

# Work Progresses on Tuscarora Heroes Tribute

## Project Commemorates Extraordinary Bravery and Sacrifice of Tuscaroras During War of 1812 Attack on Lewiston

It is the largest War of 1812 bicentennial monument project in the United States and will symbolize the spirit of brotherhood between the Tuscarora Nation and Lewiston citizens. Work is progressing quickly for the December 19, 2013, unveiling -- the 200th Anniversary of the day the Tuscaroras stood bravely against the British and saved dozens of local lives. The monument will stand for a 1000 years as an inspirational testament to the bond between races and for Lewiston's ever lasting gratitude to the Tuscaroras.

### Beautiful Commemorative Coin Treasured by Area Collectors

The new Tuscarora Heroes commemorative coin is proving to be quite popular. Hundreds have already been sold to help raise funds for the new monument project. This large 2-inch coin features a high definition 3-D relief of the monument image on the front in matte finish gold with an antique recessed metal background. Coins are \$10 each, and are available at Apple Granny Restaurant, the Lewiston Museum (469 Plain St), the Village Hall (Red Brick School), and The Village Bake Shoppe (417 Center St.) You can order over the phone: 716-754-4214 (\$4 shipping and handling fee.) You can also send a check payable to the "Historical Association of Lewiston, Inc." to PO Box 43, Lewiston, NY 14092.



*These impressive coins are considered "good luck" keepsakes because of the good fortune brought by the Tuscaroras when saving the lives of local citizens.*



### Town of Lewiston officials get first hand look at Tuscarora Heroes Model

Town of Lewiston Supervisor Steve Reiter (right) and Councilman Michael Marra recently visited Susan Geissler's Youngstown studio to check on the progress of the Tuscarora Heroes Monument. The larger-than-life bronze sculptures will depict a tableau of two Tuscarora men saving a Lewiston woman and her baby during the War of 1812 British attack on Lewiston. They will be unveiled on Dec. 19, 2013, the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the invasion.

Despite being outnumbered 30-to-1, the Tuscaroras bluffed the enemy into thinking there was a large force ready to strike back. The strategy worked and the British temporarily halted, giving Lewiston residents enough time to run for their lives and escape east on Ridge Road. While about a dozen Lewiston residents were killed in the attack, the Tuscaroras are credited with saving the lives of dozens more.

The Town of Lewiston is the presenting sponsor of the monument, with additional support from the Village of Lewiston, Niagara County, KeyBank and the Daughters of 1812.

"Lewiston will be forever grateful to the Tuscaroras for coming to our aid in our greatest hour of need," Reiter said. "This monument will stand for hundreds of years as a tribute to their bravery and a testament to our friendship and brotherhood as neighbors." You can get more info about the project at: [www.TuscaroraHeroes.com](http://www.TuscaroraHeroes.com)

# Cruise the Niagara River on the Black Pearl



"It's the most relaxing and interesting tour I've ever been on," said one passenger. "I particularly enjoyed seeing Tryon's Folly, the house where the fugitive slaves left for Canada."

The Black Pearl, Lewiston's tall ship, will be taking passengers this summer on Tuesday and Friday evenings, and weekends. Located at the waterfront at the foot of Center Street, on N. Water Street.

**For more info, or to make reservations,  
call 877-754-1812**

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Historic Lewiston placemats written and designed by volunteer, Lee Simonson.

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### A true story: Tuscarora Heroes

The amazing and true story of how the Tuscaroras saved Lewiston citizens from the brutal British attack during the War of 1812. The book is now available at DiCamillo Bakery and the Lewiston Museum. Price: \$10.

Don't miss the unveiling of the Tuscarora Heroes Monument on Dec. 19, 2013, on the 200th anniversary of the Tuscarora's brave action -- a rare time in American history when Native Americans saved the lives of white settlers against a foreign attack.

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