wooden medicine faces (23.32.24/AE 0349; 23.32.45/AE 0371; and 23.47.1/AE 0404) on the Cattaraugus Reservation.

On August 18, 1923, E.D. Putnam purchased two 19th century cornhusk medicine faces (23.32.42/AE 0368 and 23.32.43/AE 0368) and one 19th century cornhusk medicine face for a leader's pole (23.32.37/AE 0363B) on the Cattaraugus Reservation.

On August 18, 1923, E.D. Putnam purchased two 19th century cornhusk medicine faces (23.32.4/AE 0330 and 24.61.10/AE 0505) on the Allegany Reservation.

In 1923, E.D. Putnam likely purchased one 19th century cornhusk medicine face (73.00.2.1) on either the Cattaraugus or Allegany Reservations.

In 1926, E.J. Burke collected one 19th century cornhusk medicine face (26.26.2/AE 0769) from an unknown location.

In 1925, Everett R. Burmaster collected two 19th century cornhusk medicine face (25.69.1/AE 0482A and 25.69.2/AE 0482B) and one 19th century wooden medicine face (25.69.1/AE 0309) on the Cattaraugus Reservation.

In 1926, Everett R. Burmaster collected one 19th century wooden medicine face (26.63.1/AE 0010) on the Cattaraugus Reservation.

In 1928, Everett R. Burmaster collected one partially carved 19th century medicine face on a tree trunk (28.92.1/AE 0130) on the Cattaraugus Reservation.

In 1927, the Rochester Museum of Arts and Science (later the Rochester Museum & Science Center) purchased one 19th century wooden medicine face (27.81.463/AE 1171) from the Opdyke estate.

In 1925, an unknown individual collected one 19th century wooden medicine face with two bundles (25.75.1/AE 0578) in New York State.

In 1928, an unknown individual collected one late 19th century wooden medicine face (28.185.1/AE 1135) near Chautauqua Lake, NY.

In 1926, Arthur Parker collected one 19th century cornhusk medicine face (26.70.1/AE 0762) from an unknown location

In 1931, an unknown individual collected one early 20th century wooden medicine face (31.147.1/AE 2276) on the Cattaraugus Reservation.

In 1938, an unknown individual collected two early 20th century wooden medicine faces (38.367.2/AE 7238 and 38.367.1/AE 7238) on the Cattaraugus Reservation.

In 1935, the Rochester Museum of Arts and Science (later the Rochester Museum & Science Center) received one small early 20th century wooden medicine face (35.252.1/AE 3623) made on the Cattaraugus Reservation and donated by an unknown individual.

In 1984, the Rochester Museum & Science Center purchased one 20th century cornhusk medicine face (84.171.1) made on the Cattaraugus Reservation in 1980.

In 1929, Albert Heath purchased one 19th century small wooden medicine face (29.273.1/AE 1690) from an unknown location.

In 1923, an unknown individual purchased two early 20th century wooden medicine faces (23.47.2/AE 0405 and 23.47.3/AE 0406) at the Seneca Trading Post, in Collins, NY.

Traditional religious leaders of the Seneca Nation of New York have identified these medicine faces as being needed for the practice of traditional Native American religions by presentday adherents. In the course of consultations with representatives of the Seneca Nation of New York, it was shown that individuals who carved these medicine faces did not have the authority to alienate them to a third party. Because the individuals who carved these faces did not have the authority to alienate them, a third party could not have been given any ownership or property rights over the medicine faces and therefore, could not have properly transferred them to the Rochester Museum & Science Center. Museum documentation, supported by oral evidence presented during consultation by Seneca Nation of New York representatives, indicates that these medicine faces are culturally affiliated with the Seneca Nation of New York. Museum representatives also consulted with other Haudenosaunee and non-Haudenosaunee consultants.

# Determinations made by the Rochester Museum & Science Center

Officials of the Rochester Museum & Science Center, Rochester have determined that:

- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (3)(D), the 36 cultural items described above are specific ceremonial objects needed by traditional Native American religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions by their present adherents, and have an ongoing historical, traditional, or cultural importance central to the Native American group or culture itself, rather than property owned by an individual.
- Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (2), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between these medicine faces and the Seneca Nation of New York.

# **Additional Requestors and Disposition**

Representatives of any other Indian Nation or tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these medicine faces should contact Adele DeRosa, Rochester Museum & Science Center, Rochester, NY 14607, telephone (585) 271–4552 x 302, before May 2, 2012. Repatriation of these medicine faces to the Seneca Nation of New York may proceed after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

The Rochester Museum & Science Center, Rochester, NY, is responsible for notifying the Seneca Nation of New York that this notice has been published.

Dated: March 28, 2012.

#### **Sherry Hutt,**

Manager, National NAGPRA Program. [FR Doc. 2012–7882 Filed 3–30–12; 8:45 am]

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

#### **National Park Service**

[2253-665]

Notice of Intent to Repatriate Cultural Items: Rochester Museum & Science Center, Rochester, NY

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rochester Museum & Science Center, in consultation with the appropriate Indian tribe, has determined that the cultural items meet the definition of both sacred objects and objects of cultural patrimony and repatriation to the Indian tribe stated below may occur if no additional claimants come forward.

Representatives of any Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the cultural items may contact the Rochester Museum & Science Center.

**DATES:** Representatives of any Indian tribe that believes it has a cultural affiliation with the cultural items should contact the Rochester Museum & Science Center at the address below by May 2, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Adele DeRosa, Rochester Museum & Science Center, 657 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607, telephone (585) 271–4552 x 302.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3005, of the intent to repatriate cultural items under the control of the Rochester Museum & Science Center that meet the definition of both sacred objects and

objects of cultural patrimony under 25 U.S.C. 3001.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003 (d)(3). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution or Federal agency that has control of the cultural items. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.

# History and Description of the Cultural Items

In 1935, the Works Progress
Administration/Indian Arts Project paid members of the Seneca Nation of New York, at Cattaraugus, to create a variety of ethnographic objects. This project was directed by Arthur C. Parker, director, Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences (now the Rochester Museum & Science Center), with the intent of both giving employment to the Seneca people and building a collection for the museum. In total, there are 79 medicine faces described in this notice, all created in 1935 under the auspices of that project.

Eighteen objects are large cornhusk medicine faces made by several individuals on the Cattaraugus Reservation: 35.266.2/AE 2681; 35.266.4/AE 2750; 35.266.5/AE 2751; 35.266.6/AE 3479; 35.266.8/AE 3483; 35.266.10/AE 3964; 35.266.11/AE 3965; 35.266.12/AE 3966; 35.340.1/AE 3242; 35.340.2/AE 3478; 35.340.3/AE 3480; 35.340.4/AE 3481; 35.340.5/AE 3621; 35.340.8/AE 4098); 77.00.68.1; 35.291.6/ AE 3622; 35.320.13/AE 4194; 36.396.1/ AE 4387; 35.290.1/AE 2760); 35.290.2/ AE 2800; 35.290.4/AE 3462; 35.290.6/ AE 4036; 35.290.7/AE 4038; 35.290.8/ AE 4040; 35.290.9/AE 4044; 35.290.11/ AE 4136; 35.290.13/AE 4177; and 35.290.14/AE 5706.

Fifty-eight objects are large wooden medicine faces made by several individuals on the Cattaraugus Reservation: 35.268.17/AE 3164; 35.268.18/AE 3166; 35.268.19/AE 3177; 35.268.20/AE 3333; 35.268.21/AE 3334; 35.268.22/AE 3515; 35.268.23/AE 3516; 35.268.24/AE 4027; 35.268.25/AE 4033; 35.268.26/AE 4041; 35.268.27/AE 4042; 35.268.28/AE 4043; 35.268.2/AE 4134; 35.268.29/AE 4139; 35.268.30/AE 4142; 35.268.31/AE 4143; 35.268.32/AE 5705; and 35.268.33/AE 5707; 35.280.24/AE 2847; 35.280.11/AE 2848; 35.280.13/AE 3335; 35.280.14/AE 3513; 35.280.15/AE 4034; 35.280.16/AE 4039; 35.280.17/AE 4047; 35.280.18/AE 4048; 35.280.22/AE 5727; 35.280.23/AE 5728; 35.280.21/AE 5693; 35.295.30/AE 2006 and 35. 295.31/AE 4176; 35.299.30/AE 4050 and 35.299.31/AE 4184; 35.303.1/AE 4856

and 35.303.2/AE 4857; 35.315.11/AE 5726 and 35.315.10/AE 4045; 35.285.47/AE 3517; 35.285.49/AE 4031; 35.285.52/AE 4158; 35.285.53/AE 4210; 35.285.57/AE 4214; 35.285.55/AE 5708; and 35.285.56/AE 5709; 35.288.25/AE 4137 and 35.288.26/AE 4144; 35.257.1/AE 4138; and 35.339.18/AE 3165.

Three objects are large cornhusk medicine faces made by individuals most likely on the Cattaraugus Reservation: 98.00.03.1/E 13.1.286; 98.00.04.1; and 98.00.05.1.

Traditional religious leaders of the Seneca Nation of New York have identified these medicine faces as being needed for the practice of traditional Native American religions by presentday adherents. In the course of consultations with representatives of the Seneca Nation of New York, it was shown that individuals who carved these medicine faces did not have the authority to alienate the objects to a third party, including the Rochester Museum & Science Center. Museum documentation, supported by oral evidence presented during consultation with Seneca Nation of New York representatives, indicates that these medicine faces are culturally affiliated with the Seneca Nation of New York. Museum representatives also consulted with other Haudenosaunee and non-Haudenosaunee consultants.

## Determinations Made by the Rochester Museum & Science Center

Officials of the Rochester Museum & Science Center have determined that:

• Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (3)(D), the 79 cultural items described above are specific ceremonial objects needed by traditional Native American religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions by their present adherents, and have an ongoing historical, traditional, or cultural importance central to the Native American group or culture itself, rather than property owned by an individual.

• Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (2), there is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between these medicine faces and the Seneca Nation of New York.

### **Additional Requestors and Disposition**

Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these objects should contact Adele DeRosa, Rochester Museum & Science Center, Rochester, NY 14607, telephone (585) 271–4552 x 302, before May 2, 2012. Repatriation of these objects to the Seneca Nation of New York may proceed after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

The Rochester Museum & Science Center, Rochester, NY, is responsible for notifying the Seneca Nation of New York that this notice has been published.

Dated: March 28, 2012.

#### Sherry Hutt,

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

# National Park Service

[2253-665]

Notice of Intent to Repatriate Cultural Items: California Department of Parks and Recreation, Sacramento, CA

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The California Department of Parks and Recreation, in consultation with the appropriate tribes, has determined that the cultural items meet the definition of unassociated funerary objects and repatriation to the Indian tribes stated below may occur if no additional claimants come forward. Representatives of any Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with the cultural item may contact the California Department of Parks and Recreation

**DATES:** Representatives of any Indian tribe that believes it has a cultural affiliation with the cultural item should contact the California Department of Parks and Recreation at the address below by May 2, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Rebecca Carruthers, NAGPRA Coordinator, California Department of Parks and Recreation, 1416 9th Street, Room 902, Sacramento, CA 95814, telephone (916) 653–8893.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3005, of the intent to repatriate cultural items under the control of the California Department of Parks and Recreation that meet the definition of unassociated funerary objects under 25 U.S.C. 3001. The unassociated funerary objects were removed from twelve sites located in San Diego and Imperial counties, CA.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution or Federal agency that has control of the Native American cultural item. The National