/1965 – 12/24/2019 Beaver Clan

Joanne Williams 06/23/1943 – 11/28/2019 Turtle Clan

CLAN COUNT

Bear Clan -**782 Beaver Clan-624** Turtle Clan -2,422 Wolf Clan -1,841 Deer Clan -610 Hawk Clan -794 Heron Clan -624 Snipe Clan -678 Unknown -**71**



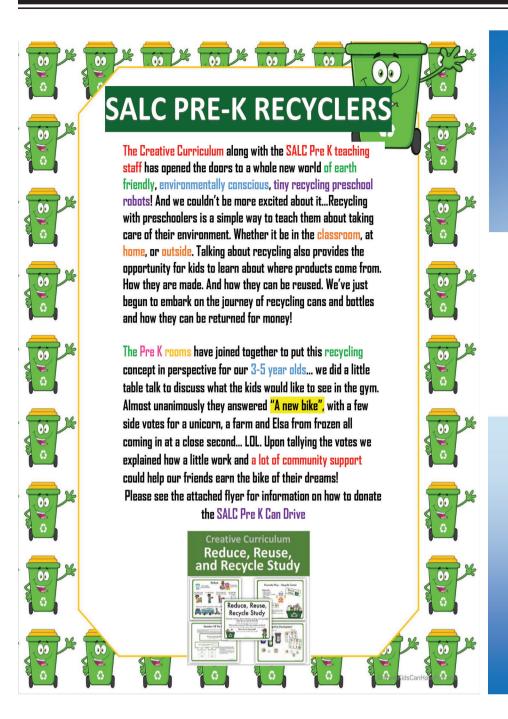
NEXT REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON THE CATTARAUGUS TERRITORY- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2020 AT 9:30 A.M.



EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

No drugs/alcohol use/
possession is prohibited
at the Seneca Nation
cemeteries. Gates will be
locked at dusk and opened
at dawn due to increased
safety concerns in addition
to increased Marshal's
patrols.





Open Interviews



February 5th 1-3pm February 6th 5-7pm Open Positions:

Cleaners ~ Concessions
Security ~ Poker Chip Runner (Niagara Falls)

Background check required for Gaming License
Pre Employment drug screen required
11099 Rt 5 Irving, NY 14081
Tel: 716-549-4389





Fish and Wildlife Dept. call for Christmas trees answered

By Tami Watt, Editor. Shane Titus, Fisheries Manager



This year, the Seneca Nation Fish and Wildlife Department received an abundance of donations for their fish habitat program. Over 300 Christmas trees were donated from locals and various Home Depot's around western New York to provide food, shelter, and a natural habitat for walleye fry and other assorted fish species.

According to Shane Titus, Fisheries Manager, the Fish and Wildlife Department has been recycling

Christmas trees for over 10 years now in an effort to revive the walleye population in the Allegheny River and Reservoir.

Twining and sinking pine trees to the lake bottom allows

Shane and staff to release walleye fry and fingerlings in them to ensure safe harbor as they grow and disperse throughout the waters of the Allegany.

The trees serve as a barrier against larger game that may consume the fry and fingerlings but can also be useful for other aquatic life in the river and reservoir. Other species of fish and invertebrate utilize the same trees for their own benefits as well. Other species of fish (Crappie, Perch, White Bass, Pike, Walleye, Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, and Assorted Baitfish) ,both young and adult, will use the trees as shelter and as feeding areas on the outskirts of the tree limbs.

The Fish and Wildlife Department collect the walleyes, harvest the eggs, and fertilize them at their fish hatchery.

The eggs hatch in roughly 28 days and are called "fry" but as they grow from fry to between 1- 3 inches they are called "fingerlings". The fish hatchery is located in Red House, NY off I-86 just before the Allegany State Park entrance. The best time to see the collection of eggs and fertilization process take place is the last week of March through the first two weeks of April. Please visit senecaconservation.com or check out Seneca Nation Conservation-Fish and Wildlife on Facebook for more information.

If you are not an enrolled member of the Seneca Nation, you may purchase a fishing license one at these locations: Seneca Nation Clerk's Office, Seneca One Stop, Antone's 1, and even at a few places in Bradford, PA. Prices vary- Adults- \$60, Minor- \$25, Disabled-\$10, Senior- \$15, 3 day passes for \$25.



 $\hbox{L-R: Shane Titus, Larry Beclia, Andrew Howard, Sam Agnew, Brennan Kettle, Carl Kettle}$

ATTENTION: SENECA NATION COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The letter below was received 12/11/2019 from a concerned party involved in this project sent to him from one of the project engineering firms. The letter is being submitted for the utmost safety of our Seneca Nation community members and to advise that travel beyond the Road Closed barricades placed at the top and bottom of Indian Hill puts the personal liability on you as a private individual. Please use discretion and if possible use another route to get to your destination.

Subject: Prospect Street - Road Opening

It has just come to our attention that the Town Highway Superintendent has elected to open Prospect Street to the public. This is despite the fact that in an 11:00AM phone call yesterday we recommended keeping the road closed not only to the public, but also to emergency and snow plowing traffic.

The July 2019 failure extends across and under the road. It is our opinion that at least ³/₄ of the road, including part of the east bound drive lane (and potentially the entire eastbound lane) is within a

zone where the factor of safety against failure occurring is less than 1.2; this is not a safe configuration and we feel that this action has put human health and safety at risk.

Foundation Design, P.C. accepts no liability or responsibility any issues that may develop with this decision.

We feel that the County Engineer immediately should be made aware of this condition.

Jeffrey D. Netzband, PE, PG
Foundation Design, PC
46A Sager Drive
Rochester, New York 14607
Phone (585) 458 0824
Cell (585) 737-7493
Webpage www.foundationdesignpc.com

If you have questions I can be reached at the contact information below.

Michael Gates, Director-Seneca Nation Emergency Management Department

12879 Route 438, Irving, NY 14081

Office: 716-532-8178 x8891; Cell: 716-244-0820

Email: mike.gates@sni.org

Public Notice 2019 and 2020 Consolidated section 5311 Program

Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program Seneca Nation of Indians

Public notice is hereby made that the Seneca Nation of Indians is applying for federal financial assistance to provide public transportation service, known as the Seneca Transit System, as follows: The Seneca Transit System intends to contract with a third-party contract operator to operate fixed route, route deviation service between the Village of Irving, the City of Salamanca, and the Village of Steamburg and the environs of the Cattaraugus and Allegany Territories of the Seneca Nation of Indians and Cattaraugus. The duration of service covered by this application includes October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019 and between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020.

Public notice is further made that the Seneca Nation of Indians is also applying for federal financial assistance to purchase three replacement buses that will be used to provide public transportation route deviation service between the Village of Irving, the City of Salamanca, and the Village of Steamburg and the environs of the Cattaraugus and Allegany Territories of the Seneca Nation of Indians and Cattaraugus.

The transportation service will be available to the general public during all hours of operation. Seneca Transit System service is provided in accordance with the Seneca Nation ADA Policy. Fixed route, deviation service is comparable transportation service required by the ADA for individuals with disabilities who are unable to use fixed route transportation systems and is available within ³/₄ mile of the fixed route.

The project is expected to be financed by FTA Section 5311 Rural Program public transportation funds, with additional funds to be provided from Federal Transit Administration Tribal Transit Program and Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program funding and funds to be provided through the New York State Department of Transportation Statewide Transit

Broadband Survey

The Seneca Nation is evaluating the current residential internet service on the Cattaraugus Territory. Please help us by completing this survey so we can explore opportunities to improve your service and options.

https://arcg.is/jy1SD



Hard Copy Surveys are available at the Cattaraugus Community Planning and Development Department, WSB 2nd Floor, Cattaraugus Clerk's Office, Cattaraugus Library, Cattaraugus Wellness Center and the Cattaraugus Area Office of the Aging.

Operating Assistance (STOA) Program. In addition, the Seneca Nation of Indians will provide local resources in the amount needed to complete the necessary financial contribution to the project.

The total amount of federal section 5311 funds for the 2019 and 2020 Seneca Transit System operating assistance projects are \$111,000 and \$111,000 respectively, for each fiscal year.

The application includes up to \$5,000 in Appalachian Development Public Transportation Assistance Program funding for fiscal years 2019 and 2020.

The total federal share for cited operating and bus replacement capital projects for which assistance is sought is up to \$500,000.

Comments on the proposed project are invited from the general public, private bus and taxi companies, other public transportation providers and human service agencies. Interested parties may comment on the project or obtain more details about the project by writing to:

Sharon Ray Acting Director Department of Transportation Seneca Nation of Indians PO Box 231 Salamanca, NY 14779

Human service agencies that receive assistance from other Federal agencies for non-emergency transportation services are encouraged to participate and coordinate with the provider in the planning, design and delivery of transportation services. Agencies may obtain copies of the service description and submit proposals for service coordination. Private bus and taxi operators may request copies of the project service description from the above named person and may submit comments on the service as described.

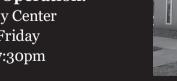
If you wish to comment on any aspect of the proposed project, submit a proposal or a request for service coordination or request a public hearing on this project, you must make your interest known in writing within fifteen calendar days of the date of this publication and provide your comments within fifteen calendar days of your receipt of the project service description. Your requests and/or comments must be forwarded to the above person.

Steamburg Community Center

Hours of Operation:

Community Center Monday - Friday

8:00am - 7:30pm





Recreation & After School Program

Monday - Friday

2:00pm - 5:30pm - After School

5:30pm - 7:30pm- Open Rec

Next Newsletter Deadline:

Tuesday, February 14, 2020Next issue to be dated February 4, 2020

Seneca Nation entering the industrial hemp industry

By MARIAN HETHERLY • DEC 30, 2019

The Seneca Nation has been vigorously working on a Hemp Production Plan to enter this new industry. It comes as the next step in an overall effort to revive agriculture on Seneca lands.

Jessica Crouse helped the Senecas create its first Agriculture Department last year, which has been raising produce on a 50-plus-acre farm in Collins and grass-fed bison on a 100-acre field in Machias. Products from those ventures are available at Seneca One Stop shops.



Bison Farm, Machias, NY

Now as Hemp Compliance Administrator, Crouse is leading the development of the Seneca's newest crop.

The Senecas raise bison on their farm in Machias, then sell the meat at their One Stop shops in Salamanca and Irving or by order. "Right now it's going to be open for our people to apply and try their hand at it. Whether that means they're putting it in the ground or they're growing it indoors, we'll definitely help facilitate that and we'll see where it goes," she said.

Crouse said, after talking with different producers and universities growing hemp, she expects many obstacles, including finding out what works in the different soils of the Cattaraugus and Allegany Territories.

"When you think about the Territory of Salamanca, this is the only unglaciated area of New York State, so we have all different soils and drainages versus over in the Cattaraugus Territory," she said. "So not only are we just trying to figure out an industry, we're also really trying to get back to learning all of these different intricacies about agriculture to make it a success."

The beans were planted by hand and the trellises are handmade on the Seneca Nation's Gakwi:yo:h Farms.

New York published its own draft guidelines for a state Hemp Pilot Project earlier this month, but Crouse said the Senecas are working separately with the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the 2018 Farm Bill guidelines to develop its stand-alone crop.

"The Farm Bill had a nice provision in there that prohibits the hampering of interstate commerce between states and tribes," she said. "This this is a federal initiative. So that little provision shields the commerce. Hopefully that stays strong and we're able to have a viable economy without interference."

The Farm Bill removed industrial hemp from the Controlled Substances Act and legalized it as an agricultural product. Crouse said once the Senecas' plan is approved, the rest of their hemp



Gakwi:yo:h Farms

program can be developed.

Crouse said "the movement" is strong among tribes across the nation and, whether focused on CBD or fiber, the products and benefits of hemp are vast, including regenerating the soil and the body. She first got interested in hemp in 2012 when her mother became ill with leukemia.

"I wanted to give her a protein after she had her bone marrow transplant," Crouse said. "So I started looking around and I started giving her the hemp powder, the hemp seeds. I was mixing them in her mashed potatoes. I was giving them to her any way I could so she could get the nutrition she needed to get strong and, I'll tell you what, she's still with us today."



IMPACTS TO OUR NATIVE COMMUNITY DURING TIMES OF EMERGENCIES.
HISTORY HAS SHOWN THAT HAUDENOSAUNEE HAVE SUSTAINED OUR WAY OF LIFE BY
BEING PREPARED. AS ÖGWE'ÖWEH COME TO THE AID OF YOUR COMMUNITY WHEN IT
MATTERS MOST, BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER AN EMERGENCY.

CERT TRAINING IS FREE

A NEW SERIES OF TRAININGS WILL BEGIN FEBRUARY 19 , 2020 AT 6PM – 9PM

AT SENECA NATION FIRE HALL SIX TO EIGHT INDIVIDUALS ARE NEEDED TO CONDUCT TRAININGS.

GET INVOLVED!

HELP PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE SENECA NATION'S MOST VALUABLE RESOURCE-

OUR LAND AND OUR PEOPLE.





For more information or

If you would like to join the CERT team

Call- (716) 532-8178 OR

Email- mike.gates@sni.org

And leave your contact information

Training and Employment Resource Center (T.E.R.C.) Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Program

If you or a family member have a documented disability or think you may benefit from getting a diagnosis in order to obtain employment, the Vocational Rehabilitation program would like to invite you to come to the Buffalo Native Resource Center and meet with our Intake Specialist and VR Counselor to learn more.

We will be at the BNRC: 533 Amherst St., Buffalo, NY 14207 on the following Tuesdays: Feb 25th. 10am - 2 pm March 24 th. 10am - 2 pm April 21st. 10am - 2 pm May 19th. 10am - 2 pm

Call 716-845-6304 for appointments while they are here.

You will need to bring any documentation you have from your medical provider and 3 forms of ID including a proof of address. RSVP to 531-1033 or 845-6304.

Seneca Nation Utilities Department

Submitted by Anthony Giacobbe

Let this notice serve as confirmation that Tilson Tech has been granted permission to access the Seneca Nation (Cattaraugus Territory) in order to perform survey field analysis of the utility-pole infrastructure as part of an engineering and design study for the Nation's broadband project.

Tilson's field analysis will begin December 2019 and may continue through mid-March 2020 depending on winter weather conditions.

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

Thank you for your cooperation on our initial design phase for this important and exciting project that will provide high-speed internet connectivity to Cattaraugus residents in approximately 2.5 to 3 years. This high-speed access will provide our community with education, business, healthcare and recreational benefits, which will improve the quality of life for our future generations.

Nya:wëh, Seneca Energy/Seneca Utilities

Training and Employment Resource Center: Professional Closet

Submitted by Sharon Patterson

The Training and Employment Resource Center is looking for gently used or new clothes for our "Professional Closet". We are asking that any clothes you bring in are on hangers, are clean and ready to go. Bags of clothes will not be accepted. No more than 12 items at a time. The Professional Closet will be ready by February 17th and is for participants of our program entering the workforce. This will ensure they are properly dressed for their new job at no expense to them. We will accept any donations of: deodorant, new t-shirts (all sizes) and new socks.

Drop off donations at the Cattaraugus Office: 23 Thomas Indian School Drive, behind AOA and BHU, the yellow double wide. 532-1033





Please be advised that you can pick up a copy at most Seneca Nation Buildings!!

(Newsletters available in Allegany the Wednesday before the official release date and available in

Cattaraugus the day before the official release date.)

OR CHECK OUT SNINEWS.ORG FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE EDITION PAST EDITIONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE IN PDF FORMAT

Attention Elders/ Disabled 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 pleased to assist you.

Nya:wëh!

We would like to extend our gratitude to Native Pride for their generous donation. Native Pride recently donated 390 cases of bottled water to the **Seneca Iroquois National Museum**.

Nya:wëh for your continued support!

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

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.

Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural Center Winter Hours

Sunday: CLOSED Monday: CLOSED

Tuesday: 9:00am - 5:00pm Wednesday: 9:00am - 5:00pm Thursday: 9:00am - 5:00pm Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm Saturday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

"Powerful Tools For Caregivers"

Are you a Caregiver of an adult with chronic conditions? Would you like to:

- Communicate more effectively in challenging situations?
- Reduce personal stress?
- Make tough caregiving decisions?
- Change negative self-talk?

If so, you are invited to attend a six-week seminar each Wednesday beginning February 12, 2020 and ending March 18, 2020 from 1:00pm - 3:30pm at the Seneca Nation Allegany Elders Center - 3644 Administration Dr., Salamanca, NY 14779. **For more information call Gail Kennedy**, Options Counselor for the Seneca Nation AOA at (716) 945-8991.

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

Seneca Iroquois National Museum seeking memorabilia involving "Seneca

People in Protest"

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

Social Security Assistance

Cattaraugus Territory

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

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

February 25, 2020

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

Honor Roll list for first marking period (Cattaraugus territory)

Submitted by Amy White



Gowanda Elementary School – 1st Quarter

Honors (90.0 - 94.9%)

4th - Isabela Gill Raelin Smith

Merit (85.0 - 89.9%)

4th - Lillian Spruce Aziyah Washburn Mychal Williams Rylee Yasurek

Gowanda Middle School – 1st Quarter

High Honors (95.0 - 100%)

5th – Ayla Sullivan

7th – Cole Gabel Winter Rive

Winter Rivera

8th – Alhanna Gabel Sierra General

Honors (90.0 - 94.9%)

5th – Titus Beaver Leona Henhawk Maliena Moses Mason Snyder

6th – Corrina John Shai Lindgren Cashis Montour Leila Thompson Nathan Warrior

8th - Gracie Carpenter
Aubrie Heron
Troy Jimerson-Williams
Chloe Luther

Merit (85.0 - 89.9%)

5th – Shai Buffalo Addison Crooks Maddox Hudson Jovin Jones Delia Mohawk Dalen Stevens Taydence Stevens

6th – Nina Coulon Salana Fegusquia Jules Hageman Kiona Isaac Jayden John Jacob Parker Alanson Stafford

7th – Ellarose LeBeau Lily Scanlan

8th – Tyler Bouquin Layla Gamble Nakotah Jackson Sierra Twoguns Jayson Twoguns

Gowanda High School – 1st Quarter

High Honors (95.0 - 100%)

9th – Lena (Gao:wisa:s) Stevens 10th – Kaylee Baird

12th – Jaylin Henhawk-Marr Kimberly Jumper Tyee Nagel Lily Redeye

Honors (90.0 - 94.9%)

9th – Mia Hudson 10th – Cameron Nagel

11th – Scotia Snyder

Shon Thompson Cecelia Young

12th – Morgan Baird Autumn-Raine Pierce Marleah Stevens Tia Thompson Emagin Warrior

Merit (85.0 - 89.9%)

9th – Marley Archer Crissa Scanlan Shelby Weston Chloe White

10th – Mary Denea Keagan Fox Adam Golden Logan Lukonaitis, Aailyah Stevens Meredith Wheeler

11th – Evan Carpenter
Jasmine Halftown
Ariyah Jimerson-Ocasio
Alexis John
Irissa Loving
Kirk Mohawk
Leland Parker
Grace Wakefield
Kristen Warrior

12th – Alexander Henhawk
Hannah John
Olivia John
Mia Torres
Tear-lyn White
Madison Williams



Silver Creek Middle School – 1st Quarter

Honor Roll

6th – Ella Austin Skyla Gates Shylor Maybee Hailie Rybij Courtney Wolff

7th - Aubrey Domres Gabriella Seneca

8th - Laneya Olsen

Credit Roll

6th - Bryce Balestrieri
Molly Becker
Adrian Frame
Marcus Gamble
Maloree Geiogamah
Kolby Jamison
Trever Jamison
Takoda Marr
Ayden Nelms
Sean Waterman

8th - Saige Holden Lucille Jimerson Vayda Stevens Timothy Williams

Silver Creek High School – 1st Quarter

Honor Roll:

9th - Lila Farrell Kayla Johns Jackson Williams

10th - Genevieve Balestrieri Gracie Hoelzle

11th Shandon Monroy Kianna Warrior

12th - Alexis Balestrieri Morningstar Halftown Julia Kennedy Nia Nephew

Credit Roll:

9th - Tory Cook Tehya Marr Jakeb Millar

10th - Sincere Becker Noelle Boushie Roger Williams,

11th - Danaceus Maybee

Lake Shore Middle School – 1st Quarter

Honor Roll:

6th - Kade Nephew Lilly Kushner Elliott Catalano Ciara Thompson Kyrie Buffalo James Mecca

7th - Maston Waterman Stanley Francis Aquinnah Maybee Stevieana Seneca Jordan Cooke Jr. Laelle Jimerson Shaun Serio Alexis Hummel Kiowa Haynes

8th - Morgan Huff
Dakota Familo
Ava Tallchief
Jacella Nephew
Eric Kushner
Benson-Cobain Quinn
Aiden Button

Merit Roll:

6th - Layla Jimerson
Kate Kennedy
Brody Himelein
Elizabeth Jimerson
Mauricio Gurule
Koltin Bonafede
Asa Thompson
Chasity LeRoy

7th - Travis Jimerson

8th - Eli Himelein
Troy Kennedy
Caye John
Macay Jimerson
Ada Irizarry
Raymond II Cortes

Lake Shore High School – 1st Quarter

Honor Roll:

9th – Blayze Becker Giana Corsaro Riley Fleming Alexandria Kennedy Nyla Rivera Tianna Thuman 10th – Fantasy Jimerson-

Kenjockety Joiise John Madeline Maybee Shatan Mohawk

Ava Williams

11th - Angela Edmond Kia Johnson Emma Kushner Lainey Scanlan

Lainey Scanlan Layla Seneca Miranda Williams 12th – Savanah Clear
Hailey Haynes
Coby Jimerson
Jadyn Jones
Yanenowi Logan
Eliese Maybee
Koby Parker
Amaya Tallchief
Holly Weston
Talynn Whitney
Aryana Williams

Merit Roll:

9th – Isaac Clear
Dallas Garlow
Daylin John
Malorie McComber
10th - Aiyana Crouse
Hayden Haynes II
Meadow Porter
11th – Anna Kennedy

12th – Rosetta George Hogaiyo: John Riley John Robert Keyes Baylee Locke Hailey Rice Sophie Snyder Carter Thompson



Lake Shore Freshman Academy Honors January 'Stunning Students!'

Ja:goh Tianna Thuman

Lake Shore Central School District Facebook

The Lake Shore Freshman Academy honors students every month for embodying the six "Cs" of the Academy (compassion, character, consistency, cooperation, critical thinking and capability). The Academy is pleased to announce its January "Stunning Students": (right to left, top to bottom) Nathan Stolarski, Tyler Pfalzgraf, Sophia Genovise, Magdalen Barclay and Tianna Thuman. The Freshman Academy is very proud of these students and is happy to recognize them for being "stunning." Congratulations to these wonderful students, and thank you to their parents for raising wonderful role models



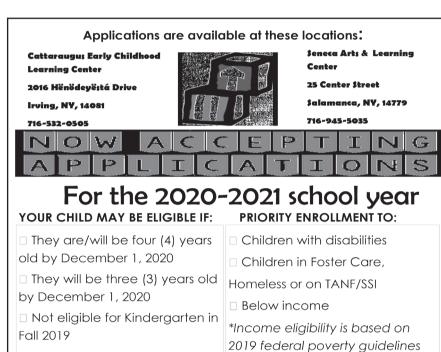
Title VI PAC meeting dates SSCD 2019-2020 school year

The Title VI Committee is made up of parent representatives, educators, community members, and officials from both Salamanca City Central School District and the Seneca Nation Education Department. The committee is responsible for allocating funds to Native American students under the Title VI grant for field trips, presenters, events and even support staff. Please join us! Meetings are open to the public.

The Title VI Committee meetings are held monthly at the Allegany Community Center in the Education Wing at 6pm.

Wednesday, Feb. 12th – 6:00 p.m. – ACC Education Wing **Wednesday, Mar. 18th – 6:00 p.m. – ACC Education Wing - Elections**

Wednesday, May 13th - 6:00 p.m. - ACC Education Wing



THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE NEEDED WITH APPLICATION:

- * Tribal ID of child or parent/guardian (if applicable) :child's tribal enrolment
- * Custody papers if applicable)
- * Proof of Income (any one listed below)
- -4 consecutive pay stubs, W-2 ,Income tax return
 -Zero income worksheet , Employer letter on company letterhead , child's birth certificate,
- -Public assistance award letter
- Current child's physical & immunizations

2019-2020 Waiting List

Applicants must submit an updated application and recent proof of income

TUESDAY-FRIDAY 8:30am-3:30pm



Taylor Valenti Named to Buffalo State Fall 2019 Dean's List

Taylor Valenti of Lawtons, NY, has been named to the Fall 2019 Dean's List at Buffalo State College. Valenti is majoring in Pre-Social Work.

In general, students who have completed at least 12 credit hours and who have attained a term GPA of 3.5 or higher qualify for the Buffalo State dean's list. Full criteria and grade-type exceptions can be found in the undergraduate catalog.







Snowsnake Carving Class for boys and men!



(FREE OF CHARGE)

Ages 12+ up - bring dad, grandpa, uncle, etc.
and your own hunting knife!
All other materials provided!

Classroom limit: 10 participants of 5 boys + 5 adults — register as soon as possible!

Location: Seneca-Iroquois National Museum classroom

82 W. Hetzel St., Salamanca, New York

Date: Feb. 3rd & 4th, 10th & 11th, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Instructor: Mike Crouse, Seneca elder
To register or for more information, please call:
Patti Brisley, Prog. Coord., at (716) 945-1760 x 7847

Update from the Veterans Dept.

To order military records, please follow the instructions and mail in to the appropriate records center. Forms can be found at https://www.archives.gov/veterans

If you need assistance please call or stop in to the Seneca Nation Veterans Department located on Cattaraugus Territory, 82 Iroquois Drive Irving, NY 14081. Allegany Veterans please call extension 5536 to set up an appointment, we will meet with you in Allegany.

Dear Seneca Nation Employees,

Please accept our sincere thank you for your generous donations to our animal rescue group. We truly appreciate your support. We are an all-volunteer organization, and we rely solely on donations. It is only through the generosity of caring people like you that we are able to continue our mission. Thank you again.

Sincerely, Kristie Mendell Empire Animal Rescue Society





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Classes for Beginners

- Online Every Monday / 7:30 PM − 9:00 PM
 - Via SKYPE: https://join.skype.com/invite/yXPh1iDG9Qjp
 - SKYPE Name: live:janosjaninebowen
 - Required text found at: https://senecalanguage.com/community-classes-now-available
 - o For any questions, please contact: janos.bowen@sni.org
- Tuesdays @ Seneca Strong / 3:00 PM 4:15 PM
 - 983 RC Hoag Drive, Salamanca, NY 14779
- Wednesdays / 10:00 AM 11:15 AM @ the Allegany Elders Center
 - o Administration Drive, Salamanca, NY 14779
 - next to the Allegany Community Center
- Wednesdays / 2:00 PM at the Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural Center
 - $\,\circ\,$ 82 West Hetzel Street, Salamanca, NY 14779



Christmas 5K Winners

Submitted by Joshua Becker

5k Results:

Male:

- Christian Hanesworth 1.
- Justin Reiller 2.
- Regis Bucktooth 3.

Female:

- Gayle Pavone 1.
- Gerri Jayne Jimerson 2.
- Alyssa Hanesworth 3.
- Alyson Brown 4.
- Caryn Miller

Best Dressed:

Joleen Pierce



The SNI ACC would like to thank SNHS Child and Family Services, SNI Education Department, Harvest Moon Food Service, and the Allegany Council Office for their contribution toward this event.

New graduates from the **Construction Technology Program**

Seneca Media

The Graduation Recognition ceremony, January 24, 2020, for the Training and Employment Resource Center Construction Technology Program at the Seneca Training Center in Irving, NY.

Ja:goh to Carson Brant, Tate Curry, Harley Jimerson, Joseph LaForme, Rayden Parker-Norton, Macey VanEvery and Kylen White!

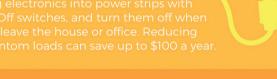








ELECTRONICS



START SMALL



Seniors get honorable mention at Lakeshore board meeting

Ja:goh Hailey Haynes (cross country), Jadyn Jones (volleyball) & Yanenowi Logan (soccer), at the LSC BOE meeting Tuesday, January 21, 2020, these 3 seniors were awarded Honorable Mention NYSPHSAA 2019 Fall Scholar Athlete for the Fall Sports Semester.



Faithkeepers School accepts Robert Woods Johnson Foundation award

By Tami Watt, Editor. Photos by Seneca Media.

The Faithkeepers School (FKS) graciously accepted the Robert Woods Johnson Foundation grant award in the amount of \$25,000 which helps fund the agricultural aspect used for traditional teachings and language lessons. They also used this time to give thanks to all whom have helped the students and school in many ways.

Another generous donation was also presented to the traditional school from the non-profit organization, Agwadeyesta' Doge:h, during their end of the year report. The check was presented to Sandy Dowdy from Donald White in the amount of \$5,600, the proceeds from the fundraiser meat raffle held in late 2019.

The Agwadeyesta' Doge:h has been instrumental in providing aid to the FaithKeepers School by sponsoring two Montessori scholarships, ten iPads for FKS language program through public school funds, and sponsored two language teachers to attend a professional development seminar.

Sandy Dowdy, co-founder of the



Faithkeeper School along with late husband Lehman "Dar" Dowdy, kindly handed out appreciations to all supporters whom contributed in any form or fashion. Everything they use and have to teach is donated by the supportive community and they feel very fortunate to be recipients of donations and grant awards.

Not having to stress about funding allows staff and teachers to focus solely on teaching the Montessori Method and immersing students in language. Granddaughter and certified Montessori teacher, Autumn Crouse, provides a great education to students while practicing and instilling traditional Seneca methods. "We are fortunate teachers have gained knowledge to teach Montessori, they use the best methods and practice available. We are always working to improve. Come see us any time, everyone is welcome," says Dowdy.

Donations of any kind are accepted and also help students in the adult immersion programs, which is located in the adjacent building next to the school. The program

centered on adults is a strenuous three year curriculum intended to produce fluent Seneca speakers. Contributions can be used to educate all students.

"We need to have our children speak. They're the ones that will keep it going. Immersion students have promised to continue to pass down the language to their children and be teachers. That's how our language is going to continue," Sandy Dowdy.

REWARD Offered in Salamanca BALD EAGLE Shooting Seneca Nation Fish and Wildlife



The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is offering a reward of up to \$5,000 to eligible individuals for information that significantly furthers this investigation or leads to enforcement action against the person(s) who shot a bald eagle while it was perched in a tree along the Allegany River, off Old Route 17 in the Red House area, across the river from Herons (Cattaraugus County).

On November 20, 2019, Seneca Nation Fish and Wildlife received a complaint about a large bird that was seen dead at the top of a tree along the Allegany River off Old Route17. The use of a drone confirmed the bird was a bald eagle.

On November 26, 2019, Seneca Nation Fish and Wildlife, assisted by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, recovered the banded sub-adult female bald eagle carcass. Forensic examination determined the eagle's cause of death was the result of a gunshot wound.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Seneca Nation of Indians are asking anyone with information about this incident to contact either Special Agent Ryan Bessey with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Amherst, NY at (716) 691-3635, Conservation Manager Lawrence Becelia with the Seneca Nation Fish and Wildlife at (716) 945-2779, or 1-844-FWS-TIPS (397-8477).

Even though bald eagles are no longer listed under the Endangered Species Act, bald eagles are still federally protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act.

Maximum fines under these acts are \$15,000 and \$100,000 respectively with possible imprisonment up to one year.



President Rickey Armstrong, Sr.'s remarks at Lenith Waterman's retirement

January 16, 2020





Good afternoon, everyone. Nya:wëh Sgë:nö',

I'm happy that we can all be here today to celebrate the incredible career and dedicated service of our good friend, Lenith Waterman.

As you know, Len is a member of the Turtle Clan, raised here in Cattaraugus with her six sisters, her brother and her parents, Catherine Johnson Waterman and Raymond Waterman.

She started working for the Seneca Nation sometime around 1978, and has served our people in many responsible positions over the past 40+ years.

She has served two terms as Clerk, as well as working in other departments, before taking on her latest role here at the AOA. She is a proud, strong Seneca woman, a great friend and colleague, and a leader. But, Len is also a warrior.

In the early 80's, Len was diagnosed with End Stage Renal Failure and later moved to Arizona, where she received her first successful transplant in 1987.

That couldn't stop her.

By the early 90's, Lenith and her family returned home to Cattaraugus, and she picked up right where she left off serving the Seneca Nation and our people.

About ten years ago, Len was again placed on the transplant list. It was a long wait and a hard fight, but Len stayed strong. As I said, she is a warrior.

Finally, after years of waiting, Len had another transplant surgery in 2015.

You might think that two transplants would be more than enough to slow someone

down. Not Lenith.

In true warrior spirit, she was elected to a two-year term as Seneca Nation Clerk in November 2016, just a year after her transplant. After her term was over, she was appointed as director of the AOA, where she has continued to make a profound difference in the lives of the Seneca people. She is an inspiration to all of us, and she will be missed.

Len - thank you for your service, your friendship, and your example. On behalf of the Seneca people, I want to congratulate you on your exceptional career, and wish you nothing but continued health and happiness in your retirement.

Nya:weh.



Treasurer Pagels, Councilors Jones, Abrams, Bova, Clerk Johnson, Karen Bucktooth, Michael "Purr" Jimerson and Lenith also spoke before the luncheon.

Also in attendance Soupy, Llona, Presley, Joonie, Tim, Paul, Elliot, Terry, Marta to celebrate and bid farewell.







Honoring Seneca Women

Nomination Form

| Name of nomination: | | | | |
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| Date: | | | | |
| Supporting information on your nomination (optional): | | | | |
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| Name of person submitting nomination (optional): | | | | |
| Completed forms can be dropped off or mailed to the museum at the address above. Or e-mail to <u>i.iimerson@sni.org</u> | | | | |
| Deadline for all forms is April 15, 2020 | | | | |
| Office Use Only | | | | |
| Museum employee receiving form: | | | | |

New Department Signage for Seneca Media & Communications Center, Cattaraugus Territory Office

A beautiful new sign for our SMCC Cattaraugus office has been placed courtesy of the talented folks at Tuscarora Woodworks!

Nya:weh!

The Seneca Media and Communications Center and the Cattaraugus Newsletter Office is located at 11 Thomas Indian School Dr., Irving, NY 14081.



Seneca Sisters sing women's songs at 4th Annual Women's March

Seneca Sisters Nicky Thompson, Robin Jones, Darelyn Spruce, Lori Seneca, and Maria Maybee sang for the Gathering ceremony and reception for the 4th Annual Women's March at the NYS Equal Rights Heritage Center in Auburn, NY.

The event took place on January 17th with an opening by Diane Schenandoah and a power speech by Michelle Schenandoah on how Haundenosaunee Sisters Represent and Share the Truth of the Influence Women had upon the Suffragists.































February 2020

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

USDA Schedule

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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Spaghetti & meat sauce, cauliflower, green beans, chocolate pudding | BBQ pulled pork, hearty wheat bread, seasoned peas, berry crisp | Turkey chili, corn bread, roasted brussel sprouts, blueberries, vanilla pudding | Ranch chicken, rice pilaf, roasted butternut squash, tropical fruit cocktail | 7 Ham & scalloped potatoes, steamed broccoli & carrots, pear crisp |
| Cuba Gaming & | Lakewood Cinema 8 Movie | Scenic Ride | Chautauqua Mall | Aldi's & Arby's |
| Cheese Shop | Theatre - Jamestown | Allegany State Park | Jamestown | Bradford |
| Scenic Ride | Savers | Walmart | Dunkirk Shopping | Fish Fry Dinner Rider's |
| 1pm | Hamburg - 1pm | 1pm | 1pm | Choice - 3pm |
| 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 | |
| Hot ham & cheese sliders, green beans, baby red potatoes, peach crumble | Meatloaf w/gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, cinnamon peaches | Macaroni & cheese, stewed tomatoes, blueberries, vanilla pudding | Traditional Meal 3 sisters soup, side salad, pumpkin muffin | Salisbury steak & gravy over seasoned brown rice, roasted cauliflower, apple crumble |
| Reid's Food Barn | Good as New Thrift Store | Rider's Choice | TJ Maxx & Johnny's Lunch | Joann Fabrics |
| Olean | Conewango | | Box - Jamestown | Olean |
| Hobby Lobby | McKinley Mall | Walmart | Ted's Hotdogs | Buffalo Creek Casino |
| 1pm | 1pm | 1pm | 1pm | 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 |
| Liver & onions, parsley potatoes, dinner roll, sautéed spinach | Stuffed shells, green beans, dinner roll, chocolate pudding | 19 Beef & vegetable soup, dinner roll, fruit & yogurt parfait | Birthday Party! Roasted pork loin, boiled carrots, side salad, birthday cake | 21 Creamy chicken pomodoro over pasta, broccoli, warm cinnamon pears w/graham crackers |
| Dunham's & Lighthouse | Wegmans 5% Sr. Discount | Bingo @ Irving Fire Hall | Brigiotta's Market | Scenic Ride |
| Restaurant - Bradford | Jamestown | Depart @ 4:45pm | Jamestown | Amish Trail |
| Galleria Mall 1pm Cattaraugus Distribution | Savers 1pm Cattaraugus Distribution 9am - 3:30pm | Walmart Hamburg - 1pm Cattaraugus Distribution 9am - 3:30pm | Local Shopping 1pm Cattaraugus Distribution 9am - 3:30pm | Home & Outdoor Living Show @Hamburg Fairgrounds-1pm Cattaraugus Distribution |
| 9am - 3:30pm 24 Chicken noodle soup, dinner roll, Parmesan baked zucchini, brownie | 25 Brunch Sausage, egg & cheese casserole, toast, berry crisp | Pork roast, wax beans, sweet potatoes, fruit | Grilled chicken, seasoned rice, corn, jello | 9am - 3:30pm 28 Hearty minestrone soup, dinner roll, roasted delicatta squash, fresh fruit |
| Big Lots & Taco Bell | Red & Trudy's Eatery | Local Banking & | Sprague's Restaurant | Home Depot & KFC |
| Bradford | Portville | Shopping | Depart @ 4:15pm | Olean |
| Rider's Choice | McKinley Mall Area | Walmart | Local Banking | Comedy Club \$20 fee |
| 1pm | 1pm | 1pm | 1pm | Jamestown - 5:30pm |
| Cattaraugus Distribution | Cattaraugus Distribution | Cattaraugus Distribution | Cattaraugus Distribution | No Distribution |
| 9am - 3:30pm | 9am - 3:30pm | 9am - 3:30pm | 9am - 3:30pm | Inventory Day |
| WEEKEND TRIP | WEEKEND 'Allegany Al Allegany Al February 1 Faithkeeper's School Br Depart @ 103 | <mark>OA</mark> 6th eakfast Buffet | | |

3rd Annual Warrior Games Box Lacrosse Tournament Held at the ACC

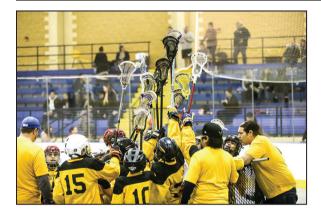
By Tami Watt, Editor







Congratulations to the first place teams: (left) Road Warriors - Pee Wee Division (right) Iroquois Thunder - Bantam Division



The third annual Warrior Games box

lacrosse tournament, in association with USBOXLA, was held at the Allegany Community Center January 17th-19th for the pee wee and bantam divisions (ages 11-14). Four teams from the pee wee division battled it out in the box with the Road Warriors taking the home the gold. The bantam division had

six teams with Iroquois Thunder nabbing the gold.

Warrior Game organizers, Allie and Lisa George, were instrumental in introducing box lacrosse in North Carolina where they lived for a time and only field lacrosse



was offered for their sons. Seeing an opportunity to "grow the game" and bring lacrosse players and coaches together was a no brainer. "Our goal was to create a first class event that would help showcase all the young talent in our communities and help connect coaches and teams to more lacrosse opportunities out there. Three years ago USBOXLA was unknown to most. So it's pretty cool seeing teams now travelling all over the Country to play in tournaments,

some as far as Las Vegas and California."

George also commends the support from the community and sees it as the key to any successful event. This years tournament would not be possible without the hard working Allegany Community Center staff, sponsors like the Seneca

Nation, and dedicated coaches, players, referees, and scorekeepers. Scorekeepers Jacky Snyder and Leslie Pierce kept everything running smoothly all weekend for all 23 games!

This year, a youth smoke dance competition

was held for ages 0-17. Alan Dowdy belted out his favorites for the dance off and social songs for the crowd to participate. The Seneca **Nation President** and Council Offices graciously sponsored the competition and Councillor Tina Abrams was present to hand out the winnings.

The 2020 Warrior Games USBOXLA champions for the pee wee division were: 1st- Road Warriors, 2nd- Catt Rez Elite, 3rd- Western Woodsman. Winners for the bantam division were 1st - Iroquois Thunder, 2nd - 32's, 3rd - Six Nations. Ja:goh to all athletes!

The Smoke Dance competition winners





were: Boys: 1st- Hiram Watt, 2nd- Liam Dowdy, 3rd- Taydence Stevens. Girls: 1st - Lorenza Dowdy, 2nd - Mayce Jones, 3rd - Haila Rivera. Teen boys: 1st - Hodënod Sundown, 2nd - Ace Abrams, 3rd - Braley Abrams. Teen girls: 1st - Kaylene Block, 2nd - Eva Dowdy, 3rd - Wassy Stevens.

We are already talking about plans for next years tournament. We'd like to get it back to all four divisions hosted in both Allegany and Cattaraugus!



Patterson Named Inside Lacrosse America East Preseason Player of the Year

Ja:goh Jakob Patterson

Reprinted from ualbanysports.com | Mens Lacrosse | January 14, 2020

BALTIMORE – University at Albany senior Jakob Patterson has been named America East Preseason Player of the Year by Inside Lacrosse, the publication recently announced. He was joined on the Preseason All-Conference list by junior Alex Burgmaster.

Patterson, an attack from Chandler, Ariz., is the reigning America East Offensive Player of the Year, finishing the 2019 campaign with 25 goals and 32 assists for team-leading 57 points. Patterson led the America East in 2019 with 4.07 points per game.

Burgmaster, a midfielder from Auburn, N.Y., played in 12 games last year, scoring two goals with two assists and 11 ground balls with two caused turnovers. Additionally, UAlbany was picked first in the Inside Lacrosse America East Preseason Poll. Vermont was picked second, followed by defending champion UMBC in third, with Stony Brook and UMass Lowell rounding out the top-five.

Vermont, UMass Lowell, and UMBC led



the way with three preseason selections each, while UAlbany and 2019 America East regular-season champion Stony Brook each drew two.

UAlbany once again will have one of the most exciting offenses in the country, with Patterson, Burgmaster, and Tehoka

Nanticoke among this season's returnees.

Players mentioned:

#17 Jakob Patterson A, 6' o", 185 lbs, Senior

Source: https://ualbanysports. com/news/2020/1/14/menslacrosse-patterson-named-inside-lacrosse-america-eastpreseason-player-of-the-year. aspx?fbclid=IwAROHBh-FQOLGYxz8qmSMiKgPoMuTvBq3Cqd9MuQ_GxI9hI



Ja:goh Ava Redeye (Cattaraugus Territory)

Shout out to 13 year old Ava Redeye who plays Goalie for the Jamestown Lakers hockey team, marking her 2nd year in this position. Recently the team traveled to Cleveland, Ohio to compete in the Rock-n-Roll Cup where they remained undefeated and took 1st place in the Bantam division! Ava is the only female on her team. She is pictured below alongside her proud father, Mike Redeye. Ja:goh, Ava!



Salamanca Boy Cares for Mom during Medical Emergency

Ja:goh Jayden Barton!

By Kellen M. Quigley | Jan. 10, 2020 | Reprinted from www.salamancapress.com

SALAMANCA — A mother and son relationship is a special one, but sometimes it can also be a lifesaving one.

About a week before this past Christmas, nine-year-old Jayden Barton, of Salamanca, knew exactly what to do when his mom's health was in trouble.

As Cierra Desbian's blood sugar level got dangerously low one night, Jayden was there to help her through what could have been a life-threatening emergency.

Desbian, who has diabetes and kidney failure, said she takes five shots of insulin a day. But after taking her nighttime medicine one evening, her blood sugar started going low while both of them were asleep and it was going fast.

"I woke him up and he got right up," she said. "He immediately knew what to do." Desbian said she and Jayden, a third grade student at Prospect Elementary School, had talked through what to do when something like this happens, telling him what to get for



Nine-year-old Jayden Barton (right) is certainly a hero in the eyes of his mom, Cierra Desbian, after taking care of her during a recent medical emergency the week before Christmas. Photo by Kellen M. Quigley

her to help her through it.

"He checked my sugar and it was only 32 (mg/dL)," she said.

Jayden next went to the kitchen to get his mom some specific foods, including cheese and graham crackers, to help get her blood sugar levels back up. "He kept taking my sugar periodically and it didn't seem like it was going up too fast," Desbian said. "Finally, it ended shooting back up."

In all, Jayden spent about 45 minutes caring for his mom that, staving off what could have resulted in a much greater emergency.

"He knows to call 9-1-1, but if he knows what he's doing, he won't call," she said.

Desbian said Jayden has been helping her manage her low blood sugar and kidney failure for about a year now, even sleeping in the same room as her so he isn't far away.

And he called my friend to make sure he was doing everything right and walked him through it," she said. "He stayed up with me the whole time."

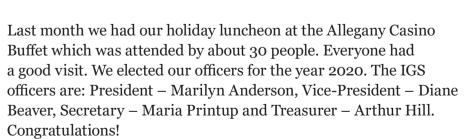
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Iroquois Genealogy Society 2019 Highlights

By Leatha Jimerson

Happy New Year Everyone!

We hope this finds you well. We are currently on break for the winter. We will start our monthly meetings on March 12, 2020. We are in the process of planning our meetings and events for the coming year.



Some highlights of 2019:

- Book signing by Laurence Hauptman, 'Coming Full Circle, The Seneca Nation of Indians 1848-1943' and a Caroline Hewitt presentation.
- Field trip to the Rochester Museum and



Science Center with Jamie Jacobs.

- Field trip to the NYS Archives in Albany, NY, hosted by Dr. James Folts and Dr. Gwen Saul.
- Field trip to Letchworth State Park with a presentation by Jare Cardinal on Mary Jemison history.

We had new field trips last year (Rochester Museum and Letchworth State Park) that we

hope to do again this coming year since they were a great success.

The sale of Dr. Randy John's books (*Seneca Women and Seneca People: Places and Names*, to name a few) has been a great fundraiser for us. Nya:wëh, Randy!

We are looking forward to another exciting year of family history and genealogy. Please come to one of our meetings this year.

You most likely will learn new information regarding your family tree.

Also, check out our website:

www.iroquoisgenealogysociety.org



Salamanca Schools Receive \$474K Grant for Seneca Youth Program

By Kellen M. Quigley | Jan. 11, 2020 | Reprinted from www.oleantimesherald.com



SALAMANCA — The Salamanca City Central School District has received a \$474,000 grant from the State Education Department for the My Brother's Keeper Native American program, district officials recently announced.

At the Board of Education's Tuesday meeting, Dr. Mark Beehler, assistant superintendent for academic services, informed the board of the school's success in receiving the grant.

"We have been allocated a little over \$474,000

to be distributed over the next three years," he said. "A lot more (info) will be coming out in the near future, but that's exciting."

The funds would focus on providing mentorship for Native American males and the development of a comprehensive Indigenous Peoples education curriculum for grades K-12,

Beehler explained.

"I anticipate on the February board agenda, there will be some anticipated new hires that will assist us with that because that's what some of that funding is for," he added.

Beehler also thanked the Seneca Nation for their cooperation and involvement with acquiring the grant, including at the district-Nation summit held in the fall.

About two years ago, the Salamanca school district received approximately \$90,000 in a grant through the same program.

The district, located within the Seneca Nation's Allegany

Territory, is comprised of about 1,400 students in grades K-12, about a third which identify as Native American.

The purpose of the My Brother's Keeper program is to increase the academic achievement and college/career readiness of Native American students, with an emphasis on boys and young men.

Source: http://www.olean-timesherald.com/olean/sala-manca-schools-receive-k-grant-for-seneca-youth-program/article_b73d1e44-5fad-58a2-96a7-1002d5696864.html?fbclid=IwAR-1h2wRCw8065GZHBg19wgWNEu-gjHJaQ67IZWm_RC8v7gXs-tJogX_7SCRI#utm_campaign=blox-&utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social

Ganondagan's 17th Annual Free Native American Winter Games

Event will take place with or without snow - Free and Open to the public $\it By\ Amy\ Blum,\ PR$



Victor, NY—For its 17th annual Native American Winter Games, Friends of Ganondagan will again offer numerous

activities that harken back to 17th-century winters when Ganondagan was an active Seneca town, and winter was a busy time both indoors and out.

On **Saturday, February 22 from 10 am-4 pm**, the public will experience family-friendly Haudenosaunee experiences



through a variety of traditional Seneca winter activities. These include the competitive game of snowsnake, racing small wooden snowboats (akin to Pinewood Derby), meeting sled dogs and watching a dog sled demonstration, and learning how to use snowshoes.

Indoors at the Seneca Art & Culture Center, the Allegany River Dancers in colorful regalia

will demonstrate their skill in Iroquois Social Dancing; Ganondagan staff will share winter storytelling; visitors will have the opportunity to win raffles, visit the Wampum Learning Center, watch the **Iroquois Creation Story** film, enjoy Iroquois White Corn inspired food for purchase (11 am - 2:30 pm), and more. All activities are free and include complimentary admission to the Seneca Art & Culture

Center. Suggested donation is \$10/family, \$5/individual. The event takes place with or without snow.

"Ganondagan's Native American Winter Games is a wonderful time to share our Haudenosaunee culture while enjoying the important benefits of being outside during the winter season," said Friends of Ganondagan Program Director Jeanette Jemison (Mohawk). "This day provides the opportunity to learn about our rich history, culture and living traditions by engaging in storytelling, dancing, games, and traditional arts and crafts."

Native American Winter Games sponsor is the Rochester Area Community Foundation.

Kiona Welch Completes Flight Attendant School

Kiona Welch, daughter of Glenda Taylor and Jeff "Cuban" Welch, recently graduated from the International Air and Hospitality Academy with a certificate from the Airline Travel Specialist Program in Vancouver, WA, fast tracking her to become a flight

attendant for a major airline when she turns of age.

A 2019 graduate from Salamanca, Welch started classes in August and completed the four month program in December.

She will not be able to work for a major airline until she turns 21 but has applied with Mesa Airlines based out of Phoenix, AZ and is waiting for a call back. To keep busy, the ambitious Welch interviewed at the Seneca Allegany Casino and started training in table games weeks ago.





Ja:goh Kiona! We look forward to seeing a familiar face in the air!

Left:

Kiona Welch pictured with her parents Glenda Taylor and Jeff "Cuban" Welch.

VA Recreation Therapy Offers Veterans Skiing Opportunity at Holiday Valley Ski Resort

By Evangeline Conley, Public Affairs Officer

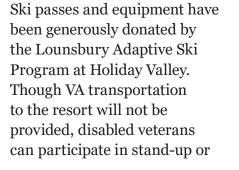




U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

On Friday, February 7, 2020, adaptive sit-down skiing at no at 10am, Veterans with cost.
disabilities will be treated to a fun day of skiing as part "This is a great partnership of VA Western New York" and winter activity for our

and winter activity for our Veterans," stated Pamela Kaznowski, VA Western New York Healthcare System's Recreation Therapy Supervisor. "Recreation therapy activity like this improves the quality of life of our Veterans. This could be a Veteran's first skiing experience and a day of camaraderie with fellow Veterans, giving them the inspiration to take their rehabilitation to a higher level" added Kaznowski.



Healthcare System's Recreation

Therapy activities. Hosted by the Lounsbury Adaptive Ski

Program at Holiday Valley Ski

kick-off from the Tannenbaum

Lodge at 6787 Holiday Valley

Road, Ellicottville, New York.

Veterans enrolled in VA health

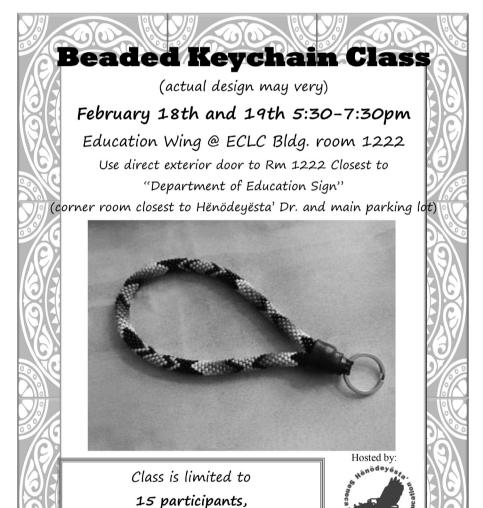
care are welcome to participate

and can register by calling 716-

862-6814.

Resort, the ski program will





Off Territory Addiction Recovery Group

call to reserve your spot 532-3341

Sparks of Hope 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

Knighthawks sign Halftown to practice player contract

Knighthawks PR 01.24.2020

Rochester Knighthawks General Manager and Vice President of Lacrosse Operations Dan Carey announced today that the team has signed forward LeRoy Halftown to a practice player contract.

Halftown, 25, joins the Knighthawks after spending the 2018-19 season on the practice squad of the Georgia Swarm, who selected him in the second round (20th overall) of the 2018 NLL Entry Draft.

Prior to that, Halftown, a product of the Cattaraugus Reservation, played two seasons at the New York Institute of Technology (NYIT), where he was a USILA Third-Team All-American after scoring a team-high 52 goals with 18 assists while starting all 18 games. He ranked second

in ECC play in goals and was later named the East Coast Conference and Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Player of the Year as a senior in 2018.

The 6-foot, 175-pound forward also played one season at Onondaga Community College, helping the Lazers win their 12th straight NJCAA Region III championship in 2016. He spent the 2013 season at Monroe Community College in Rochester, scoring 20 goals and five assists in eight games.

The Knighthawks are back in action following the bye week on Friday, Jan. 31 when they travel to KeyBank Center to take on the Buffalo Bandits in the first of three matchups between the two teams this season. Game time is slated for a 7:30 p.m.

start and can be heard live on 107.3 FM The Bull as well as B/R Live.

For more information, visitwww. rochesterknighthawks.com/season-tickets or call 585-454-5335 and speak with a Knighthawks sales representative.



PERSONALS



Happy Birthday! Happy 9th Birthday (February 7th)

Korynn Iris!

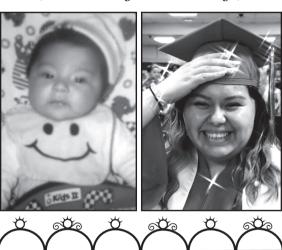
Love, Punkin, Mom, Ethan, Holden & Logan.

(Submitted by Marcy Isaac)

Happy Birthday!

Screaming Happy 20th Birthday to my first love miss Mia-My on January 30th!! (**Lacey. C. Mohawk**) I'm beyond proud of the Young lady you have become. I hope you have a wonderful day baby.

Love always, Kerri. (Submitted by Kerri Santiago)



Happy Birthday!

Happy 80th birthday to the kindest and most thoughtful friend, mother and grandmother ever - **Eunice (Eunie) Mohawk!**

We wish you the happiest of birthdays, and many more to come!

So much love, Linda, Jeff and Jaime

(Submitted by Linda Wolniewicz)



Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday to our favorite guy, **Bradley**, on January 25th!

You are the ultimate family man. Zayda and I are so lucky to have you!

(Submitted by Taylor Law)

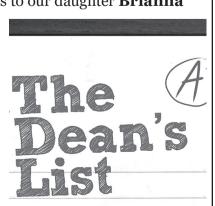


Congratulations!

Congratulations to our daughter Brianna

Gonzalez for making the Dean's list for the fall semester at Bryant and Stratton college.

(Submitted by Lori and Michael Gonzalez)



Dental Introduces "Walk-in Dental Sealant MONTH"

Submitted by Dr. Joe Salamon, D.D.S., Dental Services Director, SNHS

To Kick off National Children's Dental Health Month, February, SNHS Dental will offer walk-in Dental Sealants to all SNHS eligible youth from 2/3/20 -2/28/20.

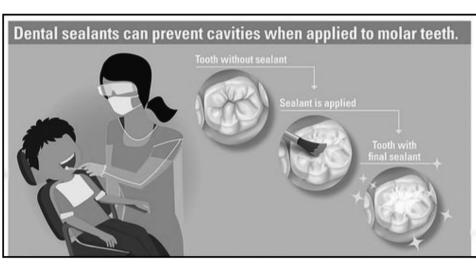
What are Dental Sealants?

Dental sealants have been shown to reduce the risk of decay by nearly 80% in molars. This is especially important when it comes to your child's dental health. According to the **Centers for Disease Control**, "school-age children without sealants have almost three times more cavities than children with sealants."

How Do Sealants Work?

Think of them as raincoats for your teeth. When the cavity-causing bacteria that live in everyone's mouth meet leftover food particles, they produce acids that can create holes in teeth. These holes are cavi-

ties. After sealant has been applied it keeps those bits of food out and stops bacteria and acid from settling on your teeth—just like a raincoat keeps you clean and dry during a storm.



Who Can Get Sealants?

Your first molars appear around age 6, and second molars break through around age 12. Sealing these teeth as soon as they come through can keep them cavity-free from the start. Ask your dentist if sealants are a good option for you and your family.

What is Walk-in Dental Sealant Month?

For the entire month of February, SNHS -Dental will place sealants on any child age of 5-18 on a "walk-in" basis. When available, Dentist will examine the teeth for decay, if there are no cavities, they or a dental Hygienist will seal the molar teeth. If it's been 3 months since the patient's last topical fluoride application, topical fluoride will be applied to strengthen additional teeth and help fight cavities. SNHS - Dental recommends parents & guardians call before "walking-in" if you'd like to check availability and wait times.

5 Ways to Prevent Kids' Tooth Decay



Learn more at MouthHealthy.org.

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 you.

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 inpatient care.

Healthy Eating, the Traditional Way

Submitted by Robin Crouse, Health Educator, LRJHC

Healthy eating in the modern world is not always easy. Fast food and prepackaged foods are easier than cooking from scratch but these kinds of foods are harmful to our health.

Diets have changed dramatically since the introduction of European foods into our diets. The diets of our ancestors contained more complex carbohydrates such as whole grains, peas, beans, & potatoes and less fatty foods like meats, dairy products and oils. While diets vary from nation to nation, traditional foods consisted of those that could be gathered and hunted in the local area, and generally included corn, beans, & squash.

The shift in the way we eat came as a result of being removed from our homelands and relocated to reservations. The federal government discouraged our ancestors from continuing their traditional hunting and gathering traditions and provided commodity foods such as white flour from wheat and lard to our communities. These products are foreign to the traditional diet. Combined

with the destruction of traditional practices, the diet of the present day has contributed to the disparities in the health of our people.

Everyone can benefit from a healthier diet. Consider the following:

- Make one change at a time. Changing diets is not easy and habits can be hard to break. By making one change at a time, it will be easier to change habits successfully.
- Reduce how many simple
 carbohydrates (refined sugars) you
 eat. Snacks like soda and candy
 contain very high amounts of these
 simple sugars and replacing them
 with healthier choices can make a big
 difference to your health.
- Control portions Eating until satisfied rather than stuffed is a good habit to create. Our ancestors ate what they could hold in their cupped hand.
- Eat more fruits and vegetables.
- Use healthier cooking techniques.

Child & Family Services Holiday Happenings

Submitted by Child & Family Services

In the month of December each territory had a Holiday Make 'n Take Party.

Families came and wrote letters to Santa, made crafts, and played games while enjoying light refreshments. Allegany had a turnout of 33 people and Cattaraugus had 40! Cattaraugus also participated in the outreach to families at the SNI ECLC Holiday Bazaar at the CCC on December 7th and the outreach to families at Buffalo Native Resource Center on December 14th.

Child and Family services would like to thank everyone who donated gifts; The Red Rum Motorcycle Club, Bethany
Johnson and the Clerks Offices
Employees, Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino
Employees, Seneca Allegany Casino
Employees, Roberta White, Stacy Van
Buren, and Seneca Niagara Casino
Employees. Also, thank you to all the
individuals in the community that
donated, with these generous donations
we helped a total of 53 families, 119
children.

- Avoid frying foods, instead try to bake, steam or boil more often.
- Try healthy traditional recipes and cooking with traditional ingredients.
 Eating traditional foods can be a healthy choice that preserves and promotes our culture.
- Try gardening to grow the foods you like locally and eat healthier from your own yard.

If you need ideas on how to make your favorite foods/recipes healthier, contact your Health Center's nutritionist (LRJHC) Jody LaMarca, 945-5894 or (CIRHC) Barb Nephew, 532-5582.

*Source: CDC Traditional Foods Project

Simply HR ~ December

New Hires

Angela Pascarella

Clinical Care Coordinator, LRJHC December 2, 2019

Susan Stresing-Smith

Medical Case Manager, CIRHC December 16, 2019

Mallory Ward

Physician Assistant, CIRHC December 16, 2019

Congratulations on your new positions!

LIFE Group

When: Thursday, February 20th

Time: 5-6 p.m.

Where: LRJHC Diabetes Wellness Room

This support group focuses on diabetes education. This month's topic: "Healthy Heart" with Robin Crouse, Health Educator. A healthy low carb meal and dessert will be provided. Please RSVP with Jody at 716-945-5894 ext. 3242.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF MICHAEL GIOFREDDA

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

ESTATE OF PAUL A. PIERCE

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

ESTATE OF ARTHUR HILL

Administrator: Lisa Powless, 8004 Old Route 17, Salamanca, NY 14779 ~ Cattaraugus Territory - 2nd Notice ~

ESTATE OF SHARON JIMERSON

Executor: Ina Locke, 1999 Richardson Rd., 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.

CCC: Breaking Out the Sticks

Jr. Lacrosse Tournament

March 20th - 22nd, 2020 Gil Lay Arena

Ages 16-21 | 20 Player Roster | \$400 Team Entry Fee

Rising Legends (29 & under), Future Legends (30-39)
Legends (40 & up)



Team rosters and entry fee due by March 16th.

For more information, contact Grant Stevens at (716) 532-8450.

Next Newsletter DEADLINE:

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 Next issue to be dated February 14, 2020

WEB: sninews@sni.org

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

IBA 60th Annual Spring Singles Tournament

April 4, 2020

<u>Where</u>: AMF Strike N Spare 1777 Brewerton Rd., Syracuse, NY 13211

<u>Banquet</u>: Comfort Inn & Suites 6701 Buckle Rd., Syracuse, NY 13212

<u>Cost</u>: \$40 (Guest is \$30) Application Deadline is

March 14, 2020

Contact Sherry Dowdy for applications



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

Moving?

Don't forget to notify us of your change of address! Call us at 716-945-1790, 716-532-4900 or email us at sninews@sni.org

CCC: Layups with the Legends

Open Co-Ed Tournament

Sunday, February 16th, 2020

Games begin at 8am Cost is \$100 per team

Rising Legends (29 & under) Future Legends (30-39) Legends (40 & up)

Deadline to submit a roster is February 9th

For more information, contact the CCC at (716) 532-8450



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**

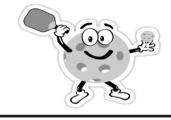
Stop in & check us out!



Allegany
Community Center
1st Annual
Pickleball
Tournament
"Seneca Smash"

February 14th - 15th, 2020

For more information, contact the ACC at (716) 945-8119





Next NAIG Monthly Meeting

Mandatory for Cattaraugus & Allegany Participants

When: February 9, 2020 | Time: 6pm | Where: CCC

Meeting Agenda:

Registration Fee - Total fee is \$230, half is due ASAP. Any participant who donates to NAIG fundraising receives a reduction in their registration fee.

Athletes Registration - Online registration is now open. Each participant needs to register their complete information with a photo, which will be used for their ID tag.

Fundraising Plans - Updates will be available at the meeting. Sign-up to help reduce your registration fee.



NAIG Participants

- Currently there are 64 individuals from Cattaraugus & Allegany.
Chaperone's may now be added.





North American
INDIGENOUS
GAMES 2020

2020 Monthly Meeting ScheduleFor Cattaraugus-Allegany NAIG Participants

Meetings held every 2nd Sunday of the month

Where: CCC MPR | Time: 6pm

<u>Dates</u>:

February 9th March 8th April 12th May 10th June 14th July 12th

All are welcome to attend to stay up to date on reminders, updates, payment schedules and fundraisers for those athletes traveling to Halifax, Nova Scotia July 11th-19th, 2020.

REMINDER:

First half of registration fee is \$115 and is due at the next meeting for those still needing to pay.

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Calendar Februar of EVENTS

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

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Allegany Territory

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

(S-REC): Center Closed for Mid Winter Ceremonies

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

- (S-REC): Center Closed for Mid Winter Ceremonies

(A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Go For Life 11am, Tea Time 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm

- (ACC): Water Aerobics 6-7pm, Adult Volleyball League 6-9pm

- (S-REC): Center Closed for Mid Winter Ceremonies

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Painting 11am, Potluck & Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm

- (ACC): Pickle Ball 9:30am-12pm

- (S-REC): Center Closed for Mid Winter Ceremonies

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour gam, Seneca Language 10am, Valentine Card Making 11am, Valentine Wreath 1pm, Puzzles 3pm

- (ACC): Water Aerobics 9:30am, Water Aerobics 6pm, Men's Men's Basketball League 6-9pm

- (S-REC): Center Closed for Mid Winter Ceremonies

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

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Lunch 11:45-12:30pm, Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm

- (ACC): Pickle Ball 9:30am-12pm

- (S-REC): Center Closed for Mid Winter Ceremonies

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

- (**S-REC**): Center Open 7:30am-6pm

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

(S-REC): Gym/Kitchen Rental 10am-6pm

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour gam, Puzzles 11am, Painting 1pm, Pizza Party 3pm, Scrabble 5pm

- (S-REC): Open Gym 11am-5pm

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(WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Movie & Snacks 5pm

(CCC): Ball Hockey Tournament @ Gil Lay, Western Door Hockey 10am

- (WINI K): Super Bowl Part 2-10pm

- (CCC): Ball Hockey Tournament @ Gil Lay, Co-Ed Youth Bball Practice 9am, Hockey Agility Training 11am

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Potluck & Bingo 4-8pm

- (CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5pm,

Western Door Hockey 6-7pm

- (C-LIB): Kid's Movie Night "Dora & the Lost City of Gold" 5pm

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

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Sewing 9am, Puzzles 11am, Beading 2pm, Sewing/Snacks 4pm

(CCC): Parisi Total Performance Ages 7-11 5pm & Ages 12-15 6pm, Co-Ed Youth Bball Games 5-6:30pm

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Cards 9am, Pool 11am, Seasonal Craft 1pm, Sewing 4pm

(CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5-6pm, 3v3 Minor Mayhem Lax @ Gil Lay 6pm, Hockey Agility Training 8pm, Zumba w/Corbett 6:30pm

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Snacks & Games 4pm

(CCC): Parisi Total Performance Ages 7-11 5pm & Ages 12-15 6pm, Jr. Ball Hockey @ Gil Lay 6pm

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Beading 2pm, Movie & Snacks 4pm

(CCC): Cornhole League 7pm

- (C-LIB): Coffee Club 10am

- Regular Session of Council (WSB) 9:30am

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Movie & Snacks 5pm

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 12pm, Beading 2pm, Movie & Snacks 3pm, Sewing 4pm

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

= Wini Kettle Elder Center

WINI K **C-EDU** = Catt. Education

NRAG = Native

Roots Artists

Guild

FMC = Free Methodist Church

= William Seneca Building

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= Allegany

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visit us on-line @sninews.org

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Allegany Territory

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Go for Life 11am, Tea Time 1pm, Candle Making 3pm, Puzzles 5pm

Monday 10

- (ACC): Water Aerobics 6-7pm, Adult Volleyball League 6-9pm
- (**S-REC**): Craft Night 6pm

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Painting 1pm, Candle Making 3pm, Scrabble 5pm **Tuesday** 11

- (ACC): Pickle Ball 9:30am-12pm
- (S-REC): Pickle Ball in Gym 6pm

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Seneca Language 10am, Valentine Card Making 11am, Valentine Wreath 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm Wednesday 12

- (ACC): Water Aerobics 9:30am, Water Aerobics 6pm, Men's Men's Basketball League 6-9pm
- (S-REC): Elders Coffee Hour 9-10:30am
- Recovery on the Rez (FMC Basement) 7:30-9pm

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Lunch 11:45am-12:30pm, Valentine's Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm

Thursday

- (ACC): Pickle Ball 9:30am-12pm
- (S-REC): Pickle Ball in Gym 6pm

Friday 1Δ

- **Happy Valentine's Day!**
- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour gam, Puzzles 11am. Scrabble 1pm, Card Games 3pm
- (ACC): Pickle Ball Tournament All Day
- (S-REC): Center Open 7:30am-6pm

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

Saturday 15

- (ACC): Pickle Ball Tournament All Day
- (S-REC): Open Gym 11am-5pm

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

Sunday 16

Monday

- (**S-REC**): Open Gym 11am-5pm
- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour gam, Go for Life 11am, Tea Time 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm
- (ACC): Water Aerobics 6-7pm, Adult Volleyball League 6-9pm
- (**S-REC**): Swimming @ the ACC 1-3pm

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

Tuesday

- (ACC): Pickle Ball 9:30am-12pm
- (S-REC): Winter Break Activities

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Seneca Language 10am, Easter Card Making 11am, Puzzles 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Card Games 5pm

Wednesday 19

- (ACC): Water Aerobics 9:30am, Water Aerobics 6pm, Men's Men's Basketball League 6-9pm
- (S-REC): Winter Break Activity @ SN Museum 1-3pm
- Recovery on the Rez (FMC Basement) 7:30-9pm

Cattarangus Territory

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Potluck & Bingo 4-8pm

Monday 10

- (CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5pm,

- Western Door Hockey 6-7pm - (C-LIB): Family Candy Bar Bingo 5pm
- Alcoholic Anonymous Meeting @ American Legion Post 1587 8pm, call 532.8456 for info.

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Sewing 9am, Puzzles 11am, Beading 2pm, Sewing/Snacks 4pm

Tuesdav 51

- (CCC): Parisi Total Performance Ages 7-11 5pm & Ages 12-15 6pm, Co-Ed Youth Bball Games 5-6:30pm
- (C-LIB): Board Meeting 10am

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Cards 9am, Pool 11am, Seasonal Craft 1pm, Sewing 4pm

Wednesday 12

- (CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5-6pm, 3v3 Minor Mayhem Lax @ Gil Lay 6pm, Hockey Agility Training 8pm, Zumba w/Corbett 6:30pm
- (C-LIB): Kid's Craft & Story Time 5pm

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Bingo 1pm, Sewing 4pm

Thursday

(CCC): Parisi Total Performance Ages 7-11 5pm & Ages 12-15 6pm, Jr. Ball Hockey @ Gil Lay 6pm

Happy Valentine's Day!

Friday

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Beading 2pm, Movie & Snacks 4pm
- (CCC): Valentine's Day Dance 12 &up 6-9pm, Cornhole League 7pm
- (C-LIB): Coffee Club 10am, Valentine's Day Bake Sale 11am

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Movie & Snacks 5pm

Saturday

(CCC): Snowsnake Tournament 9am, Western Door Hockey 10am

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 12pm, Beading 2pm, Movie & Snacks 3pm, Sewing 4pm **Sunday** 16

- (CCC): Layups w/ the Legends Tournament 8am, Snowsnake Tournament 11am, Co-Ed Youth Bball Practice 9am, Hockey **Agility Training 11am**
- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Potluck & Bingo 4-8pm

Monday

(CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5pm,

Western Door Hockey 6-7pm

(C-LIB): Ps4 available for kids during Mid-Winter Break

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

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Sewing 9am, Puzzles 11am, Beading 2pm, Sewing/Snacks 4pm Tuesday 18

(CCC): Parisi Total Performance Ages 7-11 5pm & Ages 12-15 6pm, Co-Ed Youth Basketball Games 5-6:30pm

TERC = Training & **Employment** Resource

Center

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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Allegany Territory

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Lunch 11:45am-12:30pm, Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm

Thursday 20

- (ACC): Pickle Ball 9:30am-12pm
- (S-REC): Winter Break Activity @ SN Library 1:30-3pm

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

Friday 21

- (S-REC): Winter Break Activity, Center Open 7:30am-6pm

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

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am,

Saturday

- (**S-REC**): Open Gym 11am-5pm

Sunday

Coloring 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Scrabble 5pm

- (S-REC): Open Gym 11am-5pm

Monday - (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Go for Life 11am, Tea Time 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Scrabble 5pm

- (ACC): Water Aerobics 6-7pm, Adult Volleyball League 6-9pm

- (**S-REC**): Kids Baking Night 6pm

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

Tuesday

- (ACC): Pickle Ball 9:30am-12pm

- (S-REC): Pickle Ball in Gym 6pm

Wednesday

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- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Seneca Language 10am, Card Making 11am, Puzzles 1pm, Scrabble 5pm, Card Games 5pm

- (ACC): Water Aerobics 9:30am, Water Aerobics 6pm, Men's Basketball League 6-9pm

- (S-REC): Elders Coffee Hour 9-10:30am
- Recovery on the Rez (FMC Basement) 7:30-9pm

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Lunch 11:45am-12:30pm, Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm

Thursday

- (ACC): Pickle Ball 9:30am-12pm

- (S-REC): Pickle Ball in Gym 6pm

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

- (S-REC): Center Open 7:30am-6pm

- (A-ELDERS): Coffee Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am,

Scrabble 1pm, Card Games 3pm, Coloring 5pm - (S-REC): Open Gym 11am-5pm

Saturday

Coming soon to the ACC...

Matball Tournament

For more information, contact the ACC at (716) 945-8119



Cattarangus Territory

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Cards 9am, Pool 11am, Seasonal Craft 1pm, Sewing 4pm

Wednesday

(CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5-6pm, 3v3 Minor Mayhem Lax @ Gil Lay 6pm, Hockey Agility Training 8pm, Zumba w/Corbett 6:30pm

(C-LIB): Adult/Teen Craft Night 5pm

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Bingo 1pm, Sewing 4pm

Thursday 20

(CCC): Parisi Total Performance Ages 7-11 5pm & Ages 12-15 6pm, Jr. Ball Hockey @ Gil Lay 6pm

Friday

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles 11am, Beading 2pm, Movie & Snacks 4pm

- (CCC): Cornhole League 7pm

- (C-LIB): Coffee Club 10am

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Movie & Snacks 5pm

(CCC): Western Door Hockey 10am

Saturday

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 12pm, Beading 2pm, Movie & Snacks 3pm, Sewing 4pm

(CCC): Co-Ed Youth Bball Practice 9am,

Sunday

Hockey Agility Training 11am

Monday

11am, Sewing 2pm, Potluck & Bingo 4-8pm - (CCC): Parisi Total Conditioning 5pm.

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 9am, Puzzles

Western Door Hockey 6-7pm

- (C-LIB): Native Event 5pm

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Friday

(CCC): Cornhole League 7pm

- (C-LIB): Coffee Club 10am

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 2pm, Movie & Snacks 5pm

(CCC): Western Door Hockey 10am

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Sgashé'di:h onò:hgwa'

(1 Quart of Hulled Corn Soup)



Deyóhso:t onò:hgwa'

(1 Bowl of Hulled Corn Soup)





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(Bean Sandwich - mashed beans, salt pork, between two breads)

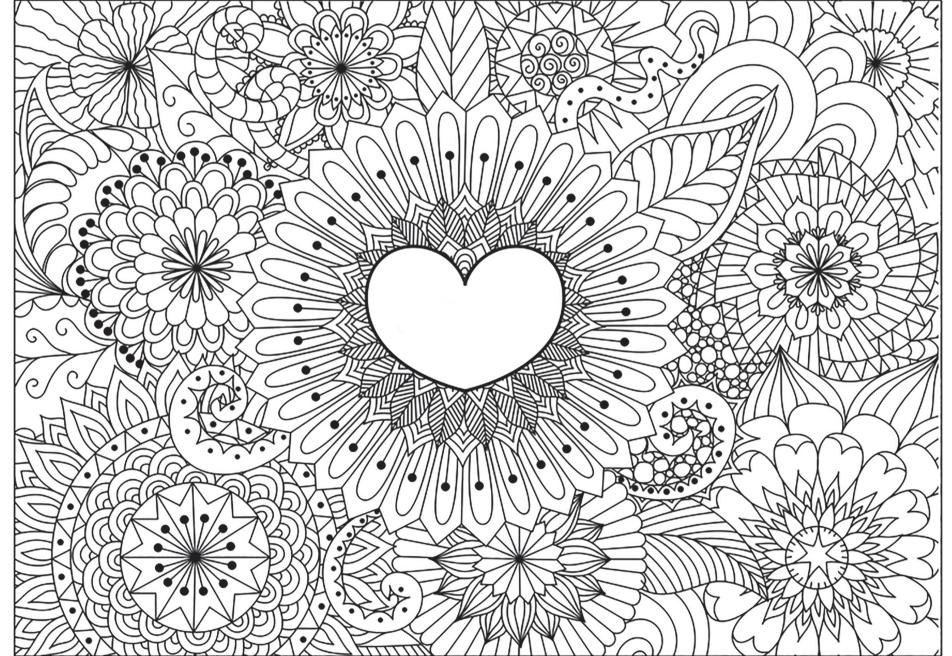
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Gáhgwagì:'da:h (Fry bread)

Provided by: Allegany Language Department, Ögwaiwanösde' Ögwawënö'

ENJOY the coloring activity below:



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