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A message from President Rickey L. Armstrong, Sr.



Greetings!

I am pleased to announce Kerry J. John (turtle clan) has joined the President's Office as the new Chief of Staff, effective March 2nd, 2020. A lifelong resident of the Allegany Territory, Kerry is a graduate of Salamanca High School, and has been an active member on the Salamanca City Central School District Board of Education for five years. His professional background includes several years as a union carpenter and managing his own construction company. Kerry's most recent post was at the Seneca Nation Capital Projects Management, as Owner's Representative.

While in that position, he oversaw construction of the Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural Center, the Jimersontown Firehall and the renovations of the Steamburg Community Center. Through these assignments and his professional background, Kerry has demonstrated the ability to successfully manage staff whom drive projects from beginning to completion. He is a valuable addition to our team and a great fit as our Chief of Staff. Welcome aboard to your new position, Kerry!



Kerry J. John, Chief of Staff

Congratulations go out to Franky Brown, who was recently traded to the Buffalo Bandits Lacrosse team! His lacrosse career includes his 2018-2019 season with the Philadelphia Wings and time with the

Iroquois Nationals, where he won a silver medal at the 2019 World Indoor Lacrosse Championship. Most recently, he played with the Rochester Knighthawks. Franky is the son of Gordon Brown and Tracie (Heron) Brown, both from the Allegany territory. Keep up the good work Franky and nya:wëh for representing our Seneca communities!

In celebration of Youth Art Month, the Seneca Iroquois National Museum is hosting the 1st Annual Youth Art Show at the Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural Center, in Salamanca, on Saturday, March 28th, from 10am to 5pm. The purpose for the art show is to give our emerging young Hodinöhsö:ni' artists a professional experience and professional venue to show their work. The show is divided into five main categories, to provide our young artists with several opportunities to showcase their art. For more information, please call the museum at: (716) 945-1760.

The Seneca-Iroquois National Museum is hosting an event on May 11th, 2020, in honor of our Seneca mothers. They are seeking nominations of any past or present Seneca mothers. To nominate an exceptional Seneca mother that you know, you can fill out a nomination form and return it to the museum by April 15th, 2020. The nomination forms may be picked

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up at the museum, or at either of our Allegany or Cattaraugus Clerk Offices. Please contact Jennifer Jimerson at (716) 945-1760 or j.jimerson@sni.org, to find out more details.

I see our Environmental Protection staff and DPW staff has scheduled the 2020 Annual Spring Clean-up for Allegany and Cattaraugus territories. That's always a good sign that spring will be here soon. Cattaraugus will hold their clean-up from April 18th to April 25th; while Allegany will hold their clean-up from April 27th to May 1st. Don't forget, you may be required to show Seneca Nation I.D., when dropping off large items and/or hazardous waste. In addition to the drop-off and pick-up schedules, Cattaraugus and Allegany **Environmental Protection departments** are hosting Community Clean-up Team

CATTARAUGUS

LARGE ITEM DROP-OFF

HAZARDOUS WASTE

April 18th - April 25th 8:00am - 6:00pm (EPD parking lot)

ELDER & DISABLED PICK-UPS

April 20th – April 23rd 8:00am - 3:00pm April 24th 8:00am - 12:00noon ONLY (call & schedule)

Contests. This year, Allegany will hold theirs on April 14th; and Cattaraugus will hold theirs on April 16th, both from 9am to 2pm. The contest is for 3-person teams (or individuals) to go out into the community and bag up garbage. Prizes are awarded to the teams who fill up the most bags with garbage. For more detailed information about these community events, please see the flyers posted at SNI.ORG.

Last, but not least, the Allegany DPW announced they will be delivering holiday hams to all Allegany territory enrolled Seneca Elders, sixty years old and up, starting at 9:00am on Tuesday, March 31st, 2020.

Respectfully, Rickey L. Armstrong, Sr.

FROM THE DESK OF THE TREASURER



Treasurer Matthew Pagels

Nya:wëh sgë:nö'.

I hope you are all well during this serious cold and flu season. As I'm sure most of you are aware the coronavirus (COVID - 19) has caused an increased awareness and threat throughout the world. The Seneca Nation is currently monitoring the situation as it unfolds in the National media, CDC (Centers for Disease Control), and our local County and State Public Health neighbors on the preventative precautions to be taken.

To date, no confirmed cases of COVID19 have been documented in Western NY. Since many symptoms are similar to the flu such as fever, coughing and shortness of breath, some may go unconfirmed. For this reason it's important to take precautions and take preventive measures. Washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds often during the day. Alcohol based hand sanitizers are effective, but must contain at least 60% alcohol. Please stay home if sick, including keeping sick children from school and daycare settings to avoid the spread to others.

For more information please see the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov. The Seneca Nation is taking measures to inform the communities of status within the health center and for additional information as it develops. A conference call with officials from the White House, US Department of Health & Human Services, and the USDOI about COVID-19 was held early this month. Communication and outreach are key priorities to effectively stay apprised of any new developments. Official statements from the Nation will be ongoing.

On a brighter note, the FY 2021 budget kickoff meeting will be scheduled in late March. This is time for reassessing department goals/objectives and assessing progress. The Nation strives to consolidate, collaborate and prioritize for cost savings without jeopardizing services to the community.

As mentioned last month the bus wrapping design contest criteria is ready. The Area Office of the Aging (AOA) is calling all artists to present design ideas which must incorporate elders, the Nation emblem and without drawing attention specifically to the elders. Submissions to Deanna Luke, at AOA, by April 24, 2020.

Stay healthy, limit travel when necessary, and please feel free to contact my office with questions or concerns.

Calling all local artists to create a design for the S.M. AOA buses

The design must incorporate elders and the nation symbol, without specifically drawing attention to the elders.



Please submit entries to Deanna Luke at Catt AOA by April 24, 2020

The winning drawing will be picked by the elders and placed on both Cattaraugus and Allegany buses!



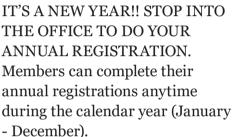
Bethany Johnson, Clerk
ALLEGANY TERRITORY

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)-845-6304 or 951-7555 8am-4:30pm

ANNUAL REGISTRATIONS



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

EXTENDED HOURS FOR BUFFALO OFFICE

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

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
 All current direct deposit recipients please keep your address updated
 with the Clerk's Office.

BURIAL FUND

A Burial fund has been designated to pay for funeral expenses up to \$7000 for enrolled members. For additional details, please contact the Clerk's Office during regular business hours. If after hours or on weekends, please contact Bethany Johnson, Clerk (716)-474-6361 or Marta Kettle, Deputy Clerk (716)-474-5403.

ADDRESSES UPDATED

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

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

RELEASE OF MINORS TRUST FUND

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

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

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

SEEKING ORGANIZATIONS TO SERVE COUNCIL

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

Next regular session of council will be held on the Allegany Territory: **SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2020 AT 9:30 A.M.**



Seneca Nation Offices & Buildings will be CLOSED Friday, April 10, 2020 for Unity Day.

Women's History Month kicks off in Erie County Ja:goh Dr. Lori Quigley, 2020 ECCSW Women's History Month Honoree

Ja:goh Dr. Lori Quigley, 2020 ECCSW Women's History Month Honoree By Kaley Lynch | March 4, 2020 | Reprinted from https://www.wivb.com Submitted by Councillor Tina Abrams



BUFFALO, N.Y. (WIVB) – Women's History Month is underway in Erie County.

A special kick-off event was held Wednesday at the Buffalo and

Erie County Library to unveil a month's worth of events as well as to honor five trailblazing women in the Western New York community.

Erie County recognizes Women's History Month (March) every year, but 2020 is special because it marks the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage in the U.S.

"It's always important to take a step back and take inventory to see how far we've come and to acknowledge the efforts our fore mothers and fore sisters made so we could participate in the political process and vote," Karen King, commissioner for public advocacy for Erie County



2020 ECCSW Women's History Month Honoree Dr. Lori Quigley pictured alongside her husband Don Quigley.

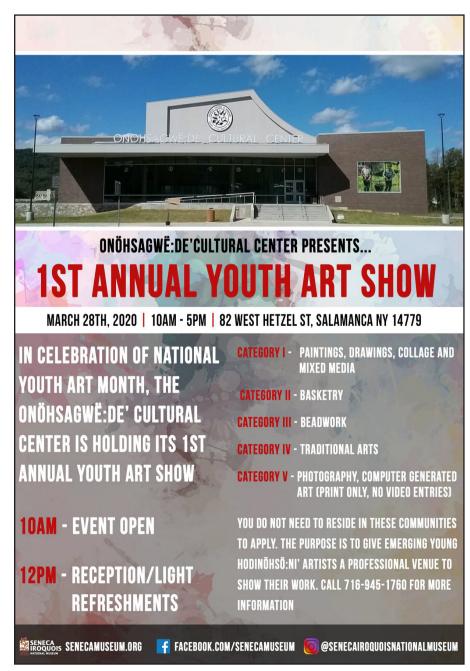
and executive director for the county's commission on the status of women said.

The five Western New York women honored during the ceremony were recognized for "making a significant contribution to women's lives," King said.
They are:

- Kelly Hayes McAlonie, director of Campus Planning at UB
- Joan Bozer, former Erie County legislator Dr. Lillian Williams, associate professor in UB's Transnational Studies Department
- Dr. Lori Quigley, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs at Medaille College
- Nadia Shahram, WNY attorney who founded Coalition for the Advancement of Moslem Women

Women's History
Month events
are planned
throughout the
month of March in
Erie County. Visit
http://www2.erie.gov/
for a complete list.







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.

Beading Basics Class

Steamburg Community Center

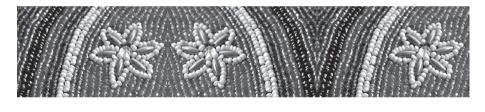
Come learn some basic beading skills with Keona George. She will be teaching traditional beading for a simple project ALL CAN LEARN!

When: March 25th & April 1st

Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Limited space available. Please sign up by calling 716.354.4665.

ONLY 15 SPOTS OPEN



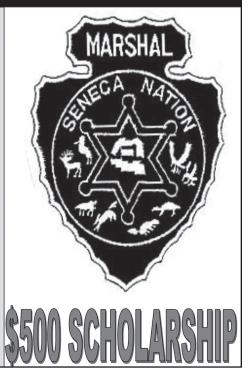


CATTARAUGUS MARSHAL

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Scholarship opportunity for 3 graduating Seniors attending a Tri-District school; Gowanda, Lakeshore, Silver Creek. There will be 1 Scholarship winner from each school, and they will receive a \$500 cash scholarship to assist them in their 1st Semester of higher education learning. Applications are available @ www.sni.org/departments/marshalsoffice/

Click on "Documents" Applications due Friday May 29th Email application to cops.app@sni.org



Title VI PAC meeting dates **SCCD 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, Mar. 18th – 6:00 p.m. – ACC Education Wing Wednesday, May 13th – 6:00 p.m. – ACC Education Wing

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:

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.



TERO Update

Submitted by Janine Gates

The Cattaraugus TERO would like to encourage all of the labor union members and non-union construction workers to come in and fill out a new Skills Bank Form as the construction season is upon us.

Please submit with your form; your tribal identification, your union hall card, and any other accreditations you may have. The Skills Bank Form is also online for your convenience.

If you would like more information, please feel free to contact any

Bryan Gonzales

TERO Director 716.532.4900 ext. 5413 bryan.gonzales@sni.org

Victor Redeve **TERO Compliance Officer**

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Janine Gates TERO Admin. Asst. 716.532.4900 ext 5426

SNINEWS.ORG is live!

Tami Watt. Editor

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

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

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

Effective March 27th, if you are 30 years old or younger, you will no longer receive a copy of the printed newsletter in the mail. If you would like to continue to receive your paper copy in the mail, please call our office.

All content will be available to the public at sninews.org. The site will be updated every two weeks to the most recent edition.

The newsletter will charge for business ads to be placed in print and online. Ads will appear on both and will charge per issue. A half page ad in color will be \$175, for gray scale \$125. A quarter page ad in color will be \$100, for gray scale \$75. Independent businesses owned by Seneca members can submit ads for \$10 per edition. Personal ads will accepted for free, however, donations of any amount are greatly appreciated.

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

The Area Office for the Aging (AOA) is offering

Free Legal Advice and Services

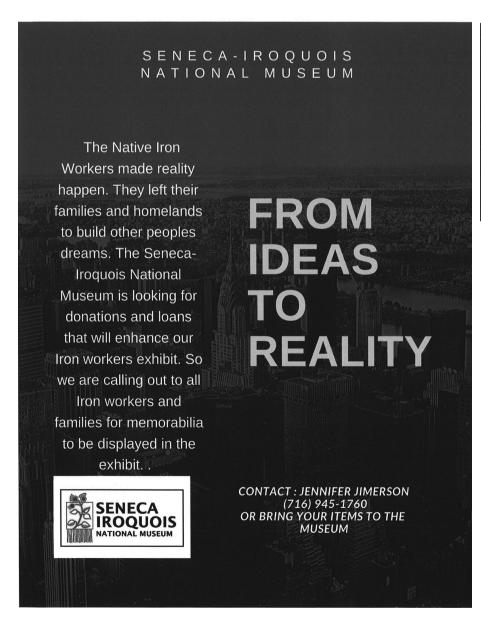
through the Center for Elder
Law & Justice
For Elders 60+ residing
on the Allegany &
Cattaraugus Territories

Free legal advice and services are available to you from the Center for Elder Law & Justice Attorney, F.

Alexander Fehrman, Esq. He can assist in the following areas: Elder Abuse Prevention, Guardianships, Consumer Issues & Protection, Power of Attorney, Health Care Proxies, Housing, Income Maintenance, Kinship Care, Health Care Issues (i.e. Medicaid, Medicare, etc), and Social Security/SSI. Please note that advice and services do not extend to disputes within the Peacemakers Court. Special arrangements can be made for homebound appointments.

Appointments available: **Thursday**, **April 2**, **2020 from 10am - 3pm**.

Cattaraugus Elders: Please contact Tina D. Law, at (716) 532-5777 ext. 5516, or by e-mail at tina.law@sni.org to schedule your appointment.





Acceptable Items:

- Couches/Sofas
 - Beds/Chairs
- Refrigerators
 - Metals
 - Tires

ELECTRONIC WASTE:

COMPUTER MONITORS
PROPANE BOTTLES
MICROWAVES
TELEVISIONS

Tel: 945-1790 Ext. 3150

2020 ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP

DROP OFF ONLY

LOCATIONS:

BEHIND DPW BUILDING 3674 ADMINISTRATION DRIVE JIMERSONTOWN

COMMUNITY BUILDING
1220 CENRAL ROAD
STEAMBURG

Be prepared to show Seneca Nation Tribal I.D.

Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m

Household Hazardous Waste May 1st 8:00am-2:00 pm

Public Service Announcement: Coronavirus (COVID-19)



In response to concerns regarding the COVID-19 (Coronavirus), the Seneca Nation is collaborating with Seneca Nation Health Systems and Emergency Management, as well as many other key departments and outside entities to establish protocols and ensure preparedness. The objective is to limit impacts should the virus effect our communities.

As the situation continues to evolve, we will continue to monitor the spread of the coronavirus while coordinating a response that will be implemented for all Seneca Nation properties. Our goal is to mitigate the impact it may have on the community's overall health. It is important that we all collaborate in preventing

the spread of this virus, which includes participation from the community. Informational updates will be provided to the public to increase awareness and preparedness. The health of our people and communities are the priority.

Below is information regarding the virus and how we can help prevent it from affecting our communities.

COVID-19 is a respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus that was first detected in China and has spread to almost 70 locations internationally, including in the United States.

THE KEY TO PREVENTION IS:

- · Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds,
- Cover your cough/sneeze with a tissue or disposable paper product instead of the inside

area of your elbow, or your hands,

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth,
- Avoid close contact with people (high fives, handshakes, etc..),
- Stay at home when you are sick, and
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces. (refer to the CDC website for recommended cleaning products to use)

Symptoms associated with COVID-19 appear 2 to 14 days after exposure. The new strain of Coronavirus resembles the seasonal influenza, with a fever, dry cough with an added shortness of breath or difficulty breathing. If you are exhibiting signs of the virus, it is recommended to call your doctor for an over-the-phone consultation. Do not go to a medical care facility.

It is important to note that facemasks should only be

utilized by people who show symptoms of COVID-19, healthcare professionals or in-home caretakers. It is not necessary at this time for the public to wear masks or respirators.

More information will be shared with the public as we develop a thorough response to this issue.

There are no known cases in our immediate area, but we stress the importance of being proactive and taking all preventative measures.

For further information and to stay apprised of the most up to date information, please see the following CDC link: https://www.cdc.gov/ coronavirus/2019-ncov/ community/index.html



ALLEGANY DPW will be delivering the **On-Territory Enrolled Seneca Elders**



Holiday Hams To the Aged 60 & Over (One Per Household) Starting @ 9:00 AM

Department of Transportation News...

Submitted by Sharon Ray

The Pennsy Trail construction is complete and the Department will be holding a grand opening in late April. Some minor gardening and signage will be added to the trail this spring/ summer. If you utilize the trail, please take a few minutes to

> complete the survey https://arcg. is/1nq4fa

Or use the QRcode below:

The department is working with NYSDOT to have Route 417 and 219 in the City of Salamanca to begin construction in 2020. You may have noticed that the NYSDOT has been taking core samples and are conducting safety inspections,



- Now that spring is fast approaching the department would like to remind the traveling public to obey traffic laws, please slow down and watch for pedestrians,
- The I-90 Milling and Paving work will begin on March 2nd. UCC will be running 2 – 10 hours shifts,
- The Seneca Transit System would like to remind you if you need to make a deviation or a flag stop, please call First Transit. For weekdays (585)968-0834, for weekends (585) 610-6449.

TUESDAY MARCH 31, 2020

Please be home upon delivery, otherwise You may pick up at DPW 3674 Administration Drive Monday-Friday from 7:00 AM-2:30 PM Contact Sherry Dowdy @ 945-1790 Ext.3150 Have a Safe & Happy Holiday. Nya:weh

Training and Employment Open House

March 17th 11am-3pm

Come hear Self-Advocacy of NY (SANY) speak on how to become an advocate for yourself. If you or a family member need help in advocating for yourself or your loved one, please come and listen. You will hear about other agencies available to help you achieve independence. SANY will be presenting at 12noon.

What is self-advocacy?

An individual's ability to effectively communicate, convey, negotiate or assert his or her own interests, desires, needs, and rights. It involves making informed decisions and taking responsibility for those decisions.

Light refreshments will be served.





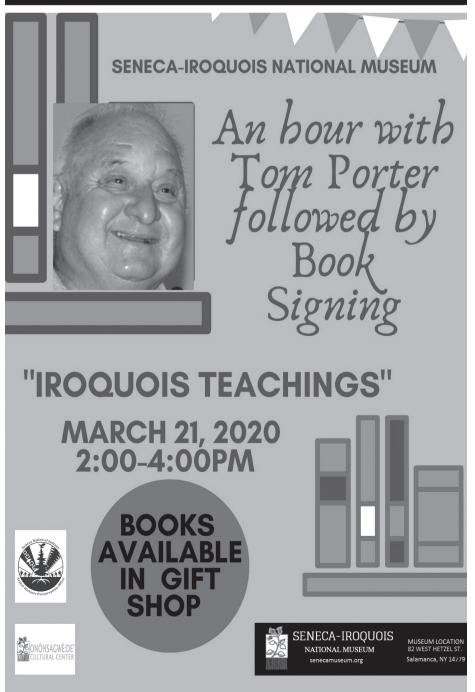
MONTHLY REPORT FEBRUARY 2020

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ABANDONED/ DISABLED VEHICLE	6	DOMESTIC: ALCOHOL/DRUG	1	RUNAWAY PERSON	1
ALARM	7	DOMESTIC: NO ALCOHOL/DRUG	1	REFERRED TO C&F/C.P.S.	
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	3	HARASSMENT		SEXUAL ASSAULT	
ASSIST PERSON	7	IMPOUND		SOLICITATION	
ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENT		LAND DISPUTE		S.N. TRAFFIC STOP	13
ASSIST C&F		LARCENY	2	S.N. TICKET ISSUED	
ASSIST C.P.S.		LARCENY/ SMOKESHOP	1	S.N. DRUG/ ALC TICKET ISSUED	
ASSAULT		LOCK OUT	20	STATEMENT	
A.T.L. PERSON	1	LOST PROPERTY		SUICIDE/ SUICIDE ATTEMPT	
A.T.L. VEHICLE		MISSING PERSON		SUSPICIOUS INCIDENT	2
A.T.V. ACCIDENT		MVA:INJURIES ALCOHOL/DRUG		SUSPICIOUS PERSON	1
A.T.V. COMPLAINT		MVA:INJURIES NO ALCOHOL/DRUG		SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	
BAILIFF REQUEST		MVA/PDO: ALCOHOL/DRUG		UNWANTED GUEST	5
BURGLARY		MVA/PDO: NO ALCOHOL/DRUG	10	U.U.M.V.	
COUNTERFEIT MONEY	1	MVA/FATAL: ALCOHOL/DRUG		VEHICLE JUMPSTART	2
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF		MVA/FATAL: NO ALCOHOL/DRUG		WELFARE CHECK	7
CUSTODY DISPUTE		NARCOTICS COMPLAINT/ARREST		9.41 /22.09	3
DISTURBANCE	2	O.D./NARCAN ADMISSION	2	D.W.I. ASSIST	
ENFORCE/VIOLATE COURT ORDER	1	O.C. ADMISSION		10-60	
FIRE/VEHICLE		OPEN WINDOW/ DOOR/GATE	17	FOLLOW-UP	
FIRE/BLDG		P.D.O.	2	TOTAL S.N. TICKETS ISSUED	0
FIRE/OTHER		PREMISES CHECK (S.N.)	1299	WRITS SERVED	7
FIRST AID	32	PREMISES CHECK REQUEST	691	PREMISES CHECK TOTAL	1988
FOUND/RETRIEVE/ RECOVER PROP.	3	RECKLESS OPERATION		TOTAL REPORTS	157
GENERAL COMPLAINT	2	ROAD HAZARD		TOTAL	2152





Ready, Set, Work! 5 week course

Are you or somebody you know involved in the criminal justice system and need assistance with gaining skills to obtain employment?

Training & Employment Resource Center Vocational Rehabilitation Program will be offering a 5 Week Course:

Ready, Set, Work! April 2020

Please call (716) 532-1033 ext. 5416/5417 or email Jackie.john@sni.org or Alana. Montour@sni.org for more information.

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.

New York State Fair Indian Village March meeting:

NYS fair grounds. Syracuse, NY March 21st, 2020 11am

2020 is Allegany Seneca Year agenda:

- 1. Update fair dates
- 2. Entry deadlines
- 3. Other

Pre-K is peddling for pop cans!

SALC's Pre-K classrooms have their eyes on shiny new set of wheels!

The Pre-K students will be working to collect cans for their very first 'can drive'. The earnings will go towards a new bike for the gym that the classrooms all voted on!

Please help our tiny recyclers learn the meaning of recycling and help them to hit their goal!

Please use the can drop off location at the front entrance of the Seneca Arts & Learning Center, 25 Center St., Salamanca, NY 14779.

Seneca Nation Spring Vendor Day

William Seneca Building Café 12837 Route 438 Irving, NY 14081

Fri. March 27th, 2020 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Now accepting vendor applications:

Contact Leslie Cooke (716) 532-4900 x 5046 Leslie.Cooke@sni.org.

Attention 2020 Native High School graduates!

The SNI Cattaraugus Department of Education will be hosting the annual High school graduation banquet on **Friday**, **June 5th**, **2020**.

If you are a graduating senior outside the Gowanda, Lake Shore or Silver Creek school district & are interested in attending, please call the Education department @ 532-3341 for more information.

Deadline to register Fri., April 17, 2020

Social Security Assistance

Cattaraugus Territory

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

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

March 31, 2020 April 28, 2020 May 19, 2020 9am-4pm

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.

Nya:wëh!

A donation of \$500 was given to Seneca Nation Library, in memory of Kathryn A. Gamble. Kathryn lived in Rouseville, PA and was proud of her Seneca heritage. She also earned a Master's degree in Library Science and was a children's librarian

Import/Export meeting

Allegany Council Chambers March 30, 2020 @1pm

NAIG Wrestling Meeting

March 22, 2020 at 12pm at the CCC

Agenda: Wrestling format Uniform selection Fundraising ideas

For more info Contact: Mary Jacobs 716-803-2608.

From Seneca Fire:

Nya:wëh to all whom donated to our Super Bowl Fundraiser. You are greatly appreciated!

SALC Spring Bazaar

Saturday, March 28th 10am-3pm

ALL CRAFT VENDORS WANTED! \$25.00 TABLE DONATION FEE Applications due no later than March 13th

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Seneca Allegany hosts annual Sportman's Show

By Tami Watt, Editor



 $Sam\,Agnew\,works\,the\,Fish\,\&\,Wildlife\,table\,at\,the\,Sportsman's\,Show$

SALAMANCA, NY- The Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino held their annual sportsman show February 29th- March 1st as hunting season ends and fishing season begins. Presented by York Penn Shows, the annual event has been on going for more than 10 years.

With over 350 tables and 40 booths, the sportsman's show offers everything from guns, antique firearms, bows, fishing gear, trapping supplies, samurai swords, clothes, and even food. Vendors and participants filled the events center leaving only elbow to elbow room. Packed with everything you need for an outdoor adventure, the show is also educational as many experts are on hand to answer questions and give demonstrations.

The Seneca Nation Fish and Wildlife Department hosted a table

promoting their new 1.5 mile 13 target archery course opened last fall. The course is located in next to their Fish Hatchery in Red House, NY near the Allegany State Park with plans to open in June.

Conservation Fish and Wildlife Officers (Allegany) Will Miller and Sam Agnew also discussed the Chestnut Tree Program that is currently under way while answering questions, trading tips, and sharing new techniques with fellow outdoorsman all weekend.

Johnny Gill, Conservation Fish and Wildlife Officer (Cattaraugus), worked along side Miller and Agnew over the two days and talked about their project with blanding turtles. They have also initiated a youth program for the community, Gill shared details with visitors that stopped by the table.

The \$5,000 reward for a dead eagle found on the Old Road was a hot topic of discussion as many wildlife enthusiasts fumed about the atrocious act. All whom stopped to discuss the status of the situation were fully supportive in the search for the guilty party.

In the future, Director Allie George (Allegany) would like to sell fishing licenses next year to encourage tourism while offering the chance to enjoy the beauty of Ohi:yo'. He also encourages frequent visitors of their table to stop by their facilities to check out current projects in the works.

Director George commends all staff for their dedication and hard work. He has confidence in their expertise and knowledge in all facets of the Fish and Wildlife program and their ability to work well with the public. For more information on any programs mentioned please visit the Seneca Fish & Wildlife facebook pages.

The center offers Vocational Rehabilitation Services to individuals with disabilities,

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Gowanda introduces top 10 students

Source: GCSD facebook

It is with great pleasure that Gowanda Central School District introduces the Top 10 members of the Class of 2020:

- 1. Christian Cook (Valedictorian)
- 2. Tatum Stitzel (Salutatorian)
- 3. Joshua Enser
- 4. Lilv Redeve
- 5. Patrick Strawder
- 6. Nicole Whalen
- 7. Alyscia Le-Tran
- 8. James Keller
- 9. Olivia Pawlak
- 10. William Sylvia

Please join us in congratulating these outstanding Panthers on this distinct honor!

#PantherPride #GHSClassOf2020 #PositivelyPanther #The4Cs #CriticalThinking #Communication #Collaboration #Creativity



Scientists have long warned about link between pandemics and climate change

Submitted by Dean Seneca | By Jourdan Bennett-Begaye | Reprinted from indiancountrytoday.com

As one 2016 study reported: 'Climate change can affect human health, especially when infectious diseases are concerned'

What's in a name? Epidemiologists are describing COVID-19 as a pandemic. But the World Health Organization isn't going that far just yet, describing the spread as merely an "epidemic."

The coronavirus disease "has pandemic potential," Dr.
Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, director-general of the World Health Organization said on Feb. 26. "Using the word pandemic carelessly has no tangible benefit, but it does have significant risk in terms of amplifying unnecessary and unjustified fear and stigma, and paralyzing systems."

But by Friday the international health organization raised its risk assessment for COVID-19 to "very high" based on the "spread" of virus and "countries' capacity to respond."

Not that people are paying attention to the actual label. Around the world stores are reporting a run on basic supplies such as water and disinfectant wipes. It's the same

in Italy, Hong Kong and other places where the virus has been reported.

Even though Alaska has yet to report a case, stores are reporting shortages of water and other supplies.

Dr. Michael Mina says it may not be dubbed a pandemic, "but I think most epidemiologists around the world, including myself and my colleagues, definitely consider this at this point to be sort of the definition of a pandemic." Mina is an assistant professor of epidemiology and an assistant professor of immunology and infectious diseases at the Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health of Harvard University,

"And that's because it's spreading now locally in many countries not just China anymore," said Mina, who is the associate medical director leading some of the molecular biology diagnostics focused on diagnosing and dealing with COVID-19.

The Journal of American Medical Association defines a pandemic as "a health condition that has spread globally" and epidemic as "an outbreak that has spread to a larger geographic area."

By Sunday the World Health Organization reported 87,137 cases worldwide. China identified 79,968 cases of COVID-19 resulting in 2,873 deaths. Outside China there are 7,169 cases in 58 countries and 104 deaths.

At the beginning of the year, the organization released 13 "urgent, global health challenges" for the next decade. Part of the 13 included preparing for epidemics, stopping infectious diseases, and elevating health in the climate debate. All three of which continue to be overlooked.

In that same announcement, Dr. Ghebreyesus said, "Countries invest heavily in protecting their people from terrorist attacks, but not against the attack of a virus, which could be far more deadly, and far more damaging economically and socially. A pandemic could bring economies and nations to their knees."

Yet beyond the words, epidemic or pandemic, warnings about a fastspreading virus has been a part of the literature on climate change.

Scientists say the world isn't prepared to deal with a global pandemic. The 1918 influenza pandemic has been used as an example. Back then, the world didn't have the medical technology it has now. But even medical innovation isn't enough today. The world has the ability to travel from continent to continent quickly. Now COVID-19 exists on six of the seven continents in the world.

Due to the "combined impacts of rapid demographic, environmental, social, technological and other changes in our ways-of-living," there is an "apparent increase" in infectious diseases and new ones, said the World Health Organization. "Climate change will also affect infectious disease occurrence."

As one 2016 study found: "Climate change can affect human health, especially when infectious diseases are concerned."

The Global Preparedness Monitoring Board in a report last year outlined what governments should be doing to prepare for global health emergencies. The board found

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Welcome Judy Farmer!

My name is Judy Farmer and I am the new General Manager of Highbanks Camparounds.

Working in various capacities throughout the Seneca Nation has provided me with a wealth of experience. I am a life-long resident of the Allegany territory that has



had the pleasure of being a camp guest at Highbanks which has given me a deep appreciation of the unique natural beauty that our campground offers. I look forward to continual growth and promoting Highbanks as a family destination.



Welcome Kingsley Nephew!

My name is Kingsley Nephew and I am the new Director of Operations at the Allegany Community Center (ACC).

I am originally from the Cattaraugus territory and currently live in Angola. I worked at the Cattaraugus Community Center for six years. I started as an Activity Aide and was promoted first to Recreation Shift Supervisor, then Recreation Coordinator, and finally to Recreation Manager. I want to provide new and improved programming for all members of the community. One goal is to make the ACC into a true hub for the community from sports to cultural programming. I am excited to be here and I can't wait to bring my experience to the ACC. I am always open to any input and ideas from the community members.



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Education Department (Cattaraugus) rolls out 2nd period Honor List

Submitted by Amy White

Gowanda Elementary School – 2nd Quarter

Honors (90.0 - 94.9%)

4th - Isabela Gill, Raelin Smith

Merit (85.0 - 89.9%)

4th - Diana Kuhs, Cora Luther, Kane Stafford, Mychal Williams, Rylee Yasurek

Gowanda Middle School – 2nd Quarter

High Honors (95.0 - 100%)

5th – Leona Henhawk

6th – Shia Lindgren, Leila Thompson

7th - Winter Rivera

8th – Alhanna Gabel, Sierra General

Honors (90.0 - 94.9%)

5th — Titus Beaver, Cadence Luther, Maliena Moses, Mason Snyder

6th - Corrina John, Cashis Montour

8th - Layla Gamble, Aubrie Heron, Chloe Luther

Merit (85.0 - 89.9%)

5th – Elizabeth Archambault, Laydin Hill, Jovin Jones , Delia Mohawk, Taydence Stevens, Ayla Sullivan

6th – Nina Coulon, Salana Ferrgusquia, Jules Hageman, Kiona Isaac, Aliza Jimerson, Jaxstin Johns, Jacob Parker, Alanson Stafford, Nathan Warrior

7th – Alyssa Golden, Karice John, Ellarose LeBeau, Seneca Mohawk, Jr., Lily Scanlan, Ha'tsihgahdod Stevens

8th – Troy Jimerson-Williams, Jayson Twoguns

Most Improved

5th – Laydin Hill

7th – Joe Gorenflo

8th - Croix Snow

Gowanda High School – 2nd Quarter

High Honors (95.0 - 100%)

9th – Mia Hudson, Lena (Gao:wisa:s) Stevens

11th – Cecelia Young

12th – Jaylin Henhawk-Marr, Tyee Nagel, Lily Redeye

Honors (90.0 - 94.9%)

9th – Ke'ya Stevens, Shelby Weston

10th - Kaylee Baird, Logan Lukonaitis

11th – Scotia Snyder, Shon Thompson

12th – Kimberly Jumper, Tia Thompso, Mia Torres, Emagin Warrior

Merit (85.0 - 89.9%)

9th – Crissa Scanlan

10th - Daymein Beaver, Mary Denea,

Adam Golden, Cameron Nagel

11th – Evan Carpenter, Mia Coulon,

Jamina Halftown, Kirk Mahawk, Cross

Jasmine Halftown, Kirk Mohawk, Grace Wakefield, Kristen Warrior

12th – Everette Golden, Alexander

Henhawk, Ashlyn Hise, Autumn-Raine Pierce, Marleah Stevens, Tear-lyn White

Silver Creek Middle School – 2nd Quarter

Honor Roll

6th – Ella Austin, Skyla Gates, Shylor Maybee, Hailie Rybij

7th - Aubrey Domres

Credit Roll

6th - Adrian Frame, Takoda Marr

7th – Trenton Logan, Gabriella Seneca

8th - Saige Holden, Laneya Olsen, Vayda Stevens, Timothy Williams

Silver Creek High School – 2nd Quarter

Honor Roll:

9th – Tory Cook, Jackson Williams
10th - Genevieve Balestrieri, Gracie Hoelzle
11th- Shandon Monroy, Kianna Warrior
12th - Alexis Balestrieri, Morningstar
Halftown, Julia Kennedy, Nia Nephew

Credit Roll:

9th – Lila Farrell, Jakeb Millar
10th - Noelle Boushie, Roger Williams
11th – Geoffrey Cullinan II, Danaceus
Maybee, Keith Seneca

Lake Shore Middle School – 2nd Quarter

Honor Roll:

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

7th - Aquinnah Maybee, Shaun Serio, Alexis Hummel, Kiowa Haynes

8th - Ava Tallchief, Jacella Nephew, Eric Kushner, Aiden Button, Caye John, Macay Jimerson, Arwin Lyle

Merit Roll:

6th - Kate Kennedy, Kade Nephew, Jairon Nephew, Koltin Bonafede, Asa Thompson, Chasity LeRoy

7th – Stanley Francis, Jordan Cooke, Jr, Laelle Jimerson

8th – Mileah Pinelli, Mason Thompson, Morgan Huff, Dakota Familo, Troy Kennedy, Ada Irizarry

Lake Shore High School – 2nd Quarter

Honor Roll:

9th – Blayze Becker, Giana Corsaro, Riley
 Fleming, Alexandria Kennedy, Nyla Rivera
 10th – Fantasy Jimerson-Kenjockety, Joiise

John, Ava Williams

11th - Emma

Kushner, Layla Seneca

12th – Savanah

Clear, Angela Edmond, Rosetta George, Hailey Haynes, Jadyn Jones, Yanenowi Logan, Eliese Maybee, Aryana Williams

Merit Roll:

9th – Daylin John, Tianna Thuman

10th – Madeleine Maybee

11th – Ella Jimerson, Miranda Williams

12th – Hogaiyo: John, Riley John, Baylee Locke, Quincey Lyle, Koby Parker, Carter Thompson

JA:GOH TO ALL STUDENTS!

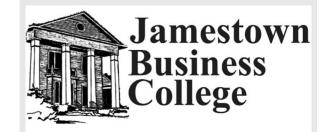
Jamestown Business College's President's and Dean's Lists Winter 2019

Jamestown Business College has announced the president's and dean's lists for the winter 2019 term. To qualify for the president's list a student must earn a 3.90 - 4.00 Grade point average for a term. To qualify for the dean's list a student must earn a 3.60 - 3.89 Grade point average for a term.

Students From The Area:

PRESIDENT'S LIST

- Joshua Jimerson (Kill Buck, NY)
- Lanette R. Jimerson (Steamburg, NY)
- Natalie N. Stahlman (Salamanca, NY)
- Lynsey S. White (Salamanca, NY)



February is Career & Technical Training month

Gowanda Central School District & Lakeshore Central School District

shared inspiring stories about their students
Source: GCSD facebook. LCSD facebook

Kobe Benton & Wesley Stafford-Williams,

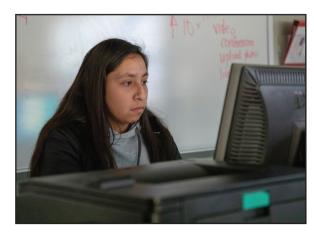
Gowanda Central School District



They are Culinary students via Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus-BOCES. February is #CTEMonth so Gowanda CSD is spotlighting its students enrolled in Career & Technical Education programs. #PositivelyPanther #PantherPride. (credit: GCS page)

Vanessa Cooper,

Gowanda Central School District



Vanessa is an Information Technology/ Computer Systems student via Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus-BOCES. February is #CTEMonth so Gowanda CSD is spotlighting its students enrolled in Career & Technical Education programs. #PositivelyPanther #PantherPride #GowandaCSD

Michael General,

Gowanda Central School District



Michael studies HVAC-R via Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus-BOCES. February is #CTEMonth so Gowanda CSD is spotlighting its students enrolled in Career & Technical Education programs. #PositivelyPanther #PantherPride

Rosetta George,

Lake Shore Central School District



One of
these days
at the vet's,
you may
run into
Lake Shore
senior
Rosetta
Mae
George.
Rosetta is
in the Small
Animal
Science

program at Erie 2 CC BOCES, where she's been learning skills and preparing for a career in veterinary assistance, and the care and handling of animals in a laboratory or veterinary setting, as well as pet grooming, and kennel and pet shop management.

February is National Career & Technical Education Month and we salute her efforts!

Jonas Williams,

Lake Shore Central School District

There are lucrative opportunities for welders and metal fabricators in the oil, gas, manufacturing, transportation industries and military, and Lake Shore junior Jonas Williams along with 5 classmates are among those who could grab them.

They are in the two-year Welding/Metal Fabrication program at Erie 2 CC BOCES, where they've been developing specialized and sought-after skills in the industry as they learn up-to-date welding and metal fabrication techniques and procedures.

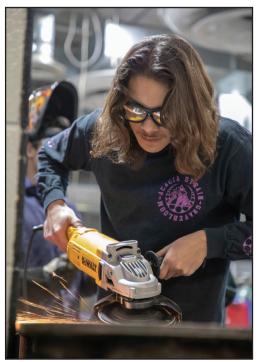
February is National Career & Technical Education Month and we salute their efforts!

Rayne Nephew,

Gowanda Central School District



Senior in the Veterinary Science program at the LoGuidice Educational Center in Fredonia. #GowandaCSD is recognizing its students in Career & Technical Education programs via Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus-BOCES during #CTEMonth. #PositivelyPanther #PantherPride



Ariel Stevens, Naomi Henhawk-Marr,

Gowanda Central School District



They are Cosmetology students via Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus-BOCES. February is #CTEMonth so Gowanda CSD is spotlighting its students enrolled in Career & Technical Education programs. #PositivelyPanther #PantherPride #GowandaCSD

Kristen Warrior, Irissa Loving,

Gowanda Central School District.

They are Sports Conditioning/ Exercise Science students via Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattarau-



gus-BOCES. February is #CTEMonth so Gowanda CSD is spotlighting its students enrolled in Career & Technical Education programs. #PositivelyPanther #Panther-Pride #GowandaCSD

2nd Annual Morrie Abrams Memorial Snowsnake Tournament









L-R: a youth shoots his stick, AC Watt, Collin Bova, & Hiram Watt, Nakota Jackson shoots his stick, shooters gather at the track.

ONOVILLE, NY- The 2nd Annual Morrie Abrams Memorial Snowsnake Tournament was held February 22-23 on top of Oldro Hill in Onoville, NY with a great turn out! "The participation this year was huge," said Steve Frank, Onoville team member. The tournament was organized by Councillor Tina Abrams, Sherry Dowdy, and Christopher "Bundy" Jimerson.

The late Morrie Abrams was a former Seneca Nation Councillor whom had a life long love for the traditional game. Starting out on Snow St. in the pre-Kinzua days, Morrie carried his passion for ga:wa:sa' through the years and started the annual tournament in Salamanca, NY years ago. His team, Ononville, carries on the event in his memory.

Due to falling temperatures and lack of snow, the game was relocated to Oldro Hill in Onoville, a practice track for local teams.

The tournament hosted two separate tracks, one for youth and one for adults. Ages 5-16 threw their sticks first with men following in 3rd class, 2nd class, 1st class and mudcats. Indian Hill threw the farthest sticks taking home the top prizes in 1st and 2nd class with Ice Age taking 1st in 3rd class.

Winners received cash prizes, trophies, sweat shirts, and gift certificates for pizza and wings at the Old Tool Tavern.

"It's always fun to be here," says Allen Burch, Onoville team member and 1st class shooter.

Onoville would like to thank all participants, Rae Lynn George, and the Seneca Nation Council for their support. See you next year!

***Information and photos provided by Steve Frank. Additional photos by Seneca Media. Compiled & written by Tami Watt. ***

Complete list of winners

Youth

5-6

Mason Kettle

7-8

Ivan Abrams

9-10 Hiram Watt

11-12

Isias Abrams

13-14 Aubrey Henry

15-16

Alex Deer

Adult 3rd Class

Ice Age

2nd Class Indian Hill

1st Class Indian Hill

Mudcats

Ozarks



1st Class Winners: Indian Hill. L-R: Joe Montour, Joe Bennett, Johnson John, Bud White



2nd Class Winners: Indian Hill. L-R: Joe Bennett, Bud White, Joe Montour, Jerrod John

WGWE celebrates 10 years on-air!

By Tami Watt. Editor

SALAMANCA, NY- WGWE 105.9 first hit the airwaves 10 years ago in their first live broadcast directly from Allegany Territory on February 1st, 2010! The Seneca Nation's first independent commercial radio station also known as the "gweh" was first owned and operated by Seneca Broadcasting, a company under Seneca Holdings with David Kimelburg as CEO.

favored by listeners.

In 2016, the station took an interesting turn when Smitty resigned from his post to pursue a run for the Mayor's office. He was elected on November 8, 2016 as the first Seneca Mayor of the city of Salamanca.



Chris Russell took the helm as the station's Operations/ **Programming Manager** under Seneca Media and Communications Executive Director Dr. Jason Corwin after Smitty's departure in 2016. Russell redeveloped the format and streamlined many of the programs. The station is no longer under Seneca Holdings but is operated by the Seneca

Nation. Dr. Corwin and work closely together toward the economic growth and development of the station.

Today, WGWE has updated the classic hits format to an 80s playlist, some 90s

> hits are played on Friday night. Russell has added more live onair hosts including the talents of Miss B, Cindy Scott, Brett Maybee, and Louis Snyder. He has also taken on the role as WGWE's main sportscaster announcing games for Saint Bonaventure women's lacrosse, men's lacrosse, men's hockey, women's basketball, and men's basketball teams. He also announces games for the Olean Oiler's baseball and various high

school sports through the year.

The Seneca Nation then acquired an FCC

license to broadcast over an FM frequency.

Kimelburg hired Michael "Smitty" Smith,

a fellow Seneca who had been a longtime host for WPIG 95.7, as the main disc jockey/

station manager and the rest is history!

After months of preparation, paperwork, and renovation of an old Uni-Mart on Broad Street, WGWE kicked off with a classic hits format playing music from the 60s, 70s, and early 80s. Smitty served as the host of the morning show and request hour at noon.

Through the years, WGWE has hosted a collection of diverse programs for the Southern Tier and local communities. Soul to Soul with JJ White and Ian Jimerson featured blues music, requests and promoted local blues artists was a popular show. Smitty's programs with his indistinguishable charm and boisterous presence was a fan favorite. Asa "Ace Boogie" Washburn and Collin "Big Monty" Maybee were local DJ's who were also

promotion contests that give out prizes to lucky winners because they are popular with listeners. The audience can win anything from Holiday Valley ski passes, to WWE shows, to Buffalo

Russell enjoys the fast paced Bison and Buffalo Bandit games, and tickets to top acts at the Seneca



casinos.

The station has also formed a partnership with Native Voices One, which provides Indigenous programming from all over the world. American Indian Living focuses on health issues for Indigenous people along with traditional perspectives on medicines, you can listen in on-air Saturdays at 6am. Voices from the Circle hosted by Jim



DeNomie brings listeners traditional and contemporary Native music, storytelling, and poetry, catch it on air Sundays at 7am.

Gaë:nö' is a weekly spotlight of original



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music that's been recorded by Indigenous musicians from across Turtle Island Nations with an emphasis on highlighting the diversity of both peoples and styles of music hosted by Brett Maybee, Production Director. Maybee promotes Native artists by featuring their music during the first half of the show, he then utilizes the second half to interview the performer. Some of the notable guests featured on Gaë:nö' are Joanne Schendoah, Robert Freightrain Parker, and Buffy St. Marie. As a musician himself, Maybee connects with the artists he features and enjoys exchanging artistic visions which is clearly portrayed to the audience. "Buffy St. Marie gave me the sense of community and how we fit into the larger Native American music scene. It was an inspiring moment in my career that changed the course of my vision of what I want to produce as an artist," Maybee says.



WGWE is the home of Native American Music Awards (NAMA) which is hosted at a Seneca casino every year. The station serves as the main broadcast station for

the NAMAs as they report live and interview artists and guests directly from the awards show. Maybee has hosted the biggest award show for Indigenous musicians since 2016. He also features the upcoming performers on his show, Gaë:nö', leading up to the event.

The "gweh" has a unique position as the one of the few commercial radio stations owned by a Native Nation. The station has incorporated the Seneca language and culture through featured shows and dedicated time slots. Maybee has been instrumental in bridging the gap between modern radio fundamentals and traditional perspectives of the Seneca culture while remaining mindful and respectful. He attempts to use the Seneca language on- air when possible "The more the younger generation hears the language, even if broken, will perpetuate continued use and growth for our future generations. It creates a positive ripple effect that will allow us to continue to increase the amount of in-house productions for radio shows in the Seneca language," he says.

Although growth is necessary for success, the station has remained a hub for community announcements. WGWE has a community calendar slot for announcements to promote activities in the area. Russell and Maybee both shared that they pride themselves in being a positive bridge for the entire Western New York community. They have a large audience from Jamestown, NY and have regular listeners who call in, send in notices, and participate in promotions and events.

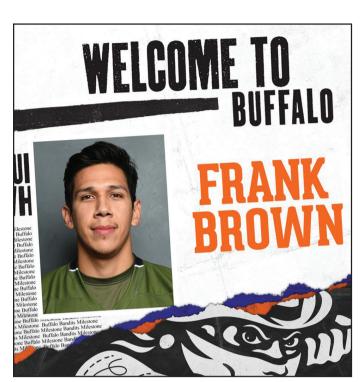
Moving forward, WGWE has plans for expansion in the near future and will base their upcoming project on the 10 year anniversary. Careful not to release too many details, Russell said they plan to announce the new venture hopefully next month that includes plans to expand broadcast coverage and improve ratings. WGWE has seen a significant growth in ratings which gives the staff confidence that they are on to something great and will continue to develop from the strong foundation built over the years.



Bandits Acquire Lintner, Brown from Knighthawks

Ja:goh Franky Brown - donning #19. Welcome to BANDITLAND!

Reprinted from https://bandits.com | 02.27.2020



The Buffalo Bandits announced the team has acquired forward Dan Lintner, defenseman Frank Brown and a fourthround pick in the 2020 NLL Entry Draft from the Rochester Knighthawks in exchange for forwards Dallas Bridle, Thomas Hoggarth, and a second- and third-round pick in the 2020 NLL Entry Draft.

Lintner (5'9", 185 lbs., 9/15/1992) has played in all nine

games for the Knighthawks this season, ranking sixth on the team in scoring with 17 points (5+12). The fifth-year NLL pro is currently on pace to finish the season with a new career high in assists (24).

Lintner has appeared in 62 regular-season games over the course of his career with the Knighthawks (2019-20) and the Toronto Rock (2016 to 2018-19), totaling 124 points (67+57) and picking up 203 loose balls. He has played in five postseason games, all with the Rock, scoring three goals and adding three assists.

The Courtice, Ontario native played four seasons (2011, 2013

to 2015) of collegiate lacrosse at Cornell University, recording 96 points (88+8) in 51 games with the Big Red. He set career highs in goals (47), assists (5) and points (52) in 2014 en route to earning Second-Team All-Ivy



honors.

Brown (6'3", 190 lbs., 11/23/1993) has scored one goal in three games for the Knighthawks this season.

He has totaled 20 points (8+12) and recovered 75 loose balls in 27 regular-season games, setting career highs in games played (14), goals (6), points (12) and loose balls (36) during the 2018-19 season while playing with the Philadelphia Wings. Brown, who originally hails from Salamanca, New York, won a silver medal with the Iroquois Nationals at the 2019 World Indoor Lacrosse Championship.

Source: https://bandits.com/bandits-acquire-lintner-brown-from-knighthawks/?fbclid=IwARotEeFgZSa-33BtA_mjXS-K-PpxC8qqp6vC_lJ-arWQIrwjSxeyYwczGks



By Ernest Meyers | Men's Lacrosse 3.2.2020 | Reprinted from https://golimestonesaints.com

GREENVILLE, S.C. – Limestone College senior attack **Larson Sundown (Basom, N.Y.) has been named the Conference Carolinas**

Men's Lacrosse
Player of the Week
for the second straight
week after erupting
for 10 goals against
Saint Leo University
as announced by the
conference office on
Monday, March 2.

A week after dishing out a career-high eight assists against Florida Tech, Sundown became the third player in program history to register 10 or more goals in a game. The All-American tied the team's single-game record with 12 points, adding a pair of assists to lead the top-ranked Saints past Saint Leo, 23-12.

Sundown, who has posted 21 points over the last two weeks, scored four times to help the

LARSON SUNDOWN
PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Saints build a 9-1 lead early in the second quarter, and then tallied four goals and assisted on another over a five-minute stretch to power a 9-1 run as the

> Blue and Gold pulled away from the Lions in the fourth period.

He tied Limestone greats Shayne Jackson, Allen Vaughn and Roger Vyse for the most points tallied in a single game with 12 while joining Vyse and Nick Carlson as the only players to post double-digit goals in a contest. He 16 shot attempts also ranks (Continued on page 19)

Allegany Arrows Sr B Annual Elections

Submitted by Sherri Ingersoll



The Allegany Arrows Sr B is holding its Board of Directors elections. Nominations are open for:

- President Vice-President Treasurer Secretary 4 Board Members
- Nominations close March 21, 2020. Voting will take place on Saturday, March 28, 2020 from 1-5pm.

TO NOMINATE:

To nominate - Call Sherri at 716.904.0278 or email her at sherri.ingersoll@sni.org.

Please help out the Arrows Team! We NEED community involvement. The Arrows would also like to invite the community to **MEET WITH THE TEAM** on Saturday, March 28, 2020 at the ACC starting at 1pm.

SCCSD Officials Address Racism Issues During Away Sports Games

By Kellen M. Quigley | Feb 28, 2020 Reprinted from https://www.salamancapress.com

SALAMANCA — Salamanca City Central School District officials recently addressed a concerning pattern of racism directed at Salamanca players and spectators during away games for winter sports.

During its last meeting, members of the Board of Education voiced their concerns with spectators directing racist remarks toward Salamanca students and fans during a recent game.

Superintendent Robert Breidenstein said a parent and a couple of children who are Salamanca fans experienced "inappropriate, insensitive and racist comments" while at a neighboring school district.

"There's no sugar-coating it, there's no easy way to describe it," he said. "It was vulgar, inappropriate and offensive, and it didn't need to be." "Racism has no place in the schools and the communities in America," said board president Theresa Ray. "We need to do a better job of reaching out to the schools and saying, 'We expect your fans and your students to treat all of our students with respect,' and if they can't do that, maybe we don't play them."

Ray said the Salamanca school district doesn't tolerate its students making racist remarks about students from other districts and they shouldn't expect Salamanca students to hear it at other schools from their students or parents.

"We want our kids to learn that that's not right, and if we have to go out there and lead and show people how to treat other people, then that's what we should do," she added.

Dr. Meghan McCune, board vice president, said she saw on

social media that families and

LARSON SUNDOWN

as the second highest singlegame total in program history.

Through the first month of the season, Sundown ranks second in the conference with 13 assists and 32 points while siting in third with 19 goals. He leads the nation with 8 points per game while ranking third in NCAA Division II ranks with 4.75 goals per game and eighth with 3.25 assists per contest.

Sundown and the Saints will conclude their three-game neutral site swing across the Southeast when they square off against No. 10 Lenoir-Rhyne University in the Crown Lacrosse Classic on Sunday, March 8 at Hough High School in Huntersville, N.C.

The Crown Lacrosse Classic will feature three top-25 matchups, starting with the top-ranked Saints taking on No. 10 Lenoir-Rhyne at 11 a.m. The regional clash between the Saints and Bears will then be followed by a pair of Division I games as heavyweights from both the men's and women's ranks take the field.

NAIG Aboriginal Coaching Module

Submitted by Mary Jacobs

The NAIG (North American Indigenous Games) Aboriginal

Coaching Module is slated for **March 15, 2020** at Onondaga Fire Barn in Nedrow, NY from 9am - 4pm.

REQUIRED:

Required for all NAIG coaching staff!

Please RSVP to:

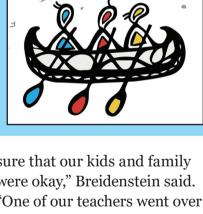
Mary Jacobs 716-803-2608

their kids were having to listen to racist remarks at away games, calling it disturbing.

"I think we have been responsive, but I think there's more that we can do," she said. "I don't know if all of our parents know and the kids who attend know what we have in place in terms of reporting that."

Breidenstein said McCune contacted him at about 9:30 p.m. after she saw the social media post and he immediately called the other district's superintendent, who was at the game.

"As soon as I got off with him, I contacted our chaperones who were there, and they made



North American

INDIGENOUS

GAMES 2020

sure that our kids and family were okay," Breidenstein said. "One of our teachers went over to confront and challenge the person for acting in a really inappropriate matter. The other individual was ejected from the contest."

McCune said the district held a meeting last year with other districts Salamanca plays during lacrosse to address similar issues at lacrosse games during the 2018 fall season, but now the problem is at basketball and volleyball games.

"It's just inexcusable, and I definitely think from a board perspective we need to do more, and I think the community here wants to do more, but we need to figure out what to do," she

RACISM ISSUES DURING AWAY SPORTS GAMES

said.

Board member Kerry John echoed McCune's stance on the issue, calling the racist instances "quite frankly disgusting, and I'm getting sick of it."

Although Salamanca does have monitors and people catching the behavior, John said the problem isn't about monitoring behavior but educating the other school districts.

"The people of Western New York need education," he said. "They need to understand that we are still here and that we're not going anywhere."

Breidenstein said the Salamanca fans and chaperones in attendance acted "admirably with distinguished character" when dealing with the situation.

"We can't fix insensitive comments, but we can educate people," he said. "What we need to continue to do is educate anyone and everyone who will listen so that we can educate and inform them that words have meaning and they matter. When we shine a light on that behavior, while we can't unring the bell or undo the damage,

we can mitigate it so it doesn't happen again in the future."

After addressing the issue in lacrosse a couple of years ago and advocating for education and change, Breidenstein said the 2019 season was a lot better in that regard. "We won't stand for injustice, even if it's not directed at us," he added. "We will take a stand and make things right."



Salamanca Warriors: Athletes of the Week

Ja:goh too ALL!

Reprinted from https://www.salamancany.org



By the end of last week, senior Nizhoni Kennedy helped lead the Salamanca girls basketball team into a tie for first place in the CCAA East II division. Kennedy had a team-high 16 points with eight rebounds in 53-35 win over Ellicottville on Friday, avenging the Warriors' only league loss to date and improving to 4-1 in league play. Kennedy also had 13 points, six rebounds, two blocks and two steals in a 47-42 loss to Hinsdale.



Jarod White: February 3-9, 2020

Junior center Jarod White helped the boys basketball team go 2-0 last week, starting with a 25-point, six-rebound performance in the Warriors' 67-47 victory at Portville. He followed up his big game with 10 points and 6 rebounds in an 84-22 win over Falconer. White has been in double-figure scoring in each of his last four games entering this week, and in nine of his last 10 overall. He leads the team in total scoring, rebounding and blocks this season.



Kylee Dowdy: February 10-15, 2020

Senior center/forward Kylee
Dowdy helped the Salamanca girls
basketball team clinch a CCAA East II
championship as it closed out league
play. Dowdy started her week by scoring
eight points with six rebounds in a 32- 25
win over Cattaraugus-Little Valley. She
scored a team-high 20 points with eight
rebounds in a 47-36 win at North Collins.
Salamanca finished 7-1 in league play to
win the championship.



Lucus Brown: February 10-15, 2020

As an eighth grader, Lucus Brown has already made an impact in his first varsity season for the Salamanca boys basketball team. He's currently averaging 10 points, four rebounds and three assists per game. Brown had nine points and eight rebounds in a 63-53 road win at Silver Creek on Monday. He followed that up with 15 points, six assists and five rebounds in a 85-25 victory over Gowanda.





Marla Warrior: February 17-22, 2020

Junior Marla Warrior scored a teamhigh 14 points leading the varsity girls basketball team to a 58-38 win over North Collins to end the regular season. She also had six points, three assists, two rebounds and a steal in a 46-41 loss at Gowanda. Salamanca finished the regular season at 8-11, winning eight of its final 12 and fi ve of its fi nal six, earning the No.4 seed to play a home playoff opener against Ellicottville.

Salamanca 417, 219 road projects expected to begin this spring!

By Kellen $\stackrel{-}{M}$. Quigley | Feb. 26, 2020 | Reprinted from www.salamancapress.com



The dangerously poor conditions of the roads in Salamanca may finally get the attention they need.

SALAMANCA — Winter may seem neverending, but local public works departments are looking forward to spring and the start of roadwork repair season.

At the last Salamanca Public Works Commission meeting, Superintendent Rob Carpenter said the state Department of Transportation has expedited the projects for Routes 219 and 417 in the city.

"They're supposed to start construction this spring," Carpenter said. "And I see New York state has been down here doing some surveying, so I'm hoping that's a good sign."

The first project is listed as "in development" on the DOT website with the bid opening expected in the spring. Construction is expected to begin in summer 2020 and completed in the fall, according to the website.

The project would be to resurface pavement on Route 417 and Route 219 from Park Avenue through Clinton Street, a portion of Wildwood Avenue and Central Avenue to the Salamanca north city line.

A second project covering the rest of Route 417 from Park Avenue down Broad Street to Center Street is also in development with bids opening in the summer and construction beginning in the fall, according to the state website.

Work for each portion of the project could also include drainage structure repairs, replacements on non-compliant ADA curb ramps, corridor sign replacement, traffic signal repairs and pedestrian signal upgrades as necessary, the website states.

The cost of each project is approximately \$2,300,000 for a total \$4.6 million bill to be paid completely by federal and state funding.

In addition to the road work, Carpenter said a roundabout project on Broad Street near Tim Hortons is also in development by the Seneca Nation of Indians.

Sharon Ray, DOT Project Manager at the Seneca Nation, informed Carpenter that the Nation was recently awarded a roughly \$866,000 grant to the Tribal Transportation Safety Program Fund for the \$1.8 million project.

Carpenter said the area on Broad Street from Eagle Street and the Veterans Memorial Park entrance to Messenger Street and Iroquois Drive has been under survey for about a year and a half with the roundabout going in somewhere along there.

"The roundabout is going to be a huge project," Carpenter said. "I talked with Sharon and she doesn't want to push that into the (road) project because it will just hold everything up. We're interested in getting the roads done."

IN ADDITION TO the state projects, Carpenter said the Common Council members should also begin deciding which roads they'd like to see reconstruction on as well as to tar and chip projects on some side streets.

After looking at CHIPS money from the

state, the Salamanca DPW has about \$800,000 to use for city streets.

"Front Avenue is one that catches my eye and Lincoln Avenue and Monroe Street to Highland Avenue," Carpenter said.

Another street in need of repair is Drake Street because it's becoming a safety issue, Carpenter said. He said he has to put sand down instead of salt because it's a dirt and gravel road.

"My guys go up there to plow and we've slid into the ditch three times the past couple years," he said. "It's becoming dangerous to go up there and try to navigate these small driveways with our trucks to get turned around."

The plan for Drake Street would be to dig down several inches, put in a new base and layover with blacktop, Carpenter said.

"After I see what money we spend on this, I'll have a better idea of what there is left to tar and chip," he added. "And I'll find out what it costs per lane mile to tar and chip."

Source: http://www.salamancapress.com/news/salamanca-road-projects-expected-to-begin-this-spring/article_4e4865ac-58ae-11ea-9a78-53a7ccd3e6cd.html

Ja:goh Izaias Abrams!

Submitted by Alexia John

Congrats to Izaias Abrams!
He earned \$100 for receiving a
"98" overall average at Randolph
Central School. **Awesome job, boy!**

Love, Nana & Haksöd, Mom & Dad, Gaga & Gram, Grandpa Sr. & Grandma Tina



Major Native American artists announced for Settlement project in Plymouth

Ja:goh Marie Watt, a featured artist!

Reprinted from https://www.mayflower400uk.org | Feb. 26, 2020

Settlement comes to Plymouth's Central Park this summer, with a fully decolonized large-scale contemporary art and events program that features work by 29 acclaimed Native American artists who are recognized by the Smithsonian Institution and leading biennials.

The major contemporary art highlight of the Mayflower 400 commemorations, Settlement is a collaboration between US-based lead artist Cannupa Hanska Luger and Plymouth-based arts collective The Conscious Sisters CIC that allows artists complete control to explore the effects of the colonization of North America from a Native American perspective.

From July 6, 2020 to August 2, 2020 this multi-disciplinary arts program will see artists investigate and interpret their lives as the survivors of colonialism and encourage a greater understanding of the contemporary Native American experience.

A creative response to the impacts of colonization on a diverse number of tribal nations, Settlement will present a free daily program of workshops, performances, installations and talks throughout the month.

To open the Settlement project on-site at Pounds House in Plymouth, members of the Wampanoag nation will produce a day of programming. The Sunday prologue will focus on the sharing the story of the Wampanoag, also known as the People of the First Light.

Leading the program, artist Cannupa Hanska Luger will travel to Plymouth to work alongside the artists taking up residence in Central Park to support the creation of their art.

He will enable the local community to gain a deeper understanding of the complex living Indigenous cultures that have survived settler colonization and facilitate weekly public dialogues about Settlement's ethos and durational performances as witness; holding space for the participating artists work as it is produced on-site.
Cannupa Hanska Luger said: "Settlement is designed as a creative response and reclaiming of public space to consider the impacts of colonization on a diverse number of tribal nations who continue to thrive



Marie Watt, a member of the Seneca Nation and contemporary artist who will be featured in the "Settlement Project".

despite its long-term effects.

"The project creates space and time to address questions and traumas through contemporary artworks and engagement, while also presenting a radical and complex living example of indigenous resilience and intersection.

"The Settlement project goes beyond conversations of decolonization and historical trauma by presenting vibrant and evolving contemporary art and culture, whilst actively practicing indigenisation.'

Settlement is supported by Arts Council England through National Lottery Project Grants and the Department of Culture, Media and Sport through the Cultural Development Fund.

The Conscious Sisters CIC is a sociallyengaged arts company based in Plymouth, which produces unique art projects working with and for the community.

Fiona and Karen Evans, of The Conscious Sisters CIC, added: "Telling the story of the decimation of North American indigenous culture is central to this commemoration - Mayflower 400.

"Settlement has provided a unique opportunity to attempt to decolonize our practice and use our privilege to develop

work that is authentic and timely.

"We wholeheartedly encourage others to work with indigenous artists to produce fresh work that takes risks. Never has the indigenous voice been more relevant."

Settlement Program Highlights

<u>Art and Sculpture</u>

- Contemporary fine art photographer Jeremy Dennis will explore indigenous identity, cultural assimilation, and traditional practices in an installation inspired by his ancestry
- Yatika Starr Fields will create mural and installation pieces throughout the city of Plymouth to engage with the wider community
- Ian Kuali'I, a multi-disciplinary selftaught artist, will create an onsite mixed media land art prayer installation rooted in the Hawaiian practice of forgiveness
- Raven Halfmoon will reverse history to indigenise Plymouth through the creation of temporary figures and a canoe vessel displayed throughout the month

<u>Film and Digital Art</u>

- Award-winning filmmaker Sterlin Harjo will premiere his latest documentary, Love and Fury
- Santiago X will interpret the Indigenous perspective of the Mayflower's arrival in a gallery of video, audio, websites and animated digital landmarks across Plymouth
- Razelle Benally, an alumni of the 2012 Sundance Film Institute Native Filmmakers Lab, will curate a selection of contemporary Indigenous films

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A piece of Marie Watt's artwork from her project "Blanket Stories: Western Door, Salt Sacks, Three Sisters".

Music and Performance

- Cherokee and Muscogee Creek artist and composer Elisa Lorraine Harkins will perform Wampum / a Cherokee, English and Muscogee Creek song set to electronic dance music
- Katherine Paul, a Swinomish and Iñupiat musician and visual artist, will perform a daily durational sound performance with unfolding narrative over a week
- Award-winning choreographer and Guggenheim Fellow Emily Johnson will present site-specific action and discussion piece Architecture of the Overflow
- White Mountain Apache artist and musician Laura Ortman will perform an interactive performance, previously

featured in the Whitney Biennial

- Multi-disciplinary artist Rory
 Erler Wakemup will host a pop-up
 performance interpreting an Indigenous
 'art battle' against Settler Zombies in
 order to decolonise Plymouth
- Weaver and fibre artist Eric-Paul Riege will present a site-specific performance and mixed media installation, a home for Her, created in collaboration with 13 female family members to represent exchanged stories, craft and love Artisan Crafts
- Cross-disciplinary artist Marie
 Watt will lead a community sewing
 circle project exploring the theme
 of 'mother'

• Haley Greenfeather English will construct a wigwam structure symbolising the reconciliation between settler and Native American families

Full list of Settlement artists

- Dakota Alcantara-Camacho
- Jade Begay
- · Razelle Benally
- Raven Chacon
- Nanibah & Autumn Chacon
- Dayna Danger
- Jeremy Dennis
- Demian Dinéyazhi
- Kathy Elkwoman Whitman
- Nicholas Galanin
- · Haley Greenfeather English
- Raven Halfmoon
- Stina Hamlin
- Sterlin Harjo
- Christine Howard Sandoval
- Emily Johnson
- Sonya Kelliher-Combs
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- Rory Erler Wakemup
- Marie Watt
- Tania Willard
- Santiago X



News From The Four Corners United Methodist Church

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

The Easter season began with Lent on February 26th and will end on Easter Sunday which is April 12th. Everyone is invited to join us for these upcoming special events.

Important Dates:

Wednesday, March 18th - 7pm Social Time at Gowanda UMC

Thursday, April 9th - 7pmMaundy Thursday services at Versailles
UMC (This service commemorates the Last
Supper.)

Sunday, April 12th - 7am

Easter Sunrise Service at Four Corners UMC (The service is followed by breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. This service celebrates Jesus' resurrection.) Wednesday, April 15th to Wednesday, May 20th - 7pm Bible Study at Four Cornes UMC (We will be studying Apostles Creed.)

Pastor Dave now serves three churches -



Four Corners, Versailles and Gowanda. So, his Sunday morning is very busy! He also visits our people at the Gowanda Nursing Home. He will also visit people who are in the hospital in Buffalo. He's a busy, caring pastor.

Interested in joining the Seneca Hymn Singers? If so, contact Janet "Beeda" Parker at 532-2478 or Terry Thompson at 725-4328 for more information.

Everyone is invited to join us at Four Corners on Sunday mornings at 8:30am for coffee and light refreshments followed at 9am for our worship service. The service is filled with music and word that will bring joy to your life. Feel free to contact Pastor Rood by phone or email if you have any questions about the church or if you need spiritual guidance. *Peace be with you*.

Local youth artist to have artwork hung at museum

Lake Shore Central School student, Rosetta George will have her artwork hung in a national art exhibit at the Women's Rights National Museum in Seneca Falls, NY! The painting will be on display at the museum from:

March 1st – April 30th. Ja:goh Rosetta!



Painting by Rosetta George. The theme is "What does equality look like?"

Ja:goh Shon Thompson!

Shon, a junior at Gowanda High School, has been selected to attend the "Close Up" Conference in Washington D.C. in March as a representative of the school district and the Seneca Nation.

Shon, who was selected based upon her grades and attendance, will have the opportunity to interact with tribal leaders, as well as



Shon Thompson

state representatives. The purpose of the program is to explore similarities and differences that exist within different types of government and discuss issues that the students' home communities face on a daily basis. During workshops, lectures, and meetings with leaders, the students learn how they can use their government to make a difference. **Way to go, Shon!**



Input needed on later school start times for Salamanca City Central School District

The Salamanca City Central School District is seeking parent input into a similar start time for Seneca Intermediate/High School students and Prospect Elementary.

Facts

- 1). Prospect and Seneca Intermediate /High School students will NOT be on the same bus.
- 2). Proposed start time for all schools would be around 8:00 AM.

In the past, school start times were dictated by transportation availability, that is no longer a limit due to the increased



transportation department.

Why are they looking into this?

- Research indicates that intermediate and high school students perform better with later school start times and that primary school age students perform better earlier in the morning.
- They also have concerns with tardiness at the intermediate and high school level.

The school district understands a change in the school schedule has a significant impact on the family schedule so before they recommend making any changes, they are requesting input from Warrior families.

If your child(ren) attend any of these schools, visit the school website at www.salamancany.org for more information. Direct link to the parent survey:

www.salamancany.org/school-start-times

Diabetes Alert Day

Submitted by Traci Wind, Health Educator, CHWC

American Diabetes Association Diabetes Alert Day is on March 24, 2020! Observed annually in March, Diabetes Alert Day is a one-day event that focuses on the seriousness of diabetes and the importance of understanding your risk.

This day is designed to catch people before they are at risk of diabetes so they have time to make changes to their lifestyle to prevent diabetes in the future. Pre-diabetes means your blood sugar levels are higher than normal but, not high enough for diabetes. People with pre-diabetes are at higher risk for developing type 2 diabetes and heart disease.

Type 2 diabetes is most common in American Indian and Alaska Native people. This type of diabetes can occur at any age, even in children. Signs of type 2 diabetes can be severe, mild or none at all, depending on how high blood sugars have become.

Look for these signs:

- Increased thirst and hunger
- Fatigue
- Increased urination
- Unexplained weight loss
- Blurred vision

A blood test to check your blood sugar will show if you have pre-diabetes or diabetes.

You can reduce the risk of getting diabetes and even return blood sugar levels to normal with weight loss through healthy eating and increased physical activity. We encourage you to find out if you or someone you love is at risk for type 2 diabetes by taking this simple Diabetes Risk Test at www.diabetes.org/risk-test.

Any questions please contact our Diabetes Educators Jody LaMarca at 716 -945-5894 ext. 3242 and Barb Nephew at 716-532-5582 ext. 5293. For more information on Diabetes visit www.diabetes.org/ and www.ihs.gov/ forpatients/healthtopics/Diabetes/.



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Seneca Clubhouse Donations

Submitted by BHU Prevention

The Seneca Nation Prevention team in collaboration with the Cattaraugus Community Center has created the Seneca Clubhouse for all youth ages 12-17. It is located in the Saylor Community Building and will include healthy activities, evidence based prevention programs, crafts, homework assistance, and a computer lab, among many other fun games and specialty themed nights. It is our hope that the youth in our communities will have the opportunity to support one another, work on making their goals a success, and assist each other in honoring their journeys.

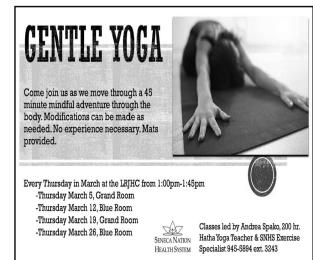
In an effort to make the Clubhouse an ongoing success, we are asking for community assistance. We would like to be sure that the Clubhouse is sustainable and able to meet any needs that the youth may have. Therefore, we are asking for donations in any of the following areas:

- Age appropriate video games and/or accessories for X-Box One or Play Station 4
- Age appropriate books
- Craft supplies
- School supplies
- Non-perishable foods and snacks (can goods, noodles, rice, etc.)
- Keurig coffee, hot cocoa, tea and/or coffee bar supplies
- Reusable or biodegradable water bottles

As a part of the Native Connections program, if you are a registered member of the Family Engagement Program (FEP) and make a donation to the Clubhouse, you will receive "extra credit" points towards the quarterly prize drawings as well. Please feel free to donate at any FEP event or at the Cattaraugus Community Center (CCC).

For more information, please contact the Prevention team at (716) 532-5583 or

<u>info@senecanativeconnections.org</u>. How will you Honor Your Journey?



National Native HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

Submitted by Traci Wind, Health Educator, CHWC



On the first day of spring, March 20, National Native HIV/ **AIDS Aware**ness Dav (NNHAAD) serves as an

opportunity to increase awareness of the impact of HIV/AIDS on American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians. This day is designed to encourage Natives across the United States and Territorial Areas to get educated, get tested, and get involved in prevention and get treated for HIV and AIDS.

According to the Centers for Disease **Control and Prevention:**

- Of the 39,782 HIV diagnoses in the United States in 2016, 1 percent (243) were among American Indians & Alaska Natives. Of those, 81 percent (198) were men and 19 percent (45) were women.
- Of the 198 HIV diagnoses among AIs/ ANs men in 2016, most (77 percent; 152) were attributed to male-to-male sexual contact.
- Most of the 45 HIV diagnoses among AIs/ANs women in 2016 were attributed to heterosexual contact (69 percent; 31).

• In 2016, 102 AIs/ANs were diagnosed with AIDS. Of them, 75 percent (77) were men and 24 percent (24) were women.

It is important for everyone to know their HIV status. People who do not know they have HIV cannot take advantage of HIV care and treatment and may unknowingly pass HIV to others. You can get free testing for HIV/AIDS at the health centers on both Cattaraugus and Allegany Territory or you can visit https://gettested.cdc.gov/ for more locations.

Traditional Medicine & Healing Group

March 3 ~ Salve Making Class LRJHC Blue Room, 5-7 pm - Free March 10 ~ Molly Vacco's Homemade Yogurt w/goat milk LRJHC Blue Room, 5-7 pm (cost \$20 each)



Diane Hill R.E.A.L. School comes to Cattaraugus

CHWC Grand Room, 5-8:30 pm (free to public, reserve your spot) March 17 ~ Session 1: Intro to Quantum Healing March 24 ~ Session 2: The 7 C's March 31 ~ Session 3: E-Motion April 7 ~ Session 4: Perception April 14 ~ Session 5: Communication

Please bring a dish to pass. Open to SNHS patients. Contact Roz Ground at 716-945-5894 ext. 3359 or 716-359-0839.



SENECA NATION HEALTH SYSTEM

FAST & FREE

RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC Sponsored by the Environmental Health Unit

Allegany Territory AIRVFD (new fire hall) Thursday, April 16, 2020 5:30pm to 7pm





Cattaraugus Territory CIRVFD

Thursday, April 30, 2020 5pm-6:30pm

Dogs, Cats, and Ferrets Welcomed! Please bring proof of previous vaccination



For more information

SENECA NATION HEALTH SYSTEM

Coming soon...mark your calendars

Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule Lead Renovator Training (RRP)

This training is difficult to come by and offered at no cost!

The Lead Renovator program is 8 contact hours with classroom and hands-on activities Examination at the end to become certified lead renovator, a requirement to become a lead abatement worker or supervisor! Typical trainees are those who would like to use the certification to work in the construction industry as well as homeowners, property owners/managers, contractors and their employees, and tradesmen.

CATTARAUGUS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2020

8:30AM - 5:00PM

COMMUNITY HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER

Grand Room

ALLEGANY THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020 8:30AM - 5:00PM

SENECA NATION

HEALTH SYSTEM

LIONEL R. JOHN HEALTH CENTER

Grand Room



About the Presenter: Arthur Wheaton is the director of Western NY Labor and Environmental Programs for the Worker Institute at Cornell. His expertise includes industry education and workplace training, high performance work systems, negotiations and conflict resolution, as well as auto and aerospace industrial relations. He manages and teaches in the online labor studies credit certificate program and online labor leadership skills certificate program. Art provides on-site training and education programs for unions and other organizations. He has earned a B.A. in multidisciplinary social science with a concentration in political science, history, and economics at Michigan State University. He has an M.L.I.R. from the Michigan State School of Labor and <u>Industrial</u> Relations.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

For more information or to register for this FREE training, please contact **SNHS Environmental Health** Shannon Seneca 716-945-5894 ext. 3246 Or sseneca@senecahealth.org





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



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

Cattaraugus CHWC 36 Thomas Indian School Drive 716 • 532 • 5583

Allegany LRJHC 987 R.C. Hoag Drive 716•945•9001 senecanativeconnections.org

SENECA NATION HEALTH SYSTEM

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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.

30 Day Public Comment

Seneca Nation of Indians Underground & Above-Ground Storage Tank Act

Please be advised that the following business located within the Seneca Nation Territories, more particularly on the Allegany Territory, has submitted an application to install/operate an Above/Under Ground Storage Tank for the purpose of petroleum products. This notice will allow for a 30-day public comment period in accordance with the Above/Under Ground Storage Tank Ordinance, enacted by Seneca Nation Council on September 22, 1997.

Sydney Watt
M & M West End
721 Broad Street
Salamanca, NY 14779
Allegany Territory
Community: City

All comments must be submitted in writing to the Clerk of the Nation at the following address:

Seneca Nation of Indians, Bethany Johnson, Clerk 90 Ohiyo' Way PO Box 231 Salamanca, NY 14779

> Begin - February 28, 2020 End - March 30, 2020

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

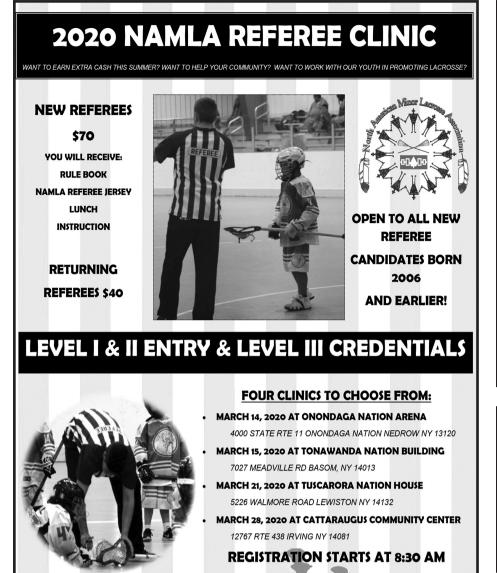
Cost: \$40 (Guest is \$30)
Application Deadline is
March 14, 2020

Contact Sherry Dowdy for applications



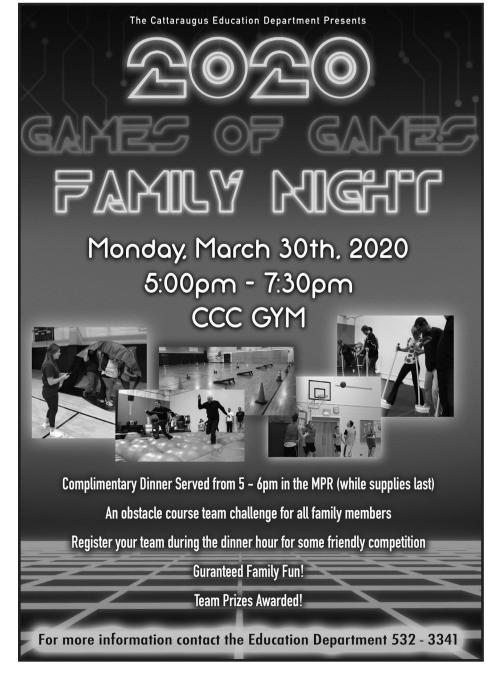
Next Newsletter DEADLINE: Tuesday, March 17, 2020

Next issue to be dated March 27, 2020



MUST ATTEND ENTIRE CLINIC AND PASS CERTIFICATION EXAM

CLINICS START AT 9 AM PLEASE BE PROMPT!



2020 Monthly Meeting Schedule

For Cattaraugus-Allegany NAIG Participants

Meetings held every 2nd Sunday of the month

Where: CCC MPR | Time: 6pm

Dates: **April 12th** May 10th June 14th July 12th

North American INDIGENOUS **GAMES** 2020



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.

Nya:wëh from the ACC!

The ACC would like to extend a big thank you to all the Coaches, Parents, ACC Staff, Volunteers and all the participants of the ACC Youth Basketball League.



Employment Opportunity:

Import/Export is seeking a Stamp Inspector (IFT)

Applications due by March 20 2020

Salary: \$16.93/Hour | Import/Export - Irving, NY For more info: (716) 532-4900 x5091 OR Email darcy.kettle@sni.org

View https://sni.org/departments/human-resources/ employment/ for a complete description of this job posting and to view other positions available.

SAVE THE DATE!

Watch for details regarding the 3rd



Annual Catt. Creek Catfish Tournament

May 23, 2020

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook @ Catt. Creek Catfish Tournament for the most up-todate information.

ACC Youth Swim Lessons

9 Week Program Monday's, 6-7pm for Ages 3-5 Wednesday's, 6-7pm for Ages 6-9 To sign-up, call the ACC at 945-8119!



The remainder of

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

Allegany Territory

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour gam, Puzzles 11am, Scrabble 1pm, Easter Wreath 3pm, Card Games 5pm

Friday

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Sewing 1pm, Puzzles 3pm, Snack/Games 4pm (C-LIB): Coffee Club 10am-12pm

Cattarangus Territory

- (WINI K): SITE CLOSED

Program 4-5:30pm

Friday

- (**ACC**): Zumba 9:30am

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

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Scrabble 1pm, Coloring 3pm, Card Games 5pm Saturday 14

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 1pm, Pi Day Party 2pm, Movies 4pm

Saturday 14

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Nascar 1pm, Dart Challenge 3pm, Scrabble 5pm Sunday

- (CCC): Youth Bball League Practice 10-11am

Sunday **15**

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, GO for LIFE 11am,

Monday 16

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 1pm, Potluck/Bingo 4-7pm

(CCC): 7th Generation Hadidekënö:je's Youth

Monday 16

Tuesday

Wednesday

Andrea Spako 1-2pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm - (ACC): Water Aerobics 9:30am, Yoga 11am,

Zumba 6pm, Pickleball 6pm, Swimming Lessons 6pm

- (A-LIB): St. Pats Craft 5:30pm

- (A-LIB): Cookie Decorating 5:30pm

Tuesday

- (C-LIB): Family Arts & Crafts Night 5pm

11am, Beading 1pm, Sewing 4pm

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

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Potluck & Bingo 1pm - (ACC): EZ Fitness 11am, Water Volleyball 5pm

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

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, Seneca Language

10am, Card Making 11am, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm

Wednesday

Thursday

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Cards 10am, Puzzles 1pm, Sewing 2pm, Snacks/Games 4pm (CCC): Vendor Days 3-8pm, 7th Generation

Hadidekënö: je's Youth Program 4-5:30pm,

3v3 Minor Mayhem @ Gil Lay 6pm

- (ACC): Zumba 9:30am, Water Aerobics 9:30am, Yoga 11am, Swimming Lessons 6pm

- (**A-LIB**): Slime Night 5:30pm

- (A-LIB): Coffee Hour 11am

- \$50 per team, 6pm

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

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Bingo 1pm, Beading 3pm, Sewing 4pm (CCC): Jr. Ball Hockey @ Gil Lay 6pm

Thursday

11:45am-12:30pm, Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm - (ACC): EZ Fitness 11am, Water Volleyball 5pm

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, Congregate Meal

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Sewing 1pm, Puzzles 3pm, Snack/Games 4pm (CCC): Breaking Out the Sticks Jr. Lax Tournament Friday 20

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour gam, Puzzles 11am,

Scrabble 1pm, Fish Fry 3pm, Card Games 5pm - (ACC): Zumba 9:30am, Volleyball Tournament Friday 20

- (C-LIB): Coffee Club 10am-12pm

@ Gil Lav Arena

Saturday 21

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

Saturday

(CCC): Breaking Out the Sticks Jr. Lax Tournament @ Gil Lay Arena

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 1pm,

Sewing/Beading 2pm, Snacks & Movies 4pm

Sunday

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Nascar 1pm, Dart Challenge 3pm, Card Games 5pm Sunday 22

- (WINI K): SITE CLOSED

- (CCC): Breaking Out the Sticks Jr. Lax Tournament @ Gil Lay Arena, Youth Bball League Practice 10-11am

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Don't forget to visit us on the WEB: https://sninews.org | Email us: sninews@sni.org

ACC CCC C-LIB A-ELDERS S-REC **WINI K C-EDU FMC A-LIB NRAG WSB** = Allegany = Steamburg Allegany = Seneca = Wini = Native = Free = William = Cattaraugus = Catt. = Catt. Community Community Library Allegany Kettle Methodist Library Recreation Education **Roots** Seneca **Elders** Building Center Center Department Elder **Artists** Church Center Center Guild

Allegany Territory

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, GO for LIFE 11am, Andrea Spako 1-2pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm
- (ACC): Water Aerobics 9:30am, Yoga 11am, Zumba 6pm,
- Pickleball 6pm, Swimming Lessons 6pm - (A-LIB): Adult Coloring 5:30pm
- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Scrabble 1pm, Painting 3pm, Card Games 5pm
- (ACC): EZ Fitness 11am, Water Volleyball 5pm
- (A-LIB): Baking Club 5:30pm

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

- (ACC): Zumba 9:30am, Water Aerobics 9:30am, Yoga 11am,
- Swimming Lessons 6pm - (A-LIB): Family BINGO Night 5:30pm
- Recovery on the Rez (FMC Basement) 7:30-9pm
- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour gam, Congregate Meal 11:45am-12:30pm, Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm
- (ACC): EZ Fitness 11am, Water Volleyball 5pm
- (A-LIB): Coffee Hour 11am

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, Puzzles 11am, Scrabble 1pm, Easter Wreath 3pm

- (ACC): Zumba 9:30am

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

- (ACC): Enchanted Mtn. Roller Derby Match @ ACC Arena

- (**A-LIB**): "Lorax" Movie 12:30pm

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

Monday

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Saturday

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour 9am, GO for LIFE 11am, Andrea Spako 1-2pm, Scrabble 3pm, Puzzles 5pm
- (ACC): Water Aerobics 9:30am, Yoga 11am, Zumba 6pm, Pickleball 6pm, Swimming Lessons 6pm
- (A-LIB): Book Club "Right Time" by Danielle Steele 5:30pm

- (A-ELDERS): Social Hour gam, Puzzles 11am, Potluck/Bingo 1pm, Scrabble 3pm, Card Games 5pm

- (ACC): EZ Fitness 11am, Water Volleyball 5pm

Tuesday

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Reminder: With the launch of the Newsletter website, if you'd prefer to receive your Seneca Nation news via the web, rather than continuing to receive a printed paper edition, please call our offices if you wish to be removed from the mailing list! Phone: 716.945.1790 OR 716.532.4900.

Email us at: sninews@sni.org OR fill out the contact form on our website at https://sninews.org.

Cattarangus Territory

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 1pm, Potluck/Bingo 4-7pm

- (CCC): 7th Generation Hadidekënö:je's Youth Program 4-5:30pm, Candyland Tournament 6-8pm
- **Alcoholic Anonymous Meeting** @ American Legion Post 1587 8pm, call 532.8456 for info.
- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Paint Class 1pm, Sewing 4pm

- (CCC): Youth Bball Games 5pm

- (C-LIB): Cookbook Book Club 6pm

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Cards 10am, Puzzles 1pm, Sewing 2pm, Snacks/Games 4pm

- (CCC): Vendor Days 3-8pm, 7th Generation Hadidekënö:je's Youth Program 4-5:30pm, 3v3 Minor Mayhem @ Gil Lay 6pm
- (C-LIB): Adult & Teen Craft Night 5pm

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

- (CCC): Jr. Ball Hockey @ Gil Lay 6pm

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Sewing 1pm, Puzzles 3pm, Snack/Games 4pm

- (C-LIB): Coffee Club 10am-12pm

Friday

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- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 1pm, Sewing/Beading 2pm, Snacks & Movies 4pm

Sunday

Monday

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 10am, Puzzles 12pm, Sewing 2pm, Snacks & Movies 5pm

- (CCC): Youth Bball League Practice 10-11am

- (WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Sewing 1pm, Potluck/Bingo 4-7pm

- (CCC): 7th Generation Hadidekënö:je's Youth Program 4-5:30pm

- (C-LIB): Native Event 5pm

- Education Dept.'s Game of Games Family Night @ CCC Gym 5-7:30pm
- **Alcoholic Anonymous Meeting** @ American Legion Post 1587 8pm, call 532.8456 for info.

(WINI K): Coffee Hour 8am, Pool 10am, Puzzles 11am, Seasonal Craft 1pm, Sewing 4pm

- (CCC): Youth Bball Games 5pm

Tuesday



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= Training &	= Seneca-	= Seneca	= Multi	= Early	= Seneca	= Seneca-Iroquois	= Fitness	= Catt. Indian
Employment	Iroquois	Allegany	Purpose	Childhood	Allegany	National	Staff	Reservation
Resource	National	Administration	Room	Learning	Learning	Museum		Volunteer Fire
Center	Museum	Building		Center	Center			Department

Monday

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that between 2011 and 2018, the World Health Organization fought 1,483 epidemic events in 172 countries.

Dean Seneca, who worked for the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention for nearly 19 years as a health scientist in the Office for State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Support and was also a first responder to the 2009 H1N1 pandemic, said rapid changes in the environment "have a huge impact on disease outbreaks."

"You know the environment, if you wanna if we really want to get into it, had a huge, you can look this up, had a huge impact on the hantavirus," said the Seneca citizen. The hantavirus was first spotted on the Navajo Nation and spread throughout the Four Corners Region in 1993.

After years of drought, rain and snow came heavily in the early months of 1993. Navajo elders told CDC scientists, who were trying to figure out the source of the hantavirus pulmonary syndrome, that the precipitation reinvigorated the plants, especially piñon pine nuts. There was enough food for the deer mice to populate. The CDC said there were 10 times more mice in May 1993 than in May 1992. With more deer mice around, the hantavirus could be carried and transmitted to humans. The winds in the Four Corners also played a role, Seneca said.

One study by B. Hjelle and G.E. Glass found that the two instances of hantavirus cardiopulmonary syndrome breaking out in the Four Corners Region in 1993-1994 and 1998-1999 was a result of El Niño.

Finding the source of the hantavirus just shows how Indigenous people know the environment and their communities, Seneca said. A study released in 2015 examined the weather-infectious disease relationship of studies between 1990 and 2015. It found a dramatic

change in the environment "can potentially change the dynamics of human infectious diseases by impacting pathogens, vectors/ hosts, or transmission routes."

Similar weather patterns in the Four Corners happened in West Africa when the 2014-2016 Ebola Virus Disease broke out. It was dry and heavy rainfall hit, which led to fruit growth. Animals like bats and apes gathered to eat the fruit. Scientists suspect fruit bats were the cause.

"With climate change expected to put increasing pressure on food security in Africa, food shortages will push more people to alternative food sources and consumption of bushmeat, like bats, will likely increase," said scientist Kris Murray at EcoAlliance in an interview with the Earth Institute. Bushmeat derives from wild animals like bats, monkeys, cane rats and antelope. Monkeys and rats are common. Another study stated that in rural villages in Africa, the droughts, economic hardship, unemployment and soil has locals turning to wildlife hunting and trading bushmeat.

Due to human activities like deforestation, animals' habitats are being destroyed and the only place left for them to go is near humans. (Case in point: the recent fires in the Amazon rainforest for farmers.) This increases the likelihood of humans interacting with animals and animals can pass germs (like bacteria, viruses, fungi, and parasites) to humans. This is called a zoonotic disease and makes people ill, according to the CDC.

The increase in urbanization of people has also led to a greater risk of disease transmission. People want to move from the rural areas to the cities for jobs and in some areas, migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers find homes in overcrowded and unsanitary areas, according to the World Health Organization.

"A really important message that we advocate is that

protecting the environment will help protect ourselves from a range of natural disasters, including disease," Murray said. Other extreme weather patterns, like floods, can lead to malnutrition, crop failure, starvation, an increase in people being displaced, and fighting over resources, says the 2015 study.

Floods also "provide breeding grounds for insects and cause water contamination, leading to the spread of diarrheal diseases like cholera," wrote Renee Cho at Earth Institute. It also can lead to a shortage of clean water. Another question scientists ask is if pathogens, or infectious diseases, can survive the temperatures of a warming planet?

The 2015 study states this is "challenging" because different and dramatic climate shifts in humidity, dry air, wind, floods, temperature, and precipitation. All of this, including time. "Climate change will continue to affect the health risk for human infectious diseases, limiting some disease transmission but creating opportunities for others."

Perhaps what is even more alarming is our immune system's could be "less effective" as the global temperature rises, according to Time magazine.

When pathogens are introduced to our bodies, we battle with a fever. However, as the planet warms, those same pathogens "that survive—and reproduce—are better adapted to higher temperatures, including those in our bodies. And, with that, one of our body's primary defense mechanisms diminishes in effectiveness," wrote Justin Worland after speaking with a professor at Johns Hopkins University's Bloomberg School of Public Health.

Worland said that the body temperature of bats is slightly higher than humans, 6.4 degrees higher. They're protected just like we are with our body temperature. They carry tons of pathogens "without suffering from them" and can still carry those pathogens that can hurt humans.

It can also harm Indigenous communities, the very communities who are close to nature.

Indigenous communities are the "most vulnerable and will likely be disproportionately affected by increased disease proliferation," wrote Jennifer Zhang, a member of the United Nations Major Group for Children and Youth, and editor for Consilience: The Journal of Sustainable Development.

The biggest suggestion coming from the 2015 study: adaption. Adapting includes improving public health programs, providing financial and health care resources, staying updated on scientific projections of infectious diseases, public awareness, understanding the weather changes, promoting a healthy lifestyle, and having early warning systems.

The threats don't stop there. There are also melting glaciers to worry about because "this will release glacial microbes and viruses that have been trapped and preserved for tens to hundreds of thousands of years."

Researchers discovered hidden viruses, 28 are new viral groups, inside a Tibetan plateau from 15,000 years ago when the water froze.

"Glacier ice harbors diverse microbes, yet the associated viruses and their impacts on ice microbiomes have been unexplored," wrote the authors. They say the "in a worst-case scenario, this ice melt could release pathogens into the environment."

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SENECA LANGUAGE APRIL CHALLENGE

Listed below are a few commonly used references to SPORTS being played in March.

Fill in the blanks to be entered to win a \$20 Gift Card to the Olive Garden!

to Lauren.Stevens@sni.org

Face 100 (: Post to @ Senecal anguage.com

to: Seneca Nation, Attn: Allegany Language Dept, 90 Ohi:yo' Way, Salamanca, NY 14779

Entries will be taken until Thursday, March 19th.

Drawing will be held on MARCH 20TH.

Ha'déwatgá:nye'shä:ge:h -All kinds of games







Ga:wa:sa' Snowsnake



Basketball





Owishä'ge:kha:' Hënötga:nyeh

Hockey (Ice type+they play)

Söh?

Dewa'ä:ö'

Lacrosse

"Ta:se'se:k

Gaöshä'! "stay out of the box!

> Gëjohgwa'- Team/group Hodijohgwa'- Their team (males/mixed) Odijohgwa'- Their team egatsi'wae' -I will watch it (specifically females only) ekeyatsi'wae' -I will watch them Hënötga:nyeh-Players in a game (They Play) Hatga:nyeh- Male Player

Yötga:nyeh- Female Player Hayësdanih- He coaches (teaches) Höwöyësda:nih- He coaches them (He teaches him/them)

Dë'ëh?

ëgatga:nye:' -I will play ëötga:nye:' -He will play ëyötga:nye:' - She will play ëgatsi'waë' -I will watch it (her/them) dë:nöhshä:nye:' -They will practice dë: ohshä:nye: '-He will practice dëyagohshä:nye:' -She will practice o'gatgwe:ni' -I won! waënötgwe:ni?! -They won! wa:tgwe:ni"! -He won!

sadä'swi:yo:h! -You are lucky! Try using your own players & teams!

Ga:weh?

Ga'ashäni:yö:n

ë'ho:shä'

(Hanging basket+Ball)

Ohi:yo' -Allegany Onë'dago:h -Salamanca Jo:negi:yo:h -Randolph Ganöndase: - Newtown Ga'dä:gësgë:ö' -Cattaraugus Do: Syo: we: h - Buffalo Jogöwödih-Gowanda Tgaenödehda:' -Silver Creek Joë'hesta' -Angola (lake Shore) Tënötga:nye'dahgwa'geh -Place where they play/gym/arena
___Tënödeyë:sta'gwa'geh -School

Wë:döh?

Në:gëh wë:nishäde' -Today (this day) Jigwus -Later Ëyo:hë't -Tomorrow Në:gëh na'dewadëdae' heyo:do'k -This weekend Te:de' -Yesterday Sö:de' -Last night











höwöyësda:nih.

NAME he played snowsnake yesterday. (Joe played snowsnake yesterday. He won!)

wa:tganye:' ga:wa:sa' te:dë'. Wa:tgwe:ni'!

Dë:nöhshä:nye:' dewa'ä:ö' ëyo:hë't neh Ohi:yo' gëjohgwa'!

They will practice lacrosse tomorrow the Allegany (The Allegany team will practice tomorrow. Joe coaches them.)

Yötga:nyeh ga'ashani:yö:n e'ho:sha' neh
She's a player hanging basket ball FEMALE NAME.
(Jane is a Basketball Player. She plays for the Gowanda School Team.)

Buffalo Their team they will play this week (The Buffalo Sabres Team will play this weekend. I'll watch the Hockey game.)

. Yötga:nyes Jogöwödih Tënödeyë:sta'gwa'geh Odijohgwa'.

Do:Šyo:wë:h Hodijohgwa' ë:nötga:nye:' në:gëh na'dewadëdae' heyo:do'k. ëkeyatsi'waë' neh Owisha'ge:kha:' Hënötga:nyeh.

Buffalo Their team they will play this week end. I will watch them the Ice type Players



Onöndowa'ga:' Gawë:nö' (Seneca Language)

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Onödowa'ga:' Gawë:nö' **Pronunciation Key a**.....f<u>a</u>ther **ä**.....c<u>a</u>t **e**.....th<u>e</u>y **ë**.....m<u>e</u>n **i**.....pol<u>i</u>ce **o**.....note **ö**.....own **u**.....t<u>u</u>ne **w**.....<u>w</u>ash **d**.....<u>d</u>og n....not y.....yes **t**.....<u>t</u>ail **g**.....girl **k**.....<u>k</u>ite **s**.....<u>s</u>it **j**.....job **h**.....<u>h</u>at **š**.....<u>sh</u>ow tš.....chalk :long vowel 'glottal stop **dz**....a<u>dz</u>e

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