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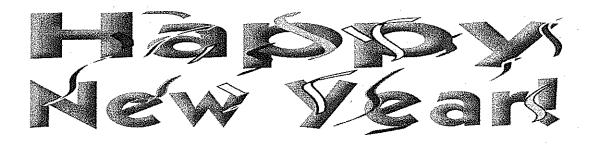
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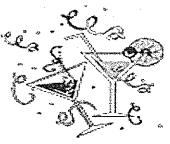
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Mid-Winter Moon

January 2014



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### Director's Corner Sagoli Oneida Elders

The staff of Elder Services, Title V workers and Elder Helpers would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year. Included in my message are updates for the year 2013.

Tribal Aging Directors Association holds regular meetings on a by-monthly basis. The Association consists of the 11 Tribal Aging Directors of Wisconsin. This past September 5th, Elder Services hosted the Wisconsin Tribal Aging Directors meeting at the Radisson. On September 6<sup>th</sup> we hosted the Great Lakes Native American Elders Association (GLNAEA). Some of the topics of discussion and items covered were Budgets, Sequestration, 2014 NICOA Conference, Wisconsin Aging Bureau updates, Affordable Care Act, Aging and Disability Resource Centers and Family Care.

I would like to thank the ONCOA Board, Wes Martin-Chair, Arlie Doxtator-Vice Chair, Marlene Summers-Secretary, Pearl Mc Lester, Shirley Barber, Carol Elm, Clifford Doxtator, MaryAnn Kruckeberg and Charlene Cornelius for their continued support and leadership in advocating for our elders and the program. Consistent advocacy has been the hallmark of Wisconsin's Aging Network and has always been a primary focus for the members of the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging. ONCOA continues to demonstrate skill in securing long-term care and support services for tribal elders to help them maintain their independence. We also thank Lois Strong and Rochelle Powless for continued coordination and support.

This year in working with ONCOA, we completed the Three Year Plan for our Title III grant. Our goals for 2013-2015 will focus on collaboration and coordination with internal programs and external aging agencies to enhance the programs and services under the Older Americans Act. Focus areas will be Alzheimer's or related disorders and Emergency preparedness. Elder Services will plan activities to educate and show the importance of making safety a priority so elders are able to respond to emergencies (natural or man-made). Evidence Based Prevention Programming, like AARP Driver Safety program, Powerful Tools for Caregivers, Falls Prevention, and Chronic Disease Self-Management. Elder Services Program will reach out to coordinate with the surrounding county ACRC's to maximize services, information and resources.

I'd like to thank you all for completing the Identifying Our Needs Survey of Elders. This needs survey assist us in determining the needs for Oneida elders. The analysis showed a strong demand or support for grandparents raising grandchildren. The surveys are analyzed and processed by the National Resource Center in North Dakota. We use the information from that report for our Title VI application. All information is held in strict confidence.

In collaboration with the new nursing home Anna John Resident Centered Care Community (AJRCCC), we moved into the Elder Services Congregate Meal site on November 4, 2013. Elder Services has a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with AJRCCC to provide meals for the congregate meal site and Home Delivered Meals. With the new 150 seat meal site we will be able to serve more elders nutritious meals.

I'd like to acknowledge and remember those elders that have passed into the spirit world. We like to thank those Tribal Departments that were strong in advocating for our elders and working with us. If you should have any questions regarding the updates, please don't hesitate to give me a call. I would like to wish you all good health, peace and joy throughout the New Year.

Have a happy, warm and safe New Year from all the staff at Elder Services.



Menu

Congregate Meal Site, 2901 S. Overland, Oneida, WI 54155 Phone: 1-920-869-1551

	nesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
All Meals are served with	Menu is subject to change.	1 Closed for New Year's	2 Pork Medallions	3 Honey Dipped Chicken
Milk, coffee, tea, juice or	Lunch is served Monday-	Day	Rice Pilaf	Roasted Potatoes
water	Friday 12:00-1:00 PM	,	Butternut squash	Zucchini
			Corn muffin	Dinner Roll
The second secon			Cheesecake	Variety Fruit
6 Liver N Onions	7 Spaghetti w/ meat sauce	8 Swiss Steak	9 Beef Stew	10 Baked Fish Filet
Mashed Potatoes	Zucchini	Baked Potato w/sour cream	Biscuit	Oven Roasted Potatoes
Carrots	Cheesy Bread	Brussels Sprouts	Raw Veggies w/dip	Asparagus
Bread slice	Fresh Fruit	Fruit Cocktail	Fresh Fruit	Rye Bread
Homemade Cookie		Dinner Roll		Orange Slices
13 Baked Ziti	14 Beef Vegetable Soup	15 Roast Turkey	16 Beef Stroganoff with	17 Salmon Loaf w/ creamed
Mixed Vegetables	Meat Sandwich	Roasted Sweet Potato	Noodles	pea Sauce
Breadstick	Salad	Wax Beans	Mixed Vegetables	Parsley Buttered Potatoes
Fresh Fruit	Gelatin	Corn Bread	Fruit	Rye Bread
		Cranberry Sauce	Ice Cream	Gelatin Fruit Salad
		Fruit		
20 Chicken Ala King	21 Meatloaf	22 Chicken Tetrazzini	23 Boiled Dinner	24 Potato Crusted Cod
Carrots	Cheesy Potatoes	Squash	Salad	California Blend Vegetables
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Potato Salad	Parsley Buttered Potatoes	Homemade Dressing	Homemade Bread	Roasted Rosemary
Broccoli	Squash	Mixed Vegetables	Fruit	Vegetables
Dinner Roll	Homemade Bread	Cranberry Sauce	Gelatin Cake	Creamy Coleslaw
Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Pear Crisp		Applesance

# JANUARY 2014 ACTIVITIES

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Tuesday	*Is this your Birthday Month? You must sign up in the Birthday Book at the AJRCCC. Must be present at B-day Lunch to receive your gift card	7 Crafts 10:00 – 11:30 AJRCCC	Crafts 9:30 – 11:30 AJRCCC	21 Crafts 9:30 – 11:30 AJRCCC	28 Crafts 9:30 – 11:30 AJRCCC
Monday	* Please sign up for trips at the AJRCCC. * All Trips leave from AJRCCC. * Activities subject to change.	6 Scrabble Game AJRCCC 9:30 Exercise Main Dining Hall 11:00 Bingo Main Dining Hall 1:00	AJF AJF ain Di	20 Cards AJRCCC 9:30 Exercise Main Dining Hall 11:00 Bingo	27 Scatergories Game AJRCCC 9:30 Exercise Main Dining Hall 11:00 Bingo

\*\*If you have any questions Please call Michelle at 869 -1551 \*\*

# Yawako

In the Oneida language, Yaw^ko means *Thank You!* During these hard economic times, the generosity of our community members means so much, which is why Oneida Elder Services would like to send a very special thank you to the following individual(s):

Josephine Oudenhoven

### Nice Comments....

"Thank you", to Laverne Lentz for donation of Book regarding a wonderful story about Sarah Palin – Governor of Alaska, nominated for Vice presidency to the Elder Services Library.

Pearl called and wanted to say "Thank you," to Elder services for providing services to her.

Thank you to Al Fabian for donating and bringing in 3 boxes of books for the Elder Services Library.

We would like to Thank, all the employees who work for the Oneida Tribe of Indians and Elder Services for all the work they do to keep everything running in a smooth and orderly fashion to help all the elders in the community.

# **ONCOA** Meetings:

Second and Fourth Tuesday of every month 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Elder Services Conference Room 2907 S Overland Rd Oneida, WI 54155

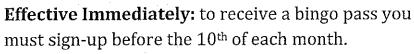


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Noisemakers Midnight Kiss January Hats
Fireworks Countdown Confetti Clock Celebration
Calendar New Year Baby Auld

# **Nutrition Information**

Contact: Loretta Mencheski - 920-869-1551



Questions: Loretta Mencheski-Meal Site Supervisor.



**Volunteers Wanted:** The meal site is looking for volunteers, age 55 or older; services needed are assistance in the kitchen and delivering Meals on Wheels to homebound elders. If you would like to volunteer, call Loretta (920) 869-1551, or you can stop by the meal site at 134 Riverdale Dr. Oneida, 54155.

# **Attention All Participants of the Senior Center Meal Site:**

Policies & Procedures Specific to the Older Americans Act – Funded Nutrition Program

Effective October 1, 2008 the meal site will maintain a reservation system for participants who eat at the meal site. Participants who eat at the meal site are asked to call in the day before to reserve or to cancel their meal for the next day, week, or month before 4:00 p.m. Contact Loretta Mencheski – 920-869-1551

\*No participant will be denied a meal\*

# **Upcoming Nutrition Advisory Council Meetings**

• When: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Where: Oneida Senior Center Meal Site

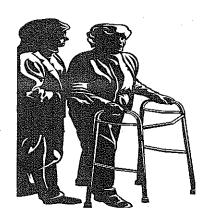
Attention All Participants of the Senior Center Meal Site:

Effective June 17, 2013 the meal cost for ages under 55 will increase to \$8.00. We are asking all participants who plan on eating at the meal site to call in the day before to reserve their meal for the following day, week, or month. We also ask if you have reserved your meal and you cannot make it please call and cancel your reservation.

To Reserve or Cancel your meals please call (920) -869-1551

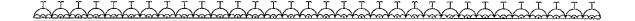
# Oneida Elder Services Native American Family Caregiver Information

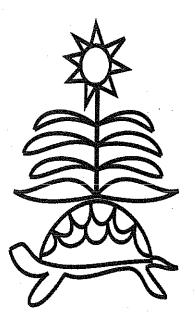
Oneida Elder Services would like to introduce the "Native American Family Caregiver Voucher/Stipend Program". It is designed to give established primary caregivers the opportunity to have a break from their caregiving responsibilities for up to 4 hours a month. It also provides an hourly stipend/wage to the relief caregiver. You may qualify for this program if you are a caregiver, recipient, or grandparent who is legally caring for their grandchild(ren), Native American, age 55+ and live within the reservation boundaries.



Please contact Barbara Silva/Native American Family Caregiver at (920) 869-2448 for details.

\*\*Services are dependent on available funds\*\*





Please join us for our Alzheimer's & Native American Family Caregiver Support Group at:

Elder Services Complex – Pod A 2907 S Overland Rd, Oneida WI 54155 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

For more information, contact Barbara Silva/Native American Family Caregiver at (920)869-2448.



### BENEFIT SPECIALIST AT ELDER MEAL SITE

On the **second** and **fourth Monday** of the month Angela Ortiz, Benefit Specialist for Oneida Elder Services will be at the Elder Meal Site located at 2901 S Overland Rd, Oneida, WI 54155 from **11:30** a.m. to



**1:00 p.m.** She will be there to answer questions and offer assistance with Medicare, Medicaid, Senior Care, and similar programs that are available for Elders. Please feel free to stop by with questions on those days or contact her in the office.

Any questions please contact: Angela Ortiz, Benefit Specialist at (920) 869-2448



# Make a Difference in your Community become a Foster Grandparent or Senior Companion:

Are you a senior, 55 years or older who enjoys spending and/or sharing your time, knowledge of tradition and culture? If income eligible, you can make a difference in your community by volunteering up to 8 hours a day while receiving extra income.

**Foster Grandparents** provide an inter-generational exchange between Elders and youth. Elders can serve as mentors to youth at tribal schools, day care centers, head start, after-school activity groups and youth centers.

**Senior Companions** provide opportunities for healthy older adults to serve Elders who may be homebound, alone, and/or isolated without family support. Senior Companions may serve clients within reservation boundaries.

Come share with our community, enjoy life, help others and earn tax-free money!

For an opportunity in your area contact: Angela Ortiz, Benefit Specialist (920) 869-2448

You must be a least 55 years of age, complete a background check and meet Income guidelines to earn a stipend!



# Elder Abuse Prevention Wednesday

January 15, 2014 12:00 noon

Elder Meal Site 2901 S Overland Rd Oneida, WI 54155



WHO:

Joyce Johnson

Elder Abuse Prevention Coordinator

WHAT:

What is Elder Abuse?

What to do when you see an elder being abused?

Who to contact?

Any question please contact (Joyce Johnson- Elder Abuse Prevention Coord. Supervisor) at (920) 869-2448

### WISCONSIN COUNCIL OF THE BLIND

PRESENTER:

Bruce Parkinson

WHEN:

January 21, 2014

TIME:

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM

LOCATION:

Elder Services Meal site

2901 S Overland Rd

Oneida, WI 54155

Please come to meet a presenter who will share his personal experiences with Legal Blindness. He will speak about programs available to assist with the special challenges that this disease presents.

Questions pertaining to this subject will be answered during the presentation.

Please contact Joyce Johnson – (920) 869-2448



## **Oneida Elder Services Activity Notice**

Please disregard the December Activity Notice in the previous Drums regarding Bingo. Bingo will be reinstated. We apologize for any inconvenience the article may have caused. Any questions or concerns feel free to contact:

Tina Pospychala, Assistant Director or Florence Petri, Program Director at: (920)869-2448

# **Oneida Elder Services Transportation Activities**

Provides free transportation to all Elder Services Activities

See the Activity Calendar in Drums Across Oneida

Plan your day, including lunch (Mon - Thurs) at the Meal Site

Door to Door Service!!

For more information please contact:
Michelle Cottrell, Activity Specialist or
Joyce Ann Hoes, Transportation Supervisor
(920) 869-2448
RIDE the BUS!!



# **Elder Services Senior Transportation**



We have Oneida Public Transit & Green Bay Metro bus passes available to

Elders 55 years or older who are gainfully employed,

Serve on a board, committee or commission that pays stipends.

# While Supplies Last!

For more information please contact:

Joyce Ann Hoes, Transportation Supervisor (920) 869-2448

# Maintenance Corner

Justine Hill, Maintenance Supervisor

# 2013-2014 Snow Plowing

Due to limited staff and an extensive list, we will be plowing out our Priority List first then we will begin to get the remaining list when we can.

- Must be on Emergency Response System (ERS) otherwise known as "Life Line" or "Care Gard" and/or on dialysis
- You must be the homeowner and must reside at that residence
- Must provide proof of homeownership
- Must reside within Oneida Reservation boundaries
- Snow plowing will begin with measurable snowfall of three (3) inches or more
- A Needs Assessment must be completed and up-to-date

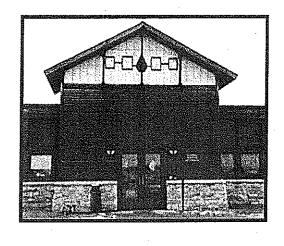
The purpose for snow plowing is to allow emergency vehicles access to those that are on ERS and dialysis.

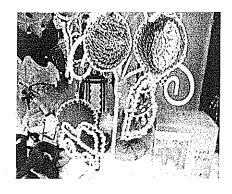
Your patience and understanding is appreciated as we go through our lists. We will salt your main entrance; however, we do not salt the whole driveway.

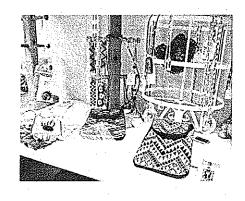
\*Please contact Kristine Hughes, Services Coordinator for any service requests\*

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We strongly encourage family members to help the elders with snow removal.







# Oneida Elder Gift Shop

Located inside the Elder Services Complex

2907 South Overland Rd. Oneida, WI

**Open Monday – Friday** 

8:00 To 12:00PM & 12:30PM to 4:30PM

Meet our friendly elder employees.

Beautiful handmade Crafts by Oneida Elders.

Beadwork, jewelry, birdhouses, ribbon-shirts,

Coasters, t-shirts, hoodies, and baskets
Oneida Singers Tapes and CD's

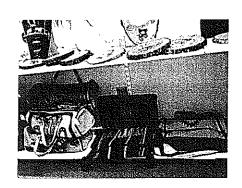


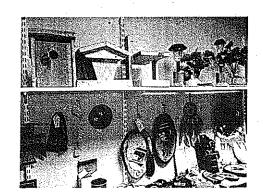
# Fresh popcorn, soda, and water

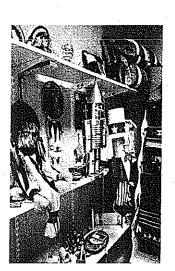
No consignment fees for Oneida elders, age 55 and older to display and sell your arts and crafts.

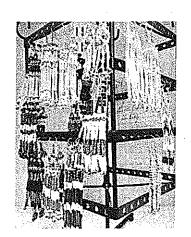
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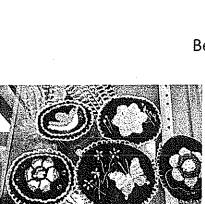
# Barb Skenandore at 920-869-2448











### **GLNAEA**



Great Lakes Native American Elders Association
Sponsored by Lake Superior Chippewa
March 6 & 7, 2014 – Lac Du Flambeau
Lake of the Torches Resort/Casino
717 Peace Pipe Rd, Lac Du Flambeau, WI 54538
1-715-588-9262 or 1-800-25-torch

All GLNAEA member elders who want to participate in coordination with Elder Services please sign up at the Oneida Senior Center Meal Site by Monday, Feb. 18, 2014. Payment must be received at sign-up and GLNAEA membership verification will be requested at time of payment. We will make arrangements for 8 people and will be using our tribal van, (please bring no more than 1-bag per person). Participants must be independent, (able to help themselves), and be in good health (to prevent spread of illness). We will be staying at the Lake of the Torches Resort/Casino and the cost is \$35.00 per person. We will leave the Congregate Meal site at 12:30 pm on Wednesday March 6. If you have any questions please call Oneida Elder Services Meal site (920) 869-1551. Thank you.

Next Meeting Information: June 5 & 6, 2014 – Carter (Potawatomi) Sept. 4 & 5, 2014 – Ho-Chunk Nation





Paid Training Positions Available!!

Part-Time training positions for those over 55!!

- Criteria
- ♦ Must be 55 or older
- Must not exceed low-income guidelines
- Must reside in the state you work in
- Must not have worked in past 7 days

We are looking for elders to participate in this paid training program part-time 20 hours a week.

Interested call:

Erica Hawpetoss, MN/WI Job Developer P. O. Box 910
Keshena, WI 54135
Phone: 715-799-5309
E-mail: ehawpetoss@nicoa.org

Oneida Elder Services Kristine Hughes, Services Specialist Phone: 920-869-2448 ~ Toll Free 800-867-1551

These positions are paid for and sponsored by National Indian Council on Aging. For more information on NICOA feel free to look at their website. www.nicoa.org



Blood, Nation, and Citizenship in the 21st Century By: The Oneida Trust and Enrollment Committee Article 6 of 8

This series of articles is designed to inform Oneida citizens about Tribal enrollment issues. The goal of these articles is to generate community conversations leading up to and beyond the Sept 7th Sustain Oneida Summit which will explore potential solutions for citizenship and belonging.

As Oneida people, we must remember we are not just racial minorities; we are also citizens of a separate nation. The fact that we have a sovereign right to self-government is what makes us different from any other racial or ethnic group in the United States. Even the U.S. Constitution describes Indian tribes as separate governments. The Constitution's Commerce Clause states that Congress has the right "To regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes." As a sovereign nation, we have the power to determine who can be citizens of the Oneida Nation, and it does not necessarily have to be based upon race and the amount of Oneida blood that someone has.

Since time immemorial, membership within the Oneida Nation had nothing to do with blood DNA. For instance, when we lived alongside the Stockbridge-Munsee people in New York, there was much intermarriage between our tribes. We also mixed with people from other Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) tribes. Beginning in 1936, however, we began to base Oneida Nation citizenship upon blood quantum. Many other tribes also adopted blood quantum requirements during the 1930s. Today, more and more Oneidas are of mixed race and no longer meet the minimum ¼ blood requirement. Soon, few may meet that threshold. The United States, as a whole, is becoming much more multi-racial as well. Now is an important time to consider whether or not blood should remain the only factor that qualifies one for Oneida citizenship. Multiple routes to citizenship would be more inclusive.

What exactly does it mean to be an Oneida Nation citizen in the 21st century? Is it about looking like a "real Indian"? Many people don't, including some tribal members who exceed the minimum blood requirement. Is it about being from the reservation? Many of our tribal members live off the reservation, and some in distant parts of the country. Is it about being knowledgeable of our traditional ways? Large numbers of Oneidas are strictly Christian. Some Native scholars have argued that "peoplehood" is based upon shared bonds through territory, language, sacred history, and ceremony. Must one have ¼ Oneida blood to be part of those social bonds? After all, don't we all know someone (perhaps the spouse of a tribal member) who is a recognizable member of our community, yet is not an enrolled citizen because they lack Oneida blood? Should we allow non-members, regardless of their race, to apply for citizenship just as the United States does? We dedicate much time to discussing what our rights are as tribal citizens, but what are the responsibilities of Oneida citizenship? These and other difficult questions need to be asked so we can initiate the gradual process of building an agreement. The blood quantum requirement has become so familiar to us that it can be hard to imagine how tribal membership could be determined without it. What we all must keep in mind, however, is that the blood quantum system is a relative newcomer in our

community. Perhaps we will decide as a nation to keep some form of it, but we ought to enter into that discussion realizing that race and citizenship status need not be one and the same, and that we can think outside the blood quantum box, if we so choose.

For more information about Sustain Oneida, please visit:

https://www.facebook.com/OneidaTrust

https://www.oneida-nsn.gov/TrustEnrollmentCommittee.aspx

Or call: Dottie Krull - 920-869-4372 - Education & Training Admin.

For comments or questions, please email: <a href="mailto:sustainoneida@oneidanation.org">sustainoneida@oneidanation.org</a>

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