SUMMARY OF ONE SENECA **COMMUNITY BRIEFING &** PREPARED EXCLUSIVELY FOR SENECA COUNTY **CHAMBER INVESTORS** 



**COMMUNITY BRIEFING - OCT. 19, 2023** 



### THIS ISSUE

Keep up to date with community happenings that impact business in our community

### SARAH DAVIS, IDA

 Monday Nov. 13 at 5 p.m. South Seneca High School: the final presentation from MRB for their final recommendation on the reuse of Willard

### **BOB SHIPLEY, SUPERVISOR**

- property tax break
- Nov. board meeting will be held in Ovid

### STEVE PARKER ZIELINSKI, SOUTH SENEGA

- · Free and reduced lunch: Adjustments made to community eligibility provisions which allow both free breakfasts and lunches at schoolsadjusted in a positive direction making more schools eligible
- · Used to be strictly by application but has been switched to direct certification which uses data to automatically identify families that qualify, in addition to the applications
- Schools aren't 100% reimbursed but the benefits to the families is worthwhile for truly free breakfasts and lunches
- suspected to be greater than the data actually shows

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

### SEE HOW MANY KIDS IN EVERY SCHOOL DISTRICT QUALIFY FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE LUNCH

NY Up: Seneca County data shows Waterloo School District has 52% of students qualify for free lunch and 5% qualify for reduced lunches; Seneca Falls District 48% qualify for free and 3% reduced; South Seneca District 46% qualify for free and 5% reduced; Romulus School District 42% qualify for free lunches and 6% reduced

### Cold War Veterans now qualify for the FUNDING ANNOUNCED FOR MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES ACROSS NYS

NBC 2 Buffalo: The state received 2 federal grants to expand access to mental and behavioral health services for primary care practices that work with youth. Funding is going to certified community behavioral health clinics across the state. Goal is to create a 0 suicide model

### JORDAN NEGOTIATES ON SALT IN BID TO WIN OVER NY REPUBLICANS

Bloomberg: There is currently no speaker and Jim Jordan from Ohio is trying to take on the role; he is struggling with votes and trying to win more over by negotiating SALT cap limit from \$10k to \$20k; it has not been approved

### SPORTS. EVENT CENTER WOULD NEED GOVERNOR'S SUPPORT

WWNY: Sports and events center has been proposed in Watertown as a way to boost economic development in the area; \$85 million dollar project to bring 520,000 quare foot events center that would include basketball courts, volleyball courts, and even ice hockey

#### HOCHUL GRANTS TAX RELIEF TO TIOGA DOWNS

Binghamton Home Page: Tioga Downs has a racetrack attached; Vernon Downs, which has almost been shutdown multiple times over not having enough revenue to stay open. Tax relief will help it to remain open

### The number of families that qualify is IRS UNVEILS FREE TAX FILING PROGRAM IN NEW YORK AS SIGNS OF STATE'S ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN GROW

Daily Gazette: Program will allow eligible tax payers to file electronically with the state's tax office; this is a pilot program





### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### OCTOBER

• 10/26: Chamber University: Protecting your business and its digital communications from hackers, Presented By: McManus IT Solutions

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- 11/15: Business After Hours with Lakeside Enterprises
- Chamber University: §Making your business compliant with NYS Human Resource laws, Presented By: Visions HR

• 12/20: Business After Hours with Littlejohn & Barbi Orthodontics



# JOIN US FOR THE NEXT ONE SENECA MEETING

When: Thursday mornings at 10 a.m.

Where: Zoom

Meeting ID: 885 5612 6750

Password: 974642

Open to members of the community who want to know things that are happening or have something to add to the conversation.

### JEFF SHIPLEY, PRESIDENT & CEO CHAMBER

- Newsletters are available on our website that cover One Seneca meetings and you're free to use them yourself
- · Chamber University events coming up
- Seneca County resident sentiment survey is up on the Chamber homepage for residents to complete
- Menzo Case has passed away, calling hours will be Friday Oct. 20 at Coe Genung Funeral Home from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m., funeral will be held at Northeast College of Health Science Saturday Oct. 21 at 2 p.m.

### KYLE LOVELL SENEGA COUNTY MANAGER

- Resolution goes before the board next week for the 2024 budget
- Bob Shipley, Supervisor
- Cold War Veterans now qualify for the property tax break
- Nov. board meeting will be held in Ovid

### BOB GRIFFIN, SBDC

- New business advisor is being hired to cover Seneca and Cayuga counties
- Grow Seneca initiative requirement before receiving funding is to complete a training program, available through the small business administration

### RHONDA JASPER, UNITED WAY

- Help and Volunteer Fair Friday Nov.
  17th at the rec center. Over 50
  participating agencies and vendors
- Community Thanksgiving at Elks
   Lodge is coming up; first year they're
   reaching out for monetary donations
   due to inflation; around 1,000
   families are served

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**



Websites: Why You Need One and How to Use it Effectively Wed, Oct 25 at 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EDT Virtual event

Fast Track to Small Business Start-up (Virtual) Thu, Nov 9 - Thu, Nov 16 at 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM EST Virtual event \$125.00

Why Ignoring the Cash Flow Statement Can Kill Your Business Tue, Dec 5 - Tue, Dec 12 at 12:00 PM -1:00 PM EST Virtual event \$15.00