

French heritage & activities at Fort Niagara

From René-Robert Cavalier, Sieur de La Salle to Capt. Pierre Pouchot, the French had a significant presence on the Niagara River for almost 100 years from 1669 to 1759. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, Old Fort Niagara will celebrate that history and present French Heritage Day in cooperation with the American Association of Teachers of French.

The day's programs will feature family-oriented living history programs about French architecture and fortification, music, foodways, artisans, military life and trade. About 15 learning stations will be set up around the fort, where re-enactors will demonstrate musket and artillery firing, the fur trade, fire and drum music, women's

fashions of 18th century New France, blacksmithing, surveying and other activities common at Fort Niagara during the mid-18th century.

Programs will be presented in English and are geared toward social studies students and homeschoolers. For French language students, there will also be bilingual activities. Educational pre-visit materials are available to teachers, parents and students on Old Fort Niagara's website at <https://www.oldfortniagara.org/event/100201/french-heritage-day>.

Tickets are available at the door. All visitors are asked to wear a facial covering and practice social distancing. Old Fort Niagara is a large site and many of the activities

will be outdoors.

The first documented visit by Frenchmen to the site of Fort Niagara was in 1669. The French surrendered Fort Niagara to the British in July 1759 after a 19-day siege. In between, hundreds of French soldiers, traders, missionaries, diplomats and explorers visited or lived in the area.

Today, the French legacy lives on in the Niagara Region. Old Fort Niagara's French Castle is the oldest building on the Great Lakes and was built by the French in 1726. Place names like the LaSalle section of Niagara Falls reflect Niagara's early French heritage.

Old Fort Niagara is currently open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays.

AAA advises drivers & pedestrians on safety as clocks turn back

By AAA of Western and Central New York

Are you struggling with dark mornings? It's about to change. With daylight saving time ending Sunday, Nov. 1 at 2 a.m., Americans will "fall back" and set their clocks back one hour to standard time. While many motorists will enjoy an extra hour of sleep, they need to be aware of the time change and potential distractions to their normal routine. There are added dangers that can come as a result of a time change, especially behind the wheel.

An earlier sunset and darkness can lead to an increase in the number of pedestrians killed or seriously injured by vehicles. Therefore, drivers, pedestrians, joggers, walkers and bicyclists will need to use safety measures so they are seen on the roads. AAA advises motorists and pedestrians to remember the following tips to stay safe:

AAA Tips for Motorists

✓ Always watch out for pedestrians when backing up in parking lots or driveways. Turn on your headlights to make yourself more visible.

✓ Leave more following room. In the morning, when the sun is in your eyes, it can be hard to see what the car ahead is doing. Use sunglasses and your sun visor.

✓ Be mindful of children and others who are outdoors in the afternoon and evening as it gets dark earlier.

✓ Remember to yield the right of way to pedestrians in crosswalks. Do not pass vehicles stopped at crosswalks.

✓ Pay attention and eliminate all distractions, including cell phones and car clocks that are off by an hour.



AAA Tips for Pedestrians

✓ Cross only at intersections or crosswalks. Look left, right and left again, and only cross when it is clear. Do not jaywalk or cross between parked cars.

✓ Evaluate the distance and speed of oncoming traffic before you step out into the street.

✓ Avoid walking in traffic where there are no sidewalks or crosswalks. If you have to walk on a road that does not have sidewalks, walk facing traffic.

✓ See and be seen. Carry a flashlight and wear reflective clothing and/or accessories.

✓ While walking, pocket the cell phone and avoid listening to headphones at a volume that prohibits you from hearing approaching danger.

Daylight saving time begins March 14, 2021.

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Welcome to Lewiston, Jeri N. Wright, P.C.



And welcome to the chamber! The board of directors of the Niagara River Region Chamber of Commerce, elected leaders, friends and family joined Jeri N. Wright, P.C., Real Estate Attorney, in celebrating her office ribbon-cutting in the Village of Lewiston.

A supportive crowd of local real estate professionals was also in attendance. A reception at The Lewiston Stone House took place immediately following the ceremony.

The office is located at 765 Center St., in a building with Rivercrest Financial and LaShomb Chiropractic. Pictured from left to "Wright": Village of Lewiston Trustee Claudia Marasco, Mayor Anne Welch, the family of Jeri N. Wright alongside Jeri holding the scissors, Assemblyman Angelo Morinello, Town of Lewiston Supervisor Steve Broderick and Christine O'Hara, chamber board chairwoman.

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"low" in reduction of toxicity, mobility or volume through treatment; "low" in short-term effectiveness; and "high" in implementability.

"Each alternative in the feasibility is evaluated against the balancing criteria for comparison purposes," the Army Corps said. "Alternative 4, removal with building decontamination ... is our preferred alternative."

As far as cost, the Army Corps

estimated the total cost under alternative 3 remediation would be \$24.5 million, with a completion timeframe of 29 months. Comparing the total cost of alternative 3 (\$24.5 million) to that of alternative 2 (\$35.2 million), the Army Corps said, "Alternative 3 achieves the same level of protectiveness for less money and in the same amount of time as alternative 2."

Public commentary on the alternative 3 plan and other options pre-

sented Oct. 21 for the NFSS balance of plant remediation is being taken by the Army Corps until the close of business Saturday, Dec. 5. Email comments may be sent to fusrap@usace.army.mil.

Written comments may be sent to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Buffalo District, Environmental Project Management Section, 1776 Niagara St., Buffalo, NY, 14207-3199. Include "Niagara Falls Storage Site" in the subject line.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

The Power Authority of the State of New York (Authority) will hold a public hearing as detailed below on a proposed form of Contract for the sale of hydropower to Petri Baking Products, Inc., and Premium PPE, LLC and on the Contract Extensions for the sale of hydropower to New York State Electric and Gas Corporation and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation.

Copies of the proposed Contract forms may be inspected at the Authority's office at the address below, or online at the Authority's Web site, www.nypa.gov.

Those wishing to make oral statements at the hearing are asked to provide to the Authority, in writing, in advance of the hearing, their name(s) and the name of the organization or group they represent. Oral statements should be limited to five minutes. Speakers should also bring two hard copies of their oral statements to the hearing.

Hearing Date: November 30, 2020
Hearing Times: 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Hearing Location: 535 Washington Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room Buffalo, New York 14203

Written statements provided to the Authority by close of business on Tuesday, December 1, 2020 will also become part of the record of the hearing. For further information, including the address of other Authority offices at which copies of the proposed Contract forms may be inspected, contact:

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