

Burchfield Nature and Art Center - 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Alone, we can do so little: together, we can do so much." Helen Keller In 2024, the Burchfield Nature and Art Center brought together our extended community to celebrate, appreciate and improve our little corner of West Seneca.

SPECIAL EVENTS and ACTIVITIES

National Quilting Day Celebration

Winter Break Craft Days (3)

Wonderful Wednesdays in the Park (6)

Dr. Seuss Sunday

Super Soil Sunday

Fun with Bugs Sunday

Coloring Sunday

Enchanted Forest Sunday

Burchfest - In conjunction with WS Chamber

Pups in the Park - Dog Parade

Drum Circles in the Park (4)

Holiday Open House

Seneca Nation Treaty Commemoration

Ceremony

Explore Room for children

Community Art Project

Trash to Treasures Craft Days

Take It & Make It craft kits (2800)

ART GALLERY

Burchfield Room Exhibition Space

Artists Exhibits:

BNAC Volunteers Collection

Jeanette Woodward and Beth Schmidt

Native Roots Art Guild

Viewfinders Photography

Margaret Haug-Chlebowski

Photography Contest

West Seneca Art Society

THE BNAC COMMUNITY

BNAC Volunteers

Amana Garden Club

Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts

West Seneca Woman's Club

Hunt Realty West Seneca

Pathways to Employment (OPWDD)

Bank of America

SASI West Seneca

People Inc. YALT Program

Fourteen Holy Helpers Church

Life Church of Buffalo

West Seneca Historical Society

West Seneca Chamber of Commerce

South Towns Garden Club

Crosstown Quilters

Burchfield Penney Art Center

West Seneca Environmental Commission

West Seneca Art Society

West Seneca Public Schools

Earth Spirit Educational Services

NYS Department of Environment and Conservation

Intern program at Mercyhurst College

WSCS Academies internship program

West Seneca Youth and Recreation

West Seneca Building, Grounds and Highway Department

OVER 4,700 TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS IN 2024

IMPROVEMENTS

Earth Day - Park cleanup

Protected trees planted in the Park

Litter pickup and pathways clearing

Improved gardens by replanting and mulching

New patio floor, bench seating, Buffalo sculpture

and gardens

New picnic tables

COMMUNITY SERVICE and PROMOTION

Assisting Santa Claus with Letters To Santa Sending cards and craft packets to area nursing homes

Sending tray favors to Meals on Wheels

Sending cards to area veterans

Decorating wreath for Chamber of Commerce Tree Auction

Hosted a table at West Seneca Halloween Event

Hosted table at West Seneca Night Out

Hosted exhibit at L.E.A.F. Environmental

Awareness Fair

Promoted Community Composting Project

COMMUNICATION

Redesigned Web Page

Expanded EXPLORE section of the web page Facebook page updated (5,300+ followers)

Expanded use of Instagram (500+ followers)

Developed a better email system

OVER 2,100 VISITORS TO OUR GALLERY