

Suggested Reading List

Akwesasne Notes, ed. Basic Call to Consciousness, Rooseveltown, NY: *Akwesasne Notes*, 1986. Reprinted by Book Publishing Co.

Haudenosaunee philosophical/spiritual/political priorities as expressed in presentations to the Non-governmental Organizations of the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland in September of 1977.

Arden, Harvey. "The Fire That Never Dies". *National Geographic* 172:3 (September 1987) 375-403.

Overview of Haudenosaunee history and contemporary realities.

Barreiro, Jose, ed. Indian Roots of American Democracy. special edition: *Northeast Indian Quarterly*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University, 1988.

Evidences supporting Haudenosaunee influences upon the US Constitution presented by various scholars at a Cornell University symposium during September 1987.

Barreiro, Jose and Carol Cornelius. Knowledge of the Elders: The Iroquois Condolence Cane Tradition. *Northeast Indian Quarterly*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University, 1991.

Traditions and symbolism in the Haudenosaunee condolence traditions, and explanations of various wampum belts and wampum strings.

Bonvillain, Nancy. Hiawatha: Founder of the Iroquois Confederacy. New York, NY: Chelsea House Publishers, 1992.

Junior High and High School level presentation of the epic story of the foundation of the Haudenosaunee, League of the Iroquois.

Bruchac, Joseph. The Wind Eagle and Other Abenaki Stories. Greenfield Center, NY: Bowman Books, 1985.

Collection of stories of the Algonquin speaking Abenaki.

Bruchac, Joseph, ed. New Voices From The Longhouse. Greenfield Center, NY: The Greenfield Review Press, 1989.

Collection of poems, short stories and essays by contemporary Haudenosaunee writers.

Caduto, Michael J. and Joseph Bruchac. Keepers of the Earth: Native American Stories and Environmental Activities for Children. Golden, CO: Fulcrum Publishing, 1988.

Collection of Native American stories from across the country accompanied by "lesson plans" relating to the topic expressed in each story.

Caduto, Michael J. and Joseph Bruchac. Keepers of the Animals: Native American Stories and Wildlife Activities for Children. Golden, CO: Fulcrum Publishing, 1991.

Collection of Native American stories from across the country accompanied by "lesson plans" relating to the topic expressed in each story, with an emphasis on animals.

Campisi, Jack and Laurence M. Hauptman. The Oneida Experience: Two Perspectives. Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1988.

Academic monographs concerning the Oneida Nation.

Churchill, Ward M. A Little Matter of Genocide. San Francisco, CA: City Lights Books, 1997.

Churchill "explores the history of holocaust and denial in this hemisphere, beginning with the arrival of Columbus and continuing on into the present."

Churchill, Ward. M. Annette Jaimes, ed. Fantasies of The Master Race. Monroe, MA: Common Courage Press, 1992.

Assimilation/Genocide of Native Americans and the role of literature, film, & cultural stereotyping from within America as it has replaced "...troops and guns as the relevant tool of colonization."

Colden, Cadwallader. History of the Five Nations. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 1980 reprint.

A reprint of a 1727 (Part I) and 1747 (Part II) eye-witness description of Haudenosaunee government, culture and other observations by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of New York.

Cornelius, Carol. The Six Nations Series. Ithaca, NY: American Indian Program Cornell University, 1990.

A brief description and history of each of the nations of the Haudenosaunee with maps, and description of contemporary realities with indications of present day reservations.

Deloria, Vine Jr. Red Earth White Lies: Native Americans and The Myth of Scientific Fact. New York, NY: Scribner, 1995.

A Native scholar's critical view of some of the assumptions about Native America "proven" by methods of western scholarship and the scientific method, delicately spiced with humor.

Fenton, William, ed. Parker on the Iroquois. Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1968.

Three monographs by Arthur C. Parker published during the early 20th Century which deal with the Haudenosaunee use of corn and other food plants, the teachings of the Seneca prophet, Handsome Lake, and a version of the Kaianerekowa (Iroquois Constitution, Great Law of Peace).

George-Kanentiio, Douglas M. and Joanne Shenandoah-Tekalihkwa:khwa. Skywoman: Legends of the Iroquois. Santa Fe, NM: Clear Light Publishers, 1998.

Traditional stories of the Haudenosasunee as told by Doug George (Mohawk) and his wife, Joanne Shenandoah (Oneida). Illustrated by David Fadden (Mohawk) and his father, John Fadden (Mohawk).

George-Kanentiio, Douglas M. [Iroquois Culture & Commentary](#). Santa Fe, NM: Clear Light Publishers, 2000.

From the backcover: an "...insiders view of Iroquois history, culture, and traditions---from the founding of the Great Law of Peace narely a thousand years ago to the current movement to revitalize cultural traditions and recover some portion of the lost homelands."

George-Kanentiio, Douglas M. [Iroquois on Fire: A Voice From The Mohawk Nation](#). Westport, CT, Praeger Publishers, 2006.

This book speaks a bit about the history of the Haudenosasunee, Akwesasne, Ray Fadden, land claims, court decisions, Oneida, Akwesasne Collapse (1990), "Warriors," and the 1990 events including the fight at Davey George's on and before May 1.

Graymont, Barbara, ed. [Fighting Tuscarora: The Autobiography of Chief Clinton Rickard](#). Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1973.

Biography of Clinton Rickard, Tuscarora, and his important role as a contemporary "warrior" defending the rights of his people and others of the Haudenosaunee against Canada, United States and New York State.

Grinde, Donald A. [The Iroquois and the Founding of the American Nation](#). San Francisco, CA: Indian Historian Press, 1973.

Evidences the influences upon the United States Constitution by the Haudenosaunee.

Grinde, Donald A., and Bruce E. Johansen. [Exemplar of Liberty: Native America and the Evolution of Democracy](#). Los Angeles, CA: University of Los Angeles, American Indian Studies Center, 1991.

Compilation of the works of two scholars from divergent trails who speak of the influences upon the thinking of the founding fathers of the United States Constitution.

Grinde, Donald A., and Bruce E. Johansen. [Ecocide of Native America: Environmental Destruction of Indian Lands & Peoples](#). Santa Fe, NM: Clear Light Publishers, 1995.

Environmental degradations of contemporary society and their effects on Native American lands.

Hauptman, Lawrence. [The Iroquois Struggle for Survival: World War II to Red Power](#). Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1986.

Political, governmental, and other intrusions from beyond Haudenosaunee territories during the period of the late 1940's into the 1970's, and the defensive reactions of the People.

Hutchens, Alma R. "[Indian Herbarology of North America](#)". Boston, MA: Shambhala, 1991.

An illustrated encyclopedic guide to more than two hundred medicinal plants found in North America. Native American traditions are compared with traditional uses of the same plants among other cultures including China & Russia.

Jaimes, M. Annette, Ed. [The State of Native America](#). Boston, MA: South End Press, 1992.

A collection of essays by noted Native American authors, from Vine Deloria, Jr. to John Mohawk, exploring the circumstances confronted by Native people in the US, including treaty rights, international status, land & fishing rights, demography, self-governance, identity, education, spiritual hucksterism and other topics.

Jemison, G. Peter and Anna M. Schein. [Treaty of Canandaigua, 1794](#). Santa Fe, NM: Clear Light Publishers, 2000.

Articles by a group of Haudenosaunee leaders & scholars. This book tells the complex and intriguing story of the Six Nations and their relationship with the United States over the 200-year period following the American Revolution. Lands have been lost in violation of this treaty and the struggle continues.

Jennings, Francis. [The Invasion of America: Indians, Colonialism and the Cant of Conquest](#). New York, NY: W. W. Norton and Company, 1975.

The painful fate of the New England Natives subsequent to the intrusion of Europeans including "...a land made waste by the diseases and demoralization

introduced by the newcomers." The events presented within this publication were repeated across this country from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Johannsen, Christina B. and John P. Ferguson. Iroquois Arts: A directory of a People and Their Work. Warnerville, NY: The Association for the Advancement of Native North American Arts and Crafts, 1983.

Illustration of continued artistic expression by Haudenosaunee in the form of beadwork, sculpture, basketry, painting, and other creative expressions of Native culture.

Johansen, Bruce E. Forgotten Founders: Benjamin Franklin, The Iroquois and the Rationale for the American Revolution. Boston, MA: The Harvard Common Press, 1982.

Evidences the influences upon the United States Constitution by the Haudenosaunee.

Johansen, Bruce E. Life & Death In Mohawk Country. Golden, Co: North American Press, 1993.

A careful analysis of the many factors that caused death & destruction in 1989-1990 within the Mohawk community of Akwesasne.

Keoke, Emory Dean and Kay Marie Porterfield. Encyclopedia Of American Indian Contributions To The World. Facts On File, NYC, 2002

From the back cover: "...a comprehensive resource to the numerous inventions and innovations made by American Indians." "...many do not know that 75 percent of the varieties of food grown in the world today are indigenous to North, Meso-, and South America." "...includes more than 450 entries of offerings made by the indigenous people of the Americas..."

Loewen, James W. Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong. New York, NY: The New Press, 1995.

Author's discovery of, in respect to information in history text books, "...embarrassing amalgam of bland optimism, blind patriotism, and misinformation pure and simple." This book includes examples of the twisted lies and half-truths about Native America, and other inaccurate presentations of American history.

Lyons, Oren and John Mohawk, eds. Exiled in The Land of The Free: Democracy, Indian Nations, and The U.S. Constitution. Santa Fe: Clear Light Publishers, 1992.

Essays by Native and non-Native scholars reflecting Haudenosaunee history and culture, and the issue of influences upon the US Constitution.

Maracle, David. Let's Speak Mohawk, #AFMH10.

Three audio cassettes and a 112-page book . A beginning-level course in conversational Mohawk with pronunciation, grammar, structures and vocabulary: One Thousand Useful Mohawk Words Dictionary. Further information may be gathered from the following:

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website:<http://audioforum.com/index.php?crn=3468&start=2>

Morgan, Lewis H. League of the Ho-de-no-sau-nee or Iroquois. 1851. New York, NY: Corinth Books, 1962 reprint.

Mid-19th Century ethnological study of Haudenosaunee written by Lewis Morgan with much input from the Seneca, Ely Parker.

Reid, Gerald F. Mohawk Territory: a Cultural Geography. Kahnawake, Quebec: Center for Curriculum Development, 1981.

A geographical and geological text concerning the earth with an emphasis on the Northeast with Native priorities and attitudes expressed.

Slapin, Beverly and Doris Seale. Through Indian Eyes: The Native Experience in Books for Children. Philadelphia, PA: New Society Publishers, 1992.

Collection of articles regarding 'books about Indians' from a Native perspective allowing teachers, parents, and librarians to understand subtle stereotypes & mythology about Natives in children's literature.

Schaaf, Gregory. Wampum Belts & Peace Trees. Golden, CO: Fulcrum Publishing, 1990.

Schaaf, using previously unknown papers of Colonel George Morgan, weaves a story of Native Nations of the northeast and their response to the gathering war clouds of the Revolutionary War.

Stannard, David E. American Holocaust. New York. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1992.

The word 'holocaust' brings mind Nazi Germany, ethnic cleansing in the former Yugoslavia, and the atrocities committed in contemporary Rowanda...David Stannard's study informs readers that a holocaust occurred in the Americas as well, and there were millions of victims between 1492 and 1890.

Swamp, Jake. Giving Thanks: A Native American Good Morning Message. New York, NY: Lee & Low Books, Inc., 1995.

The Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address designed for the reading level of children with colorful illustrations by the Tuscarora painter, Irwin Printup, Jr.

Stokes, John, and Dan Thompson. Thanksgiving Address: Greetings to the Natural World, Corrales, NM, The Tracking Project, nd.

A pocket-size edition expressing the basic essence of the Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address, illustrated, and with translations from English to Mohawk by Dan Thompson.

Tehanetorens (Ray Fadden), Legends of the Iroquois, Summertown, TN: The Book Publishing Company, 1998.

Reprint of story pamphlets that were originally published in the late 1930s and 1940s by Ray Fadden. These ancient Haudenosaunee stories are presented in pictographs with English translation, plus they are supported by illustrations by the author's son, John Kahionhes Fadden.

Tehanetorens (Ray Fadden), Wampum Belts of the Iroquois, Summertown, TN: The Book Publishing Company, 1999 reprint.

A brief history of wampum usage and it's beginnings among the Haudenosaunee with photographs of students of the Indian Way School holding replicas of important Haudenosaunee wampum belts and strings. Text provides descriptions of the meanings of each piece and how they fit into the history of the Haudenosaunee.

Tehanetorens (Ray Fadden), [Roots of the Iroquois](#), Summertown, TN: The Book Publishing Company, 2000 reprint.

A glimpse into the historical underpinnings of the Six Nations Iroquois Confederacy (Haudenosaunee). The Confederacy was established to bring about peace among the Mohawks, Oneidas, Onondagas, Cayugas and Senecas with the Tuscaroras joining later. The Confederacy's principles have been inspirational to many with its freedoms of speech, of belief, and equal representation for all (including women).

Trigger, Bruce G. ed. [Volume 15 Northeast Handbook of North American Indians](#). Washington, DC: Smithsonian Institution Press, 1978.

Informative academic treatment of Native Nations of the northeast.

Venables, Robert W., [American Indian History: Five Centuries of Conflict & Coexistence](#), two volumes. Clear Light Publishing, Santa Fe, NM, 2004

"...chronicles the dynamic process of interaction among Indian nations, Europeans and the United States during the past five centuries."

Wagner, Sally Roesch. [Sisters In Spirit: Haudenosaunee \(Iroquois\) Influence on Early American Feminists](#). Summertown, TN, Native Voices, Book Publishing Company, 2001.

This publication details the Native American influences upon the American woman's rights movement. From the back cover: "Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) women fired the revolutionary vision of early feminists by providing a model of freedom for women at a time when EuroAmerican women experienced few rights."

Weatherford, Jack. [Indian Givers: How the Indians of the Americas Transformed the World](#). New York, NY: Crown Publishers, 1988.

Gifts to the world in the form of food plants (3/5 of what we eat today), medicines, government, inventions and other innovations native to the western hemisphere have improved living conditions throughout the world.

Weatherford, Jack. Native Roots: How the Indians Enriched America. New York, NY: Crown Publishers, 1991.

Native cultures, deeply rooted in American soil, have influenced the transplanted European society in language, heritage and cultural elements which has evolved into the modern America we know today.

Williams, Ted. The Reservation. Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1976.

A novel which takes place during the first half of the 20th Century written with the indelible stamp of Native culture and reality.

Wright, Ronald. Stolen Continents. New York: Houghton Mifflin, 1992

Tragedies of the Americas since 1492. A gut-wrenching account of man's inhumanity to man rendered by the voices of the victims in expression of the diabolic truth of the European invasion.

Some of these publications, and others, may be acquired from the following sources:

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