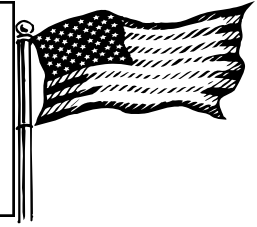


**SENECA-BABCOCK COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**HOURS OF OPERATIONS**  
 MONDAY—FRIDAY 9 AM—7 PM  
*senecababcock.org*



**Fall 2006**

**Seneca-Babcock  
 Friendship Festival**

On Wednesday December 6th, 2006 the Seneca-Babcock Community Center will host the annual Neighborhood Friendship Festival. Featuring a showcase of events, activities, businesses, and talents.



Highlights of the event will include performances by the Seneca-Babcock Children's Drama Club, the Community Center's preschoolers, and the award winning Panthers Cheerleaders.

Local businesses are encouraged to participate and take advantage of the opportunity to meet their neighbors and promote their goods or services.

There are so many things going on in each of our daily lives we rarely stop to look at what is around us. So join us at the Community Center on December 6th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for our annual Friendship Festival.

Refreshments will be provided by Honeywell, Inc. and the Seneca-Babcock Block Club will meet directly following at 7 p.m.

**Candle Sale**

The Seneca-Babcock Community Center is once again raising funds to support our organization. We are selling sixteen ounce mason jar candles for \$7.00 each. These are quality candles which will burn for 100 hours and are available in a variety of scents.

Special sampler packs are also available for \$10.00. The sampler packs are available in Fall and Winter assortments and have four different scents in each pack.

These candles make great exchange gifts and are perfect for setting the holiday mood. Also, for every ten candles sold one is free! Stop by or call for an order form. See the box for important dates.

**Fort Erie Slots and Festival of  
 Lights Bus Trip**

On Thursday November 30th, 2006 the Community Center is sponsoring a bus trip to Betty's Restaurant followed by couple of hours at the Fort Erie Slots. Then its off to Niagara Falls for the Winter Festival of Lights.

From humble beginnings in 1983, the Winter Festival of Lights continues to enchant and delight the many wintertime visitors to Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada. In its first year of operation, approximately 250,000 people and 35 motor-coaches visited the first Winter Festival of Lights. Since then, the celebration has grown tremendously with attendance now over 1.2 million visitors and 940 motor-coaches.

The cost of \$37 per person includes \$15 in coin, complete lunch, beverage, dessert, tax and tip. A choice of meals is available including Roast Beef, Chicken, Fish Fry, or Ham.

Be sure to sign-up early! This trip fills up every year. Call the Community Center to sign-up- 822-5094.

**Date:** November 30, 2006

- Bus leaves Seneca-Babcock Community Center at 10:45 a.m.
- Betty's for lunch: 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
- Fort Erie Slots: 1:15 p.m.—4:30 p.m.
- Festival of Lights: 5:30 p.m.-6:15
- Arrive home: 7:00 p.m.

**Candle Sale Dates**

Orders taken through- Nov. 16th

Money due by November 27th

Pick up candles December 11th

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# SENECA STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1218 Seneca Street, Buffalo, NY 14210  
716.825.6742 Rev. Brian Rotach, Pastor



## Seneca Street's Saturdays are Evolving!

10:00-2:00 Free Coats, gently used - 1 coat per person (individual must be present)

1:00 - 1:45 Baked Goods Giveaway Come in for a number and a snack at Noon.

2:15 - 3:00 Children's Snack time and Children's Church - Ages 5-12.

3:00 - 4:00 Worship – *Come as you are for God's Word and Christ's Table!*

## Special Events: These are invitations to the whole community!

Thanksgiving Dinner Sat., November 18<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM

Drama Club's Performance of "The Thousand Cranes" Sat., December 9<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM

Christmas Party Sun., December 17<sup>th</sup> 4-6 PM

Join us for a beautiful Candlelight Service Sun., Christmas Eve 7:00 PM

## Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursdays: (except during Christmas recess)

After school programs 3:30-5:30 - featuring Homework help with Daemen Students

Tuesdays - Healthy Kids Day - come for fun, food, exercise and learning

Wednesdays - Crafts - making cool stuff, including gifts for friends and family

Thursdays - Boys Club, Girls Club, and Singing (NEW) NON-STOP FUN!

And don't forget "The Steps" coffeehouse,  
open Fridays and Saturdays 7-9 PM, for youth ages 12-19.

## Always in need of:

Volunteers, paper products, and You.....

We will have a family staying at the church from December 23 thru December 30<sup>th</sup>.

Anyone willing to bring a meal or host one would be appreciated.

As Always:

**EVERYONE WELCOME!!!!**

# Senior Program

Lunch is served Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at noon at the Seneca Babcock Community Center.

All we need is one day's notice that you would like to join us, you must be 60 years old or married to a person that is 60. Suggested meal contribution is \$2.25. Funded through Erie County Dept. of Senior Services. All donations are confidential.

Our Seniors are always looking for more card players, Bingo is played on Wednesdays and Friday. We have a monthly birthday celebration with free birthday cake for everyone.

You can also set up an email account and connect with family members out of town for free. Please call Hazel @ 822-5094 to make a reservation.

**We are in danger of losing our G.E.D. program due to low enrollment. Anyone interested in studying for the test sign-up NOW! Classes meet on Monday's and Wednesday's from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Call 822-5094 for details.**



## Preschool News

The Seneca-Babcock Community Association preschool program has started it's 30th year of service to the community.

*Open to three- and four-year olds these half day sessions are \$30 per month. Space is still available call Ms. Barb at the Community Center— 822-5094*



# Computer Room

Our computers are available all day if anyone is interested in searching the web or checking their email. Our computers have broadband internet access through Time-Warner *Roadrunner*. All made possible because of funding provided by the Erie County Youth Board, City of Buffalo franchise agreement, and a grant from the Tower Foundation. So when you come across a website that promises some valuable information, just jot it down, exactly as it appears, bring it in and we will help you find it.



Check out:

[senecababcock.org](http://senecababcock.org)

## Ceramic Classes



### Classes Started in September

Don't sit home on Wednesday nights, join us for adult ceramic classes (must be 16 yrs. Old). Our class is still only \$2.00, you won't find a cheaper class around. Plus we have our own kiln so the firing charges are minimal. Our instructor, Carol Sylvia, can teach you many techniques and help you create beautiful ceramic pieces for your home or for gifts for the holidays. Our class is full of friendly, a little bit rowdy ladies and men. Our children's, teens and Seniors Classes are absolutely free of charge, but sign up today because class size is limited. Call Carol at 822-5094 to sign up or for more information.

<b>Adult Classes—</b>	<b>Monday 12:30 to 3:30</b> <b>Wednesday 6:00—9:00</b>
<b>Seniors - (lunch @ 12)</b>	<b>Monday 12:30 to 3:30</b>
<b>Teens</b>	<b>Friday 3:30—5:30</b>

**Don't Forget, the Block Club meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. meetings are held at the Seneca Babcock Community Center.**

# Discover

SENECA  
GOSPEL  
MISSION



**Discover friends, fun and God's truth at Seneca Gospel Mission**

**Bible Discovery: Sundays**  
2:30 PM- 3:30 PM

All Ages Welcome!  
Join us for singing to the Lord and  
the discovery of who He is  
according to the Bible.

**Echo Youth Club: Mondays**  
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Grades 7 - 12 Welcome!  
Fun, Food, Friends and Faith.  
We learn together how faith in Jesus  
Christ can affect you whole life.

**Truth Team: Tuesdays**  
7:00 PM - 8:15

Grades 1 - 6 Welcome!  
Come join our team!  
Fun and games combined with  
exciting teaching of the Bible.



**Seneca Gospel Mission**  
462 Elk Street, Buffalo NY 14210  
Between Orlando and Babcock on Elk Street  
Van Pickup Available: Call 822-5631  
Call for Special Event Times also!  
[www.senecagospelmission.org](http://www.senecagospelmission.org)

# Community Religious News!



## ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

1182 SENECA ST.

822-4830

*Sunday Services 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.*

*Sunday School 9a.m.*

### Food Pantry

Monday Shuttle 9:30 a.m.

Food Distributed

Wed. 10:30 – 12 Sat. 9-11

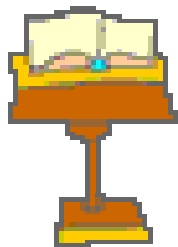
*Special Thanksgiving Day Dinner, Sign-up in advance—all are welcome!*

## Free Bake Goods at Seneca St. Church

Thanks to donations from Tops Markets, Seneca Street United Methodist Church has been distributing free baked goods. Tops has generously been providing a wide variety of breads and sweets.

Bread (both sliced and unsliced) can consist of Italian, Vienna, French, sandwich white, wheat, rye, pumpernickel, marble, sourdough as well as others. Rolls (Kaiser, hotdog, hamburger, sub and dinner) have also been available. Other bread items might include bagels, biscuits, croissants, pitas and tortillas.

Sweets have included a variety of cakes, pies, cookies, doughnuts, brownies, muffins, pastries, pudding parfaits and more. Please note that throughout the year, the distribution schedule can change. Currently, the formal distributions at the church are on Saturday from 1 p.m.—1:45 p.m. Numbers are given out starting at noon. Periodically, items are also made available to seniors and/or children at the Community Center.



## SenecaSt. Church

Come join us at SenecaSt Church!

**Every Saturday:** Modern Service at 3:00 PM  
ALL WELCOME After-school programs every weekday.

(See the full listing on another page)

### **Biggest Upcoming Events:**

A Thousand Cranes Sat., Dec. 9, 5:00 PM

CHRISTMAS PARTY with songs, stories, snacks and S.C. (you-know-who)

Dec.17, 4-6 PM

### **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE**

Sunday, December 24, 7:00 PM

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## 12 TO 19 YEAR OLDS OF SENECA BABCOCK



WOAH! DUNNO ABOUT YOU, BUT AS FOR US IT'S BEEN A GREAT SUMMER - SHAME IT'S OVER, REALLY! A GROUP FROM LONDON, ENGLAND CAME TO SENECA BABCOCK AND THEY DID SOME PRETTY SWEET STUFF. WE WENT TO 3 GAMES OF THE BISONS FOR FREE!!! ... AND LOTS MORE.

### THE CHALLENGE IS ON!!!

HOW CAN FALL KEEP UP WITH SUMMER???

#### LIKE THIS:

WE PAINTED THE BUILDING - FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO WERE GETTING TIRED OF BABY BLUE!!!

WE HAVE TWO NEW GUYS AT THE STEPS: BEN FROM ENGLAND AND SAM FROM FINLAND. THANK THE LORD! FOR THOSE WHO GOT FED UP WITH US GIRLS ONLY TEAM. LOL.

### TUESDAYS

AFTER SCHOOL: 3.30 - 5.30

BACK TO SCHOOL IS A BLAST WITH OUR NEW MATH TUTOR. AFTER ALL GUYS, WHY MAKE SCHOOL HARDER THAN IT IS? GET HELP AND ENJOY...

COMPUTER AND INTERNET FOR YOUR STUDIES

### Fridays

STEPS FROM 7 - 9 AS USUAL

### Saturdays

CHURCH IS AT 3 PM  
YOUTH GROUP'S AT 4.30  
FREE DINNER AFTERWARDS  
DELISH...  
MADE BY GERMAN CHEF.  
MMHMM!

### Specials:

DECEMBER 10TH CONCERT AND PIZZA IN NIAGARA FALLS.  
ADMISSION FREE.

DECEMBER 16TH STEPS CHRISTMAS PARTY

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# Community Center Special Events

- November 21st Seniors Special Thanksgiving Day Lunch and Bingo
- November 22 Open Mic Jam
- November 30th Festival of Lights Trip, Betty's Restaurant & Fort Erie Slots
- Nov 27-Dec 19 Santa's Workshop
- December 15th Sleigh Ride and Children's Christmas Party
- December 18th Teen Christmas Party



## Cheerleading News

The Panthers cheerleading team will kick-off their competition season this year at the Festival of Lights Cheerleading competition December 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in Niagara Falls.



Be sure to get in touch with Carrie, Joy or Jen to see how you can help support and cheer-on our award winning cheerleaders.

Other competitions are coming up in January and February. Let's all wish the Panthers the best this season.

**\$1000**

**HOLIDAY CASH GIVEAWAY!**

**\$20 DONATION**

**ONLY 200 TICKETS SOLD**

**\$200 TO THE SELLER OF THE WINNING TICKET**

**PLUS ONE FREE ADMISSION TO THE NOVEMBER 22, 2006 8 PM OPEN MIC NIGHT JAM!**

**DRAWING @ 10 PM**

## Santa's Workshop

Once again the Community Center will become one of Santa's workshops.

Starting on Monday November 27th and continuing each Friday through December 15th the children will get together along with

our crafty staff to make their very special gifts for friends and family.

Children pay \$1 per session which covers the cost of the gift as well as hot chocolate and cookies. We would like everyone to sign-up by November 20th

so the staff can gather the necessary supplies. Call the Center or stop in and see Rita, Jen, or Marilyn.



"Alcohol gave me wings to fly, then took away the sky"

(Big Book)

## Seneca-Babcock Youth Programs

"There are two lasting bequests we can give our children: One is roots. The other is wings."

... *Hodding Carter, Jr.*

The Seneca-Babcock Community certainly has roots. There is something about the neighborhood that causes people who grew up here to stay true to their roots. They may or may not stay in the neighborhood, but they never really leave, and many keep coming back

The youth of our community are the leaders of tomorrow and we certainly want to give them wings. But we don't want drugs, and alcohol to take away their sky. The Community Center, the Seneca Street Church, The Steps, and the Seneca Gospel Mission all provide a safe environment where youth can engage in activities with caring adults away from the street corner urban culture that exists in our city.

We continue to rely on the support of friends and neighbors, both here and away to contribute physically and financially so we can continue to serve the youth of the Seneca-Babcock Community.

We provided the roots. Working together we can supply the wings.



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## Centered on science



Once again the Center is working with the Buffalo Museum of Science (BMS) to provide interesting activities for the youth of the community.

For eight weeks starting in September through November the BMS staff will come into the Center with different hands-on, exploratory, and



interactive activities. The program focuses on two age groups, 5-7 yrs. old and 8-12 yrs. old. Check for which days are for each group.



## Kid's Meals



The Community Center serves a nutritious meal each day after school when we are open for our youth program. The meals are free and prepared on-site by our staff. All the meals meet or exceed the guidelines set by New York State Office of Child and Family Services.

## Computer Tune-ups

The Seneca Babcock Community Center now offers computer tune-ups as well as an upgrade and repair service. Our staff has over thirty years experience working with computers.

Has your computer slowed to a crawl ? Pop-ups got you down?

Our experienced staff and aspiring students will have you back up and running in no time.



Stop in or call for our low rates. 822-5094.

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