

ITALEO Newsletter



"Supporting those who protect us"

REMINDER

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

6:00 PM

Sicilian Sports Club

1296 East Ridge Rd.

Rochester, NY 14621

Guest Speaker: Denny Wright

See you there!

UPCOMING EVENT

ITALEO SUMMER PICNIC

Sunday, August 13, 2023

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

St. Paul Exempt

690 Thomas Ave.

Rochester, NY 14617

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UPCOMING EVENT

ITALEO DINNER CRUISE

Saturday, September 23, 2023

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Colonial Belle

400 Packetts Landing

Fairport, NY 14450

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Celebrating 30 Years

"Every child deserves a name": Revisiting a 1988 Irondequoit cold case

Bekka Fifield News10NBC
IRONDEQUOIT, NY

A decades-old cold case in Irondequoit is still open and authorities are still looking for answers. Skeletal remains were found almost 40 years ago behind a home on Bay Knoll Road in Irondequoit. Investigators are still trying to figure out who this person was and what happened to them.

"So, it was July 1988," Irondequoit Police Captain Jessica Franco said. "A 12-year-old boy was playing in his backyard when he discovered the skeletal remains that were buried in a shallow grave."

These remains belonged to a girl or woman between the ages of 15 and 20 who stood about 5 feet tall.

"So, I was digging a hole and after I got down about two feet, I came across some bones," Rick, who found the bones, said.

She is believed to have died in the late fifties to early sixties, meaning she was most likely buried there before the housing development was even built.

"There was a lot of construction going on at the time and up until this area was developed, it was originally an orchard," Franco said.

Authorities say there was no trauma found on the bones, but the way they found her remains was unusual.

"They deemed it to be suspicious," Franco said. "At this point we believe it to be a homicide."

She currently goes by the name Jane Doe, but the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, or NCMEC, is working to change that. It created this facial reconstruction back in 2019.

"One of the ways we can do that is working with a CT scan or photographs of the skull that our artist can use to then apply their skills and their techniques to create a face of what this child may have looked like in life," NCMEC program manager, Carol Schweitzer said.

Not only that, but Irondequoit Police have been working with the Monroe County Medical Examiner's office and have loaded her DNA into a national database where it is compared to the DNA on file for other missing persons.

"Every child deserves a name," Schweitzer said. "She deserves to be buried under her birth name and who she was and returned to her family, rightly."

"The think that always upset me was whoever's family she was from, she was never listed as missing," said former Irondequoit Police Captain Mark Bonsignore.

Bonsignore was assigned the case when the remains were found. Not knowing much at the beginning, they wanted to make sure everything was handled properly.

"Originally, we called in at the RMSC. They have some anthropologists that came down to do a dig so everything was handled correctly," Bonsignore said.

Police suspect her death was a homicide and say the victim, whom they call Jane Doe, was dumped in the area before houses were built. The medical examiner determined she was killed in the late 50s.

"Being in the sand, he said that was the worse case scenario, being in the sand because everything just washes through, whatever was there," Bonsignore said.

Dick Pagano remembers when the remains were found next door to his home. His guess as to who she is, is as good as anyone else's.

"No, they haven't identified her yet, they kind of thought she might have been from out of town though, that's what I heard," Pagano said.

To try to identify the victim, the original forensic medical examiner reconstructed the victim's face out of clay in 1988. In 2019, the National center for Missing and Exploited Children created a computer rendering with updated technology.

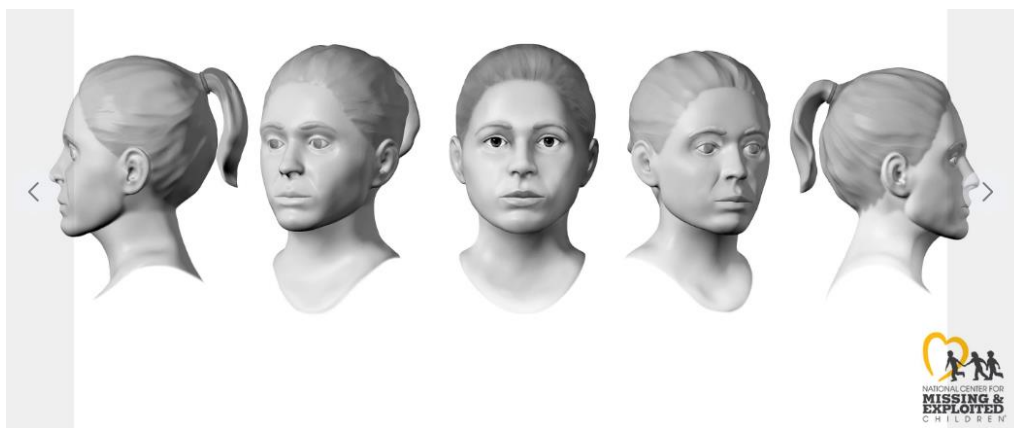
But 35 years after she was found, there are no leads.

"Did it ever bother you when you retired?" Reporter Bekka Fifield asked.

"Always, it's the only one we never solved," Bonsignore said.

If you know who she may be or anything about this case, you can send tips to Irondequoit Police at tips@irondequoit.gov. And if you're looking for more information, you can visit the Irondequoit Jane Facebook page [here](#).

<https://www.whec.com/top-news/every-child-deserves-a-name-revisiting-a-1988-irondequoit-cold-case/>



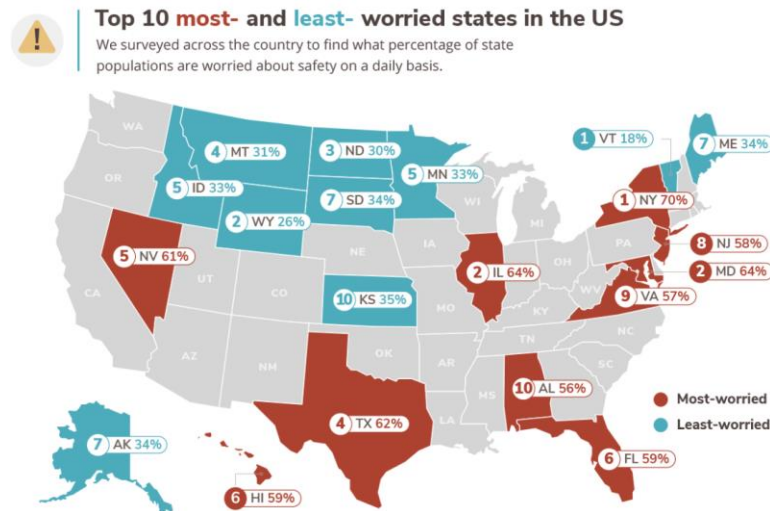
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June 2, 2023

By Rebecca Edwards

Every year we talk to at least 5,000 people to see how safe they feel living in the US. Find out which states worry the most about safety, which ones worry least, and where people have experienced the most run-ins with violent and property crime.

Our full 2023 State of Safety report will be published in July. For now, we've added some of the most compelling findings as we continue to analyze the data.

**2023 gun violence update**

After an overwhelming number of respondents from our 2019 survey expressed concern about mass shootings, we added that category to the State of Safety survey in 2020. Starting with the 2021 State of Safety survey, we asked Americans about their concerns and their experience with gun violence.

Over the past three years, we've continued to receive an avalanche of answers indicating concern over gun violence in general. Here's a look at our most recent survey data.

Gun violence concerns and incidents jump again

This year, just over 1 in 2 Americans told us they are highly concerned about a gun violence incident happening to them. The overall level of concern jumped 9% year over year.

Unfortunately, it looks like those concerns aren't unfounded. According to the FBI's most recent crime data, homicides increased by nearly 40% year over year and an overwhelming 78% of all homicides were committed with some kind of firearm.

Interesting findings

- 51% of respondents are highly concerned about gun violence happening to them—that's up from 47% in 2021 and 36% in 2020.
- Gun violence and shootings are the third-highest "top of mind" concern named by respondents.
- Respondents ages 18–34 reported the most experience with gun violence (17%).
- Respondents ages 35–54 are most concerned about gun violence (50%).
- Reports of gun violence experience rose from 8% in 2020 to 12% in 2021 and 2022.
- Mass shootings fell 6% year over year between 2021 and 2022. We've seen 268 mass shootings reported through May 31, 2023, putting us on track to match or slightly exceed last year.
- Since 2020, respondents tell us they're hearing more gunshots where they live—from Alaska to Connecticut.

<https://www.safewise.com/state-of-safety/>

ITALEO Dinner Cruise



ITALEO Dinner Cruise

Celebrating 30 years of excellence and remembering
(President Emeritus)
Sharon Rivaldo

Boarding at 6:15PM-Ends at 8:30PM | Ticket price 45\$ Per Person

Sponsorship Packages Available:

- Gold \$1,000; includes 8 tickets, advertisement & 30th Anniversary Pin
- Silver \$500; includes 4 tickets & advertisement
- Bronze \$250; includes 2 tickets & advertisement

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Colonial Belle
400 Packetts Landing
Fairport, NY

TICKETS ARE LIMITED!

Tickets can only be purchased Online or through Jessica Franco or Edmond Bernabei. Tickets will also be available at the July Meeting.

We are ONLY accepting checks mailed to the PO Box for SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES!

Tickets include:

2-hour boat ride & dinner

- Chicken Parmigiana
- Pasta Marinara/Meatballs
- Salad/Bread & Butter
- Gluten Free, Vegetarian & Vegan Options available (Please let us know in advance)
- Dessert

RECIPE CORNER

Campari Spritz Cocktail

A delightfully refreshing cocktail perfect for all occasions. The chilled prosecco makes this Campari cocktail perfect for warm nights and the red of the Campari makes it wonderful as a festive drink. Whether you are reading this recipe over Christmas or in the summer, this cocktail is the perfect one to create an easy and delicious drink for friends!

INGREDIENTS

Campari – 2 parts
Italian Prosecco, chilled – 3 parts
Soda Water, a dash
Ice

INSTRUCTIONS

In a wine glass with ice cubes, pour in sequence the chilled Prosecco, the Campari and the soda water. Mix well with a stirrer to obtain a cheerful, consistent red color. Add orange slice to glass rim for garnish.

NOTE

Do not prepare cocktails in advance. Serve as needed so the Prosecco stays chilled. Best served pre-dinner with Italian snacks on the side.



<https://mamalovesitaly.com/campari-spritz-recipe/>

If you'd like to submit an Italian Recipe to include in the next newsletter, please email us at:
italeorochester@gmail.com

Non-ITALEO Events

Irondequoit Town Hall Campus
1280 Titus Avenue, Rochester, NY 14617

4th of July Festival

Monday, July 3rd

11:00 AM – 11:00 PM: Arts and Crafts Show & Sale.
11:00 AM – 11:00 PM: Food Vendors, Entertainment & Activities.
7:00 PM: Street Dance.

Tuesday, July 4th

8:00 AM: 2-Mile Fun Run & 8:30 AM: 10K-Run.
11:00 AM: Parade from IHS to Titus to Town Hall.
Reading of the Declaration of Independence
Fireworks at dusk; weather permitting.

National Night Out

Wednesday, August 2nd

ITALEO will be setting up a table.
More details to follow.