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A message from President Matthew B. Pagels



Nya:wëh sgë:nö' gagwe:goh.

We are in the month of August which means school is right around the corner and summer will be winding down soon.

We are also in the midst of our **Stand with Seneca** public awareness campaign. This will highlight all of our contributions in Western New York. It is designed to gain support and fairness as we begin the negotiation process on our next compact.

Recently, our Council representatives met with State Senator Sean Ryan and gained his support and asked he share information about our impact with his colleagues in our home region. We will have more events later this month as we will celebrate the

20th anniversary of the signing of our gaming Compact. Stay tuned or check the campaign website – StandWithSeneca.com

#STANDWITHSENECA



StandWithSeneca.com

We will continue to share our story to secure a fair gaming compact that recognizes our history and the important leadership role we play here in Western New York.

On to COVID, we currently have 28 active reported cases on our territories. We may have more who have tested with a home test and are quarantining without notice to the County or our health centers. Please continue to monitor yourselves and family for symptoms, test when needed and follow all public health guidelines to help limit the spread. Reminder, Bluestone testing is still available for Nation members and can be made by calling 716-220-2442. Vaccinations and boosters are also available for all eligible individuals and age groups. Please contact Cattaraugus Health at 716-532-5582 or Allegany Health at 716-945-

5894 for appointments.

The Nation's Surrogate Court and Judicial Conference have created a draft revision to the Seneca Nation's Probate Code, which are aimed to lessen the backlog of estates in the Surrogate Court. Two public meetings were held to inform the public of the changes. A 30-day public comment period on the suggested revisions will start soon. More information will be available by contacting the Seneca Nation Clerk's office.

The Seneca Nation Crime Victim Services is organizing a list of attendees and survivors of Indian Residential Boarding Schools. This information will be used for Historical preservation of the Seneca Nation.

Recently Pope Francis apologized to the Indigenous First Nations community of Canada for the atrocities that occurred at the residential schools. We know that this is not enough and this will not change what was taken from Native families and communities.

For more information on the Seneca Nation's survey contact Melissa Shaw, the AOA Outreach Coordinator at 716-532-5777, ext. 5501 or view the website at sni.org.

Have a great day, stay safe, stay strong.
Dah ne'hoh dih ae'

Matthew B. Pagels

Seneca Nation Coronavirus Response Hub: <https://covid19.snigis.org>

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Greetings,

As summer is whizzing by, I hope those of you who have elder family members, are remembering to stop by and make sure they are staying comfortable in this heat. If you are an enrolled Seneca, aged sixty years of age or older and reside on territory, you may be eligible to receive an air conditioner from our AOA Department. Please call Lindsey Cooper, Senior Support Specialist, at: (716) 532-5777, for more information. Also, our Tribal Advocate Office in Cattaraugus runs another program through H.E.A.P., where any SNI member, regardless of territory, may be eligible to apply - to receive an air conditioner unit. Please call Kerry Isaac

at (716) 532-1028, X5056, for details about eligibility.

The traditional longhouse currently being constructed on the grounds of the Seneca-Iroquois National Museum-Onöhsagwë:de’ Cultural Center is coming right along. It is twenty-five feet wide by forty-feet long and is made from hemlock and hickory trees sourced from the Allegany Territory and the Allegheny National Forest. The outer walls are actually artificial tree bark, composed of a polyurethane elastomeric material, which is the most realistic and flexible faux bark available. The artificial bark will save time and money on the upkeep of the longhouse through the ages. Even though the faux bark used on the side walls isn’t real bark, it feels real. The project is approximately sixty-percent completed and the crew is currently installing additional roof supports to ensure the roof will be able to handle the snow load, common in our area. There have been about seventy different volunteers working on this project over the last year, with Rod Pierce and Mike “Smag” Crouse, being consistent volunteers on a weekly basis. As the project progresses, the plan is to be able to present a “livable setting”, which will include a garden. The hope is that this



Longhouse will become a center point of interest for the cultural center and for our community. If all goes well, staff is planning to host an event to open the Longhouse this fall.

I hope to see many of our local elders at the Seneca Elder Summer Jamboree at the Seneca Allegany Casino on the 18th! They will be playing classic country music, giving away door prizes and having a contest for the elder wearing the best Country & Western outfit; so, get out your cowboy boots, vests and cowboy hats. There will also be a Dolly Parton and Willie Nelson look-alike contest. This sure sounds like a great time: good food, good company and good music!

Respectfully,
Rickey L. Armstrong, Sr

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 Clerk's Office to attend for registration purposes 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**

NOTICE

Please be advised that the Council has approved to allow mail-in registrations for the remainder of this calendar year, this pertains

to members who are current with their registrations. Please be advised, beginning January 1, 2023:

1. Every enrolled member must appear in person unless you appeared in person in 2022, to fulfill your annual registration requirement.
2. New enrollments will be required to appear in person during the Monthly Regular Council Session in order to be approved.

If you should have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk’s Office at (716)-532-4900 or (716)-945-1790.

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. **ANNUITY CLOTH HAS BEEN LIMITED TO ONE YARD PER PERSON UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

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

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

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
- 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, tracy.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.



THE INSIDE SCOOP

WITH DR. LORI QUIGLEY



AUG 2022

On a Personal Note...

Nya:wəh Sg̊ə:nā'! As 2022 continues to move on with lightning speed, the best is yet to come!

We kicked off August with our outdoor concert series featuring electrifying performances by Little Big Town and Sammy Hagar and the Circle at Seneca Allegany. Soft rock legend Lionel Richie and southern rockers Lynyrd Skynyrd will take to Seneca Niagara's outdoor stage on August 26 and 27.

The WD Bar & Grille at Seneca Buffalo Creek returns with fresh new menu items as well as classic favorites including steaks, chops and seafood.

Seneca Niagara's Spa is set to re-open shortly, delighting guests from head to toe.


With so much excitement and growth, it's the perfect time to start a career with Seneca Resorts & Casinos. Visit Nikki Seneca, SGC's Outreach Specialist, at the:

William Seneca Building
12837 Route 438, Irving, NY
Wednesdays, 8 AM to 4 PM

Buffalo Resource Office
533 Amherst St, Buffalo, NY
First Tuesday of each month, 1 PM to 4 PM

To make an appointment, email Nikki at NSeneca@SenecaCasinos.com, or call (716) 807-2704. Walk-ins are welcome.

Until September, stay healthy and well!



Sincerely,
Lori

Chairwoman, Board of Directors
Seneca Gaming Corporation

#StandWithSeneca

On Friday, July 15, we launched our #StandWithSeneca campaign. The mission:


INFORM the public about the positive economic impact and significant contributions from the Seneca Nation.

EDUCATE the public on the history of the Seneca Nation.

ADVOCATE for a fair relationship between the Seneca Nation and New York State.


Over the next several months, you'll see TV and print advertisements, billboards, t-shirts, bumper stickers and other materials expressing support for the movement. We have a dedicated website that will be updated frequently with facts, events and other ways you can show your support. Please visit StandWithSeneca.com for more information.

Please join us in this historic moment for both Seneca Gaming Corporation and the Seneca Nation.



MEET MILLIE FOX

Welcome Millie Fox to the Seneca Gaming Corporation Board of Directors. While this is her first term on the board, Millie is no stranger to the gaming industry. Since 2017, she has served as a Commissioner for the Seneca Gaming Authority, helping to oversee and regulate the Seneca Nation's Class II and Class III gaming activities, including employee licensing and gaming policies and procedures. Millie has completed National Indian Gaming Association Level I – Masters Commissioner Certification Training.



Millie earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Hilbert College and an associate degree from Erie Community College. Her long career with the Seneca Nation includes roles in the Environmental Department, Human Resources, and the Health Department, as well as with Seneca Gaming & Entertainment. She is currently Outreach Coordinator in the Seneca Nation Veterans Department, assisting the Nation's many military personnel and Veterans with access to available services and benefits. A member of the Wolf Clan, Millie resides on the Seneca Nation's Cattaraugus Territory with her son, Keagan.

Millie Fox Joins Seneca Gaming Corporation Board Of Directors

Corporation's Board of Directors.

Since 2017, Fox has served as a Commissioner for the Seneca Gaming Authority, which oversees and regulates the Seneca Nation's Class II and Class III gaming activities. Her responsibilities included protecting the assets of the Seneca Nation through regulating activities within the Nation's Class II and Class III gaming facilities in accordance with the Nation's Gaming Ordinance, its gaming Compact

NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK: (August 2, 2022) Seneca Gaming Corporation announced that Millie Fox has been appointed to the

with New York State, the National Indian Gaming Commission, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, Minimum Internal Control Standards, and Tribal Internal Control Standards. As a Commissioner, she also helped oversee employee licensing and approved gaming policies and procedures, as well as internal control standards. She has completed National Indian Gaming Association Level I – Masters Commissioner Certification Training.

“Millie is an excellent appointment to our Board of Directors,” said Dr. Lori V. Quigley, Board Chairwoman. “Her insight and regulatory background will be a strong addition to the breadth of experience already represented on our Board. As her new colleagues, we look forward to working with her.”

Fox has a long career of service to the Seneca Nation, including roles in the Environmental Department, Human Resources Department, and the Health Department, as well as with Seneca Gaming & Entertainment, the Nation's

Class II gaming operations. She is currently Outreach Coordinator in the Seneca Nation Veterans Department, helping to assist the Nation's many military personnel and Veterans with available services and benefits.

Fox earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Hilbert College and an associate degree from Erie Community College. A Life Member of Seneca Fire, the volunteer fire department located on the Seneca Nation's Cattaraugus Territory, she has served the department for 20 years and currently serves on its board. She is also a former Emergency Medical Technician, and has completed numerous emergency training programs through the New York State Emergency Management Office, the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control, and the U.S. FEMA Emergency Management Institute.

A member of the Seneca Nation's Wolf Clan, Fox resides on the Seneca Nation's Cattaraugus Territory with her son, Keagan.

Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino To Present All Star Boxing October 14! Tickets on sale now!

NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK: (July 18, 2022) – The power, speed and excitement of professional boxing returns to Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino when Seneca Fight Night presents All Star Boxing in the Seneca Niagara Event Center on Friday, October 14th at 7:30pm. **Tickets go on sale this Friday, July 22 at Noon!**

Seneca Fight Night makes its anticipated return, following a thrilling event at Seneca Niagara in May. Some of the best talent in the sport will face off throughout an evening of unforgettable, toe-to-toe battles. This highly-anticipated event is the latest in a successful series of All Star Boxing fight cards held at Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino, and promises to deliver a knockout of a night with a mix of established veterans and up-and-coming talent. **Tickets went on sale July 22 at Noon! Tickets start at \$35.**

Seneca Gaming Corporation Names Brenda Dysinger Vice President Of Human Resources



NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK: (August 2, 2022) Seneca Gaming Corporation announced that Brenda Dysinger, a Western New York native and gaming industry veteran, has

been hired as the corporation’s new Vice President of Human Resources.

Dysinger will oversee the Human Resources functions at all three Seneca Gaming Corporation properties – Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino, Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino and Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino – as well as support organizational initiatives, strategies and goals for the company and its approximately 3,000 employees.

“We’re thrilled to have Brenda join our team,” said Seneca Gaming Corporation President & CEO Kevin Nephew. “She brings an exceptional gaming industry background, as well as a keen understanding of our region and our marketplace. We are confident that she can help us continue to maintain and elevate Seneca Gaming Corporation’s standing as an employer of choice in our region and in our industry.”

Dysinger has more than 20 years’ experience in Human Resources, including more than 15 years in the gaming industry. Most recently, she oversaw Human Resources for all Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation enterprises, including Sycuan Casino Resort, Singing Hill Golf Resort and all Tribal Government departments in El Cajon, California. She also spent six years in Las Vegas working in senior Human Resources roles for the Bellagio and Excalibur Hotel & Casino properties, and Wyndham Vacation Ownership. She also worked in Human Resources at Isle of Capri Casino in Black Hawk, Colorado.

“I am excited to return to Western New York for this remarkable opportunity,” said Dysinger, who grew up in Gowanda. “What Seneca Gaming Corporation has done here over the past 20 years has been transformational. I’m eager to help the company continue to reshape the region and create meaningful and rewarding experiences for our current and future team members.”

Dysinger graduated from Roberts Wesleyan College with a Bachelor of Social Work, and earned a Master of Science in Organizational Leadership from Colorado State University. She holds a Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR ®) certification from the HR Certification Institute, which is widely recognized as a leading profession-

al credential for those who have mastered the strategic and policy-making aspects of Human Resources management.

Seneca Gaming Corporation is a wholly owned, tribally chartered corporation of the Seneca Nation of Indians, which operates the Nation’s Class III casino gaming properties. Since opening Seneca Niagara Casino in 2002, the corporation has built and invested in the community at large by providing three premier gaming and entertainment destinations in Western New York: Seneca Niagara Resort & Casino in Niagara Falls, NY, Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino in downtown Buffalo, NY, and Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino in Salamanca, NY, as well as the award-winning championship Seneca Hickory Stick Golf Course in Lewiston, NY. Since 2002, the corporation has grown into one of the largest private sector employers in Western New York with over 3,000 employees across its three locations. Seneca Gaming Corporation provides generous benefits including paid training, tuition reimbursement, paid free lunches, on-site health offices, employee discounts, and more. Across all three world-class facilities guests are offered more than 5,100 slot machines, 125 table games, over 1,000 deluxe rooms and suites, luxurious spas & salons, award-winning fine dining, and high-end retail outlets. For more information, visit SenecaGamingCorporation.com.

Seneca Allegany Casino Hires New Medical Provider

Tammy Thayer, ANP-BC, is the new medical provider at the Seneca Allegany Casino.

She will provide casino healthcare services including employee physicals, medication prescriptions, sick visits and patron emergencies.

She earned an associate degree in nursing at Jamestown Community College and bachelor’s and master’s degrees at the State University of Buffalo. She has more than 25 years of nursing experience including work in the hospital setting, outpatient offices, hospice and, most recently, she cared for adult patients in a outpatient practice.



Powers of Attorney

Section 9.1 of Seneca Nation of Indians Probate Code:
Any competent individual may execute a power of attorney which grants to another individual the right to take any action with respect to the first individual’s person or property and if real property is involved, the power of attorney granted must be to a Citizen. The power of attorney must be in writing, must describe the powers being granted, and must be signed by the individual granting the power of attorney in front of two (2) witnesses who must also sign the document. The grantor, in writing, at any time may revoke the power of attorney. A “competent individual” for purposes of this Section is an individual who understands the powers he or she is granting and is not under undue influence or duress from any other person.

Section 1.4 – Definition: “Citizen” means an individual enrolled with the Nation.

Note: Cost of filing Power of Attorney with the Surrogate Court is \$5.00

*FROM THE CATTARAUGUS SURROGATE,
LUANA JIMERSON*



Deadline: August 18, 2022

Deadline: Friday August 19th, 2022

Deadline: Friday September 2nd, 2022

For more information, visit:
<https://senecagames.com/salamanca/careers/>



Deadiwënöhsnye’s Gëjóhgwa’ - A Seneca Adult Immersion Program

Submitted By Nicole Martin

Deadiwënöhsnye’s Gëjóhgwa’, meaning They Protect the Language, is a Seneca Adult Immersion Program located on the Territories of Allegany & Cattaraugus.

About our admissions process: there is no prerequisite for entrance into the program, however, you will need to pass the Admissions Test and have ALL application materials submitted by the stated deadline. Once the application deadline has closed and if you've submitted all required information, Amber Bennett will contact you to schedule an admissions test. Testing will take place in the Immersion Program facility.

You will need to memorize the Red, Blue, and Purple forms of “-she’s (chase)” in order

to take and pass the Admissions Test. To view the test in PDF format visit <https://senecaimmersiongroup.org>. Testing will be administered orally; therefore, there will be no need to learn reading and writing of the test words provided. There will be two administrators during testing. The test will also be timed.

The exam administrators will provide the Seneca phrase, and you will be expected to provide the English equivalent. You will then be provided the English phrase and must give the Seneca equivalent. A perfect score is expected in order to gain entrance into the program. The total time it takes you to complete the test, as well as the contents of your resume and your cover letter, are factors that will be considered to determine

whether or not you are admitted into the program.

Audio recordings can be heard at senecaimmersiongroup.org and are designed to assist interested applicants in studying for the Admissions Test for a 1st Year Student position in the Deadiwënöhsnye’s Gëjóhgwa’ immersion program.

If you need assistance contact:
Amber Bennett, Acting Director Immersion Department
Seneca Nation
Ph: (716) 532-4900 ext. 8920
Cell: (716) 244-0352
amber.bennett@sni.org



Community Planning and Development Department Environmental Health Unit Housing Authority

Dear Parents,

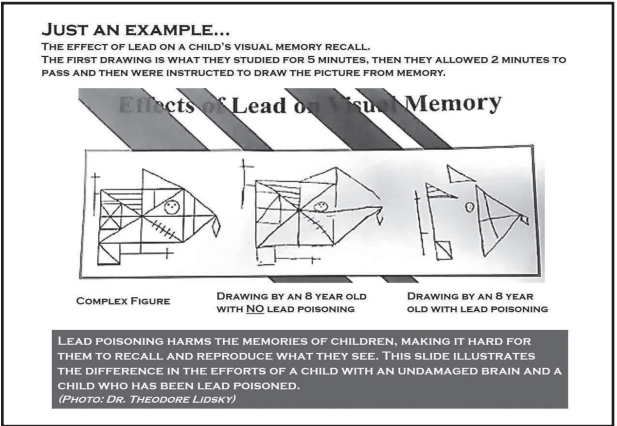
It is very important to bring awareness of the dangers of lead in our environment. The Seneca Nation was one of thirteen awardees to receive the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Tribal Healthy Homes Grant. HUD is recognizing that health disparities correlate to home environments. If your child has not received their annual lead screening, please visit your provider and have your child’s blood lead level tested.

Prior to 1978, lead based paint covered many surfaces throughout the home; doors, doorframes, windowsills, and porches are the most popular places to find lead. These areas pose the greatest risk because they are high friction areas. Paint that has started chipping, peeling, cracking, or has been damaged or damp can be dangerous. The deterioration of lead paint leads to ingestion and inhalation risks. When doing home repairs or renovations, scraping or sanding the paint sends lead particles into the air, creating a dust that can settle on the ground or on other items near the area. Once it has settled it can re-enter the air when you vacuum, sweep, or

walk through it. Lead-safe guidelines are important and workers must abide by these rules before, during and after construction.

Primary Sources of Lead Exposure:

- Prenatal exposure:** Lead can cross the placenta and the newborn will have a blood-lead level similar to their mothers. This can damage a baby’s nervous system and could cause miscarriage, stillbirths, and infertility (in both men and women).
- Adults:** workers in lead smelters, welders, recycled batteries, auto repair, construction & industrial work.
- Lead paint:** Found in homes built before 1978, glazes on ceramics and children’s toys.
- Soil and water:** Lead particles from paint and gasoline can settle on soil and last for years. Lead can leach into tap water by corroding service lines containing lead or lead pipe solder.
- Food:** Can be contaminated during production (growing in soil with lead), processing, packaging (tins manufactured with lead solder can leak into food), preparation or storage (some food containers and pots have lead like glazed pottery or leaded crystal glassware).
- Artificial athletic fields:** Nylon or a nylon and polyethylene mix may have lead dust that allow inhalation or ingestion of lead.
- Vending machine toys, jewelry, and dollar store toys** have no regulations by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, so be



mindful when purchasing toys from these places!

When a child reaches the age of one, your doctor completes a simple blood test to determine their blood lead levels. Recently, a limit of 5 µg/dL (micrograms per deciliter) has become the cut-off point and more parents are being notified of their children’s exposure to lead. This allows the opportunity for both, parents and doctors to take action. The average level for children is about 2 µg/dL. **If your child has elevated blood lead levels greater than 5 µg/dL**, you can work with the Seneca Nation Health System’s Environmental Health office to help identify lead sources in your child’s environment and reduce your child’s exposure.

Although lead poisoning has no obvious, immediate symptoms, it could affect:

- A child's brain development, ability to learn, and lower IQ.
- A child's neurobehavioral development, cause ADHD and hearing loss.
- A child’s central nervous system, heart, and red blood cells creating



long-term health problems such as kidney disease, hypertension, and osteoporosis.

- In extreme cases, it can cause seizures, comas, and even death.

Lead poisoning is preventable! Reducing your child's exposure to lead is key. Here are a few ways to accomplish that:

- Get your home tested for lead, especially if it is dated before 1978.
- Keep your children away from old windows, old porches, and areas with chipping or peeling paint. If you rent your home, let your landlord know about any peeling or chipping paint.
- Cleaning your home regularly and taking shoes off at the door can help reduce tracking in dirt and dust that can contain lead.
- Run your tap for 30-60 seconds with cold water, especially when making formula or drinks. Hot water allows lead and other metals to leach.
- Teach your children to wash their hands, especially before eating.
- Give your child a well-balanced diet that includes a variety of foods that are high in vitamin C, calcium and iron. This helps stop the absorption of lead in their bodies.
- Discard brightly painted toys,

including ones where the paint is coming off. Do not buy toys made outside the U.S.A. or Europe. Places like China, India, and Mexico have relaxed lead regulations.

Being aware of lead and its dangers will help you and your family stay safe. If you have any questions, call your health care provider and schedule an exam if necessary. If your child has elevated blood levels, please call the Environmental Health Unit for help identifying the cause.

Sincerely,
Seneca Nation Healthy Homes Program

Eat foods with iron <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Red meat/chicken• Fish• Green leafy vegetables• Whole grain cereal, bread & pasta, Cold cereals with iron.• Dried fruit• Beans, peas, lentils	Eat foods with calcium <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Milk• Cheese and yogurt• Calcium-fortified juice• Green leafy vegetables• Tofu• Salmon and sardines (bones in)	Eat foods with vitamin C <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oranges and grapefruit• Tomatoes and peppers• Broccoli• Brussels sprouts• Peaches, strawberries and pears• Watermelon
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Need more information about lead? Visit: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/foodwise/families/>.

FoodWise education is funded by the USDA Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program—SNAP and Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program—EFNEP. SNAP/FoodShare helps families buy the food they need for good health. Visit access.wi.gov to learn how to apply.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT

The Seneca Nation Advocate Program will be submitting an application for the Fiscal Year 2023 funding for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program(LIHEAP).

Interested persons may review the draft model plan between August 15 – 19, 2022 Cattaraugus andAllegany Tribal Advocate Offices.

For further information, please contact the Cattaraugus or Allegany Advocate Program at 716-532-4900 or 716-945-2655.

ATTENTION ALL ENROLLED MEMBERS

The 30-day comment period on the proposed revisions to the Probate Code begins today. Members can submit their written comments to the Clerk’s Office or via email to: ProbateCode@sni.org. The comment period will close on Monday, September 5, 2022 at 5:00 PM. Information on the proposed revisions can be picked up at the Clerk’s Office or by emailing ProbateCode@sni.org and requesting the proposed revisions.

Hurry to the Seneca Nation Training & Employment (TERC)!!

Are you looking for a new and improved vocational direction? Do you want to be employed? Chase your goals and learn new skills to support yourself and your family.

Get on the pathway to success and self-sufficiency

Cattaraugus Territory
23 Thomas Indian School Drive
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August 19th, 2022

Employee Appreciation Day!

Enjoy the rest of summer!

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DATE & TIME
AUGUST 31ST | @5PM

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 716-532-9449

Attention All Gardeners!!

Gakwi:yo:h Farms will be hosting a Cover Cropping and Crop Rotation class on September 16, 2022 at the farm (time to be determined at a later date)!

This class is open to community members who have gardens and is strongly recommended by those who had their gardens tilled by Gakwi:yo:h staff this planting season. Stay tuned for updates.

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OPEN TO ALL AGES

July 26
August 2
August 9
August 16
August 23
August 30

Come join Leeora White with story time starting at 11am followed by a crafttime.

Seneca Iroquois National Museum
82 W. Hetzel Street Salamanca, NY 14779
More info: Phone : 716-945-1760

FEMA Region 2 Holds 2022 Nation-to-Nation Tribal Summit



Onondaga Nation, N.Y., July 13, 2022--FEMA Region 2 held the 2022 Nation to Nation Tribal Summit at the Onondaga Nation Fire House.

Regional Administrator David Warrington (fourth from right) met with Nation representatives from the state of New York: Rene Rickard (Tuscarora Nation), Kelly Dennis and Dan Collins (Shinnecock Nation), Paul Elm (Onondaga Nation), Daniel Mt. Pleasant (Tuscarora Nation), David Arquette (Mohawk Tribe), Fire Chief Ron Shenandoah (Onondaga Nation), Mike Gates (Seneca Nation), Derek Comins (Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe), and Bryan White (Tuscarora Nation).

Region 2’s Recovery, National Preparedness, Grants, Response and Mitigation divisions delivered training in emergency management and mitigation measu-

The summit, organized by R2 External Affairs, serves as an opportunity to open the door to dynamic conversations and future collaboration between the Nations and FEMA. K.C. Wilsey/FEMA.



Summer Intern Spotlight: Meet Caryn Miller!

Summer Intern Spotlight

“ I am inspired by my people’s tenacity and pride in who we are, our values and way of life. ”

Caryn Miller
Allegany Territory

Caryn is a recent graduate from Syracuse University with a dual major, earning a bachelor’s degree in both Marketing Management and Entrepreneurship & Emerging Enterprises. She also minored in Native American & Indigenous Studies. Caryn resides on the Allegany Territory of the Seneca Nation. She enjoys hiking, volunteering, and creating positive impacts.

Caryn joins us this summer to advance her education and experience in a way that gives back to her community. She has enjoyed learning about Seneca Holdings' corporate operations, accounting, business development, and marketing. Caryn also said that it has been insightful for her to see how the Seneca Holdings team works together to achieve individual and collective goals.

"You don't have to be a farmer to be outstanding in your field." As a Seneca youth, Caryn feels a sense of responsibility to assist in any way she can to support the Seneca Nation's future generations, and she feels working with Seneca Holdings allows her to do that. We are excited to have Caryn on our team this summer!

#spotlight #internshipprogram #positiveimpact

SENECA NATION LIBRARY
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Spots are limited

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AUGUST 26TH, 2022

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2022

FALL FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATE

September 9th, 10th & 11th

Saylor Building Grounds

12861 Route 438 Irving, N.Y 14081

For more information please contact Trudy Jackson @532-3341 x5130

Marvin "Joe" Curry Veterans Powwow Returns



After two years, it was finally time to sing and dance.

On July 16 and 17, the Marvin “Joe” Curry Veterans Powwow returned to Allegany, bringing friends and neighbors from near and far. Following two years of cancellations because of the pandemic, it was wonderful to

see everyone, to watch the dancers, to hear the songs, and to share our culture and traditions once again.

This celebration would not have happened without the tireless and dedication of so many individuals and organizations. Our Powwow Committee and staff did an outstanding job of planning and coordinating. Countless volunteers gave their time throughout the weekend. Everyone who competed gave us an incredible show and moved us with their spirited performances. The food and crafts vendors added to the wonderful environment. Our sponsors gave their support to make the event possible.

And, of course, everyone who came out to watch, share and enjoy the powwow alongside

us made the weekend one that we will remember for years to come.

To everyone who participated in the 2022 Marvin “Joe” Curry Veterans Powwow, we say “Nya:weh.” Thank you for an outstanding weekend of memories, friendship, community and tradition.



We can’t wait to welcome you back in 2023!

List of 2022 Winners:

Golden Age Women Smoke

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Cis Skye	Cayuga	Ontario
2nd	Sue Isaacs	Cayuga Six Nations	Ontario
3rd	Lisa Parker	Tonawanda Seneca	New York
4th	Tina Christjohn	Oneida	Wisconsin

Golden Age Women Traditional

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Charlene Bomberry	Onondaga	Ontario
2nd	Dorothy Gray	Rappahannock	Maryland
3rd	Suzy Burning	Mohawk	Ontario
4th	Amy Printup-Gutierrez	Tuscarora	Ohio

Golden Age Women Jingle/Fancy

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Celina Cada-Matasawagon	Ojibway	Ontario
2nd	Ladybird Jack	Diné	Arizona
3rd	Katrina Fisher	Plains Cree	New York
4th	Delina White	Leech Lake Ojibwe	Minnesota

Golden Age Men Smoke

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Orville Greene	Tuscarora	New York
2nd	Alan George	Cayuga	New York
3rd	Bill Crouse	Seneca	New York
4th	Michael Nephew	Cherokee, Seneca	Virginia

Golden Age Men Traditional

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Lonny Street	Meskwaki	North Carolina
2nd	Kevin Haywahe	Nakota	Saskatchewan
3rd	Schirra Gray Sr	Piscataway, Tsali Nations	Maryland
4th	Mike Dashner	Anishnaabe	Ontario

Golden Age Men Grass/Fancy

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Orrenzo Snyder		California
2nd	Wayne Pushetonequa	Meskwaki	Indiana
3rd	Wayashsti Richardson	Saponi	New Jersey
4th	Steve Sands	Bodwatomi	Ontario

Sr. Adult Women Smoke

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Mandy Bomberry	Mohawk	Ontario
2nd	Valerie Parker-Campbell	Tonawanda Seneca	New York
3rd	Connie Danforth	Oneida	Wisconsin
4th	Keona George	Tuscarora	New York

Jr. Adult Women Traditional

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Reyna Prescott	HoChunk, Potawatomi	Wisconsin
2nd	Alexa Rae Day	Anishinaabe, HoChunk	Wisconsin
3rd	Aaliyah Begay	Kewa Pueblo, Navajo	Illinois
4th	Shaolin Antone	Oneida Nation	Ontario

Sr. Adult Women Jingle

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Connie Danforth	Oneida	Wisconsin
2nd	Natasha Thompson	Mohawk	Akwesasne
3rd	Mandy Bomberry	Mohawk	Ontario
4th	Dionne Jacobs	Oneida	Wisconsin

Jr. Adult Women Fancy

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Tavian Lasley	Meskwaki, Ojibway	
2nd	Beedoskah Stonefish	Anishinnaabe	Michigan
3rd	Jovena Scabbyrobe	Yakama Nation	Washington
4th	Summer Dawn Olney	Diné, Yakama	Arizona

Jr. Adult Women Smoke

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Logan Booth	Seneca	New York
2nd	Kerriann Spruce	Tonawanda Seneca	New York
3rd	Monique Powless	Onondaga	New York
4th	Marissa Anderson	Mohawk	Ontario

Jr. Adult Women Traditional

Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Reyna Prescott	HoChunk, Potawatomi	Wisconsin
2nd	Alexa Rae Day	Anishinaabe, HoChunk	Wisconsin
3rd	Aaliyah Begay	Kewa Pueblo, Navajo	Illinois
4th	Shaolin Antone	Oneida Nation	Ontario

Jr. Adult Women Jingle			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Waskwane Stonefish	Odawa, Chipewa, Pottowatomi	Michigan
2nd	Connie Starblanket	Plains Cree	Saskatchewan
3rd	Shoshawwnna Jack	Diné	Arizona
4th	Savanah Phillips	Navajo, Shinnecock	Connecticut

Jr. Adult Women Fancy			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Tavian Lasley	Meskwaki, Ojibway	
2nd	Beedoskah Stonefish	Anishinnaabe	Michigan
3rd	Jovena Scabbyrobe	Yakama Nation	Washington
4th	Summer Dawn Olney	Diné, Yakama	Arizona

Sr. Adult Men Smoke			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Jordan Smith	Mohawk	New York
2nd	Heath Hill		New York
3rd	David Smith	Mohawk	New York
4th	Herbie John	Seneca	New York

Sr. Adult Men Traditional			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Adrian Klein	Oneida, Ojibwe	Michigan
2nd	Brando Jack	Diné	Arizona
3rd	Dana Warrington	Menominee	Wisconsin
4th	Will Heogepeth	Cherokee/Oneida	Ontario

Sr. Adult Men Grass			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Lee Jack Sr	Diné	Arizona
2nd	David Trudeau	Ojibway	
3rd	Kevin Kingbird	Red Lake Band	Minnesota
4th	Gordon Nicotine-Sands	Cree, Ojibwe	Ontario

Sr. Adult Men Fancy			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Wayne Silas Jr	Oneida, Menominee	Wisconsin
2nd	Gabe Bullock	Alabama Coushatta, Sac-N-Fox	Texas
3rd	Sly Isaac	Pawnee, Otoe	Oklahoma
4th	Adrian Harjo	Kickapoo, Seminole	Kansas

Jr. Adult Men Smoke			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Alan Dowdy	Tuscarora	New York
2nd	Tekahentake Regis	Mohawk	New York
3rd	Regis Cook	Mohawk	New York
4th	Jaden Parker	Tonawanda Seneca	New York

Jr. Adult Men Traditional			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Talon Whiteye	Ojibwe, Lenape, Delaware	Ontario
2nd	Zack Antoine Jackson	Saginaw Chippewa	Michigan
3rd	Tyler Richardson	Haliwa-Siponi, Lumbee	North Carolina
4th	Lincoln Kingbird	Red Lake, Ojibwe	Indiana

Jr. Adult Men Grass			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Peanutt Roberts	Chocktaw, Nakoda	Oklahoma
2nd	Miishee Shawanda	Odawa-Cree	Ontario
3rd	Kelsy Heywahe	Wasco, Assiniboine	Oregon
4th	James Eaglestar	Jemez Pueblo, Dakota Sioux	North Carolina

Jr. Adult Men Fancy			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Ascension Harjo	Mohawk, Kickapoo, Seminole	Ontario
2nd	Josh Hill	Oglala Lakota, Seneca	Pennsylvania
3rd	Sean Snyder	Diné, Ute	Nevada
4th	William Leonard	Forest Co Patawatomi, ho-Chunk, Gila River Pima	Wisconsin

Teen Girls Smoke			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Gao:wisa:s Stevens	Seneca	New York
2nd	Ellie Booth	Seneca	New York
3rd	Grayce Anderson	Mohawk	Ontario
4th	Caye John	Seneca	New York

Teen Girls Traditional			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Liliana Mars	Narragansett, Navajo	Rhode Island
2nd	Paungbiisohn Trudeauan	Ojibway Anishnaabe	Ontario
3rd	Rylan Bomberry	Mohawk	Ontario

Teen Girls Jingle			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Aireis Draper	Navajo	Rhode Island
2nd	Grayce Anderson	Mohawk	Ontario
3rd	Kayla Dreaver	Odawa, LTBB Cree Big River, Oneida of Thames	Michigan
4th	Addyson White	Oneida, Ojibwe	Ontario

Teen Girls Fancy			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Maniyee Jack	Diné, Hopi, Tewa	Arizona
2nd	Jaida Isennock	Rosebud Sioux	Pennsylvania
3rd	Olivia Thunderhawk	Cheyenne River Sioux	North Dakota
4th	Ellen Street	Meschawi	North Carolina

Teen Boys Smoke			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Arrow Booth	Seneca	New York
2nd	Kelvin George	Tuscarora	New York
3rd	Hodeno:d Sundown	Tonawanda Seneca	New York
4th	Ha'tsihgahdo:d Stevens	Seneca	New York

Teen Boys Grass			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Miskwakone White	Leech Lake Band of Ojibway	Minnesota
2nd	Audrian Day	Anishnaabe, Ho-Chunk	Michigan
3rd	Talon Street	Meskwaki, Meherrin	North Carolina
4th	Griffin Sands	Oneida, Plains Cree Ojibway	Ontario

Teen Boys Fancy			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Arrow Booth	Seneca	New York
2nd	Chaske Hill	Rosebud Sioux, Oglala Sioux, Seneca	Pennsylvania

Youth Girls Smoke			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Mayce Jones	Seneca	New York
2nd	Halia Rivera	Seneca Nation	New York
3rd	Charlette John	Mohawk, Seneca	New York
4th	Rosalyn George	Seneca	New York

Youth Girls Traditional			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Ne’Neya Jack	Tewa, Hopi, Diné	Arizona
2nd	Keya Taylor	Rosebud Sioux	Pennsylvania
3rd	Wynter Snow Dowdy	Oneida	Ontario
4th	Layla Young	Oneida	Wisconsin

Youth Girls Jingle			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Keshina Jack	Tewa, Hopi, Diné	Arizona
2nd	Jayla Swallow	Oglala Lakota	South Dakota
3rd	Taneal Metoxen	Oneida	Wisconsin
4th	Mae Isennock	Rosebus Sioux	Pennsylvania

Youth Girls Fancy			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Lilianna Bigsky Klein	Plains Cree Ojibwe	Michigan
2nd	Lenna Metoxen	Oneida	Wisconsin
3rd	Brynlee Warner	Cayuga Nation	Ontario
4th	Adrennah Blackbird	Ojibway	Ontario

Youth Boys Smoke			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Clay Young	Oneida	Wisconsin
2nd	Kyson George	Tuscarora	New York
3rd	Quinten Van Pelt	Tonawanda Seneca	New York
4th	Hawenoda:je’s Printup	Seneca Nation of Indians	New York

Youth Boys Grass			
Place	Name	Nation/Tribe	
1st	Keveon Kingbird	Red Lake	Minnesota
2nd	Xander White	Oneida, Ojibwe	Ontario
3rd	Haksa’diyo:go:wah Lone-Preston	Tonawanda Seneca	New York

Seneca Leadership Interns

On Friday 8/29, Seneca Leadership Interns had the opportunity to enjoy lunch with Seneca Nation President Pagels and members of Council.

The lunch was followed by a Q&A with Councilors. Council members and Executives shared advice for the students and gave examples of their experience with the Seneca Nation government and its operations.



Summer Recreation Program - Allegany Visits Longhouse Site at Canticle Farms

On July 26th, several of the ACC Summer rec youth took a step back in time; they visited an archaeological site located at Canticle Farms in Allegany NY. The site is home to multiple longhouses which date from 5000 years ago to just as recent as 800 years ago. The discovery of these sites is invaluable as they allow us to take a view into everyday life in these time periods. The dating on the sites also tell us that our ancestors have inhabited this area for thousands of years.

On this day, the ACC summer rec youth and volunteer archaeologists were able to uncover small shards of pottery and see firsthand where the post molds for the longhouse were located roughly 800 years ago.

The youth were treated to a brief class and demonstration by archaeologist Steven Howard. Pottery found at this location was compared with pottery from Colorado both being from the same time period.

The youth were also able to use one of the hunting tools utilized by indigenous peoples, the atlatl. The atlatl is a spear throwing weapon that has been utilized for over ten thousand years.

Steven Howard is the executive director for Allegheny Valley Project, a nonprofit organization that allows for the archaeology work to continue at this site. Allegheny Valley Project will be hosting their Summer 2023 camp for six weeks, with hopes of having more volunteers and visitors from the Seneca Nation. For more about the Allegheny Valley Project, go to <http://www.alleghenyvalleyproject.com/>



Rabies Vaccine Bait Drop Program Scheduled to Begin August 15th

*PRESS RELEASE – 08/04/2022
Cattaraugus County Health
Department*

In coordination with the Cattaraugus County Department of Health, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA/ APHIS Wildlife Services) seeks to control and eliminate terrestrial rabies through the wildlife oral rabies vaccination (ORV) program.

The oral wildlife rabies vaccine (ONRAB®) is contained in green baits comprised of vegetable shortening, wax, icing sugar, vegetable oil and flavoring. Raccoons are vaccinated against rabies when they eat the wildlife rabies vaccine that is contained within the Ultralite® baits. Fixed-wing aircraft (white with red and blue trim) will be used to distribute baits over areas of Cattaraugus County. Baits are contained in small green packets the size of a quarter (see attached photo).

Aerial distribution (weather dependent) will start on or about August 15th with fixed-wing aircraft and take three days to complete. The affected townships in

Cattaraugus County include Perrysburg, Dayton, Persia, Otto, East Otto, Ashford, Yorkshire, Machias, Freedom, and Farmersville.

Additional Recommendations:

- WASH YOUR HANDS IMMEDIATELY if you come into direct contact with the vaccine or bait, then call (1-888-574-6656)
- Supervise children’s outdoor activities during bait distribution and for one week afterward
- Confine dogs and cats indoors and observe leash laws during the bait distribution interval and for one week afterward. This will increase the probability of raccoon vaccination and will decrease the chance of pets finding the baits
- The baits and vaccines are not harmful to domestic animals; however, an animal may vomit if it consumes several baits. DO NOT RISK BEING BITTEN WHILE TRYING TO REMOVE A BAIT FROM YOUR PET’S MOUTH
- Call (1-888-574-6656) if you see your pet with bait in its mouth and

- cannot read the label
- If baits are observed in the environment, please leave them alone. Labels identify the bait: (“Rabies Vaccine DO NOT EAT, Live adenovirus vector. MNR 1 888-574-6656”)
- If a bait is intact and out in the open where pets or children may find it, please toss the bait under trees or bushes. Wear gloves or use a plastic bag to pick up the bait
- If a bait is broken and the liquid vaccine is visible, wear gloves, and cover the bait and affected area with a 1:10 solution of bleach and water, place the bait in a plastic bag, and dispose of the bag in the household trash



Seneca Nation Selected for ESRI Special Achievement Award in Geographic Information Services



Project Goal

The Seneca Nation Geographic Information Services Department creates, compiles and maintains geographic data for utilization by our tribal government and departments for project planning, development and analysis. Our goals are to provide, maintain, and secure spatially accurate geographic data sets for all Nation Departments. We strive to increase awareness of GIS uses and capabilities through application integration and broad deployment, utilizing a hybrid approach of our internal Portal and ArcGIS online. We make efforts to promote an understanding of GIS among Community members and the youth. As well as be cognizant of the ever-evolving technological advances in GIS and incorporate them into our hybrid GIS system to reflect those innovations.

Business Problem Solved

easily accessible. This led to the creation of the COVID HUB. With COVID case numbers reported by our Health Department using Survey123, we produced Dashboards showing the latest trends. Other applications and numerous surveys were created, such as the employee self-assessment survey and an elder wellness survey which continues today. These results gave leadership real-time data to make difficult decisions on policies and where to allocate resources. The SNI-GIS Hub was launched for access to apps for public and departmental use. Specific use includes desktop and mobile version apps for our Utilities department, used daily for asset location as well as secured applications for leadership and our AGOL users are growing as interest piques.

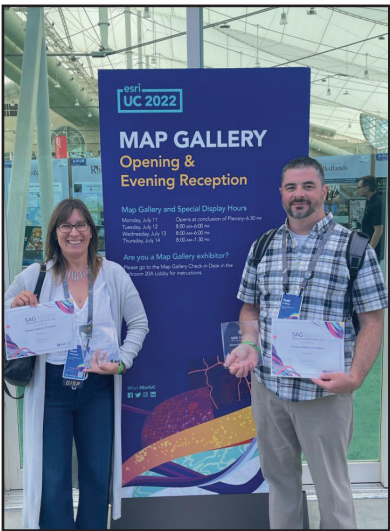
Technology Implemented

The pandemic offered a primetime slot to showcase what GIS can do and began to create more conversations, engage departments and stakeholders. Our goal was to enable end users to access COVID data from a single authoritative source that was

- ArcGIS Enterprise 10.8
- ArcGIS Pro
- ArcGIS Online
- Survey123
- Dashboard
- HUB
- Navigator
- Workforce

Check out:
www.snigis.org

Development Team Biography
The GIS team has been implementing GIS solutions together for 18 years. The team trains Nation staff on internal GIS solutions and participates in internal working groups to promote the use of GIS. Gerri Jayne Jimerson, GIS Manager, enjoys providing solutions through AGOL utilizing Business Analyst, Survey123, Dashboards, Story Maps and Workforce. Todd LaQuay, Sr. GIS Analyst, has deployed several solutions, as well as custom built geodatabases in addition to HUB solutions.



SAVE THE DATE: 9/9/22

Legion/Basil Williams
Baseball Field Fall Festival
Soft Opening

Attention to all Alumni of the Legion
(Basil Williams) Ball Field. There will be an
Inauguration baseball game in celebration of the new field opening
at 6pm on Friday, September 9th during the first day of the Fall
Festival. Call the CCC at 716-532-8450 to reserve your spot.

Also, if you know who is in these pictures, please let the
Council Office know at 716-532-4900 ext. 5437.



Can-Am Lacrosse League
Hall of Fame Induction
Ceremony | *Gil Lay Memorial Arena*
Photos courtesy of Can-Am Lacrosse League FB

Sunday, July 24th, the Can-Am Lacrosse League held a Hall of
Fame induction ceremony for 3 of its players. The inductees include
Kervin "Huck" John for 2019, **Jeffrey Gill** and **Dennis
"Smokey" Lay** for the 2022 Hall of Fame. Dennis' award was
received by his grandsons during the ceremony. The induction took
place at the Gil Lay Memorial Arena just before the match between
the Tonawanda Braves and the Onondaga RedHawks.

Kervin John | A.K.A. "Herbie" or "Huck"
2019 Can-Am Lacrosse Hall of Fame Inductee

Kervin John began playing in the Can-Am in 1974 at 15 years of age
with the Newtown Golden Eagles. On weeknights, he would play
with his midget team, and on the weekends he would play with the
men. In 2009, after a 35-year career in the Can-Am and NALA
and at the age of 50, Kervin decided to retire from the Can-Am.

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CAN AM LACROSSE
2019 & 2022
HALL OF FAME
Induction Ceremony

2019 INDUCTEE
Kervin "Huck" John
11:00 am

2022 INDUCTEES
Jeffrey L. Gill
11:00 am
Dennis "Smokey" Lay
1:30 pm

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Gonzales Selected for Offense-Defense American Bowl

Slade Gonzales is a member of the Wolf Clan and is
from the Cattaraugus Territory. Slade is in his Junior
season at St. Francis High School, Class of 2024.

In June, Slade competed in multiple summer Big Man
football camps throughout the North East including Pitt,
UB, Utica College, Rutgers, Ohio State & Kent State.

Slade was selected to represent the East and officially
invited to the *Offense - Defense All American Bowl* being
played in Texas Stadium December 19-22. This game will
showcase the top 100 HS players in the country and be
televised on ESPN! **Ja:göh!**

"Slade has a passion for the game and he enjoys passing
down his knowledge to the younger players he trains
with! Our family is beyond proud of Slade and the work
he continues to put in becoming one of the Best Defensive
Tackles in the country"
~Slade's Dad, Bryan Gonzales



Slade Gonzales pictured with
his father Bryan Gonzales



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Since 2003, Kerv has been playing in the Nations Cup Tournaments with his nephews and great nephews alike. He remains the oldest player to play among 3 generations of his family. He hopes to retire from the Nations Cup at the age of 60, but will not hesitate to pick up the stick again when his son calls on him to play once again.

Teams & Accomplishments:

- **NALA**
 - Newtown Golden Eagles 1974-1981
- **Can-Am**
 - Buffalo/Ft. Erie Braves 1982-1986
 - Newtown Golden Eagles 1986-1988
 - Niagara Tomahawks 1988-1989
 - Brantford Wolves 1990-1993
 - Tuscarora Thunderhawks 1993-1998
 - Pinewoods Smoke 1998
 - Buffalo Creek Thunder 2009
 - Buffalo Renegades 1990-1991 (semi-pro winter league)
- **President's Cup Appearances**
 - 1983 Owen Sound, ON (Newtown) Silver medal
 - 1986 Surrey, BC (Newtown) Silver medal
 - 1987 Sarnia, ON (Newtown) Bronze medal
 - 1993 (Tuscarora)
 - 1994 Hamilton, ON (Tuscarora) Gold medal
 - 1998 Niagara Falls, ON (Tuscarora)
- **Accomplishments**
 - Established the Niagara Turtle Islanders, Family Sr. B Women's team in OWBLL
 - Played through four decades in the 70's, 80's, 90's and 20's
 - Life-long player and coach

Jeffrey L. Gill
2022 Can-Am Lacrosse Hall of Fame Inductee
Newtown Golden Eagles

Jeff Gill is a member of the Seneca Nation, and Heron Clan. He resides on the Cattaraugus Territory with his wife Clarice, who have been married for 40 years. Together they have two sons and two grandchildren, who continue to carry on their father's lacrosse legacy. Jeff began playing Minor Lacrosse for Newtown Golden Eagles in 1966 at age 8. Throughout the years, Jeff consistently contributed to lacrosse as a player, head coach and now a veteran of the game.

- 1975 Niagara Warriors Jr. B Lacrosse
- 1976 Member of the first boys lacrosse team at Gowanda Central



Jeffrey Gill picture collage.



L to R: Kervin "Huck" John and Jeff Gill pictured accepting their awards.

- School
- 1977-1978 North Country Community College Men's Lacrosse
- 1978 1st Team All American for North Country Community College
- 1977 St. Regis Mohawks Jr. B Lacrosse
- 1979, 1980, 1982, 1983 Can-Am Lacrosse League High Scorer
- 1980 Nations 80 World Lacrosse Championship - North American Natives/Warriors, won Silver Medal. Jeff took MVP of the Gold Medal Game
- 1981 West Coast League High Scorer for North Shore Indians - won bronze medal at President's Cup. Called up to New Westminster Salmonbellies Sr. A-Mann Cup Gold medal
- 1982-1983 Can-Am League High Scorer
- 1986 Member of the President's Cup Silver Medalist - Newtown Golden Eagles
- 1996 Head Coach Newtown Golden Eagles Sr. B team
- 2010 President of Newtown Golden Eagles organization
- 2017 Inducted into the North Country Community College Athletic Hall of Fame for Men's Lacrosse



The grandsons of the late Dennis "Smokey" Lay accepted his award on his behalf.

Dennis M. Lay
2022 Can-Am Lacrosse Hall of Fame Inductee
Newtown Golden Eagles
July 31, 1947 - February 2, 2021

Dennis M. Lay was a member of the Seneca Nation and turtle clan. As a lifelong resident of the Cattaraugus Territory, Dennis would pride himself in his love for family, his people and lacrosse. At the age of 15, Dennis began his lacrosse career playing on the Newtown Men's team since there was no minor organization for him to play with at the time. Throughout his lacrosse career, he was known for his defensive skills and received various awards for his style of play from Defensive Player of the Year to All-Star Team invitations.

- 1967 Selected to play in the expo of '67 but had broken his ankle and could not participate
- 1979-1989 Head Coach for Newtown Golden Eagles Sr. B team
- 1980 Silver Medal at President's Cup in Valley Field, Montreal with Newtown Golden Eagles
- 1986 Silver Medal at President's Cup in Surrey, British Columbia
- 1990 Newtown Master's Lacrosse

Dennis was the President for the Newtown Golden Eagles Sr. B team until the time he passed away in 2021. He was definitely a legendary icon in the lacrosse realm. If there were stats or records from the early 1960's until the 1970's, Dennis would definitely have shattered some records. All we have are memories, and old stories of Ole' Smokey.



Dennis Lay picture collage.

For the Cause!

18TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

Monday, August 22, 2022



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— QUESTIONS & FURTHER INFORMATION —
Ron Pellegrino, Tournament Director, (507) 363-3226
Karen Nordaby, Event Coordinator, (716) 359-5901
Michael R. Militello, Vice-Chairman, (716) 812-1100

Remarkable Rochesterians: G. Peter Jemison!

July 29, 2022 | Repost from Democrat and Chronicle
By Jim Memmott

A recent story in the Democrat and Chronicle by Bob Chavez reminds us how much G. Peter Jemison has done to raise awareness of the history of Native Americans in this area. Let’s add his name to the list of Remarkable Rochesterians.



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Peter Jemison stands near the Seneca Bark Longhouse at the Ganondagan State Historic Site in Victor. Jemison has retired from his role as director at Ganondagan.
Photo credit: Shawn Dowd, Democrat And Chronicle.

Seneca Mothers Against Drugs (SMAD) Holds Slow Roll

Seneca Mothers Against Drugs (SMAD) organized a Slow Roll through the Allegany Territory & Salamanca to bring awareness to the issues that drugs and drug abuse are creating on the territories. The Slow Roll took place on Friday, July 15th on the grounds of the Onöhsagwë:de' Cultural Center (The Cattaraugus Territory event happened on Sunday, June 12 on the grounds of the Iroquois Legion Post #1587).

The event included guest speakers and

informational tents as well as giveaways and raffles for those who attended. SMAD, a grassroots community group, issued the following statement: “Our children and grandchildren are facing a continuous onslaught of temptation to use hard drugs. The drugs are everywhere, as are the dealers. We, as SMAD, have had an impact over the past few years addressing the problem, but the problem persists. Since March 2020,

there has been a 30% increase in opioid relapse and overdose rates in our area. The Seneca people, including our Seneca kids, have been disproportionately impacted. As mothers, we are seeing it firsthand. We are experiencing the problems and we’ve had enough.”

Nya:wëh to SMAD for the important work they're doing in our communities.



G. Peter Jemison (1945-): From 1985 until his retirement in 2022, this artist and historian served as the site manager of the Ganondagan State Historic Site in Victor, which is dedicated to the story of Native Americans, especially the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois). Under his watch, a Seneca Bark Longhouse, and later, a Seneca Art & Culture Center, were added to the site, which is on land occupied by the Seneca in the 17th Century. A member of the Huron Clan of the Seneca Nation who grew up on the Cattaraugus Reservation, he continues to paint and to raise awareness of Haudenosaunee culture.

Source: <https://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/news/local/columnists/memmott/2022/07/29/volkswagen-id-buzz-triggers-memories-of-its-basic-forerunner/65384515007/>

Learn new Summertime Seneca Language Vocabulary | Submitted by RDC Team

Check out the newest available Videos and Memrise courses created by the RDC Team in collaboration with **Agwadeyesta Do:ge:h** <https://www.agwadeyestadogeh.com>
Faithkeeper Language Nest <https://faithkeepermontessori.com/kids-page>, under the **Ester Martinez Initiative** <https://app.memrise.com/course/6199612/summertimeactivities/>.

ëknigëöšö:ni'	I will pitch a tent
ësnigëöšö:ni'	You will pitch a tent
ëdwanigëöšö:ni'	We will pitch a tent
ëgadeko:ni'	I will eat
ësadeko:ni'	You will eat
ëdwadeko:ni'	We will eat
ëga'da:iya't	I will heat it up
ësa'da:iya't	You will heat it up
ëdwa'da:iya't	We will heat it up
ëgade:ga't	I will make a fire
ëhsade:ga't	You will make a fire
ëdwade:ga't	We will make a fire
ëgadawë'	I will swim
ëhsadawë'	You will swim
ëdwadawë'	We will swim
ëgijo'ya:k	I will fish
ëhsijo'ya:k	You will fish
ëdwëdzo'ya:k	We will fish
edwadzaye:nö:'	We caught a fish
ëgidzaye:nö:'	I will catch a fish
ësidzaye:nö:'	You will catch a fish
ëdwëdzaye:nö:'	We will catch a fish

August 2022 Language Newsletter

Their August issue features the recent CRNY Artist recipients (Creatives Rebuild New York Artist Employment Program), upcoming craft classes and events, **Hadiksa’ shö’öh Neyonögka’** - Kids Area and a delicious monthly recipe. This month’s recipe: **Gakö:ni:h Ganö’ja’**- Zucchini corn cakes & corn fritters. **Check it out here:** <https://sni.org/august-2022-language-newsletter/>



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Gëdë'ökneh Dekni:h 2022

News From The Four Corners United Methodist Church | Rte. 438 and Versailles Plank Road, Cattaraugus Territory Submitted by Marilyn Anderson

On July 31st our annual church picnic took place at the Versailles Commons. It was so good to see everyone again. The service was given by Chris Klimecko and Dave Rood with communion served by Pastor David Nichols from Hamburg UMC. We look forward to more combined events in the future.



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

- **Dorothy Snyder Crants** – given by Nora Snyder Crouse, also Robert Jr. and Shelia Kenjockety
- **Joseph Abrams and Janice Deanna Abrams** – given by Ruth and Monroe Abrams and family
- **Ernestine “DeeDee” Boyd** – given by Marjorie Standing Cloud
- **Henry and Bertha Twoguns** – given by Victor G. Twoguns
- **Gloria Parker and Joseph Roban** – given by Dick and Edna Printup

The Seneca Hymn Singers are on their summer break for the month of August. Gatherings will begin again in the Fall. If you would like their services, please call Janet “Beeda” Parker at 532-2478.

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. Continue to pray for our communities – for those who are addicted to drugs or alcohol, for those who are battling illness, for those who are grieving and for those who are recovering from trauma. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday. Peace be with you.

PEDIATRIC COVID-19 VACCINES

Mondays from 8:30 - 11:00am at CIRHC

Fridays from 8:30 - 11:00am at LRJHC

Medical Unit - Immunization Room


Children will be monitored for 15 minutes after the injection

SNHS is administering Pfizer pediatric doses only to infants and children, 6-months to 4-years old

This is a 3-dose prime series: the 2nd dose is due 3 weeks after the initial vaccine, and the 3rd dose is due 8 weeks after the second vaccine

For an appointment at the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation Health Center (Cattaraugus Territory, Irving) please call Kim Bradley at 716-532-5582

For an appointment at the Lionel R. John Health Center (Allegany Territory, Salamanca) please call Teri Cowles at 716-945-5894



SENECA NATION HEALTH SYSTEM

(See next page for more info)

Kids and COVID-19 Vaccines: What Parents and Caregivers Need To Know

Children as young as 6 months of age can get a COVID vaccine.

Both COVID-19 mRNA vaccines are safe for children as young as 6 months of age. Children receive the same vaccine as adults, but the dose is smaller depending on their age.

Children are as likely as adults to be infected with COVID-19 and can spread the virus to others. Children can also get very sick and have short and long-term health complications from COVID.

Both vaccines are effective in reducing the risk of COVID disease and its possible long-term effects. Side effects from the vaccines are usually minor, including fever and soreness where the shot is given.

Contact your local health care provider, clinic or pharmacy to get your child vaccinated.

Ask your child's health care provider about any questions you have about the COVID-19 vaccine.



Vaccine	Ages	Number and timing of shots needed
Moderna	6 months and older	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•All ages receive 2 shots. The 2nd shot is given 4-8 weeks after the 1st.•Booster shots are recommended for all people over 18 years old, 5 months after the initial doses.
Pfizer	6 months and older	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Young children 6 months- 4 years receive 3 shots. The 2nd shot is given 3 weeks after the 1st, and the 3rd is given 8 weeks after the 2nd.•People over 5 years old receive 2 shots. The 2nd shot is given about 3 weeks after the 1st.•Booster shots are recommended for all people 5 years and older, 5 months after the initial doses.

Effective: July 12, 2022
Source: CDC, Johns Hopkins University



thefaithkeeperschool@gmail.com.

"RDC" is a media team created by 501c3 Agwadeyesta' Do:gë:h and is funded by the Esther Martinez Grant Initiative for which the Faithkeeper School is the primary beneficiary for all resource development as well as the surrounding Native community at large.

FKS Parents/Community Language Courses:

Faithkeeper School Parents course/community - (167 words) This course is meant to help parents and family members as well as community members use more Seneca with their children and everyday life. This course is comprised of words used at the Faithkeeper School along with everyday language that can be used at home. Terms include: (Getting Dressed, Health, Weather, Arts and Crafts, Meal time,Bus Safety, Ganöhsesgeh, Everyday Verbs)

Faithkeeper School Parents course link:
<https://app.memrise.com/course/5966907/faithkeeper-school-parents-course/>

Harvest time- (27 words) 3 pronouns in the future tense only. ex "I will cook, you will cook, we will cook".
Verbs: Cooking, Harvesting, Preparing Food,
Nouns: Names of vegetables

Harvest time Course link:
<https://app.memrise.com/course/6229464/harvest-time-harvesting-cookingpreparing-food/>

Summertime activities- (46 words)
3 pronouns in the future tense only.ex "I will make a fire, you will make a fire, we will make a fire"
Verbs: Pitch a tent, Make a fire, Heat something up, Eat, Swimming, Fishing, Catch a fish.
Nouns: Land/Sand/Fire/Heron/Duck/Fish/Boat/Crab/Sprinkler/Goose/Wood/Lake/Ocean/Water/Seagull/River/Swim Suit/Picnic/Its Sweet(Marshmello)/Bath Towel/

Summertime activities Course link:
<https://app.memrise.com/course/6199612/summertime-activities/>

Faithkeeper School Courses (specific monthly units)

(The information & links for the Faithkeeper School Courses will appear in the next issue to be dated August 26, 2022)

Newsletter Deadline:

The deadline for the next edition of the SNI Newsletter will be **Tuesday, August 16, 2022.**
Next issue to be dated August 26, 2022.

Email us:

sninews@sni.org

Visit us on the WEB:

www.sninews.org



Seneca Language "MEMRISE" Registration

Instructions:

- 1.) First, you will click a Memrise Course link below that interests you.
- 2.) Once you have clicked on a course link you will be redirected to a Memrise webpage. From here you will click "Start Learning Now". Do NOT click "Sign up" as it will direct you to choose another language such as Spanish, Italian etc.
- 3.) Next you will see the text at the bottom that says Register by email. You may register thru google or facebook as well but that will link your social media apps to Memrise.
- 4.) Type in your email address and create a password and click "Register with email"
- 5.) Once your account is created you may bookmark the link above to revisit. Make sure you save your password. You can now download the Memrise app on your phone and log in from there as well. You may skip around "levels" as well. You do not have to go through "level 1" of a course to get to "level 3". As with any language resource Memrise is just one more "tool" that you can use to help revitalize Seneca Language.

If you need help logging in or setting up your account please feel free to email the Resource Development Committee (RDC) at



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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES

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BRADLEY JIMERSON

How to photograph my art - photo techniques, light box, back drops, lighting indoors/outdoors

Thursday, September 8, 2022

6:00 p.m. at

The "Sully" Huff Heritage Center

12857 Route 438, Irving, NY 14081

NRAG Members free,
General Public Welcome
\$20 if not a NRAG member

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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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.

Wanted:
Submissions for the 2022
Great New York State Fair Indian Village

Deadline: Monday, August 22, 2022 at 7 pm
Drop off location: Stanley Huff Heritage Center - Bead Room
Who: Members of the Six Nations Haudenosaunee
What: Quilts, bead work, canning, Haudenosaunee art work, carvings and vegetables.

Win prize monies and ribbons while representing the Cattaraugus Territory.

Questions: Call Lynn Jacobs for forms or for more information at 716-425-7262.



LeRoy Family Reunion
Save the Date: September 10th!

Attention ALL relatives of Lee LeRoy and Dot LeRoy! A family reunion is scheduled for **September 10th** at Evangola State Park from 11am -6pm. Bring a dish to pass and drinks. For questions or more information, contact Julie Snow (on Messenger), Keith LeRoy or Cat Jimerson.

FYI: In need of corn hole boards. There will be lots of delicious food, swimming, card Bingo (bring quarters), tug-of-war, egg toss, sack race, bucket challenge, LRC.

Let’s make our family great and united again!



Ribbon Skirts and Native Fashions Live Auction
Bring Some Funds and Join the Fun!

When: September 9, 2022 at 7 pm | **Where:** Saylor Community Building Gym (Route 438, Irving, New York)

Join us as we auction our local native fashions including: **custom made ribbon skirts, ribbon shirts, native design dresses, and one-of-a-kind designer accessories - hand bags, earrings, and necklaces.** Several of the models will be athletes, and coaches from various sports teams. Bidders will register on-site and receive a bidding number. All winning bids are payable at the end of the auction. *Proceeds to benefit The Catt Rez Beaders and participating artists.*

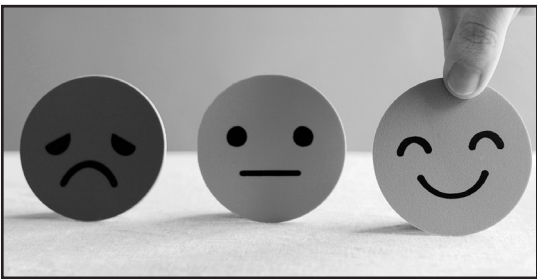
Are You a Caregiver?

Submitted by Briana Snyder, AOA Options Counselor

A family caregiver can be someone caring for a spouse or parent, an extended family member, or even a friend or neighbor. Do you provide someone help with:

- Transportation to medical appointments?
- Purchasing or organizing medications?
- Monitoring their medical condition?
- Communicating with health care professionals?
- Advocating on their behalf with providers or agencies?
- Getting in and out of beds or chairs?
- Getting dressed?
- Bathing or showering?
- Grocery or other shopping?
- Housework?
- Preparing meals?
- Managing finances?

If you answered “yes” to any of the examples listed above, you are a caregiver



Caregiving involves time, commitment and sacrifice.

You are not alone and there are resources to help. **Please feel free to take the Caregiver Assessment** at - <https://senecanationaoa.tailoredcare.com/>

Allegany AOA Garden Update: FREE VEGGIES!!

AOA staff member Bridgette John has done a beautiful job tending to the Allegany Elders Center garden. Please feel free to stop by and help yourself to any vegetables that are ready to be picked. **Nya:wëh Bridgette** and everyone who has contributed to the garden so far!



Seneca Nation AOA Title VI “Needs Assessment” Survey | Submitted by Irma Cortes

We, as a Nation, place great value on our Elders and we are hoping these interviews will help us better understand the needs of our Elders in our Community. So, **ATTENTION ALL ELDERS:** Please stop by your respective AOA Office or call to schedule an appointment with us if you are interested in participating in our survey. (*Note: Home visits are also available*) The survey will take approximately 30-45 minutes, Nya:wëh.

ALLEGANY: (716) 945-8990
CATTARAUGUS: (716) 532-5777

Every Child Matters Healing Walk

Our Every Child Matters Community Healing Walk will be held **September 30, 2022** at the "Sully" Huff Heritage Center. Save the Date for an evening of Remembering and Healing. More details of the event to follow.



Save the Date

September 30, 2022

Community Healing Walk & Indian Boarding School Exhibit

Sully Huff Heritage Center
12854 Route 438 Irving, NY 14081

For more information please contact:
716.532.8339 ext. 5087 or SNCVServices@sni.org



Participate in the survey for a chance to win these great prizes!

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Seneca Nation Area Office for the Aging



FARMERS MARKET COUPONS AVAILABLE!



View the August AOA Newsletter online | Find out what we are up to this month!

<https://sni.org/app/uploads/2021/08/August-22-AOA-News.pdf>

If you'd like a copy mailed to you each month please call or send us a message.

Allegany Office: (716) 945-8414 | Cattaraugus Office: (716) 532-5777



COME AND VISIT!

DON'T MISS OUT!

SENECA ELDER SUMMER JAMBOREE

Seneca Allegany Casino

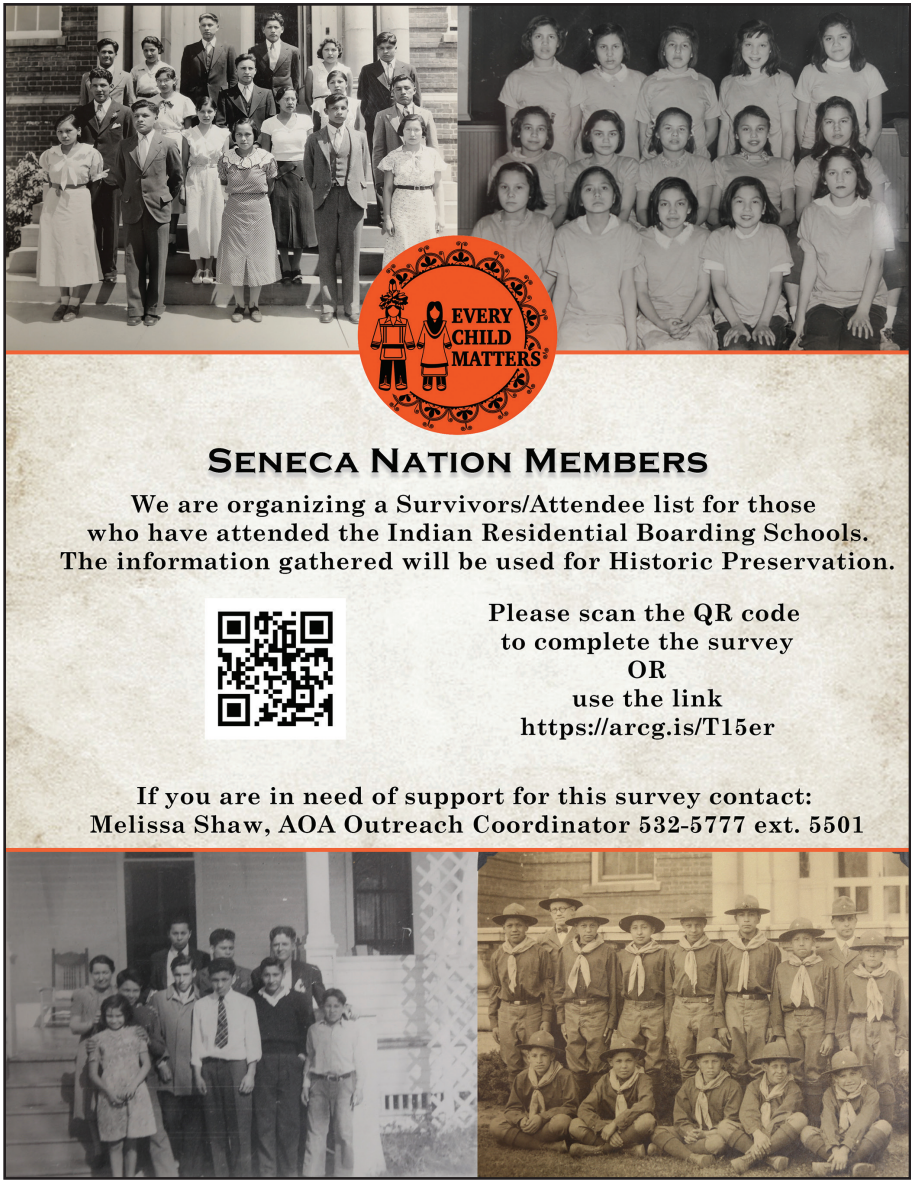
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18TH FROM 11AM TO 3PM

Dolly Parton Look-Alike Contest!
Willie Nelson Look-Alike Contest!

CLASSIC COUNTRY MUSIC | GOOD FOOD | GREAT COMPANY
DOOR PRIZES | DANCE CONTEST | CASH GRAB & MORE!

★ PRIZE FOR BEST WESTERN OUTFIT!!! ★
(Each elder may bring one guest.)


FOR INFORMATION ABOUT BUS TRANSPORTATION
AND TO R.S.V.P., PLEASE CALL: (716) 532-5777, X5500



EVERY CHILD MATTERS

SENECA NATION MEMBERS

We are organizing a Survivors/Attendee list for those who have attended the Indian Residential Boarding Schools. The information gathered will be used for Historic Preservation.



Please scan the QR code to complete the survey
OR
use the link
<https://arcg.is/T15er>

If you are in need of support for this survey contact:
Melissa Shaw, AOA Outreach Coordinator 532-5777 ext. 5501

Farmers Market Coupons for Elders NOW available at AOA!

Help us spread the word! Effective July 18th, 2022, Farmer's Market Coupon booklets can be picked up at the Allegany Elder Center or the Wini-Kettle Senior Center.

Coupons may also be requested online at: <https://form.jotform.com/SNAOA/2022SFMNP>

For more information contact them at:

Cattaraugus Territory:
716-532-5777

Allegany Territory:
716-945-8414

Seneca Nation AOA

FARMERS MARKET COUPONS !

Starting **07/18/2022** coupon booklets may be picked up at the Allegany Elder Center or the Wini-Kettle Senior Center.

Coupons may also be requested on-line at <https://form.jotform.com/SNAOA/2022SFMNP>

Eligibility:

- 60 Years of Age or older; AND
- Monthly income is at or below:
 - \$2,096/month (One-Person Household
 - \$2,823/month (two-Person Household; or
 - \$3,551/Month (three-Person Household

Rules:

- Proxies may pick-up vouchers on behalf of Elder provided Elder has signed a statement designating that individual as proxy.
- A valid Power of Attorney may sign for checks and pick up books on behalf of an Elder.
- Booklet of five (5) **\$5.00 checks** worth **\$25.00**.
- For use at authorized vendors and farm stands participating in the program, and not at grocery stores.
- Used to buy locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Look for the brightly colored Farmers Market sign saying "We Gladly Accept Farmers' Market Checks".
- Checks cannot be used after 11/30/2022.
- Checks are worth \$5.00. Farmers will not give change.
- Coupons may be redeemed by caregivers.

For More information contact us at:

Cattaraugus Territory:
716-532-5777

Allegany Territory:
716-945-8414



Monkeypox

Submitted by Environmental Health Department

Monkeypox is very real. It is a rare disease that is caused by the monkeypox virus. It is from the same family as the variola virus, the virus that causes smallpox. The symptoms are similar to smallpox symptoms but milder. Monkeypox is rarely fatal and it is not related to chickenpox.

The CDC is closely tracking cases of monkeypox recently detected in the United States. CDC urges health care providers in the U.S. to be alert for patients who have rash illnesses consistent with monkeypox.

The monkeypox virus is spreading mostly through close, intimate contact with someone who is infected with the monkeypox. Monkey pox symptoms can include:

- Fever
- Swollen lymph nodes
- Headaches
- Chills
- Muscle aches and backache
- Exhaustion

A rash that can look like pimples or blisters that appears on the face, inside the mouth, and on other parts of the body, like the hands, feet chest, genitals, or anus.

The rash goes through different stages before healing completely. The illness typically last 2-4 weeks. Sometimes, people get a rash first, followed by other symptoms. Others only experience a rash.

Preventative steps:

- Avoid close, skin to skin contact with a person who has a rash that looks like monkeypox.
- ⇒ Do not touch the rash or scabs of a person with monkeypox.
 - ⇒ Do not kiss, hug, cuddle or have sex with a person with monkeypox.
 - ⇒ Do not share eating utensils, or cups with a person with monkeypox.
 - ⇒ Do not handle or touch the bedding, towels, or clothing of a person with monkeypox.
 - ⇒ Wash your hands often with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

In Central and West Africa, avoid contact with animals that can spread monkeypox virus, usually rodents and primates. Also, avoid sick or dead animals, as well as bedding or other materials they have touched.

If you are sick with monkeypox:

- Isolate at home
- If you have an active rash or other symptoms, stay in a separate room or area away from people or pets you live with, when possible.

Vaccinations are recommended by the CDC for people who have been exposed to monkeypox and people who are at higher risk of being exposed to monkeypox.

For more information please refer to the CDC website or speak to your medical professional.

**Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/monkeypox/clinicians/prep-collection-specimens.html>*



FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES
when the health centers and associated facilities are closed:

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES
CIRHC (716) 532-5582
LRJHC (716) 945-5894

CHILD AND FAMILY
Cattaraugus Marshal's Office: 532-3040
Allegany Marshal's Office: 945-2779

SENECA STRONG
Cattaraugus: 532-8456
Allegany: 945-8413
Toll Free#: 1-844-9SENECA

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Erie County residents:
Crisis Services 834-3131
DV Hotline 862-4357

Cattaraugus County residents:
Crisis Services 945-3970
OGH Crisis Hotline 1-800- 339- 5209

Chautauqua County residents:
Crisis Services 1-800-724-0461
DV/Rape Hotline 1-800- 252- 8748

Catt. Community Action Hotline
1-888-945-3970

Haven House
884-6000

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
1-800-273-TALK



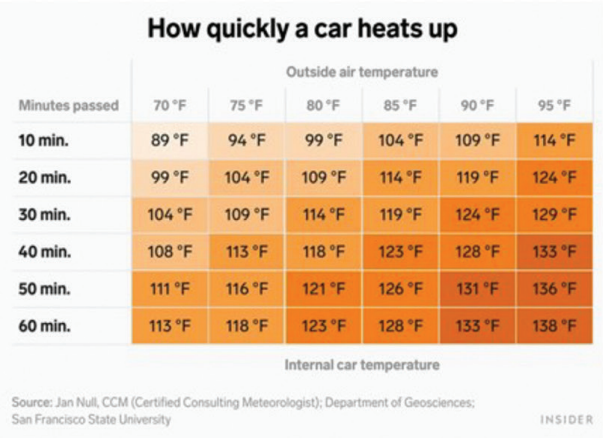
Summer Safety: Car Safety and Heat Related Illnesses

Submitted by Behavioral Health Unit

This article will be the first in a series of summer safety tips and practices to keep the community well informed and safe while having a fun and active summer.

Heat and Car Safety

It’s getting hotter outside and vehicles can be a dangerous place. A car’s temperature can rise very quickly internally, even in the shade. Below is a graph on how quickly temperatures can rise in cars and why we need to pay attention to this data.



To further explain on how your vehicle heats up so quickly, sun comes into your car through the window, but the heat cannot escape so the car will heat up quickly. The temperature can raise 20 degrees in just 10 minutes. Even if your car is parked in the shade it can potentially increase 15 degrees in one hour’s time. For instance, if it 85 ° outside it could potentially be over 100 ° in your car in the shade. Even rolling the windows down could be potentially hazardous.

Even if you don’t think it’s hot outside, never leave anyone (including animals) in your car unattended. It can be very dangerous. Extreme heat can lead to heat exhaustion which could develop into heat stroke, and if left untreated can be fatal. A car that reaches 104 ° degrees can cause a child to have heat stroke and 107 ° can prove to be deadly. Pets can suffer from brain damage or heat stroke very quickly under these conditions.

Safeguarding your loved ones from being in this type of extreme heat begins with prevention. So make sure that you always check the backseat for children, elderly and pets. You can make yourself a sign to put on your dash, something like, “This sign is to remind, always look behind” (corny but effective).

Heat Related Illnesses

Your will also want to be aware of the signs of heat exhaustion and heat stroke and how to treat it

Know the signs of heat stress- heat stroke and heat exhaustion

Let’s take a look at a couple of different types of heat stress; what the symptoms are and what we can do to treat the symptoms. The first one we will take a look at is heat exhaustion. This is the body’s response to excessive water and sodium loss, usually through excessive sweating. Heat exhaustion most likely affects; the elderly, people with high blood pressure and those working in extreme heat. Some symptoms to look for with heat exhaustion include:

- Headache
- Nausea
- Dizziness
- Weakness
- Irritability
- Thirst
- Heavy sweating
- Elevated body temperature
- Decreased urine output

So how can we treat heat exhaustion? Immediately cool the person down, with cold water or a cold compress. Place cold wet compress or cloth on the skin. Also encourage frequent sips of water. Lighten the clothing including shoes and socks. Call 911 if necessary. Have someone stay with the person

at all times.

Another type of heat stress is heat stroke. These symptoms are usually more severe than heat exhaustion and the treatment is more urgent.

Symptoms can include:

- Confusion, altered mental state
- Loss of consciousness
- Hot dry skin
- High body temperature
- Seizures
- Can be fatal if treatment is delayed

The first thing to do if a person is exhibiting these symptoms is to dial 911. Stay with the person until help arrives. Move the person to a cooler area, and apply a cold compress and/or cold water on the skin. Place wet cloths or ice on head, neck, armpits, groin or you can also soak the clothing in cold water.

Check for more information and safety tips by logging on to:

*Sources: <https://www.insider.com/guides/health/treatments/how-hot-does-a-car-get-in-the-sun>; <https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/extremeheat/warning.html>

SENECA NATIVE CONNECTIONS CALENDAR

AUGUST 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Ask about this month's HIKING CHALLENGE!	1	2	3 Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	4 Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	5	6
7	8	9 Allegany Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	10 Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	11 Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	12	13
14	15 Family Geocaching Night 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	16 Allegany Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	17 Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m. Cattaraugus Talking Circle at 6:00 p.m.	18 Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	19	20
21	22 Explorer's Night	23 Allegany Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m. Allegany Talking Circle at 6:00 p.m.	24 PBS Studios Event 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	25 Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	26	27
28	29	30 Allegany Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	31 Cattaraugus Clubhouse Open 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.	Seneca Clubhouse is for youths ages 12-17 Cattaraugus Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 1:30 - 6:00 p.m. Allegany Hours: Tuesday 1:30 - 6:00 p.m.		

Event Color Codes:

Purple: 24 and under and their families

Green: Open to the community

Teal: Ages 12-17

Pink: No programming/holiday


Yellow: Youth ages 10-12

Blue: Open clubhouse hours

Orange: Ages 18 and up

Questions? Want to RSVP? Contact:
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Ganö:nyök Nigawēnō'dēh

Ögwāya'da:niyēsdaḡōh

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It's fun / pleasurable

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O'ge:gē' (oat!-gay-gehnt!)

Gáiwagá'ōh (guy-wa-gut!-oh)

Hegé'sgwa' (hay-gate!-squat!)

Ėyagwatš'i'wa:ē' (ehn-ya-gwa-cheat!-white!)

Ögwāhdējō:h (own-gwah-den-joe)

I saw it

Interesting topic

I was there

We (not you) will watch it

Let's go! / Skoden!

Gaedzēönyö:k nioiwa'geh To Become A Human Being ga:yádōshä' wa:döh

"The Creator planted us here. He planted lots of things. So our duty is to keep thanking the Creator."

—Tadodaho Leon Shenandoah

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Seneca Language

Josgö'sesdoh or Detga'tgöhse:s

Seneca Language interpretation **Josgö'sesdoh**, meaning *Niagara Falls (water falling)* or **Detga'tgöhse:s**, meaning *Niagara Falls (tall cliff)*. Check out the great resources available at senecalanguage.com to learn more about other names and places. [Senecalanguage.com](http://senecalanguage.com) has a Facebook group for discussion and questions, as well as a YouTube channel filled with fun and educational videos.

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