Daswöndio:go'

The summer program has been action packed and the kids are having fun! We have been fortunate enough to have completed most of our field trips in good weather. The kids have also been making several cultural arts projects. For more info, turn to page four and five for program updates.

The department has been lucky enough to have several summer youth & 20/20 workers housed within our language program. We would like to say Nya:wëh to Shania Brooks, Nia Nephew, Scotia Snyder, Tealynn Twoguns, Cassidy Stevens and Lucinda White. We would also like to say We:so’ Nya:wëh to our cook, Amelia Sundown.

Evening language classes will resume on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm - 8:30pm at the Sully Huff Heritage Center. Jacky Snyder & Lee Jimerson will be hosting the class. All levels are welcome. The class will be using the root method. The class will help anyone who is going to test into the new Cattaraugus Immersion language program for year one.

Look for future announcements on other evening classes to begin in the fall. We are open to suggestions for classes that the community is interested in seeing offered at the Sully Huff Heritage Center. Please feel free to contact the Onöndowa’ga:’ Gawë:nö’ Nadö:diyeö:je’ koh Department if you have any comments or questions at (716) 532-8162. We will be happy to assist you in anyway we can.

Gawë:nö’ lesson: Égähgwahdö’

With the rare total eclipse coming up this month, here are a few phrases to learn that you could use when the time comes:

In Onöndowa’ga’ -
1. Ho’gähgwahdö’
2. Égähgwahdö’
3. Deyögwadehate’dahgö̩h
4. Joahgwitgë’oh
5. Dagâ:hwitgë’t
6. Égâ:hwitgë’tse:k
7. Deyodë:hgödö’
8. Sawadë:hgödö’e
9. Ho’gä:hwë’t
10. Tgâ:hwitgë’s
11. Wa’o’gâ:h

In Ganyo’ö:ka’ -
1. There was an eclipse - Total loss of the sun
2. There will be an eclipse
3. It gives us light (Sun)
4. The sun or moon has come out
5. The sun or moon came out
6. The sun will continue to rise
7. The sun is shining here and there
8. The sun shone again
9. Sunset, The sun goes down there
10. Sunrise, the sun emerges there
11. It got dark
Living in Balance
Author Series:
Tom Porter
August 5th
1pm - 4pm
Seneca Art and Culture Center,
Ganondagan State Historic Site
For more info, visit: www.ganondagan.org

American Sign Language class
August 8th, 10th, 15th, 17th
SNI Catt. Employment & Training building,
88 Iroquois Dr.
5pm - 7pm
For more info, call: 532-1033

Seneca Olympics
August 12th - 13th
1pm - 3pm
Ganondagan State Historic Site
Five events: Archery, Atlatl throw, Javelin, Lacrosse relay & tumpline race.
Top scoring athletes will win a Ganondagan “medal,” pre-registration required.
For more info, visit: www.Ganondagan.org

Rekindling The Fire Of Our Sisterhood
August 18th - 20th
Ganondagan State Historic Site
Registration opens July 1st
For more info: www.facebook.com/RekindlingTheFireOfOurSisterhood

An evening with Tom Porter
August 18th
Cattaraugus Community Center
August 19th
 Allegany Community Center
5:30pm both nights
Dinner and event sponsored by SNI Employment & Training Department

Seneca Language Class
Wednesday evenings
starting Aug. 16th
6:30pm - 8:30pm
Sully Huff Heritage Center
Facilitators: Jacky Snyder & Lee Jimerson
For more info, call: Jacky Snyder @ 523-4900

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Summer Program Updates: Babies & Pre-K—K Group

Baby Room: The group currently has six babies and toddlers. With allergies, food sensitives & awareness on the rise, the group has decided to make its own baby food each week with local produce purchased from the farmers market held at Native Pride. The babies enjoy tasting new foods as well as enjoying some old stand by favorites.

The group has gone on several field trips to the Buffalo Zoo, the Botanical Gardens in Buffalo, Niagara aquarium and the SNI Cattaraugus Library’s puppet show. The group is also planning on attending the Ruppet show at the Seneca Iroquois National Museum.

The group also has weekly singing with Marty, Chris & Travis. The babies have also participated in several infant friendly art projects which are currently displayed in the hallways outside their room. The group leaders have also started their own weekly newsletter called the Hawk Nest Times. Ja:gôh!

Group Pre-K - K: This group has been having a blast this summer. Bessie Young is the fluent speaking elder working with the group. Having her around to help lets the kids hear Onöndowa’ga:’ from a first language speaker. The group has also been working hard learning the Ganö:nyök.

The kids help maintain their classroom by doing their own dishes after breakfast and lunch. This teaches them to be both responsible and a valuable life skill.

The kids have gone on several field trips including: the Silver Creek playground & Frosty treat. The kids have also picked berries at Awalds Farm in North Collins. The kids made blueberry pancakes using the berries they picked. Unfortunately they did have to change one of their field trips due to the tornado damage to Chestnut Ridge, they were able to go to Evangola State park instead. Most recently, the kids went to the NYS Fish Hatchery in Randolph. The group took a tour and made a quick visit to the Randolph playground.

Photo credit: Ashely Henhawk & Scotia Snyder

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Summer Program Updates: Groups 1-3 & 4-6

**Group 1-3:** The 1-3 group has been busy working on making their very own water drums made out of PVC pipe. These starter drums will help the kids continue to sing the songs they are learning during their weekly singing sessions with Chris Tallchief and Marty Jimerson Jr.

The kids have gone on several field trips to the Buffalo Museum of Science, Niagara Aquarium with a lunch stop at the Seneca Niagara Falls buffet. The third week of the program the 1-3 group went to the Buffalo Zoo. The kids enjoyed their time looking at and learning about different animals. A few of them jumped in the trampoline attraction while others sluiced for gemstones and fossils. This past week the students visited the SNI fish hatchery. The kids were surprised that the hatchery is self-sustaining using solar power and gravity feed run off water.

The Hatchery guys took the group on a tour and explained the process of how they catch, fertilize, hatch and release Walleye. After the hatchery visit, the group went to the Allegany state park to eat lunch and climb around at Thunder Rocks. The kids were at first timid about the large boulders, but they quickly gained confidence and challenged each other to see who could climb the best.

They have had several guest speakers come in to share their knowledge with the kids. Yolanda Smith talked about local medicinal and edible plants. Greg Lay and Chris Brooks taught the kids how to properly shoot a bow and arrow through target practice. Duane Carry Moccasin, Jeremy Keyes, Greg Lay & Chris Brooks helped the kids tie & bait a fishing pole which the kids then used to go fishing. Most of the kids caught at least one fish! Adrian John shared his water drum making skills. Nya:wëh to Yolanda, Greg, Chris, Jeremy, Duane and Adrian.

**Group 4-6:** This is the oldest group of the summer program. The kids decided amongst themselves to give their group a nickname. After much debate, they decided to call themselves the Savage Patch Kids, with the understanding that the goal of the summer was to be unplugged and in the wild by being outside and enjoying a summer at the creek, in the dirt of the garden & in the woods.

The group sings Adowää and Towisas around the garden boxes in the mornings. The group has had one fundraiser to help offset the cost of their final projects. Their bake sale had many delicious treats and would have made any sweet tooth drool. They plan on using the funds to purchase materials for their gustowää and ribbon skirt projects. The group will be using some feathers graciously donated by Markey Jimerson for their headdresses. Good luck to the group as they continue to work hard for the rest of the summer.

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Hadiksa’ shō’oh Neyonögka’ - Kids Area

Make a box projector to view the solar eclipse.

Never look directly at the Sun without proper eye protection, use the projector.

**You need:** a long cardboard box, scissors, duct tape, aluminum foil, a pin or a thumbtack, sharp knife and a sheet of white paper

**Directions:**
1. Cut a rectangular hole at the end of the box. You can tape two boxes together to make a long box.
2. Using the scissors, cut a piece of the aluminum foil slightly larger than the rectangular hole. Make sure the foil is completely flat and not crinkled.
3. Tape the foil over the rectangular hole in the box.
4. Use the pin to poke a tiny hole in the center of the foil.
5. Tape the sheet of paper on the inside of the other end of the box.
6. Stand with your back toward the sun. Place the box over your head with the pinhole towards the sun. Adjust your position until you see a small projection, a negative image, of the eclipsed Sun on the paper inside the box.

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**Gakö:ni:h Ganö' ja’ - Wild Plum Jelly**

**Ingredients:**
- 5 1/2 lbs. of wild plums
- 4 cups of water
- 7 cups of sugar
- 1 package powdered fruit pectin

**Utensils:**
- Canner
- 5 pint jars, lids & rings
- Masher
- Cheese cloth
- Whisk
- Spoon
- Knife
- Colander

**Directions:**
1. Rinse and remove stems from plums.
2. Cut plums in half and remove the pits. Discard the pits and add pitted plums in a bowl.
3. Chop up pitted plums and add to a pot.
4. Add 4 cups of water and bring to a boil. Boil for 30 minutes. Use a potato masher to help break up the mixture even more.
5. Put a colander or strainer over a larger bowl and cover with several layers of cheese cloths.
6. Pour plum mixture over cheese cloth and let the juice strain into the bowl. This can take up to a few hours.
7. Pour 5 1/2 cups of plum juice into a large pot. If you didn’t get 5 1/2 cups of juice add in some water to make a total of 5 1/2 cups of liquid.
8. Add in 1 box of pectin and stir well.
9. Bring mixture to a boil.
10. Add in 7 cups of sugar and bring to a rolling boil. Boil for 1 minute, stirring constantly.
11. Remove from heat and skim off any foam.
12. Ladle into hot sterilized jars making sure to leave 1/4 inch head space. Add lids and rings, process in a hot water bath canner for 5 - 10 minutes.

Notes: Boil whole fruit for 5 minutes to soften and the pit will slip right out. If you don’t get 5 1/2 cups of juice after straining, add water to equal the correct amount.

Ganyo’ Gë:eh

Wild Plum