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Seneca Museum of Waterways & Industry Fall 2020 Newsletter

*The Seneca Museum of Waterways and Industry (SMWI) is now officially part of the **Seneca Falls Heritage and Tourism Center**! The Seneca County Chamber of Commerce hosted the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for our reopening as one part of the Center on Friday September 6, and many citizens came to enjoy the festivities and to tour the re-curated, COVID 19 compliant, three floors of the Museum. It was also the inaugural "**First Friday**" event at the Museum, featuring music by Madison **Yearsley** and tastings of Billsboro fine wines and Fall Street Brewing's unusual beverages. Because of this special event, the Fall Newsletter will feature many photographs from the Reopening for readers to enjoy rather than news stories, in addition to the messages from the Executive Director and the Board Chair, and a report from Board member Cheryl Terryberry on a planned 2021 fundraisers for the Museum.*

Executive Director's Message

By Rhonda Destino

Board President's Message

By Sheila Giovannini

Photos from the Reopening of the Museum, the Ribbon Cutting to Initiate the Seneca Falls Heritage and Tourism Center, and the first "First Friday"

Our new logo!



Board members, dignitaries and staff hold the ribbon --



A glimpse of the popular selfie station, in front of a photo of the sculpture of Amelia Bloomer introducing Elizabeth Cady Stanton to Susan B Anthony, the sculpture by Geneva's Ted Aub



Chamber of Commerce CEO Jeff Shipley



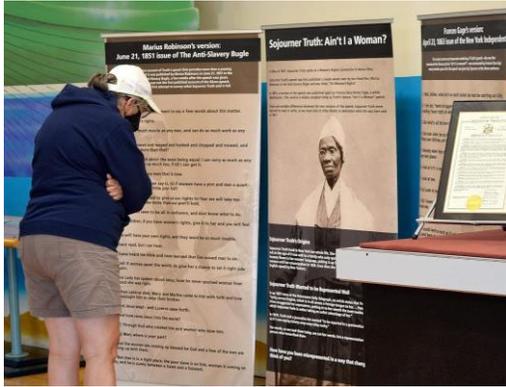
Seneca Museum Executive Director , Rhonda Destino welcomes everyone to the re-curated, COVID19 compliant, space



Displays along the west wall, Fall Street floor level



Visitor admires Sojourner Truth Exhibit (learning the "truth" of her words)



Local artist Madison Yearsley performs



Billsboro Winery provided tasting of its fine wines



Fall Street Brewing Co. also served beverages



Fundraisers 2021

by Cheryl Terryberry

Development co-chairs, Jim Terryberry and Cheryl Terryberry, are working with their Fundraising Committee members to identify and organize fundraising events and activities for 2021.

Three fundraising events have been tentatively planned for next year. A partnership with Seneca Falls Country Club is being developed to hold a golf tournament in the spring and a Winemaker's Dinner in the fall. Additionally, Manhill Food Service has been contacted regarding a possible chicken barbecue also to be held next spring.

All events and activities will be coordinated in keeping with relevant Covid-19 requirements. Please stay tuned for more information and details regarding these events.

Membership and Volunteers

Like all non-profits, SMWI needs YOU - as a volunteer and as a member in order to fulfill our Mission and Vision.

Memberships may be paid via check or credit card to: **Seneca Museum of Waterways and Industry**, PO Box 388 Seneca Falls, NY, 13148. If you prefer, you may also pay via credit card over the phone (315-568-1510) or in-person at 89 Fall St. Seneca Falls. **Please, know that your Membership is greatly appreciated!**

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Membership Level:

Individual \$35 Family \$50 Junior \$10 Veteran \$25 Veteran Family \$40

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Check payable to *Seneca Museum of Waterways and Industry*

Mission Statement: The Seneca Museum of Waterways and Industry is dedicated to captivating and educating audiences of all ages with the village's rich industrial and waterways industry.

Vision Statement: The Seneca Museum of Waterways and Industry will be the gateway to the community, providing interactive and engaging experiences for all visitors.