

The Official Newsletter of the SENECA NATION



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A message from President Matthew B. Pagels



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I hope everyone is doing well. June was a great weather month. With the start of summer, I'm sure everyone is enjoying sporting events, family functions and outdoor fun.

First, I'd like to congratulate the Colorado Mammoth Lacrosse team for winning the National Lacrosse League Championship! Hard work and dedication paid off, especially Seneca Nation's Zed Williams leading the offense, they won in a tight three series match against the Buffalo

Bandits. Seneca Nation's Frank Brown led the defense for the Bandits, giving all of our communities a sense of pride, these athletes gave it their best for their teams. Way to represent! We are very proud of both players!

June is graduation month for the high school seniors. We are very excited to see the potential in these young Senecas as they cross this milestone. We send best wishes to you as you continue to excel and begin new adventures in your academic and professional careers.

The Seneca Nation sent a letter to NYS Governor Kathy Hochul requesting to begin compact negotiations. The 180-day period to engage in good faith negotiations will start. I recently attended the National Congress of American Indians mid-year conference where we spoke to leaders across Indian country seeking their support as the nation fights for fairness with NYS and our compact.

We will continue our negotiation strategy and

advocacy work with NYS legislators as well as federal officials regarding the Class III Tribal State Gaming compact regulations issued by the Department of the Interior.

As we prepare for summer, please continue to practice COVID protocol. We still see active cases in our communities. Test kits are available at the ACC, CCC and Administration buildings. For vaccination and booster information contact Kim Bradley at Cattaraugus Health at 716-532-5582 or Teri Cowles at Allegany Health at 716-945-5894.

Have a great summer, stay safe, stay strong.

***Dah ne'hoh dih ae',
Matthew B. Pagels***



Zed Williams holds the National Lacrosse League's Champions Cup, pictured with his family and friends.

Seneca Nation Coronavirus Response Hub:

<https://covid19.snigis.org>

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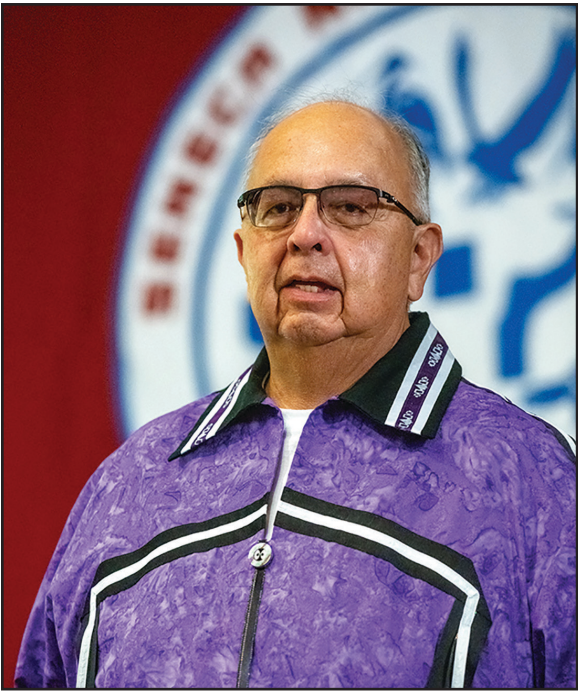


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Greetings,

Summer officially started on June 21st, 2022 and I’ve already darkened up some from working in my yard and tending to outdoor chores. I hope everyone is taking the time to spend time outdoors and enjoy the sunshine! The vitamin D will do everyone some good.

With summer upon us, the Slow Down Jimtown community campaign to urge drivers to

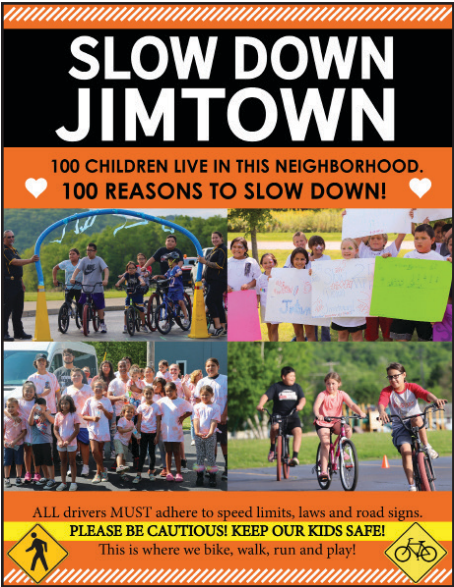
obey the 25 mile per hour speed limit, in the Jimtown area of the Allegany territory, is gearing up and planning a community outreach effort for June 29th, 2022. Among the events planned, there will be a community walk from the SAAB to the ACC, which includes a cookout at the ACC. So, if you travel the roads in the Jimtown area on a regular basis, please obey the 25 mile per hour speed limit for the safety of our children and all of our community members. For more information about the Slow Down Jimtown event, please contact: Sharon Ray at (716) 945-1790, X3137.

In some local lacrosse news, I’d like to give a shout out to our Lakeshore Varsity Boys Lacrosse team for their strong efforts this season. The Eagles made it all the way to the Class C State Semifinal round against

the Westhill Warriors, on June 8th in Cortland, NY. Although Westhill took the win, with their aggressive defense, the Lakeshore Varsity Boys Lacrosse team played hard and fought to the end. In Buffalo Bandits news, they went into their second playoff game against the Colorado Mammoth in Denver on June 11th, and unfortunately, they didn’t bring home the win. That made it Bandits one, Mammoths one. They played their final game three in the 2022 National Lacrosse League (NLL) against the Colorado Mammoth on Saturday, June 18th, in Buffalo. Although the Bandits fought hard and executed great plays, they just couldn’t pull ahead for the win. The final score was 10-8. One of our own, Zed Williams, played an outstanding game for the Colorado Mammoth.

For the youths in our community, the Seneca Nation offers several options to keep them engaged in play and learning over the summer. For information and details about the ACC Summer Recreation Program, please call Ruth

Atwood at (716) 945-8119; for the CCC Summer Recreation Program, please call Grant Stevens at (716) 532-850; and for the SCC Summer Recreation Program, please call Rachel Frank at (716) 354-4665. Our Education Departments are conducting the Seneca Leadership Program, which is the former 20/20 Program. For information please call your respective Education Departments. TERC is offering the Youth Employment Services (YES) program on both territories and you can call your respective TERC office for further details.



NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE



Marta Kettle, Clerk
CATTARAUGUS
TERRITORY



Bethany Johnson,
Deputy Clerk
ALLEGANY TERRITORY

If your department has an event you would like the Clerks Office to attend please reach out to Allegany Office: Lexus McClune @ 716-945-1790, ext. 3072 – Lexus.McClune@sni.org or Cattaraugus Office: Ashley Warrior @ 716-532-4900, ext. 5038 – Ashley.Warrior@sni.org

ATTENTION:
Allegany Clerks Office will be taking over the dispersal of the Application for Garbage Pick Up & Tickets from the Allegany DPW Department effective July 1, 2022.

MASKS ARE ENCOURAGED UPON ENTRY TO ALL SENECA NATION BUILDINGS

Both the Allegany and Cattaraugus Clerk’s Office have re-opened our doors with safety protocols in place.

Our hours are Monday through Friday; 8:00 am – 4:30 pm. We encourage members to bring their own pen if needed, as a safety precaution.

Please have your SNI Enrollment # ready when you are visiting or calling the Clerk’s Office.

We are happy to announce the Allegany & Cattaraugus Clerk’s Office are now accepting Credit/Debit Cards as a form of payment for ID’s, utility bills, business & fishing licenses, etc.

ANNUITY CLOTH
ANNUITY CLOTH WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP ANYTIME IN BOTH ALLEGANY & CATTARAUGUS CLERK’S OFFICES.

William Seneca Building – Cattaraugus Territory – (716) 532-4900

The Clerk’s Office continues to monitor the current pandemic & practice safety measures that protect the Clerk’s Office staff and Community as a whole, please watch for changes. Nya:Weh

On behalf of the Clerk’s Office we would like to Congratulate all the Graduates of the Class of 2022.

EVENTS

- The Clerk’s Office will be set up the weekend of the Pow-Wow, July 15-17 for anyone who needs to complete their In-Person Registration.
Hours: Friday, July 15; 4-8 p.m.
Saturday, July 16; 10-7 p.m.
Sunday, July 17; 10-5 p.m.

Cattaraugus Clerk’s Office Staff

Marta Kettle – Clerk
Geraldine Huff, Executive Assistant (Notary Public)
Kelly Mohawk, Deeds Recorder
Leslie Cooke, Executive Secretary (Notary Public)
Tammi Stafford, Administrative Assistant (Notary Public)
Ashley Warrior, Administrative Assistant
Lori Waterman, Administrative Assistant
Dana Maybee, Business Permit Officer
Kayla Huff, Business Compliance Officer
Sarena Seneca, Receptionist

Seneca Allegany Administration Building - Allegany Territory – (716) 945-1790

Allegany Clerk’s Office Staff

Bethany Johnson, Deputy Clerk (Notary Public)
Charisse Ground, Executive Secretary
Sue Case, Enrollment Officer
Kathleen “Yomie” Hill, Enrollment Assistant
Lexus McClune, Administrative Assistant
Amos Vogle, Administrative Assistant
Elizabeth John, Receptionist

The Buffalo Office Staff & Location - (716) 845-6304 or (716) 951-7555. ***Buffalo Office works in Conjunction with the Clerk’s Office.***

Ramona Marion – Director
Stephanie Maybee – Administrative Assistant
Judson Logan - Tutor

533 Amherst Street
Buffalo, NY 14207
Monday-Friday: 8am-4:30pm

VIRTUAL COUNCIL SESSIONS

The Seneca Nation will be utilizing the virtual online platform “GoToMeeting” for the Council Sessions for enrolled members to have safe access to each Council meeting.

To participate, enrolled members will need access to a computer, tablet or smartphone as well as a valid email address to sign up. To request access, please send an email to: SNGotomeet@sni.org Your email must include the following information:

“I would like to register to participate for the Council Date. My information is as follows:
Name:
Enrollment#:
Telephone#

Upon enrollment verification, a reply e-mail will be sent to you that includes a registration link for the meeting.

Please follow the instructions and fill in all requested information when requesting online.

Once registered, another email will be sent with a link to the online Council Session, which will go live at the scheduled meeting date and time.

SN IDENTIFICATION CARDS

In order to update your photo on your Seneca Nation Identification Card, you must appear in person. All cards issued must have a current photo upon issuance.
\$7.00 per card
\$3.00 per card for Elders (60 yrs. Of age or older)

CLERK’S OFFICE FORMS

Completed forms can be mailed along with a copy of your photo identification as proof of identify if you are unable to obtain a notary to: Seneca Nation of Indians, 90 Ohi:yo’ Way, Salamanca NY 14779. All forms are available online at www.sni.org under Clerk’s Office documents.

• **ADDRESSES**

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).

• **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.

• **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 attached a voided check or deposit slip (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

If you receive direct deposit, it is your responsibility to keep your address updated with the Clerk’s Office.

• **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 (<http://seneca.cm3solutions.com>)

If you need to obtain a Financial Literacy Certificate please contact the Seneca Nation Education Department for details. Contact Info: Allegany Territory - Seneca Nation Education Department (716) 945-1790, traci.pacini@sni.org; Cattaraugus Territory - Seneca Nation Education Department (716) 532-3341, barbara.weston@sni.org.

Seeking Invocators

The Seneca Nation Clerk’s Office is seeking Individuals interested in Invocating/Opening with Gano:nyok for Council each month. Anyone interested for Allegany may contact Charisse Ground at Charisse.ground@sni.org, 716-945-1790 ext. 3036 and for Cattaraugus you may contact Leslie Cooke at Leslie.cooke@sni.org, 716-532-4900, ext. 5046.

Seeking Non-Profit Organizations

The Seneca Nation Clerk’s Office is seeking Non-Profit Organizations to serve refreshments and or dinner during Council each month. Any Organization interested for Allegany may contact Charisse Ground at Charisse.ground@sni.org, 716-945-1790 ext. 3036 and for Cattaraugus you may contact Leslie Cooke at Leslie.cooke@sni.org, 716-532-4900, ext. 5046 to request a form. Forms are also available at the Clerk’s Office. Any questions or can be directed to Charisse Ground or Leslie Cooke.

Due to Covid-19, the in person requirement for enrollment has been temporarily suspended, therefore we are asking parents who recently have or will be having their child(ren) enrolled and wishes to have their child(s) pictures included in future editions of the SN Newsletter, please email a picture to: Kathleen.Hill@sni.org or Bjohnson@sni.org

We would like to say Nya:wëh for your patience and understanding during this time and please watch for updates as this may change unexpectedly. Any changes will be posted online.

Don't forget to register!

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Welcome our recent enrollments to the Seneca Nation!

SIX (6) ADDITIONS TO THE SENECA NATION ROLL – JUNE 11, 2022
REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL

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| 1. | Lux Jordan Abrams | - | Turtle |
| 2. | Tylianna Jessica Jimerson | - | Turtle |
| 3. | Joseph Alexander Ksiasek | - | Hawk |
| 4. | Bentley Cade Maxwell | - | Turtle |
| 5. | Trystan Lloyd Regis | - | Hawk |
| 6. | Ivee Ember Young | - | Bear |

On Behalf of the Seneca Nation we send our heartfelt condolences to the families and friends that have lost their loved ones.

FIVE (5) DELETIONS TO THE SENECA NATION ROLL – JUNE 11, 2022
REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL

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|----|------------------------|---|--------|
| 1. | John P. Griffin | - | Turtle |
| 2. | Arthur H. Jimerson | - | Hawk |
| 3. | Tyler Charles Morrison | - | Deer |
| 4. | Marvin Nephew | - | Wolf |
| 5. | Fran K Lin Seneca | - | Deer |

COUNCILLOR'S CIRCLE

President Pagels, Councillor Abrams speak at National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)



This month, the Seneca Nation President, Treasurer and several Councillors attended the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) held in Anchorage, Alaska. Tribal Leaders from across the country came together to work collaboratively to protect and enhance tribal sovereignty. In addition to talking with Tribal leadership, Congressional leadership, and federal



administration officials, the Seneca Nation provided comments at several sessions, including the Department of Interior Land into Trust and Class III Gaming Compact Regulations listening session.

Councillor Tina Abrams was honored to speak with other Tribal leadership on the main stage of the NCAI General Assembly, describing what Tribal Nations have experienced throughout the Termination and Assimilation eras when

Congress adopted policies aimed at terminating federal obligations to tribes. Councillor Abrams stated that “through this all we became resilient, we were able to withstand and recover from this difficult situation, we became authentic flexible thinkers, we became optimistic and we used our strength to reach out to others, we continue to be resilient.” President Pagels was also asked to directly address the General Assembly, delivering a speech describing the aggressive and unjust actions the New York State Governor took against the Seneca Nation. Both Councillor Abrams and President

Pagels received tremendous support from other Native Nation leaders from around the country who were alarmed by the hostile tactics used by the Governor against the Seneca Nation government.

Finally, the NCAI passed a formal Resolution in support of the Seneca Nation, calling out the State of New York for its unfair tactics related to the Compact, and calling on the United States Department of the Interior to implement regulations that prevent states from acting in bad faith during the negotiation of gaming compacts.



Seneca Nation has 2 resolutions passed at Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Convention

On May 16-19, 2022, President Pagels and Councillors William “Billy” Canella and Presley Redeye attended the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians’ (“ATNI”) mid-year convention hosted by the Lummi Nation at the Silver Reef Casino in Ferndale, Washington. ATNI is a nonprofit organization representing 57 Northwest tribal governments from several Western states.

At ATNI’s mid-year convention, President Pagels and Councillors Canella and Redeye were able to discuss the Nation’s recent compact dispute with New York State and the underhanded tactics used to coerce the Nation into making the disputed revenue sharing payment. Many of the ATNI members were shocked and outraged at New York’s egregious behavior and openly expressed their support for the Nation.

The Nation’s visit to ATNI’s mid-year convention resulted in the passage of two resolutions supporting the Nation’s efforts to find a fix to IGRA’s broken compact process. In fact, one of the resolutions passed by ATNI stated that ATNI will submit comments and recommendations to the Department of the Interior regarding the draft revisions to Part 293 and ATNI will urge the National Congress of American Indians to do the same.

Councillor Canella’s efforts were invaluable in securing the resolutions from ATNI, as he was able to coordinate with the ATNI staffers to get these last-minute items on the agenda of the ATNI Executive Board and, ultimately, across the finish line.



The Nation’s efforts at ATNI were so well received that the Nation was invited to speak at the upcoming Washington Indian Gaming Association’s Conference and Expo at the Tulalip Resort Casino in Tulalip, Washington. The WIGA Conference and Expo will take place on June 20-22, 2022.

Councillor Canella has, again, been instrumental in coordinating this event with WIGA’s leadership and the Nation has submitted a resolution for support by WIGA. We will keep the people updated on these events as more information becomes available.



THE INSIDE SCOOP WITH DR. LORI QUIGLEY



JULY 2022

On a Personal Note...

Nya:wëh Sgë:nö! Time really flies when you’re having fun. This month we’re celebrating 15 years of action and excitement at Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino.

We’ve come a long way from the “blue box” temporary building to our beautiful entertainment destination in the heart of the city. Since 2007, Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino has become the go-to spot for great gaming, exciting nightlife and of course, friendly service delivered with a smile. Ja:goh Team Buffalo Creek!



Speaking of fun and excitement, Nikki Seneca, SGC’s Outreach Specialist, would like to help you learn about the amazing opportunities to join Team SGC. Visit Nikki at the William Seneca Building (12837 Route 438, Irving, NY) every Wednesday from 8 AM to 4 PM and at the Buffalo Resource Office (533 Amherst St, Buffalo, NY) from 1 PM to 4 PM the first Tuesday of each month. To make an appointment, email Nikki at NSeneca@senecacasinos.com, or call (716) 807-2704. Walkins are welcome.

The Board and I hope to see you at the Stakeholders Meeting on July 23. Until then, be well!



Chairwoman, Board of Directors
Seneca Gaming Corporation

STAKEHOLDERS MEETING

NOTE: This will be an in-person meeting. Virtual attendance is unavailable.

JULY 23, 2022 • 10 AM

Enrolled Seneca Nation members are invited to join the SGC Board of Directors and members of the Corporation’s management team for the Stakeholders Meeting. We will discuss gaming facilities updates, as well as the ongoing financial health and well-being of the Corporation.

RSVP REQUIRED

Please email SenecaStakeholders@SenecaCasinos.com
no later than **Thursday, July 21 at 10 AM**.

Please include the following: **Full Name, Enrollment Number & Phone Number.**



THE GRASS IS GREENER AT SENECA HICKORY STICK

Ready to hit the links this summer? You won’t find better fairways than those at Seneca Hickory Stick. Located in Lewiston, this 18-hole par-72 golf course is open daily, 7 AM to 6 PM. Enrolled Seneca Nation members receive a 30% discount off golf rates, golf shop apparel, food and non-alcoholic beverages. Below are the **discounted rates** for the 2022 Golf Season (includes golf cart, except Junior rates). For more information or to book a tee time, visit SenecaHickoryStick.com.



RATE	MONDAY TO THURSDAY	FRIDAY TO SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS
Early Bird (before 9 AM)	\$39.20	\$41.30 Fridays Only
18 Holes	\$46.20	\$55.30
9 Holes	\$27.30	\$34.30
Twilight (after 2 PM)	\$39.20	\$41.30
Senior (60+)	\$39.20	\$48.30
Senior 9 Holes	\$23.10	\$27.30
Junior (17 & Under)	\$13.30 for 18/\$8.40 for 9	\$16.80 for 18/\$9.80 for 9

MASTER STORYTELLER PERRY GROUND VISITS TEAM SGC

Laughter filled the air last month as Haudenosaunee Storyteller Perry Ground performed **Stories from the Longhouse** for Team Members at Seneca Allegany and Seneca Niagara. Ground, Onondaga Nation of the Turtle Clan, engaged audiences as he brought the history and culture of Native Peoples to life with his captivating presentation. Ja:goh, Leadership Seneca, for coordinating these events and helping to build cultural awareness within Seneca Gaming Corporation.



MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO BUDDY HOLLY

TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2022

2:00 PM | Tickets start at \$35.

Seneca Niagara



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FRIDAY, JULY 08, 2022

8:00 PM | Tickets start at \$25.

Seneca Allegany

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Craig Ferguson – The Fancy Rascal Tour Coming To Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino On September 20!

Tickets go on sale June 24!

NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK: (June 21, 2022) – Get ready to laugh, Western New York – the rascal is back. Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino announced that Craig Ferguson will perform inside the Bear’s Den Showroom on Tuesday, September 20 at 8pm. Tickets go on sale this Friday, June 24 at Noon! Craig Ferguson is a multiple Grammy nominated, Peabody and Emmy Award-winning actor, writer, producer, director and comedian with a diverse career that encompasses film, television and the stage. He is a New York Times bestselling author

and has recorded numerous standup specials for Netflix, Epix, Comedy Central and Amazon. The wildly popular “Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson” ran on CBS for ten years and remains a cult favorite on YouTube racking up millions of views every year on fan posted bootleg clips. Ferguson has achieved notable success on the North American comedy circuit and has performed to sold-out theaters all across the country, including Carnegie Hall and Radio City Music Hall. He has five widely acclaimed stand-up comedy specials: “A Wee Bit O’ Revolution” which premiered

in 2009 on Comedy Central; “Does This Need to Be Said” in 2011 on EPIX and Comedy Central; “I’m Here to Help” in 2013 on Netflix, which earned him a Grammy nomination for Best Comedy Album; “Just Being Honest” in 2015 on EPIX, which earned him a second Grammy nomination for Best Comedy Album; and “Tickle Fight” in 2017 on Netflix and the six-part stand up/docu-series “Hobo Fabulous” on Amazon in 2020. This is an 18 years and older show. Tickets on sale June 24 at Noon! Tickets start at \$55.

Seneca Nation’s Journey to Bring Energy Sovereignty to Indigenous Communities

One company is changing the way Indigenous communities interact with energy companies. Helping communities become owners of their energy assets and doing so in an environmentally responsible way is the mission for Seneca Solar.

Indigenous communities have long cast wary eyes at energy companies for good reason

Indigenous communities and energy producers have for a long time not always seen eye to eye. Harm to natural environments, desecration of sacred grounds, pollution of water sources, and endowing landowners an unequitable share of profits are just some of the reasons that Indigenous communities and leaders might look skeptically at proposed energy projects.

Massive protests to the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) in 2016 and 2017 captured the world’s attention as members of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe protested the route of the pipeline form North Dakota to Illinois, claiming it threatened vital water sources and sacred sites.

Protests continue in Northwestern Canada over two pipelines passing through Indigenous territory. The UN has since expressed concerns with Canada’s dismissal and eviction of “land defenders.”

Fears persist in Australia over the desecration of sites sacred to First Nations communities. The 2020 destruction of Juukan Gorge, and newly proposed expansion of natural gas projects in Western Australia threaten traditional lands.

The stories are much the same worldwide. From Russia to Brazil to the DRC, Indigenous lands and communities are exploited by a whole range of actors, but fossil fuel giants are one of the major culprits.

Seneca Solar wants to change the

relationship that Indigenous communities have with energy projects.

What is Seneca Solar?

Seneca Solar is a company owned wholly by the Seneca Nation. The company, which has been in development for about one year, is engaging in climate-related activities that can deliver earth healing solutions – solar powered energy being its primary focus.

Seneca Energy, the tribal utility company of the Seneca Nation, already has four solar projects installed on tribal land, which have produced at least 8.27 million kWh of solar energy.

Seneca Solar is looking to expand beyond Seneca Nation territory. Its primary goals are to rapidly increase the capacity of renewable energy worldwide, and to bring energy sovereignty to historically underserved communities.

“What we’re trying to do in our work with Indigenous groups around the world is change that relationship by helping them develop and own high-value renewable energy assets,” said Vice President of Seneca Solar, Matt Renner, speaking to TriplePundit about the relationships between Indigenous communities and energy developers.

Those relationships have long been problematic, benefiting communities only so long as there are resources to extract. When the resources are gone, so are the benefits. Providing communities with the ability to own and develop their own renewable energy projects can bring benefits spanning generations.

Governments warming to the renewable energy transition

Focusing Seneca Solar’s efforts on clean, renewable energy sources addresses not only the issue of exploitation, but also the pressing climate emergency. With

scientists reporting that climate change is extremely likely (more than 95 percent) to be human induced, and the leading cause of greenhouse gases is the burning of fossil fuels, urgent action is needed to restore the health of the planet.

Seneca Solar wants to increase the access that historically underserved communities have to clean sources of energy and support their engagement in the post-fossil fuel economy.

Its expansion into markets throughout the United States and beyond, however, is largely dependent on state policies surrounding solar and renewable energy.

“In our federal system, it’s really a patchwork – we’ve got some states that are leaders on renewable energy, and we have some that are very much laggards. The main difference in the industry now from 5 years ago is the economics are there now, where solar plus battery systems can outcompete natural gas in many cases on price alone,” said Renner.

Governments worldwide are expected to reduce their subsidies to the oil and gas industry in the near future, transferring that money to investments in cleaner, renewable sources of energy. At the U.N. Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow in November 2021, the U.S., U.K., Canada, and 30-plus other countries pledged to end funding for fossil fuel projects abroad by the end of 2022.

With the renewable energy market set for massive growth in the coming years as countries and corporations slash their emissions in order to comply with climate targets, Seneca Solar is placing itself at the forefront of accelerating the energy transition. At the same time, it is helping to reinvent the frayed relationship between Indigenous communities, energy producers, and the global economy as a whole.



Seneca Nation Library – Allegany Branch

Submitted by Glenda Grey

It’s not too late to start your road trip to all the libraries in Chautauqua- Cattaraugus county, stop in and pick up your passport and map. There are 38 libraries in the system and you can get books, movies, audio books from all 38! Did you know that with a library card you can access Libby? This app allows you to choose from hundreds of books to listen to and read with your library card.

You can now stop in and get passes to The Buffalo Science Museum, Erie Zoo, and the Buffalo Zoo? And many other attractions. You will need your library card to use the passes. Now is a great time to get your library card! We are more than just books!

Please call to reserve your seat on June 28th when John Scarano and Cheri Mancuso will be here to discuss their books, Coldspring and Coldspring The Trial. We will be serving light refreshments. Did you read these books? Chilling and accurate accounts of a murder that took place in Coldspring which is now Corbett Hill. To kick off the summer reading program, Oceans of Possibilities, Tamara Bacho, volunteer from Cornell Cooperative Extension will be here on July 8th starting at 11am presenting a short program on Planning for Pollinators. We will have a community day for our reading program so stay tuned for the day and time. Registration slips are at the library.

On July 8th we will be celebrating 43 years of service with cake and refreshments from 11am – 1pm. For our next author night, we will feature Steve Gordon, July 27th with his series titled, Cold Springs. Seating is limited. Don’t forget coffee hour every Thursday at 10am. Stop in and say hi!


Financial Literacy Program

Graduation season is here; CONGRATULATIONS! Just a reminder to those young adults who are ready to complete the Financial Literacy Program (Seneca Cents) and apply for the Release of Minors Trust. The process is as follows:

1. Complete and submit the Financial Literacy Application to your respective Education office. Applications are available online at the link below or in person at both the Education and Clerks office.
<https://sni.org/app/uploads/2021/08/Financial-Literacy-Application.pdf>
2. Complete the course online at the below link:
(<http://seneca.cm3solutions.com/index.aspx>)
3. Once completed you must notify the Education Dept so that we can send an embossed certificate along with a letter of completion.
4. It is then the individual’s responsibility to submit all required documents to the Clerks office for Release of Minors Trust Fund.

If you have any questions please call The Education Department at (716)532-3341


Allegany garbage tickets will now be distributed at the Clerks Office located in the SAAB effective July 1, 2022. In order to be added to the residential pick-up trash list you must: (1) be an enrolled member and submit proof of enrollment; (2) live in the residence; (3) provide a copy of a utility bill in your name. Thank you for your cooperation. Nya:wëh, Allegany DPW & Allegany Clerk’s Office.



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CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR GRADUATION. BEST WISHES GOING FORWARD ON NEW BEGINNINGS AND CONTINUED SUCCESS!




FROM THE SENECA NATION COUNCILORS

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Josh Becker
Arlene Bova
William Canella
Al E. George
Josh Jimerson
Angie Kennedy
Timothy Waterman

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Eliot Jimerson
Llona LeRoy
Lisa Maybee
Presley Redeye
Keith White Sr.
John A. Williams Jr.





Union Sheet Metal Apprentice (July 2022)

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Information submitted by Cattaraugus TERO



SALC Pre-K & Head Start Graduation 2022

Seneca Arts & Learning Center – Allegany Territory

Ja:goh to the Seneca Arts & Learning Center Pre-K and Head Start graduates!

On Thursday, June 16, 2022, the SALC welcomed the families of this year’s graduates to a customary graduation ceremony & delicious dinner to celebrate and acknowledge their recent milestone. The young grads beamed with pride as they heard their name and walked across the stage to receive their diploma certificates, dressed in purple caps, gowns, and custom stoles. They all received gift bags in honor of their early education.

Congratulations to:

- Cayelle John
- Bradleigh White
- Klyde Smith
- Romy Williams

“Each of you have been a light and a ray of sunshine in our building for so many years. We are honored to have been a part of your early education and we wish you each all of the best of luck!”
~ SALC Staff



STC Graduates Latest Cohort

Seneca Training Center held their banquet for five graduating Trainees at the Cattaraugus Territory Community Center. Toonie Pierce, Cattaraugus TERC Director, opened the ceremony. SN Councilor Abrams spoke on behalf of President Matt Pagels. SN Treasurer Armstrong, BOCES Instructor Dan Macakanja, Paul Andalora, Blue Print & OSHA Instructor and TERO Directors from both Territories offered congratulatory remarks and advice to the trainees. Following the remarks and certificates from the Instructor, Allegany TERC YES program Director Patti Brisley presented her program awards.

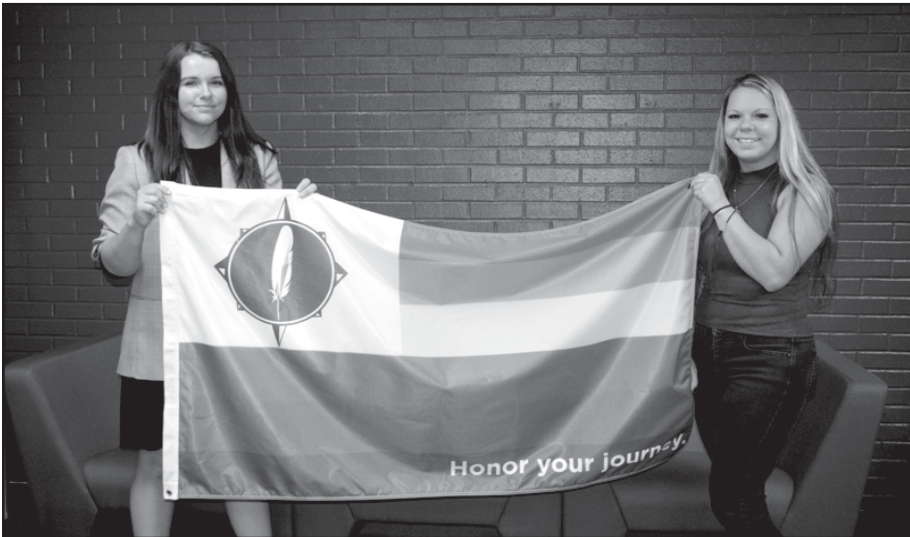
Ja:goh to Geraldine Seneca, Amber Silverheels, Dakota Bennett, Kirby Ferguson and Darren Mohawk (absent).

The trainees were presented with a congratulatory gift bag along with hor'dourves, a sit down or take out meal, drinks, and cake.



Seneca Native Connections

Seneca Native Connections is celebrating PRIDE Month with their new flag. Be sure to like their page for all Seneca Native Connections Updates!



Heritage Day 2022

Nya:wëh to everyone who contributed to Heritage Day 2022 held Saturday, June 11th at the Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural Center and Seneca-Iroquois National Museum. It felt so good to see your smiling faces. Please be sure to follow the museum social media pages for up to date information on upcoming events throughout the year.

Ja:goh to the Heritage Day dance competition winners!

Youth Girls Smoke Dance

- 1-Mayce Jones
- 2-Rosalyn Dowdy
- 3-Kordelia George

Youth Boys Smoke Dance

- 1-Marty Jimerson III
- 2-Dazarrious John

Teen Girls Smoke Dance

- 1-Gao:wisa:s Stevens
- 2-Alleyana Abrams

Teen Boys Smoke Dance

- 1-Cusin Lyons

2-Kelvin George

Jr. Adult Women's Smoke Dance

- 1-Jasmin Cathers
- 2-Wase Smith

Jr. Adult Men's Smoke Dance

- 1-Frank Wesaw
- 2-James Jimerson
- 3-Jake George

Sr. Adult Women's Smoke Dance

- 1-Valerie Campbell
- 2-Keona George
- 3-Allison Smith

Sr. Adult Men's Smoke Dance

- 1-Chris Thomas
- 2-Jessie George
- Golden Age Women's Smoke Dance
- 1-Lisa Parker
- 2-Faye Lone
- 3-Lynn O'Keefe

Golden Age Men's Smoke Dance

- 1-Alan George

"The museum would like to extend a very special "nya:wëh" to the sponsors that made Heritage Day 2022 possible.

This event is always focused on bringing our communities together, to support each other, and to catch up with friends and family. It was great to have participants in all of the dance categories. Seeing the children and elders dance is always especially enjoyable.

The craft vendors presence always remind us that our traditional arts are alive and thriving. And our food and drink vendors keep everyone going throughout the day with delicious tastes.

I encourage anyone reading this that knows any of the sponsors, or an employee of the sponsors, to pass along gratitude for supporting our community events," Hayden Haynes, Museum Manager.



NYA:WËH TO OUR SPONSORS!

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Seneca Nation Fish and Wildlife host 2nd Annual Youth Fishing Tournament



OHI:YO’ – The Seneca Nation’s Fish and Wildlife Department held their 2nd annual Youth Fishing Tournament on Father’s Day, June 19th at the Fish Hatchery pond. Community members, volunteers

and families lined the shore of the stocked pond while youth participants threw their best casts to compete for prize money.

Of the 66 registered youth participants, 3 were able to lock in the top prizes. Hayden Pierce took home the 1st Catch of the Day with an 11 ½” bass and the Most Fish Caught with 7 fish! The Biggest Fish was caught by Jacob Goodyear at 17 3/8”. Jordan Sundown caught the Smallest Fish at 2 5/8”. Each top prize winner walked away with \$100 each. Anglers caught 26 fish with species including bass, perch, walleye, blue gill, white bass, largemouth bass and crappie.

Local businesses, community members, Executives, and Seneca Nation Departments generously donated cash, gift cards and prizes. All 66 registered recipients walked away with a door prize! Rex McComber walked away with the large fishing innertube donated by Seneca Promotions. William Shelborn won the kids kayak donated by the Hill family. Adults were entered into prizes for fishing poles, gift cards, tackle boxes and outdoor fun. Weso’ nya:wëh to all that sponsored and volunteered, you all made the event successful and many children happy! It was great to see so many community members and families enjoying the beautiful day.

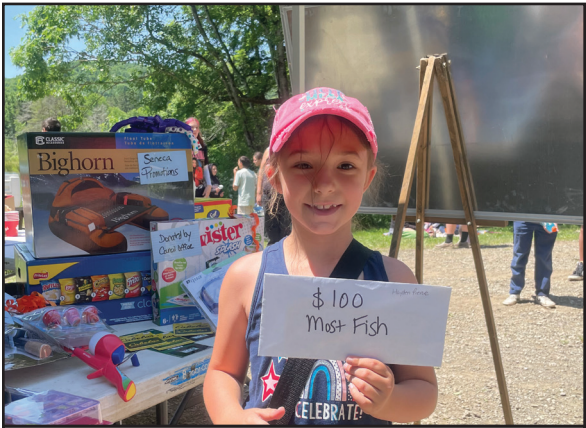
“Our goal, is to provide an opportunity for families to have fun by getting the kids outside and getting reconnected with nature---and I think we accomplished that! The weather was just right, some good fish were caught, we had some really cool prizes, and we all had fun and left with some good memories. It was a great way to spend a Sunday morning!

I just can’t thank all of our partnering departments and sponsors enough, for their participation and support! A special “Nya:wëh” to our event committee and our all of our Conservation Fish & Wildlife staff members---everyone came together to create an amazing experience,” shared Fish and Wildlife Director Allie George.

Nya:wëh to Seneca Media, DPW,

Highbanks, One Stop, SNI Health Dept., SGC and the SN Newsletter. Weso’ nya:wëh to our sponsors! You make a difference!

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Hayden Pierce - 1st Catch of the Day, Most Fish Caught



Jordan Sundown - Smallest Fish 2 5/8"



Jacob Goodyear- Largest Fish 17 3/8"





Juneteenth Parade

Seneca Members of our Buffalo Creek Community, Seneca Nation staff, Councillors and Executives walked in this year's Juneteenth Parade in Buffalo

June 19, 2022 - "Celebrate Freedom" - The Seneca Nation stands in solidarity with our friends and neighbors today, as we collectively celebrate Juneteenth. Last weekend, members of the Buffalo Creek Community, as well as Seneca Nation Executives and Leadership, attended the Juneteenth Parade held in Buffalo. #juneteenth



Seneca Nation President's Day was observed June 15th - In honor of the late President Kelly John and his birthday!

Presidents of the SENECA NATION

Solomon W. McLane (1848, 1849), Zechariah Lewis Jameson (1850), Seneca White (1851), Jacob Blacksnake (1852), John Luke (1853, 1856, 1859, 1861, 1862), Henry Twoquins (1854), Peter Jameson (1855), John Seneca (1857), Joshua Turkey (Appointed 1857), Edward Parise (1858), Isaac Halfpaw (1860, 1866, 1868), Peter Seneca (1867, 1872), William Chouse (1869, 1870), Peter Sundown (1871, 1873), William Redeye (1877), Lab King (1878), Amos Shonga (1879), John Jack (1880), Cyrus Chouse (1883), Joseph Hemlock (1885), Wallace Halfpaw (1892), Jesse Jameson (1899), George W. Seneca (1920), Hanover Bennett (Appointed 1927)

Section I Our government shall have a legislative, executive and judiciary department . . . Section III The executive power shall be vested in a president whose duty it shall be at all times to preside over the deliberations of the Council having a casting vote therein . . . It shall be his duty to see that the laws applicable to the Nation are faithfully executed. He shall have power to fill all vacancies . . . The president shall have the power of veto . . . Section XII The president shall have the power to convene the Council in extra session . . .

Constitution of the Seneca Nation of Indians of 1848 (effective November 9, 1993)

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100 REASONS TO SLOW DOWN!

SAFETY WALK & COOKOUT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

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2022 World Lacrosse Women's Championship

30 Teams in 30 Days: Haudenosaunee
June 07, 2022 | womensworldlax2022.com/



Jalyn Jimerson

PROGRAM INFO

Governing Body: Haudenosaunee Nationals
Founded: 1983

Haudenosaunee Lacrosse History: The game of lacrosse begins with the Iroquois. When Europeans arrived in America, lacrosse was already widespread. To the Iroquois, lacrosse is spiritual and a way to give thanks to the Creator. Men receive a stick at birth. They sleep close to a stick every night throughout their lives and are buried with one.

The modern Haudenosaunee Nationals organization formed in 1983 with the men first competing in a world championship in 1990. The women first played in the world championship in 2009.

TEAM INFO

World Championship Appearances: 3
Best Finish: 7th (2013)
Current Ranking: 12th
Head Coach: Elizabeth Beville

World Championship History: The Haudenosaunee first played in the Women’s World Championship in 2009. In 2017, the team went 4-0 in pool play before placing 12th. This year marks the team’s fourth appearance in the event.

Pool Play Schedule:

- June 30 vs. Japan
- July 1 vs. China
- July 3 vs. Switzerland
- July 4 vs. Argentina

FAN INFO

Team Colors: Purple and gold
Fun Fact: The principle of seven generations is a core leadership philosophy of the Haudenosaunee (also known as “People of the Longhouse”), and it means that when leaders make decisions, they have a sacred responsibility to think of the wisdom of those that came seven generations before and to consider how their decision will impact those to be born seven generations ahead.

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

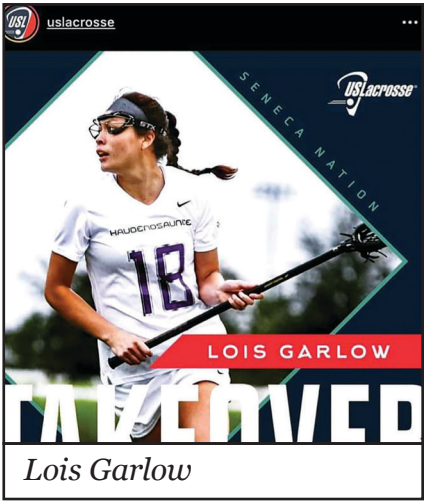
Jalyn Jimerson

Jalyn Jimerson will be representing the Haudenosaunee for the third time in a world championship. She made her debut with the senior team in 2017, scoring 11 goals to go along with

seven assists. She was also the team’s leading scorer at the 2019 U19 world championship, registering 26 goals and 13 assists in eight games to rank fourth in the tournament in scoring. She’s played three seasons at Syracuse and her sister, Alie, is playing for Canada.

NOTABLE

Virginia Tech’s Jacelyn Lazore is playing in her second straight world championship and also played for the U19 team in 2019 ... attacker **Lois Garlow** will play in her first senior world championship. Garlow is coming off her junior year at Niagara University, where she led the Purple Eagles in goals (49), assists (19) and points (68) while finishing third in draws (30). She had 19 goals and 14 assists at the 2019 U19 world championship ... attacker **Miya Scanlan** helped lead Jacksonville to a fifth-straight Atlantic Sun tournament title in 2022...Wynter Jock is a high school junior who is committed to Notre Dame ... Taylor Frink is an assistant coach at Albany and scored 171 points during her playing career with the Great Danes ... Head coach Elizabeth Belville leads the LeMoyne College women’s team.



Lois Garlow



Miya Scanlan

Santana named to Women’s World Championship Roster University at Albany Great Danes

Outgoing senior attack Ivy Santana (*Cattaraugus Territory, Seneca, Wolf clan*) made the Haudenosaunee roster. Haudenosaunee shares Pool E with Argentina, China, Japan, and Switzerland. Team Haudenosaunee opens June 30 at 2:00 pm against Team Japan. Ivy scored four goals with three assists in 12 total appearances. Santana scored one goal each against Syracuse and Stony Brook, UAlbany two highest-ranked opponents on the season. **Ja:goh Ivy**.

ESPN will broadcast 112 games of the World Championship, including six on its linear networks. The first game of the tournament, USA vs. Canada, will broadcast on ESPN2 on June 29 at 7pm. Additionally, both semi finals will air on ESPN2 on July 7, as will the championship game on July 9. The bronze medal match will air on ESPNU immediately preceding the title game on July 9.



Williams gets back on top of lacrosse world, wins NLL

Mammoth Moment | June 20, 2022 | By Christian Storms | observertoday.com

BUFFALO — On Saturday night at the KeyBank Center, Silver Creek High School graduate Zed Williams did something most people can only dream of.

He won the National Lacrosse League Champions Cup after the Colorado Mammoth defeated the Buffalo Bandits 10-8 in a winner-take-all Game 3.

Williams wasn't a non-factor either.

In fact, without him the Mammoth wouldn't have won their first championship since 2006. In the series, Williams scored 21 points. In the deciding game, he found the back of the net four times, including the go-ahead goal in the fourth quarter and the backbreaking 10th goal.

However, that's not what made it special for Williams.

What made it special was the fact he was able to play in front of his family and his biggest supporters.

"It's just unreal that my family got to be here," Williams said after the game. "My kids, my wife, my mom, my brothers got to be here. It's just something that you dream about, winning a championship in lacrosse at the championship level and having your family be here for it. I couldn't have even thought of it being better."

Unfortunately, not every one of



Silver Creek High School graduate Zed Williams holds the National Lacrosse League's Champions Cup with his family and friends after Williams and the Colorado Mammoth won Game 3 against the Buffalo Bandits at the KeyBank Center in Buffalo on Saturday night. OBSERVER Photo by Christian Storms

Williams' supporters could be there on Saturday night. His brother Morgan is currently in a fight of his own.

Currently battling Stage IV cancer, Morgan had to stay home to fight his fight, while Zed fought his in the box.

"I have no choice, but to fight," Williams said. "We're fighters, we grew up as fighters and we're going to continue to fight anything we can. My brother is fighting his cancer and I'm going to fight on the floor."

Plenty of the family strength comes from Williams' dad, and while he passed away before seeing him win the Premier Lacrosse League and now the National Lacrosse League championships, Williams still feels his father is with him for all of his accomplishments.

"I'm a very emotional player," Williams stated. "I really strongly believe my family is always with me. Even though my dad passed, I can feel he's still with me. He's still talking to me, just like when I was a kid."

There is no doubt with Williams' fight on the floor and Morgan's courageous battle with cancer is making their father proud.

After the game, the Mammoth raised the Champions Cup as a team and then the families took to the field. The biggest group there to support any of the Mammoth players was, without a doubt, the Williams clan.

He was the only player in the series where every game was a home game and it showed with his offensive production. In most cases, that would net

a player the Most Valuable Player award, but this series was not like most.

Williams is the kind of player who will give credit everywhere else before he gives any to himself and that's exactly what he did when talking about Finals MVP Dillon Ward, Colorado's goaltender.

"He's so unbelievable," Williams said. "He's the best goalie in the world. I'm so happy that I finally got to play the game of lacrosse with him. He won us those games, he won us this game."

Ward put up gaudy numbers in net, making 40 saves in each of the first two games of the series. Then, when it mattered most in Game 3, Ward made a mind-boggling 55 saves. Just when it looked like the Mammoth offense had stagnated and the Bandits had a chance to retake the lead, Ward closed the door.

"Those saves at the end, especially the last five minutes, were unbelievable," added Williams. "You see him make saves like that all the time and it gets you going. So we say, 'Let's help our goalie out, let's help our defense out, they're playing unreal.' You just feed off of that."

Ward went above and beyond in his part, so Williams and the Mammoth forwards made sure to do theirs. Williams led Colorado with four goals and **(Continued on next page)**



Left: Williams hoists the Champions Cup with his daughter on his shoulders. Middle: Williams is pictured with his youngest supporters after winning the NLL Champions Cup. Photo credit: Christian Storms



two assists, while Chris Wardle matched him in points with one goal and five assists.

“It’s just what you work for,” Williams said about playing in championship games. “All offseason, all year, you want to climb that mountain and, once you get to the finals, you’re

finally there. You’ve got to keep trucking along once you’re there, and to accomplish that is just worth all that training and the stuff that you put into it.”

The only disappointment from Saturday’s game was inevitable. With both Silver Creek High School graduates and former

teammates Williams and Frank Brown playing in the finals on different teams, someone had to feel the pain of defeat.

Unfortunately for Brown, the Bandits suffered their third championship loss since winning it all in 2008. In the defeat, Brown and the Bandits’

defense did their job, but the offense just ran into a hot goalie and timely scoring.

Source: <https://www.observertoday.com/sports/local-sports/2022/06/williams-gets-back-on-top-of-lacrosse-world-wins-nll/?fbclid=IwARoqmQyxFROwWMD1z8KnDMx2MxHosrsmRvmy3nPna3go4NkLW5UdPb1nqow>



Left: Salamanca native, Silver Creek High School graduate and Buffalo Bandits defender Frank Brown looks at the jumbotron during Game 3 of the NLL Champions Cup at KeyBank Center in Buffalo on Saturday. Photos by Christian Storms

Sincere Becker Earns Seal of Civic Readiness

June 14, 2022 | silvercreekschools.org



Sincere Becker, daughter of Marshall Becker (Cattaraugus Territory, Seneca, Snipe clan), granddaughter of Cindy & Dennis Becker, earned the Seal of Civic Readiness in Silver Creek Central with five other seniors.

This initiative of the New York State Education Department acknowledges student achievement in Social Studies courses and civic engagement such as volunteering, work-based experiences, advocating for policy change, and coordinating service projects to better the community and world we live in.

The district is pleased to spotlight Sincere, Class of 2022 for her community-building efforts:

Sincere Becker: Sincere did extensive research on the history of Columbus Day from both European and Native American perspectives. She set a goal to meet with State Senator George Borrello to present her findings about why we should reconsider celebrating Columbus Day. She even interviewed students and local community members to gather data on the topic. Senator Borrello was very receptive of the proposed solutions, and Sincere is hopeful to arrange a meeting with Governor Kathy Hochul’s team. It was a great experience to get the chance to talk to a local political and advocate for social change.

Learn more about the Seal of Civic Readiness via the New York State Education Department: <http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction/civic-readiness-initiative>



Story of Mary Jemison brought to life at Leon Presentation

| June 12, 2022 | By Deb Everts | salamancapress.com

LEON — The Leon Historical Society hosted speaker Tina Scherman on Saturday at Leon’s 1836 Church. In her living history presentation, “Mary Jemison: White Woman of the Genesee,” Scherman brought Jemison’s story to life in first-person narration.

Dressed in replica Seneca clothing is commonly worn in the late 1700s, Scherman portrayed Jemison as she presented one of the best-known Indigenous captive stories of the French and Indian War period. Her narrative created a historical and cultural perspective of the Senecas during a time period that included both the French and Indian and Revolutionary wars.

Scherman first told the Iroquois Creation Myth, then continued on with facts about the Gardeau Tract that was reserved for Jemison by the Seneca Nation in the Big Tree treaty of 1797. The east and west borders of this property lie within the town of Castile.

Jemison’s family emigrated from Ireland to Pennsylvania in 1743. Scherman took the guests on a journey that began with Jemison’s birth on a ship crossing the Atlantic to her final days on the Buffalo Creek Reservation.

Born to Thomas and Jane Jemison, she journeyed to the New World with her parents and siblings to Philadelphia where they joined other Scotch-Irish immigrants on the western frontier, a place that promised them cheap land and freedom.

Jemison’s father took the family that now included six children to the Marsh Creek settlement, near present-day Gettysburg, Pa., where they built a cabin and began a new life. However, their happy times came to a tragic end when Mary was 12 years old.



The Leon Historical Society hosted speaker Tina Scherman (left) at the 1836 Church in Leon. Dressed in replica Seneca clothing commonly worn in the late 1700s, Scherman brought Jemison to life in first-person narration. Scherman is shown with Marilyn Jemison Anderson, of the Cattaraugus Territory, who is a fifth-generation granddaughter of Mary Jemison.

Scherman painted a vivid picture of the events that took place in 1755 when Jamison and most of her family were captured by a raiding party of Shawnee Indians and their French allies. Along with their

visiting neighbors, the family was taken from their frontier home in Buchanan Valley, near Gettysburg, Pa. and the raiding party headed toward Fort Duquesne (Pittsburgh). With too many captives to outrun the

pursuing militia, the raiding party decided to lighten their load. They killed then scalped all of the captives, with the exception of Jamison and a young male captive.

Jamison and the boy were adopted by the Seneca — Jemison by two Seneca sisters as a replacement for their brother who had been killed in the French and Indian War. Strongly respected by both the Senecas and white settlers, she remained by choice with the Seneca in the Genesee Valley at what is now known as Letchworth State Park until her death in 1833 at age 90.

As a Seneca woman, Jemison became a leading member of the tribe. She was married to first a Lenape (Delaware) chief followed by a Seneca chief and acquired substantial property.

Monuments in her honor stand in both Letchworth State Park and in Buchanan Valley, Pa., the site of her capture.

After the presentation, Scherman answered guests’ questions. Among those in attendance was Marilyn Jemison Anderson of Cattaraugus Territory, a fifth-generation granddaughter of Mary Jemison.

The Leon Historical Society offers other educational organizations the opportunity to have Scherman, a member of the historical society, visit them as Mary Jemison and tell her story at no charge. To schedule a presentation, contact her at tnelsonscherman@gmail.com. Call (716) 489-7543 or (716) 296-5268.

Source: https://www.salamancapress.com/news/story-of-mary-jemison-brought-to-life-at-leon-presentation/article_d5d7b552-eb2f-11ec-b302-9b1dc9b9f4bc.html?fbclid=IwAR2Bq2B-zS46GyNrGzHHTftUU8Nv-jHo8MfZGvgkSnkYUkRwx-COSLVNwAPbKM

Call for Indigenous Food & Arts Vendors

2022 Indigenous Music & Arts Festival

The Indigenous Music & Arts Festival is back! Ganondagan State Historic Site will be sending out vendor applications upon request to interested vendors. If you are interested in vending, please sign up to receive an application at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc55JbdXVzmesTlv8Y1vkOG1MNFk8hgTqqgzOsFAHNaHSIBrg/viewform>

Vending space is a 14'x14' booth with a fee of \$175 for early registration/\$200 for regular registration.



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**INDIGENOUS MUSIC
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SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JULY 23RD & 24TH, 2022

Prospect Elementary Library Dedicated to the Late Cindy Mohr

Last week the Salamanca City Central School District educators, former students and members of the community gathered at Prospect Elementary School to celebrate the dedication of the newly renovated library in honor of the late Cindy Mohr, Seneca, Heron.

A 35 year veteran educator, Cindy was a beloved member of the greater Salamanca community and touched the lives of nearly every child who came through her door.



Cynthia Mohr 5k Run/Walk

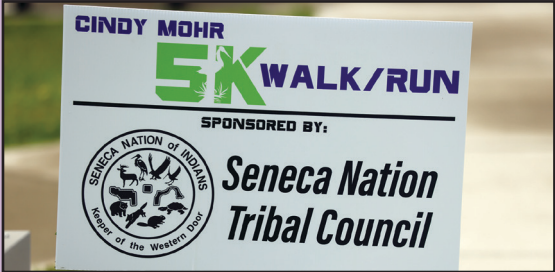
On June 12th, over 100 participants gathered to celebrate the late Cynthia "Cindy" Mohr's 5K walk/run in commemoration of her birthday on June 6th. Family, former students and community members started the race at the Veteran's Memorial Park in Salamanca, NY.

Mrs. Mohr dedicated her career to the Salamanca City Central School District for more than 30 years, inspiring many students along the way.

The Class of 2023 sponsored the event in effort to keep Mrs. Mohr's memory and legacy alive as many were former students and felt the deep impact of her loss.

Proceeds benefit the Cynthia J. Mohr Scholarship, funds will be granted to two high school seniors pursuing a degree in higher education. Awards will be selected by the 2023 class officers, class advisors, district staff and Mohr's family.

Donations toward the Cynthia J. Mohr Scholarship can be made year-round. Checks can be made out to John or Judy Norkus, Class of 2023 advisors and sent to the Salamanca High School, 50 Iroquois Drive, Salamanca, NY 14779.



News From The Four Corners United Methodist Church

*- Rte. 438 and Versailles Plank
Road, Cattaraugus Territory
Submitted by Marilyn Anderson*



June is the end of the school year, and some students are looking forward to the break from school and others are looking forward to graduation from high school. Our prayers are with all the students for a safe and happy summer and for the graduates our prayers are for a successful future. Congratulations go out to all the students and parents for completing the school year.

June is also a time to celebrate fathers. Our community needs strong male role models to build strong loving families. We all have one father – the Creator – who shows us his love every day of our lives. We can be thankful for our earthly and heavenly Father.

Years ago our church bought new hymnals and families purchased one in memory of family members. Some of those who were honored include:

- **Eli L. Jimerson, Sr.** - given by Lois Jimerson
- **John Button** - given by Frances Jemison
- **Horace & Ida Thompson** - given by Harlan Thompson
- **George & Jennie Button** - given by Winifred Twoguns
- **Robert Kenjockety Sr.** - given by Robert Jr. and Sheila Kenjockety
- **Merwin Pierce Sr.** - given by 12 grandchildren

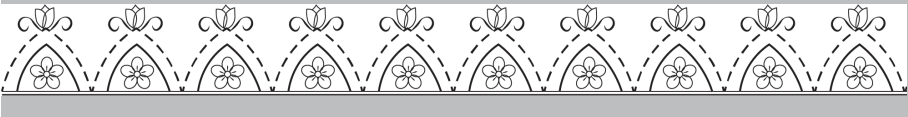
If you are interested in joining the Seneca Hymn Singers, feel free to contact Janet “Beeda” Parker (532-2478). Rehearsals are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m. in our fellowship hall. Stop in and visit with them!

Everyone is invited to join us at Four Corners for word and song on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. followed by refreshments in our fellowship hall. You will be provided with word and music to carry you through the week. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday. Peace be with you.

In Loving Memory Tyson Halftown

July 5, 2020
*We remember you
When the flowers bloom
And in the summer sun
We remember you
when the leaves turn orange
And when everything is covered
in snow
You're never forgotten
Forever in our hearts*

**Aunt Mar, Frank, Rachel,
Ritza and kids**
(Submitted by Marlene Cook)



Ja:goh Kari Karsten

Submitted by Karen Karsten

Kari Karsten, daughter of Karen Karsten and Kevin Gates, has graduated with her Masters in Museology (Museum Studies) from the University of Washington. She previously graduated from Syracuse University with her B.S. in Communications and Rhetorical Studies.



She focused her studies on Indigenous curatorial practices and equity work. She is currently working as the emerging museum professional curatorial intern at the Seattle Art Museum (SAM) and as the program assistant for the Bill Holm Center for Northwest Native Studies. Previously, she has worked at various institutions such as the Seneca-Iroquois National Museum, ArtRage Gallery, and the Albright Knox. Centering on Indigenous curation methodology, her work focuses on decolonization practices and strives to provide well-rounded representations of marginalized communities within museum settings. Her most recent exhibition, completed for her thesis, is titled "Indigenous Matrix: Northwest Women Printmakers," and debuts at SAM in June 2022 and will run through December 2022.



She is also working as an independent curator for two Native Art shows for the Columbia City Gallery, in Seattle, WA slated for 2023.

Congratulations to Emma Gene! - Class of 2022

Submitted by Eagle John



We are so very proud of how well you succeeded & all the educational & personal accomplishments you have achieved! We hope that you always believe in yourself as much as we believe in you, No matter what happens in life, we will always be here to love & support you.



Enjoy the journey that is called life, to the fullest. Live, love & Laugh. Be grateful for what you have and always inspire to reach for the stars. Be kind. Be compassionate. Just be YOU! And know that we will always love you!

**Happy Graduation “Bestie”
Your Grandma, Papa & Family - xoxo**



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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 if you have claims against the Decedents estate, please 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.

June Language Newsletter

Onöndowa’ga:’ Gawë:nö’ Nadö:diyeö:je’ koh Department brings you the Gai:wanöhge’, the monthly Seneca Language Newsletter.

Check out June 2022's edition at the link below:
<https://sni.org/june-language-newsletter/>

a - father, e - they, i - ski, o - open, u - tune, ä - hat, ê - men, ô - on, î - hiss ‘- sound stops, :- long vowel



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JULY 4th | 12PM - 5PM
FOOD | GAMES | MUSIC
EVANGOLA STATE PARK
PAVILLION 4-A

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Newsletter Deadline:

The deadline for the next edition of the SNI Newsletter will be
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Next issue to be dated July 15, 2022.

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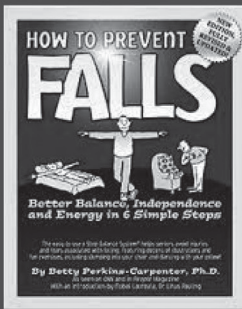
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Upcoming Elder Events

Submitted by Irma Cortes, Catt. AOA

- **Elle King** at Seneca Niagara Casino Friday, July 8th at 8 p.m.
Sign-ups currently available
- **Ron White** at Seneca Allegany Casino Saturday, July 30th at 8 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be out 6/30
- **Little Big Town** at Seneca Allegany Casino (Outdoor Event) Friday, August 5th at 8 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be out 7/5
- **Sammy Hagar & The Circle** at Seneca Allegany Casino (Outdoor Event) Saturday, August 6th at 8 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be out 7/6
- **LFA MMA Fights** at Seneca Niagara Casino Friday, August 19th at 7 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be out 7/19
- **Lionel Richie** at Seneca Niagara Casino (Outdoor Event) Friday, August 26th at 8 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be out 7/26
- **Lynyrd Skynyrd** at Seneca Niagara Casino (Outdoor Event) Saturday, August 27th at 8 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be out 7/27
- **STAIN'D** at Seneca Niagara Casino Wednesday, September 7th at 8 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be out 8/5
- **Amy Schumer** at Seneca Allegany Casino Saturday, October 29 at 8 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be available 9/29

As a reminder the sign-up sheets for shows will be available 1 MONTH prior to the event. Numbers are turned in to the Casino 1 week prior, if you have a change in plans please cancel before then. Be sure you will be attending when you sign-up as there has been an increase of last-minute cancellations, resulting in a waste of Elder entertainment funds for the remainder of the year. On average we have at least 4 unused tickets per event at an average cost of \$47/ticket that's \$188 per show that is being wasted. Please be mindful of this when you sign-up. **Nya:wëh.**



SIX STEPS TO
**BETTER
BALANCE
CLASSES**
AT AOA

This is an evidence-based program designed by Dr. Betty Perkins-Carpenter, also known as "America's Ambassador to Senior Fitness". These sessions are empowering fall prevention practices to help older adults improve balance, and reduce the serious risk of falls and injuries.

The classes will be conducted by Andrea Spako, SNHS Exercise Specialist, who will be offering a free book to go with the program as well as Veggie Bucks at each session attended.



CLASS SCHEDULE:

Allegany Elders Center 3644 Administrative Dr. Salamanca, NY	Wini Kettle Senior Center 28 Thomas Indian School Dr. Irving, NY
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mon. 7/11, 11am-noon• Mon. 7/18, 11am-noon• Mon. 7/25, 11am-noon• Mon. 8/8, 11am-noon• Mon. 8/15, 11am-noon• Mon. 8/22, 11am-noon	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wed. 7/6, 1:30-2:30pm• Wed. 7/13, 1:30-2:30pm• Wed. 7/20, 1:30-2:30pm• Wed. 7/27, 1:30-2:30pm• Wed. 8/10, 1:30-2:30pm• Wed. 8/17, 1:30-2:30pm

To Register: sign-up at AOA or call Alleg. (716) 945-8414 or Catt. (716) 532-5777



JULY 2022 Activities - Seneca Allegany Elder Center

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
ELDER CENTER HOURS MON-FRI 8:30-AM-7PM SAT-SUN 10AM-3PM	FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT NANCY OR DORSIE AT 716-945-8990	SUBJECT TO CHANGE	SIGN-UP FOR THE 6 WEEK FALL PREVENTION CLASS	ELDERS ARE WELCOME TO COME AND PAINT THE WOODEN DOLLS ANYTIME	1 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-1 Coloring 2-4 PAINT WOODEN DOLLS 5-7 Leisure Time	2 10-11 Coffee Hour 12-2 Darts
3 10-11 Coffee Hour 12-2 Computer Room	4 CLOSED HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY 4TH JULY HOLIDAY	5 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-12 SENECA LANGUAGE 1-3 Puzzle 4-6 MAZE CRAZE	6 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-1 CARD CLASS 2-3 Scrabble 5-7 Computer Room	7 9-10 Coffee Hour 12-1 LUNCH 1-3 BINGO 4-7 Leisure Time	8 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-1 Scrabble 2-4 PAINT WOODEN DOLLS 5-7 Computer Room	9 10-11 Coffee Hour 12-2 Puzzle
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17 10-11 Coffee Hour 12-2 PLANT HANGER	18 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-12 FALL PREVENTION 2-4 Puzzle 5-7 Computer Room	19 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-12 SENECA LANGUAGE 1-3 Puzzle 4-6 MAZE CRAZE	20 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-1 CARD CLASS 2-3 Scrabble 5-7 Computer Room	21 9-10 Coffee Hour 12-1 LUNCH 1-3 BINGO 4-7 Leisure Time	22 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-1 Coloring 2-4 MOSIAC STEPPING STONE 5-7 Computer Room	23 10-11 Coffee Hour 12-2 Movie
24 10-11 Coffee Hour 12-2 Scrabble 31 10-11 Coffee Hour 12-2 Puzzle	25 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-12 FALL PREVENTION 2-4 BIRD FEEDER 5-7 Leisure time	26 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-12 SENECA LANGUAGE 2-4 BIRD FEEDER 4-7 Computer Room	27 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-1 CARD CLASS 2-3 Scrabble 4-7 Leisure Time	28 9-10 Coffee Hour 12-1 LUNCH 1-3 BINGO 4-7 Computer Room	29 9-10 Coffee Hour 11-1 Puzzle 2-4 MOXIAC STEPPING STONE 5-7 Leisure Time	30 9-10 Coffee Hour 12-2 PAINT WOODEN DOLLS

What’s the best age to start receiving retirement benefits?

- Submitted by Briana Snyder, AOA Options Counselor

The answer is that there’s not a single “best” age for everyone and, ultimately, it’s your choice. The most important thing is to make an informed decision. Base your decision about when to apply for benefits on your individual and family circumstances. What you should know before you apply:

What does “retirement” mean?

Retiring means getting your Social Security retirement benefit. It might mean that you’ve also stopped working. However, these two things don’t need to happen at the same time. For example, you have the option of delaying your monthly benefit even after you stop working. Delaying your benefit will increase your monthly benefit amount. (See below.)

Your benefits are based on your entire earnings history

Do you know how your benefit is calculated? Your monthly benefit amount is based on your highest 35 years of earnings. If you don’t have 35 years of earnings, your monthly benefit will be reduced, because years with no earnings will count as zeros.

Your monthly benefit is higher if you wait to start

When should you start your retirement benefit? You can start receiving benefits as early as age 62. However, the longer you wait (up to age 70), the higher your monthly benefit will be — for the rest of your life. If you’re married and you’re the higher earner, delaying your benefit may also mean higher survivor benefits for your spouse when you pass away.

Your full retirement age may be higher than you think

Your “full retirement age” is determined by the year you were born. The retirement age used to be 65 for everyone, but is gradually increasing to 67. As the full retirement age goes up, benefits claimed at earlier ages go down.

Your benefits may be temporarily reduced if you work while receiving benefits

Working after you start receiving retirement benefits may affect your monthly benefit amount, depending on your age and how much you earn. If you are younger than your full retirement age, and your earnings exceed certain dollar amounts, some of your monthly benefit may be withheld. Social Security will increase your monthly benefit after you reach full retirement age to account for the months of withheld benefits. When you reach your full retirement age, you can work and earn as much as you want and your benefit will not be affected.

Your benefits may be taxed

Some people have to pay federal income taxes on part of their Social Security benefits. This usually happens only if you have other substantial income (e.g. wages, interest, or dividends) in addition to your benefits.

Additional things you should think about

Your longevity and health

Retirement may be longer than you think. As you consider when to begin receiving retirement benefits, take into account how long you might live. Today, more than one in three 65-year-olds will live to age 90. Social Security benefits last as long as you live, providing valuable protection against outliving savings and other sources of retirement income. Delaying your benefit to let it grow is one way to increase your monthly Social Security protection.



Retroactive benefits

If you are past your full retirement age when you apply for benefits, you can choose to receive up to six months of retroactive monthly benefits. However, using this option changes the start of your benefit to an earlier date. Remember that by choosing to start your benefit earlier, your monthly benefit amount will be lower for the rest of your life. Your spouse’s survivor benefits may also be lower.

Signing up for Medicare

Consider whether you need to apply for Medicare at age 65, even if you aren’t applying for monthly retirement benefits. If you have already started receiving your retirement benefits, you will be automatically enrolled in Medicare when you turn 65. Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) is free for most people, and Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) requires a monthly premium. Generally, if you have not already started receiving retirement benefits, you will want to sign up for Medicare three months before turning age 65. This is unless you have group health coverage through a current employer.

NOTE: *If you don’t have group health coverage through a current employer and you don’t sign up for Medicare Part B when first eligible, then you may have to pay a late enrollment penalty for as long as you have Part B. Also, you may have to wait to enroll, which will delay this coverage.*

Applying for your benefits

Once you have decided when you want to start receiving your monthly Social Security benefit, you can apply up to four months before the date you want your benefits to start.

Contacting Social Security

The most convenient way to do business with Social Security is to visit www.ssa.gov to get information and use the online services. There are several things you can do online: apply for benefits; get useful information; find publications; and get answers to frequently asked questions.

Or, you can call Social Security toll-free at 1-800-772-1213 or at 1-800-325-0778 (TTY) if you’re deaf or hard of hearing. Social Security can answer your call from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., weekdays. You can also use the automated services via telephone, 24 hours a day, so you do not need to speak with a representative. **Wait times to speak to a representative are typically shorter Wednesdays through Fridays or later in the day.**

July 2022

AOA Nutritional Menu	AOA Daily Trips Allegany Territory	AOA Daily Trips Cattaraugus Territory	USDA Schedule
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AOA Menu: SUBJECT TO CHANGE. Note: ½ pint milk served with each meal! <u>For Allegany:</u> call 716-945-8414 <u>For Cattaraugus:</u> call 716-532-5777 to make a reservation or cancel a meal by 9:30am the day prior to the meal	Allegany TRIPS: All trips depart Elder Center at 2pm unless noted otherwise. Sign-up by 9am the day of the trip. Cattaraugus TRIPS: All passengers must be signed up by 9am the day of the trip.	USDA: 210 TIS Ext., Irving Call 716-532-1028, Ext 5446	Allegany AOA Saturday Trip * Saturday, July 23rd Ganondagan Music & Arts Festival Depart at 10am FREE ADMISSION	1 July 4th BBQ Hot Dog on a Bun Baked Beans, Summer Corn Salad Watermelon
4 Sites CLOSED <i>For SOVEREIGNTY DAY</i>				Pet Smart Jamestown, NY
				Scenic Ride - 1pm
				Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm
	5 Pepperoni & Vegetable Pizza Side Salad Cinnamon peaches	6 BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich French Fries Peas Oatmeal Cookie	7 <u>Traditional</u> Indian Taco served w/Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Cheese, Salsa, & Low-Fat Sour Cream Strawberry Fruit Salad	8 Spaghetti & Meat Sauce Tossed Salad Roll Cinnamon Pears
	Tops - 5% off Sr. Discount Olean, NY	Seneca Niagara Casino Depart at 10am	Lowe's Springville, NY	Out to Eat - Cabana Sam's Depart at 2:30pm
	Goodes Restaurant 1pm	Wal-Mart Hamburg - 1pm	Riders Choice	JoAnn Fabric - 1pm
	Cattaraugus - call to place your order for timely delivery	Delivery to Oaktree & Newtown	Delivery to Indian Hill & Pinewoods	Delivery to Ozarks, Gowanda & Dayton
11 Sausage Rigatoni Broccoli Roll Chocolate pudding	12 Crispy Breaded White Fish Fillet Herbed Summer Squash Boiled Baby Red Potatoes Fresh fruit	13 Fettuccine Alfredo Mixed Vegetable Medley Dinner Roll Chocolate Chip Cookie	14 <u>Birthday Party</u> BBQ Chicken Leg Quarter Roasted Red Potatoes Spinach, Biscuit Healthy Strawberry Cheesecake	15 Philly Steak & Cheese Sliders Steamed Carrots Fresh Fruit
Runnings Jamestown, NY	Food Truck Tuesday Depart at 3:45pm - Buffalo	BINGO - Irving Fire Hall Depart at 5:15pm	Brigiotta's Jamestown, NY	Marilla Country Store Marilla, NY
Home Depot - Dunkirk 1pm	Olive Garden 1pm	Wal-Mart Dunkirk - 1pm	Quaker Crossing - 1pm	Scenic Ride - 1pm
Delivery to Irving	Allegany - call to place your order for timely delivery	Delivery to Sr. Complex & Salamanca	Delivery to Jimtown	Delivery to Steamburg & Kill Buck
18 Grilled Chicken Strawberry Poppypeed Salad Dinner roll Ice cream	19 Tuna casserole Peas Mandarin Oranges Oatmeal Raisin Cookie	20 Hot Ham and Cheese Sliders Green Beans Brownie	21 Cheeseburger w/Lettuce, Tomato, & Onion on the side Fruit cup Chocolate pudding	22 Italian Sausage Hoagie Sautéed Peppers & Onions Fresh Melon
Reid's Food Barn Olean, NY	Out to Movies - 1/2 off popcorn, drinks - Jamestown	Vidler's East Aurora, NY	Peaches N' Cream Randolph, NY	Bemus Point Stow Ferry Ride - Depart at 3pm
Lowe's Hamburg - 1pm	Savers - Hamburg 1pm	Wal-Mart - Hamburg 1pm	Local Shopping 1pm	Local Banking 1pm
Delivery to Olean	Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm	Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm	Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm	Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm
25 Macaroni & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes Zucchini & Squash Blend Cinnamon Pears	26 <u>Brunch</u> Western Breakfast Scramble Cornbread Grape Juice	27 Ranch Chicken Broccoli Salad Dinner Roll Jello	28 Sloppy Joe on a Bun Buttered Corn Potato Salad Fresh Fruit	29 Spaghetti Squash Noodle Bake Tomato & Cucumber Salad Dinner Roll Banana w/Peanut Butter
Pleasant Valley Greenhouse Olean, NY	Wegman's - 5% off Sr. Discount - Jamestown	Taste of Orchard Park Depart at 4:30pm	Hobby Lobby Blasdell, NY	Buffalo Irish Festival Depart 3:30pm/\$10 adm.
Riders Choice 1pm	McKinley Mall Area 1pm	Wal-Mart - Springville 1pm	Big Lots 1pm	Red Lobster 1pm
Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm	Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm	Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm	Call In Order 9am - 3:30pm	No Distribution Inventory Day

Kids Around, Lock it Down—The Dangers of Edibles with Youth

Submitted by Behavioral Health Unit

The Seneca Native Connections Prevention Team in collaboration with Seneca Strong and the Behavioral Health Unit is sponsoring an educational campaign about the dangers of cannabis infused edibles and gummies.

Edible marijuana products can look just like regular sweets and snacks. These snacks often include; Gummies, chocolate bars, hard candies, brownies and chips. These snacks are packaged to look very similar to real snacks. These can sometimes be considered “copycat” snacks, but they contain **tetrahydrocannabinol (THC)**, that can far exceed the limits set by state cannabis regulations and standards. Recent attention is being drawn to these edible snacks because of this branding and imagery as being enticing to children. It has become a public health concern as many consumers including children have mistaken these snacks for normal snacks and accidentally consumed them. From 2017 to 2019, US Poison Control Centers handled nearly 2,000 cases of young children accidentally consuming these THC filled edibles. In 2020, the American Association of Poison Control Centers reported more than 3,000 exposures to edible marijuana products involving kids under age 12 in the United States. Many were children that were five years old and younger.

Despite their ordinary appearance, just one THC filled edible can contain several times the recommended adult dose of THC. If someone were to eat an entire edible the effects can be severe. That is why the dangers of this packaging is so dangerous to children. These overdose effects can include:

- Intoxication
- Altered perception
- Anxiety/Panic
- Weakness
- Poor Coordination

- Paranoia
- Dizziness
- Slurred speech
- Sleepiness

Edible THC products take longer to get into the system than if the person smokes the marijuana. The time it takes after eating an edible is usually 30 to 60 minutes and then peaks at about three to four hours after ingesting.

- If you have edibles in your home:
- **Store them safely** -Keep your edibles out of the reach of children. They should be locked away and in child resistant packaging. Take them out of the “copycat” packaging and into something that isn’t familiar or eye appealing to children.
 - **Use them with caution** - do not consume edibles in front of children under any circumstances. These products may be tempting for children. This may also be dangerous while caring for children as it could impair your ability to care for them.
 - **Avoid buying the edibles that are in copycat packaging** - Always put them out of reach before and after use.

If your child eats a marijuana edible by accident, first find out what they ate and how much they consumed. Examine the wrapper to determine how much THC is contained in the edible. Call the poison control hotline 1-800-222-1222 as soon as possible for direct help.

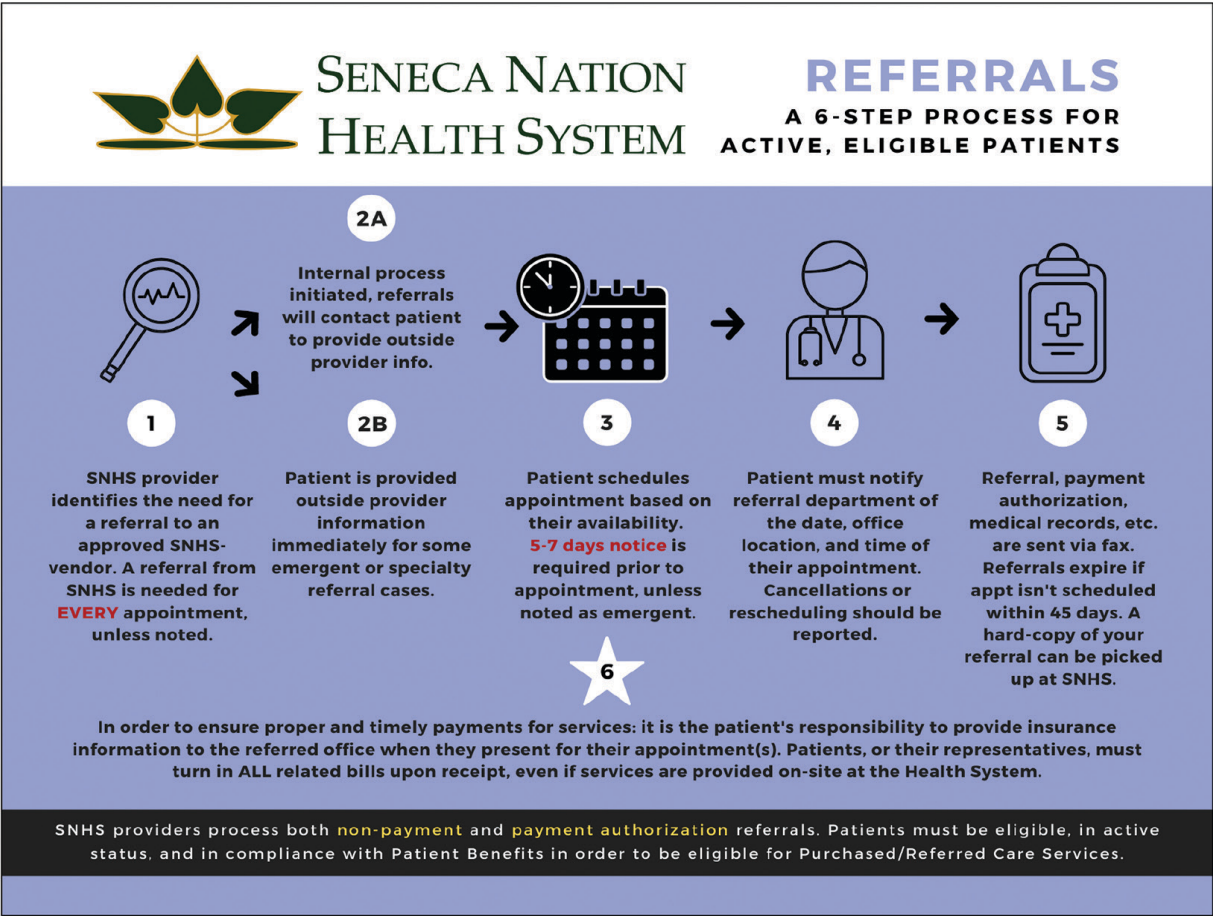
Talk to your children about the potential harm of marijuana and THC filled edibles and the potential harm to their developing minds. Treat these talks the same way you would discuss the dangers of any other substances that are harmful

to kids. These include alcohol, tobacco use and prescription medications. Remind them never to drive under the influence of any substance including marijuana. Impaired driving is a dangerous situation for anyone and can result in fatal car crashes.

Most states that have legalized recreational cannabis limit the amount of THC in edibles for the most part from 5 mg to 10 mg of a THC dose and 100 mg pre-package. The reason these edibles are so concerning is that the packaging on the copycat edibles said they contained and average of 459 mg of THC and can range from 300 to 600 mg per package. What’s more concerning is that this packaging does not include serving size or number of servings, therefore leaving it up to the consumer on how much they can eat without knowing the milligram size per serving. The study results were published recently in the journal **Drug and Alcohol Dependence**.

If you would like more information on the dangers of edibles and children you can go to **American Academy of Pediatrics**.

Sources:<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/ages-stages/teen/substance-abuse/Pages/Edible-Marijuana-Dangers.aspx>; <https://www.futurity.org/cannabis-edibles->



Counselor’s Corner

Submitted by Behavioral Health Unit

Counselor’s Corner would like to introduce the CHWC’s Behavioral Health Unit Supervisor (BHU), Allen Ward, LCSW-R. He is the Clinical Services Supervisor for the Cattaraugus Behavioral Health Unit located at CHWC. Allen attended Erie Community College for two years before transferring to Fredonia State College to pursue a B.A. degree in psychology. He took five years off after college to work at New Directions Youth and Family Services residential treatment facility and therapeutic foster care program. Six years later he enrolled at the University at Buffalo to pursue a Master’s Degree in social work while also working full time at Lakeshore Hospital in the inpatient psychiatric unit. After graduation, Allen accepted an outpatient counseling position with SNHS Behavioral Health. Allen stated he had worked as a counselor for approximately 11 years, when an opportunity presented itself to become the Clinical Services Supervisor located at the Cattaraugus Behavioral Health Unit. Allen gladly accepted that position.

It was Allen’s desire to become a counselor, because while attending Erie Community College, he recalls that he had a great interest in psychology after taking an abnormal psychology class. This really generated his passion for wanting to help people. Allen stated that he felt he was al-

ways a people person, so it seemed like a natural fit to pursue this career.

Allen believes that he was steered towards this occupation because his interests are specific to those with major mood and anxiety disorders. He likes working with couples and families as well. “My clinical specialty is DBT (Dialectal Behavior Therapy) and EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) and enjoys working with people that may have these needs” Allen stated.

He feels that the most important attributes of a good counselor are to be an excellent listener, to be genuine, flexible and able to empathize with others.

Allen feels that the biggest challenge that counselors face today is that the need for counselors far exceeds the availability. “Coming out of the pandemic, we have seen a huge influx of people wanting mental health counseling across the country and there is a shortage of therapists available to meet this real need”, stated Allen. Another challenge is that because of the ratio of counselors to clients, it can lead to potential burnout for the counselor.

Allen feels that in order to be an effective

worker and supervisor, daily self-care is essential. Even simple and small provisions can help. “I like to jog, walk and play guitar. I also enjoy just going on an adventure somewhere, traveling and watching a show on TV or a movie”.

Allen stated that he likes his client to take the lead and teach him about the importance of their culture and then he will incorporate as much culture into treatment as they would like. He will actively encourage and engage them in their culture and spirituality to personalize their treatment.


How does Allen unwind during his down time? He is a certified scuba diver, he loves to downhill ski, and also enjoys eating diverse foods throughout the world. He especially likes spicy foods!

Thanks Allen for all you do!

Continued Mask Mandate

Regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status, all Seneca Nation Health System patients, visitors, and employees are required to wear a face mask or face covering within SNHS facilities.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation with the continued mask mandate.



How to Protect Against Mosquito Bites

Wear Protective Clothing:
Wear long-sleeve shirts and pants
Clothing may be treated with permethrin to repel mosquitos


Use Mosquito Repellent:
Follow all product directions
Do not apply to skin under clothing
If using sunblock, apply sunblock first followed by repellent

Active Ingredient	Relative Effective Time	Usage Concerns
DEET	7-10% concentration - low 20-30% concentration - high, especially with time-release formulation	skin and eye irritation, strong odor
Picaridin	5-10% concentration - low 20% concentration - high	no concerns
IR3535	20% concentration - high	eye irritation
Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus	10% concentration - low 30-40% concentration - high	low protection against disease carrying mosquitos

Mosquito Proof Your Home:
If opening windows, ensure screens are in place and in good condition
Remove any sources of standing water around home - planters, tires, bird baths, pools, toys, etc.

Questions? Contact the Environmental Health Department
Cattaraugus - 716-532-5582 ext.5296
Allegany - 716-945-5894

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NOTICE:

Seneca Nation Health System will be closed:

Monday, July 4th
Sovereignty Day

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

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GRAND ENTRY
SAT: NOON
SUN: NOON

DANCER REGISTRATION: \$10
FRI: 6PM - 8PM
SAT: 10AM - NOON

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VETERANS Powwow

JULY 16 & 17

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SINGLE DAY ADMISSION:
Adult (18+): \$10
Student (5-17): \$5
Elder (60+): \$5

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Adult (18+): \$15
Student (5-17): \$10
Elder (60+): \$10

VETERANS / ACTIVE MILITARY / CHILDREN 4 & YOUNGER FREE ADMISSION!








HEAD STAFF

Emcee: **Ruben Littlehead, Sr.**
Emcee: **Vince Beyl**
Arena Director: **Clifton Goodwill**
Drum Judge: **Wesley Cleland**
Head Male Dance Judge: **Jason Whitehouse**
Head Female Dance Judge: **Alyssa Buck**
Head Smoke Dance Judge: **Jasmine Jimerson**
Head Smoke Dance Singer: **Nolan Lay**
Head Male Dancer: **Chad Browneagle**
Head Female Dancer: **Shaina Snyder**
Head Iroquois Man Dancer: **Chris Thomas**
Head Iroquois Woman Dancer: **Aryien Stevens**
Head Male Veteran: **Clayton Logan**
Head Female Veteran: **Lena Nells**

DANCE CONTEST

Golden Age (50+): \$1,000 / \$800 / \$600 / \$400
(Grass & Fancy Combined/Jingle & Fancy Combined/Smoke/Traditional)
Sr. Adult (36-49): \$1,000 / \$800 / \$600 / \$400
(Smoke/Traditional/Grass/Fancy/Jingle)
Jr. Adult (18-35): \$1,000 / \$800 / \$600 / \$400
(Smoke/Traditional/Grass/Fancy/Jingle)
Teens (13-17): \$400 / \$300 / \$200 / \$100
(Smoke/Traditional/Grass/Fancy/Jingle)
Juniors (5-12): \$250 / \$200 / \$150 / \$100
(Smoke/Traditional/Grass/Fancy/Jingle)
Tiny Tots (0-4): Daily Honorarium

DRUM CONTEST

\$10,000 / \$7,000 / \$4,000 / \$1,000
\$2,000 drum split to non-placing groups

FAMILY SPECIALS

Men's Grass Special
Sponsored by Head Male Dancer Chad Browneagle

"Honoring Our Womxn Healers" Jingle Dress Special (18+)
Contemporary & Old Style Split
Sponsored by Head Female Dancer Shaina Snyder

"Dance for Her" (16+) Womxn's Smoke Special
Red Dress Required
Sponsored by Head Iroquois Dancer Aryien Stevens & Family

Kyle Dowdy, Sr. Memorial War Dance Special
Open to all men
Sponsored by Family of Kyle Dowdy, Sr.

COMMITTEE SPECIAL

Veterans Dance Special (Veterans Only)
Mens: \$500 / \$400 / \$300
Womens: \$500 / \$400 / \$300