

May 2019

Seneca, SC  
www.seneca.sc.us

# SENECA SPOTLIGHT

## THE ALL NEW DOWNTOWN SENECAFEST

What is Seneca Fest and why is it "all new" this year?

Seneca Fest is a celebration of American values, love of country, and a salute to our armed services, past and present, who serve to protect our way of life. Seneca Fest is all about family, fun, and friendship, and a time to celebrate what we as Americans hold dear.

For six years, Seneca Fest was held at Gignilliat Field. This year, Seneca Fest moves back to downtown Seneca and will encompass Ram Cat Alley and Main Street all the way to Walnut Street, as well as Norton-Thompson Park.

Re-design of Seneca Fest promises to produce a great three-day event for all ages, offering three great nights of entertainment, food, craft vendors, shopping, and two stages of upbeat music. In addition, Seneca Fest will feature a Bounce House for the kids, an outdoor Movie on the Green on Friday night, "The Greatest Showman," and a thrilling Laser Show on Saturday night.

There's ample parking and SenecaFest is **FREE**. Bring your lawn chairs and come downtown Seneca to celebrate with us. It won't be the same without you!

For more information: visit Seneca SC Events on Facebook, or visit [www.seneca.sc.us](http://www.seneca.sc.us)

CITY OF SENECA PRESENTS

## THE ALL NEW DOWNTOWN SENECA FEST 2019

MAY 23-25

Food and Craft Vendors Welcome! Please Contact City Hall for Information. 864-885-2700

MAIN STREET // RAM CAT ALLEY // NORTON THOMPSON PARK

**3 NIGHTS! 2 STAGES!**

**6 GREAT BANDS!** PLUS! **BOUNCE HOUSE FOR KIDS!**

**THURSDAY MAY 23 5PM-9PM**

**Leisha J**

**Magic**

**FRIDAY MAY 24 5PM-9PM**

**Funk Factory 5**

**Adam Carter**

**BONUS! Movie At Dusk**

**GREATEST SHOWMAN**

**SATURDAY MAY 25 5PM-9PM**

**Corey Stevenson**

**The Bad Creek Band**

**BONUS! Laser Show At Dusk**

Follow us on Facebook  Seneca SC Events // More info at [www.seneca.sc.us](http://www.seneca.sc.us)

*Seneca Fest* celebration in the City

# Happenings in the



Warm weather brings outdoor activities.....and mosquitoes

The City of Seneca is making plans to begin the annual fight against mosquitoes in the city limits of Seneca. Here are some facts to help you plan:

- **Dates for spraying during months of May and June 2019: May 17, May 31, June 14, June 28. Future spraying dates will be announced.**
- Spraying always occurs in the evening beginning around 8:30 pm.
- Spraying will NOT occur if it is raining.
- If people are close to the area in which we are spraying, we are required to turn off the machine until we move past them.

**IMPORTANT:** Honey bees are an important natural resource and it is our sincere desire to protect them during mosquito spraying.

**IF YOU HAVE BEE HIVES WITHIN CITY LIMITS, PLEASE CONTACT PUBLIC WORKS BY CALLING 864-885-2750, OR EMAIL US AT [SSR@NETMDS](mailto:SSR@NETMDS) OR [DWHITE@SENECA.SC.US](mailto:DWHITE@SENECA.SC.US)**



**BEST.  
SUMMER.  
EVER.**

**When you remember to  
add Jazz on the Alley  
to your calendar.**

**jazz  
ON THE ALLEY**

**May 30 - The Wobblers**

**June 6 - Jamie Wright**

**June 13 - Kesa and The Band**

**June 20 - Those Guys at Jazz**

**June 27 - SplitShot**



# Happenings in the



## CRUZIN' ON MAIN!

### Subscribe to the SENECA SPOTLIGHT FREE!

Receive expanded e-versions  
of the City of Seneca's  
monthly newsletter via your email.

Call 864-888-0880 to sign up  
or email your info to:  
[dwilliams@seneca.sc.us](mailto:dwilliams@seneca.sc.us)



Find a blood drive near you and give back  
in honor of those who lost their lives for  
**OUR FREEDOM.**

**MAY**  
**24<sup>th</sup> · 25<sup>th</sup> · 26<sup>th</sup> · 27<sup>th</sup>**

Join us as we commemorate our fallen soldiers. **\$10 for every unit**  
collected will go to the **\*Wounded Warrior Project.**

\*A charity and veterans service organization that offers a variety of programs, services,  
and events for wounded veterans of the military.



Grace's Closet provides **FREE** clothing, school supplies, hygiene items & weekend food  
to Oconee County students. Grace's Closet is a welcoming room where students can  
"shop." The need, sadly, is great. Join us in making a difference in our students' lives.

## Kickin' It Up For The Kids

Join us for an evening of fun and fundraising to benefit



Saturday, August 3, 2019 - 6:30 pm 'til the fun is done  
The Lighthouse Event Center, 1290 Doug Hollow Road, Seneca  
Casual Summer Attire

Music ~ Dancing ~ Food ~ Drinks ~ Silent & Live Auction  
\$60 per person or \$550 for a table of 10 people

Purchase tickets online at: [www.gracescloset.org](http://www.gracescloset.org)

Please contact Alicia Keys at 864-324-1668 with any questions.

Grace's Closet is a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the  
Internal Revenue Code; EIN 81-4380520



# Scenes from



Easter photos  
courtesy of  
Whitney Huskamp  
Tri-County  
Worship Center





# Get to know your City



## SENECA POLICE DEPARTMENT: COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY

Litter pickup makes positive connections with community and its citizens

April marked the first community litter pick up event by the Seneca Police Department. Over a dozen officers plus employees of the City's motor pool department joined in the effort to clean up and give back to the community they serve.



**June 26<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> 5:30-8:30 pm**  
Family Celebration June 30<sup>th</sup> 10:25am

**VBS 2019**  
**POWER UP**  
RAISE YOUR GAME

\*register at [www.gracelovesoconee@gmail.com](mailto:www.gracelovesoconee@gmail.com)  
Everyone Welcome!! Ages 4k-5<sup>th</sup> grade  
Grace Baptist Church 15195 Wells Hwy, Seneca SC 29678 864-888-0703

**CLEAN UP OCONEE COUNTY...  
ONE BAG AT A TIME!**

Request supplies & report  
bags to [koba@kobasc.com](mailto:koba@kobasc.com) or call  
**247-4583** #kobasc #onebagatatime

  



# *Happenings* in the



Memories from 521 All-Stars:  
A Championship Story of Baseball and Community

STRICKLAND CULTURAL MUSEUM 2019



# Get to know your City



## DID YOU KNOW?

### Check out **YOUR** City of Seneca Fire Department

The City of Seneca Fire Department consists of 29 full-time firefighters and 6 volunteer fire fighters.

The Seneca Fire Department is responsible for 5.5 square miles of City limits and 21 square miles that is protected under contract with Oconee County.

The Seneca Fire Department boasts an ISO protection reating of 2 within the City limits, and there are only 37 fire departments in the entire state of SC with that grade or better!

The Seneca Fire Department provides protection to its coverage area with 4 front-line fire engines and 1 reserve fire engine, a 100-foot platform ladder truck, 1 heavy rescue truck and 1 medical brush/response vehicle along with several administration vehicles.

In 2018 the Seneca Fire Department responded to 1,932 calls for service. This includes both fire and medical emergencies.

The Seneca Fire Department provides fire prevention for all elementary schools, day care centers, and assisted living centers throughout its coverage area. The Seneca Fire Department is also a child-safety seat check point with numerous employees trained in installation. Call us for an appointment!

We want to be a part of our community. When you see us at numerous events around the City like Jazz on the Alley, Seneca Fest, and Cruzin' on Main, please come by and say hello to the guys and even get your picture taken with a fire truck!

