

Seneca, Yates and Wayne counties, will open for a two week session Aug. 17-28.

The camp is open to any child with a physical, mental or emotional handicap. Rules of acceptance are the same for everyone without regard to race, color or national origin.

“We are fortunate to have the use of the Boy Scout Camp Babcock Hovey located at 7294

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### Around the county

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County Road 132, Ovid, 25 miles south of Geneva on Seneca Lake near Ovid, New York,” said Kevin Cowles, camp director.

“This is a beautiful facility with hundreds of wooded acres, miles of lake front, a heated swimming pool and large indoor areas for evening and rainy day activities.”

Since its inception in 1956, the camp has helped hundreds of campers to grow in self-confidence and to experience success in physical activities and human relationships. The mission of the camp is to foster independence and acceptance of others through social, recreational and educational aspects of life.

Camp Onseyawa is designed to provide exceptional care to children with special needs. It has a new health facility staffed around the clock by registered nurses,

Senior members are professional people who work with children, particularly in the special needs area; they are complemented by young people of high school and college ages who have been carefully selected for their diverse skills, talents and interests. All staff members are given an intensive orientation prior to the campers’ arrival.

Campers usually sleep two per tent in units of 10 to 14 youngsters of the same age level and sex. Platforms and cots are provided for comfort. A unit leader and unit counselors watch carefully over the needs of their group within the entire camp family.

The camp’s program spans a wide variety of daily activities designed to spark the interest of every camper. Specialties include swimming, photography, rifle shooting, skeet, crafts and ceramics, a radio station, drama, nature, frontier living, boating and sailing. It is the aim of the program staff to provide fun and teach leisure skills that often become hobbies when the camper returns home.

Many of the evenings at camp end around a campfire under the stars but other nights are spent taking part in a play, being a contestant in a game show, dancing to the music of a live band or just sitting on your bunk talking to a new friend.

This year, Camp Onseyawa will

## *Christmas in July*

**Waterloo Rotarians observed their annual Christmas in July event, collecting toys for the Seneca Community Action Agency’s annual holiday distribution to needy families. The Rotarians collect toys in July each year to give the community distribution a head start. Waterloo Rotary meets at 6:30 p.m. every Monday at the Holiday Inn. New members are always welcome.**

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participate in the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Meals will be provided to all children 18 years and under without charge. Acceptance and participation requirements for the program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation or all or part of an individual’s income is derived from any public assistance program or protected genetic information in employment or in any public or activity conducted or funded by the Department (not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities).

Camp Onseyawa will be participating as campsite. To be eligible to receive free meals at a camp, children must meet the income guidelines for reduced price meals in the National school Lunch Program. The Summer Food Service Program schedule is breakfast, 8:15-9:15 a.m.; lunch, 12:15-1:15 p.m.; supplement, 3:30-4:30 p.m.; and supper, 6:15-7:15 p.m.,

## **Habitat golf tourney raises \$8,473.09**

Generations Bank has announced the annual Habitat for Humanity of Seneca County Golf Outing raised \$8,473.09 for the Habitat organization. The annual event took place at Silver Creek Golf Course, Waterloo, July 20 and benefits from robust sponsor support including primary sponsor IESI – Seneca Meadows.

Mark Benjamin, IESI community relations director, remarked, “Seneca Meadows is pleased to partner with Habitat for Humanity in making Seneca County a better place to live, work, and play.”

Habitat for Humanity of Seneca County will use the funds to continue building the five projects currently underway. Community members interested in supporting the work of Habitat for Humanity are encouraged to visit its website. Volunteers are always welcome and donations are always appreciated. Learn more about the current Chestnut Street new build and where to send donations at the website.

“Safe and affordable housing is something that every family should have and it is our mission to help our neighbors in Seneca County, New York secure affordable and decent housing,” noted Menzo Case, vice president of Habitat For Humanity Seneca County Board of Directors and CEO of Generations Bank.

Other sponsors and donors include BlackrockInvestments, GeorgeAwad, Ferrara Lumber, BonaDent, Bonadio Group, Select Eurocars, Caratozzolo Plumbing, Mittiga Construction, Sessler Companies, HEP Materials, Barrett Marine, The Souhan Family, John Hancock, Jim Sleeper, DA’s Liquor, Lake Country Moving & Storage, The Martin Group, Wilson Press, Coe-Genung Funeral Home, Bank of the Finger Lakes, Downtown Deli, Wright Beverage, Ravenwood Golf Club, NY Chiropractic College, The Gould Hotel, Café XIX, Finger Lakes Federal Credit Union, Trans America, Franklin Templeton, Goldman Sachs, John Hancock, FL Chrysler Dodge Jeep, The MacIntyre Family, Silver Creek Golf Course, Generations Bank, Generations Agency and Generations Investment Services.

## *Frank Knight parents know how to give*