



### Seneca's Unique History

During World War II, the need for new shipyard facilities coincided with some unique geological characteristics at Seneca's location on the Illinois River, characteristics favorable for building what would become known as the "shipyard on the prairie." So, in 1942, the new Seneca shipyard launched (with the traditional bottle of champagne) its first LST, one of the Landing Ship Tanks (LST) that would carry troops into battle. The LSTs left Seneca, sailed down the Illinois to the Mississippi, and then entered the Gulf of Mexico. The ships took troops and supplies to Iwo Jima, Dutch New Guinea, southern Italy, and the Normandy coast. The shipyard built 157 LSTs, launching the last one in June 1945. At the shipyard's peak, 11,000 people worked there, living in Seneca and nearby towns in temporary housing.

Seneca has a variety of amenities to offer when considering visiting or relocating here. The Village is approximately one hour from downtown Chicago or both Chicago O'Hare and Midway airports. The Seneca I80 interchange, exit 105 was updated recently to accommodate transportation needs. Interstate 80 is a few minutes from Seneca, and Seneca is approximately 32 miles from Interstate 39 and 21 miles from the I55 interchange.

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## Upcoming Events...

### Seneca Farmers' Market

Saturdays June-August

### Woodsmoke Car Show

Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>

### Seneca 5K Walk/Run

Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>

### Seneca Cruise Night

Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>

### Halloween Costume Contest

Sunday, October 31st

Visit [www.senecail.org](http://www.senecail.org) for more details on any of these events.



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# Local Eateries



**Think Local. Eat Local.  
Be Local.**

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## Local Food Guide

### Andrew's on the Riverfront

Enjoy scenic riverfront views and al fresco dining on the outdoor deck above Spring Brook Marina. Sunday brunch starts May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**DINE IN**      **CARRY-OUT**      **BAR**  
**LUNCH**      **RIVERFRONT**      **DINNER**

**623 W. River Drive**  
**Phone: 815.357.1800**  
**www.Andrewsriverfront.homestead.com**

### Burrito Bill's

Located on south Main Street in River Plaza, Burrito Bill's has Mexican & American food, pizza and more!

**DINE IN**      **CARRY-OUT**      **DELIVERY**

**Located at River Plaza**  
**425 S. Main St.**  
**Phone: 815.357.1900**

### H2O Bar & Grill

Located in the restored river towboat Katie Hooper on the Illinois River. Access this eatery through Hidden Cove Marina.

**DINE IN**      **CARRY-OUT**      **BAR**  
**BANQUETS**      **RIVERFRONT**

**Access through Hidden Cove Marina**  
**217 River Drive**  
**Phone: 815.357.8990**

### Boondock's Food & Spirits

Come by car or by boat to experience al fresco dining on the screened in porch overlooking the Illinois River at this island inspired restaurant, bar & tiki bar.

**DINE IN**      **CARRY-OUT**      **TIKI BAR**  
**LUNCH**      **DINNER**      **RIVERFRONT**

**1 E. Dupont Road**  
**Phone: 815.357.1100**  
**www.bondocks.us**

### Fat Daddy's Bar & Grill

Our paved lot makes it a perfect stop for bike runs. Daily drink and food specials & live entertainment on weekends. Outdoor bar and seating available in rear.

**DINE IN**      **CARRY-OUT**      **BAR**  
**LUNCH**      **DINNER**      **MUSIC**

**176 W. Jackson Street**  
**Phone: 815.357.8700**  
**www.fatdaddyz.net**

### Morgan's Chicago Style Eatery

Chicago Style Hotdogs, Italian Beef, Sausage, daily specials and Ice Cream.

**DINE IN**      **CARRY-OUT**      **OUTDOOR**  
**DELIVERY**      **ICE CREAM**      **SEATING**

**199 Main Street**  
**Phone: 815.357.6880**

### Buddy's BBQ

Brisket, Pulled Pork, Whole Chicken & more with Buddy's special homemade BBQ sauce. Carry-out only.

**CARRY-OUT**      **LUNCH**      **DINNER**

**370 N. Main Street**  
**Phone: 815.861.8822**

### Fergy's Bar & Grill

Fergy's is located in the historic downtown with daily lunch and dinner specials. Live entertainment.

**DINE IN**      **CARRY-OUT**      **BAR**  
**BREAKFAST LUNCH**      **DINNER**

**272 N. Main Street**  
**Phone: 815.357.8809**

### Seneca Family Restaurant

Located in the historic downtown serving breakfast all day and daily lunch specials. Night hours on weekends.

**DINE IN**      **CARRY-OUT**      **SPECIALS**  
**BREAKFAST LUNCH**      **DINNER**

**270 North Main Street**  
**Phone: 815.357.6561**

### Casey's General Store

**222 N. Main St.**  
**Phone: 815-357-1300**

### Seneca Subway

Located in the BP station

**114 W. Jackson Street**  
**Phone: 815.357.8050**

### Bellettini's Deli

Located in Bellettini Foods Grocery Store.

**271 S. Main Street**  
**Phone: 815.357.6734**