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The Oneida Nation Thunderhawks boys and girls basketball teams took the court against WI Valley Luthern.



Stem Cell research study – 1B

Staber Burr is selected to participate in a stem cell research study out of the University of CA - San Diego.

Transit donates vehicle to Elderly Services

By Nate Wisneski
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A new vehicle will be making work around the Elderly Services Complex a little easier. The truck, setup with a snow plow, will be used to assist with chores.

"The vehicle will be used to serve elders in the area for snow plowing, yard maintenance and grass cutting," said Florence Petri, Program Director at Oneida Tribe Elder Services.

The vehicle was donated to Elderly Services by the Oneida Public Transit (OPT) through a memo-

randum of agreement between the two departments in which OPT will transport Elder Services clients to their activities, meals, and appointments.

The vehicle was purchased using funds from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation utilizing American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds.

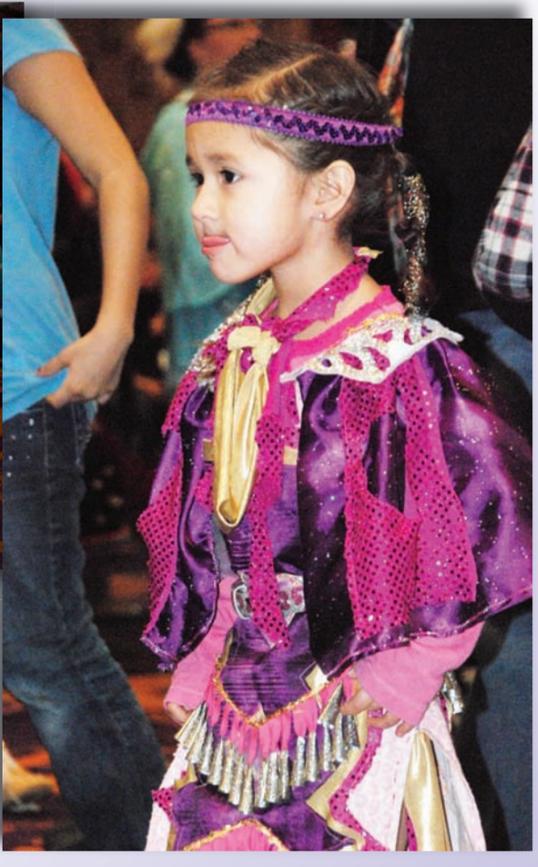
According to Brandon Cooper, Interim Public Transit Manager (Director), the elder population makes up approximately 30 percent of OPT's ridership.



Staff from Oneida Public Transit, Oneida Grants Department, Elderly Services along with Oneida Business Committee member Melinda Danforth stand in front of a vehicle donated to Elderly Services from the Oneida Public Transit department.

Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Honor the Youth Powwow



The 2012 Honor the Youth Powwow was held Saturday, February 4 at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center. The powwow featured youth and teen specials with a grand entry at 1 PM. Arena Directors were Albert King Jr. and Dayton Sanapaw.

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Oneida Business Committee Wrap: February 8, 2012

By Nate Wisneski
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The Oneida Business Committee (OBC) took action to hold an April 21 General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting off the reservation at Shopko Hall in Ashwaubenon during an OBC meeting on Wednesday, February 8 at the Norbert Hill Center.

Present: Ed Delgado – Chairman, Greg Matson – Vice-Chairman, Patty Hoeft – Secretary, Tina Danforth – Treasurer, Vince DelaRosa – Councilmember, David Jordan – Councilmember

Resolutions

An amendment increasing the number of board members on the Seven Generations Corporation's Board of Directors from five

to seven was approved. Paul Linzmeyer and William T. Cornelius were appointed to the board and one posting was approved to fill a vacancy.

Board, Committee and Commissions

Quarterly reports from the Oneida Land Commission, Oneida School Board, and Oneida Arts Board were approved.

Legislative Operating Committee

Meeting minutes dated December 21 from the Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) was approved. A public hearing was set for March 22 regarding Per Capita Law amendments.

Finance Committee

Meeting minutes were

approved for February 3.

General Tribal Council

The OBC approved a special GTC meeting that will be held April 21 to be held at Shopko Hall in Ashwaubenon. According to Treasurer Patty Hoeft the expected cost to hold the meeting at the new location will range from \$7,000 to \$10,000. The location will address the need for more meeting space as it will be able to house 4,000 people while the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center held about 2,500. Parking would be free but the committee did not have an answer when they were questioned about the \$100 meeting stipend being subject to Wisconsin sales tax because it will be earned off the reservation.

New Business

A request from Tourism area for access to the tribe's vendor list was sent to the LOC for vetting and possible standard operation procedure. Tourism was looking for event sponsorship for community events the department puts on throughout the year. Concern was expressed over the practice of soliciting vendors for sponsorship but the topic is expected to be back before the OBC in 30 days.

A contract for future potential fraud investigations within programs at the Center for Self-Sufficiency was approved.

Three vacancies on the

• See 2A, OBC Wrap

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Ellis got start with Indian Preference

By Dawn Walschinski
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Mirac Ellis found his niche when he applied to lay asphalt through the Indian Preference Program eleven years ago, though he didn't know it at the time.

"For maybe a week straight we graded (asphalt), and it was a lot of shoveling, sweeping, sticking by the grader ... running to get small things. It was 15 hours days, I was like 'this is crazy,'" he said.

Ellis had been laid off at Carver Yachts when a friend suggested he go see Marj Stevens at Indian Preference in Oneida.

"I owe everything to her. She opened the door, and I walked through," he said.

He started in late August in 2000 with Northeast Asphalt, Inc.

"It was about 10 minutes into it when I first saw the asphalt being laid, and was like 'what did I get myself into here?' It was hot, the guys were screaming, yelling, working ... I just wanted to set the shovel down and say I think I had enough," he said. "It was two days out in the sun, that's like 30 hours of sunlight, and I come back and I'm a lobster. Unreal, but it was cool because all the heavy equipment, all the machines were buzzing by, things were getting done. ... I feel like I'm a part of something."

Dealing with the heat and the long hours were the biggest obstacles at first.

"There really isn't much to think about when you've got 10 hours in the sun. You're thinking about shade and water and swimming," said Ellis. "I just stuck with it."

He found he needed to work harder if he wanted to stay on the crew. A foreman gave him some advice.

"Some of the guys like what they see in you, and there's a few guys who don't want you around.' I was like 'what do I do?' He said 'you got a good pace, step it up like two



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Mirac Ellis has worked 11 years in the construction trade with Northeast Asphalt, Inc.

notches, ask more questions, be more alert, take charge of things a little more. You're the bottom man right now, but we need you. We need a guy like you, you're young, you're healthy, you've got a good back.' So I felt like I got yelled at, so I took it to heart," he said.

Ellis stepped up his pace and was hired full time.

"After I got that first check, I couldn't believe what I accomplished," he said.

Since then, Ellis has undergone extensive training ranging from hazardous materials (Hazmat) certification to getting a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) and is an operating engineer.

"Some days are just horrible, and other days are like wow, I can't believe I'm making money, this is easy," he said.

Ellis, now married with an infant son, finds the long summer days to be a strain on his family life.

"You're always away from your family though for that summer. When rain comes, you really appreciate it," he said.

His wife Margaret stated they make the best of their time together.

"The summers can get hard when you have to pick up on everything because he's always gone, but you don't have to worry about anything

because he makes good money, and he makes good money on unemployment in the winter, and we get to have a lot of time together in the winter with his family, so it goes from one extreme to the next," she said. "He can step up when something big happens on site or anywhere else without hesitation. He's kind of like my modern day hero, my Superman."

While Ellis recommends going to college before going into construction, he enjoys being able to provide for his family.

"It makes a man out of you, it teaches you discipline, and you see a lot and know a lot, you can learn a lot and meet a lot of good people, there's a lot of good guys out there. They're all family men, they all want to go home on Saturdays, too, but this type of work, if you're in the family life and you got sports, this ain't the job for you. If you ice fish, then yeah, this is the job for you because you ain't got nothing to do in the winter time," said Ellis.

Currently, Indian Preference is looking for qualified carpenters, painters, drywall, framing, concrete, operators, and journeymen in the building trades. If interested, contact Marj Stevens at 920-496-5316 to make an appointment.

Wis. tribes complain to feds about mining bill

HURLEY, Wis. (AP) ~ A federal agency says it's looking into whether Wisconsin violated treaty rights by not consulting with tribal governments that might be affected by a state mining bill.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs says it's conducting an inquiry after at least one tribal government asked it to get

involved. The contentious mining bill would streamline the state's complex mine-permitting process. Republicans hope the bill will kick-start plans for an iron mine just south of Lake Superior.

A Wisconsin Public Radio report says officials from the Lac du Flambeau, Red Cliff,

Bad River and Menominee tribes claim the lawmaking process ignored treaty rights.

Bureau spokeswoman Nedra Darling says the agency is acting on a 2009 executive order that federal officials consult with tribal governments on matters that involve the tribes.

From 1A/OBC Wrap

Oneida Arts Board were approved for posting.

Payment for a permit from the Village of Hobart was approved for work on Jonas Circle.

Travel Requests
Four officials from the Oneida Appeals Commission, 37th Annual Indian Law Conference, Santé Fe, NM, April 19 - 20. The request was rejected.

Ed Delgado, 14th National Health and Human Services Tribal Budget Formulation and Consultation session,

Washington D.C., March 7 - 9. The request was approved pending the Chairman's need to participate. If he is not required to attend he will not travel.

Executive Session
Audit Committee minutes were accepted from December 16. Audits were approved and confidentiality requirements lifted on Pari-mutuel Wagering, Title 31, Cage/Vault, and Complimentary Items and Services.

New Business

A report regarding the procurement process for Oneida Total Integrated Enterprise was approved. The actual process was deferred until the next OBC meeting.

Contracts were approved with limited waiver of sovereignty with Caremark, Regency Rx, Inc., and Mirth Corporation. A status update on the gaming expansion was accepted.

The next OBC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 22.



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Domencich, Donna L. February 2, 1947 – February 4, 2012

Donna Lynn Domencich, 65, of Sturgeon Bay, passed away on February 4, 2012 at St. Mary's Hospital in Green Bay.



Sturgeon Bay. She enjoyed bowling and golfing.

Survivors include her husband, Don, Sturgeon Bay; three children, Lee

(Lois) Domencich, Oneida, WI; Rae (David) Skenandore, Green Bay; Anthony (Jodi) Domencich, Minneapolis, MN; two grandchildren, Eva Domencich and Zachary Schrap; her father Roy Huff, Green Bay; two brothers, Dale Huff and Dennis (Debbie) Huff; three sisters, Denise Schuessler, Debbie Porter, and Diane Huff. Donna was preceded in death by her mother, Alice.

A visitation will be held from 4:00pm-5:00pm on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at Christ the King Episcopal Church in Sturgeon Bay. A service will begin at 5:00pm with Vicar George Hillman officiating. A memorial fund has been established in her name. On-line condolences may be offered at www.forbesfuneral-home.com

She was born on February 2, 1947, in Green Bay to Roy and Alice (Baird) Huff. In 1978, she married Donald F. Domencich in West Bend, WI. Donna worked as an Apprenticeship Coordinator for the Federal Department of Labor for many years. Throughout her life, Donna was extremely active in a variety of organizations. She was a member of the original Board of Directors for the Indian Summer Festival in Milwaukee, a member of the Sturgeon Bay Business Women, and active member of the Holy Nativity and Christ the King Episcopal Church, past president of the Milwaukee YWCA, past member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Milwaukee and Women in Construction. Donna also owned and operated Native Affairs, in

Some SD foster care kids aged out of system

By Kayla Gahagan

The Rapid City Journal

Armando Hernandez was just a child when he and his siblings searched their home for alcohol their mother stashed. And when they found it, they poured it down the drain and threw the bottles out.

It was the beginning of a childhood marred by his mother's alcoholism, a father in and out of the picture, years of bouncing from one foster family to another and the weighty responsibility of caring for his younger siblings — who experienced the same disappointments he did each day.

"Mom gave us empty promises, and it was one let down after another," he said.

Hernandez, now 20, is one of hundreds of young adults in South Dakota, and thousands across America, who have spent their teenage years in foster care, not been adopted, and have aged out of the system. Despite private local efforts as well as state and federal resources aimed at helping them transition into adulthood, without the traditional support of a family, statistics show that the odds are stacked against them.

According to the Wendy's Wonderful Kids Program, foster children who are not adopted have poorer educational outcomes, only 61 percent are employed, 33 percent will end up homeless, and they are reported to have more mental health issues.

Children who have been in the foster care system and were adopted are more likely to complete high school and attend college, more likely to be employed and earn an adequate income, and less likely to become teen parents.

According to the state Department of Social Services, each month there are about 1,000 children and teenagers in foster care in South Dakota, which

includes public, private and tribal agencies. As of May, 763 were in family foster care. During the past year, 46 aged out of the system.

Nationwide, an estimated 30,000 teenagers age out of the foster care system each year. According to the Child Welfare League of America, 25 percent become homeless, 56 percent are unemployed, and 27 percent of male children end up in jail.

Hernandez is betting he can beat the odds.

"Sometimes I wish I had gotten adopted," he said. "Sometimes I think that it would have made it easier. I wouldn't have had to grow up so fast."

Now that he's out on his own, his thoughts have changed.

"Now, I'm glad I'm here."

Hernandez has been in so many foster care homes, they have started to blur together.

"I've moved to so many places, it doesn't even matter where I go," he said.

His father was arrested for selling drugs and deported to Mexico when Hernandez was little and his mother suffered from a debilitating disease, alcoholism and depression.

He is the third oldest of four children, and one bright spot of his childhood was the birth of his sister Angel. Her childhood though, wasn't fair either, he said.

"She had to grow up so fast," he said. "She wasn't able to have a proper childhood."

Their mother didn't have a job and collected money from the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe.

"Sometimes, she would wake up and leave all day," he said.

She was arrested often, and Hernandez remembers hiding in the house so social services representatives wouldn't take them from the home while she was gone.

"They would send us to a shelter when she got arrested," he said.

Their house was a mess — cockroaches, no clean clothes and little food.

But his experiences in foster care were sometimes just as confusing, he said. One of the families treated them well, took them boating and cooked them healthy meals. But it wasn't permanent, and that was always in the back of his mind.

"We didn't know what to think," he said. "We would sit down for meals, and I didn't understand. We tried not to get comfortable. We wouldn't let ourselves get attached."

The next 10 years of his life were spent mostly in foster care with multiple families. His mother's health deteriorated and she eventually died when he was 16.

"Her dying was pretty bad for us," he said. "We felt alone."

One of the foster families kept Hernandez and his sister for six years.

"We let our guard down and opened up to them," he said. "It was a shock when we had to leave."

Some of the families, he said, probably didn't adopt them because they continued to foster other children, had their own children, or had marital problems.

"Who's going to take a 17-year-old boy?" he said.

It's no secret that teenagers come with a lot of challenges, said Daniele Dosche, who fostered three children with her husband, Curt, before adopting them.

Curt agreed and said he can understand the hesitation of foster families to foster, or adopt teens.

It is common for foster families to want to foster children younger than their own because of a concern about safety issues. During a training course required for foster parents, the couple remembers the vivid warnings about teens.

"They could steal cars, start fires, commit violence against your pets," Daniele said. "They want you to go in with your eyes wide open."

Seventeen-year-old Marissa Salmon and her twin sister, Alyssa, were taken out of their home last year and put in foster care before living with a relative for almost a year. Their two young siblings were also taken out of the home.

The experience was painful, enough that they will avoid the foster system at all costs. The family they stayed with initially had alarms on the doors, Marissa said. The first night, their younger brother had a nightmare and woke up screaming.

In some cases, foster kids have reportedly been taken from alcoholic homes, only to be placed in alcoholic or abusive foster homes.

He eventually got connected with Stepping Stones in Rapid City, a program, sponsored by Lutheran Social Services that helps the students get on their feet when they find themselves without a home or a foster home.

Students can be in the program from ages 16 to 20, said Sheila Johnson, Stepping Stones coordinator.

"We help them find employment and help them prepare for post-secondary education or the military," she said.

They also help the teens apply for grants for school and sign up for the state's Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program. The students are responsible for \$187 a month in rent. The program provides youth who are in need of independent living skills a safe environment to learn those skills, Johnson said.

It's also about helping them achieve goals, she added.

"They make a plan, and they come up with their dream," she said.

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Loretta Says... Living in Oneida Central

Loretta Metoxen • Oneida Tribal Historian

Ongoing Kalihwisaks Column • Providing a connection to the past

Milwaukee. In no time, I found myself on a troop train headed for San Antonio, Texas. The troops and I embarked from the train in St. Louis, Missouri to get a meal. I guess I was one of the troops. That was my very first experience with White and Colored drinking fountains and bathroom facilities. Since never having left the farm or Wisconsin, this revelation was a little shocking to me. I kept my eyes wide open for all the new things I would encounter.

We were unloaded into an Army truck in San Antonio, Texas and whisked away to the Base. I was given my military number to remember. That number is never forgotten. Then the orders started coming. Attention, parade rest, dress right dress, about face and all the rest of them—fast and furious. Sergeant Diacidus still sticks with me. She could out shout any lumberman. After arriving at Kelly Air Force Base (attached to Lackland Air Force Base), the marching began. Marching, marching--to the Mess Hall, to the Gym, to a dance and just marching.

We experienced a freak winter storm there in the far south, complete with

snow and a lot of sleet. The Korean War was accelerating, so there were thousands of men in tents at the time—not enough barracks to house them. Some were dying from pneumonia and a few committed suicide by jumping from the water towers. A Congressional investigation of this emergency situation was called for.

I was fortunate because I lived in a two story wooden barracks. However, there were just two by fours in the interior with no insulation and no heat. I piled my heavy winter coat and other heavy clothing on my bunk to ward off the cold. One morning, about 4:30 A.M., a huge herd of horses came galloping through our area. That was a surprise.

We all went through an assembly line to get shots. I think everybody got five shots and a vaccination. Men and women were lined up together for this procedure. I saw strong young men keel over before the shots were administered. That night, ambulances were running back and forth to our area because some of the women had severe reactions.

My barracks was the first in a line of barracks directly across from the landing strip at Lackland.

We could watch the carriers—plane after plane—bringing in the wounded. One time, a plane could not release one of the landing gear, so it had to circle the strip until it used up most of the fuel. The crews spread foam to soften the landing and prevent a fire. I witnessed the whole scene. The plane landed successfully.

Basic training only lasted seven weeks for me. I was one of the first ones to be shipped out to a school.

I got a pass to go to San Antonio for one day after Basic. I went to see the Alamo. I went to an opera, of all things. The opera was Aida. And I went to a Smorgasbord—never heard of that before. It was like a huge buffet, with all kinds of food I had never eaten before. It was very good. While I was walking around the city, a lot of little boys wanted to keep polishing my shoes, whether I wanted them to or not.

Bio: Raised on a farm in Oneida. Graduated Seymour High School, 1950, Ex Airborne Radar Technician, USAF during Korean War, Mother of six children and seven stepchildren, widow of Floyd Metoxen, Historian – 15 years, on Business Committee from 1967 to 1996.



Calendar

2012

February 11

2nd Annual Valentine's Day Dinner

WHEN: Saturday, February 11, 2012
TIME: 5:30PM, 6:30PM, OR 7:30PM
PLACE: Parish Hall, Freedom Rd.

The Holy Apostles Church—Church Restoration Committee cordially invites you to the 2nd Annual Valentine's Day Dinner - Entree Choices: Pork OR Beef Tenderloin, served w/California Veg. medley, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad, dinner roll, boiled beans & strawberry shortcake w/whipped cream for dessert. Tickets \$15/ea or 2/\$25.

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February 11

Just Move It Oneida - Healthy Heart Walk

WHEN: Saturday, February 11, 2012
TIME: 9:00AM – 11:00AM
PLACE: Oneida Family Fitness

9:00–10:00AM Registration & Health Screening
9:15–10:00AM Boxing Boot Camp, Studio A
9:00–11:00AM Children's Activities, Gym
9:00–11:00AM Indoor Walking Track
10:00–11:00AM Healthy Heart Education, Edu Rm
10:15–10:45AM Lively Lo Impact Class, Gym
10:30–11:30AM Light Lunch

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February 21

Pancake & Porkie Supper

WHEN: Tuesday, February 21, 2012
TIME: 4:00PM – 6:00PM
PLACE: Parish Hall, Freedom Rd.

Hosted By: Holy Apostles Episcopal Church. Adults: \$5, Children 10 & Under: \$3. **Shrove Tuesday - Fat Tuesday - Mardi Gras - Pancake Day:** The Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, marks the end of Epiphany and the beginning of Lent.

February 25

WIVA Breakfast Fundraiser

WHEN: Saturday, February 25, 2012
TIME: 7:00AM – 11:00AM
PLACE: Parish Hall, Freedom Rd.

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Wise Women Gathering Place is sponsoring a Women's Support Group. Come and enjoy a cup of hot tea in the presence of women of all ages sharing and caring. Talking circles and fun activities. FMI contact Julia or Sam at Wise Women Gathering Place 920-490-0627.

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WHEN: Fridays (Begins Feb. 17)
PLACE: VFW Post 7784, Robert Cornelius Post, Oneida, WI

Begins on February 17, 24, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Ending on April 6th, 2012.

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Soda.....\$1.00
Desert...\$1.50

Fridays

Women's Support Group

WHEN: Fridays
TIME: 12:30PM – 2:30PM
PLACE: Three Sisters Center

For more information contact Isabel Parker or Georgia Burr at (920) 592-8682 or (920) 412-0396.

Fridays

Wise Youth Group

WHEN: Fridays
TIME: 3:30PM – 5:30PM
PLACE: Three Sisters Center

For more information call Isabel Parker at 920-498-2011 or Bev Scow at 920-490-0627.

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Census Race – Many resist census race labels

By Hope Yen

Associated Press

WASHINGTON – When the 2010 census asked people to classify themselves by race, more than 21.7 million - at least 1 in 14 - went beyond the standard labels and wrote in such terms as "Arab," "Haitian," "Mexican" and "multiracial."

The unpublished data, the broadest tally to date of such write-in responses, are a sign of a diversifying America that's wrestling with changing notions of race.

The figures show most of the write-in respondents are multiracial Americans or Hispanics, many of whom don't believe they fit within the four government-defined categories of race: white, black, Asian/Pacific Islander or American Indian/Alaska Native.

Because Hispanic is defined as an ethnicity and not a race, some 18 million Latinos used the "some other race" category to establish a Hispanic racial identity.

"I have my Mexican experience, my white experience but I also have a third identity if you will that transcends the two, a mixed experience," said Thomas Lopez, 39, a write-in

respondent from Los Angeles. "For some multiracial Americans, it is not simply being two things, but an understanding and appreciation of what it means to be mixed."

Lopez, 39, the son of a Mexican-American father and a German-Polish mother, has been checking multiple race boxes since the Census Bureau first offered the option in 2000. Marking off the categories of Hispanic-Mexican ethnicity, "other" Hispanic ethnicity and a non-Hispanic white race, Lopez opted in 2010 to go even further. He checked "some other race" and scribbled in a response: "multiracial."

More than three million write-ins came from white and black Americans who appear to have found the standard race categories insufficient. They include Arabs, Iranians and Middle Easterners, who don't fully view themselves as "white" and have lobbied in the past to be a separate race category. They are also Italians, Germans, Haitians and Jamaicans who consider ancestry a core part of who they are.

Online Dating Services May Promise "Love in the Air," but be Aware

Madison, WI – Valentine's Day is around the corner and love is in the air, but if you are searching online for a potential mate, know that scammers may be on the same sites searching for you...and your money.

"The popularity of online dating sites has led to a rise in so-called 'sweetheart scams' where crooks seek out victims when they are at their most vulnerable," said Sandy Chalmers, Division Administrator for Trade and Consumer Protection. "For singles on the search for love, emotions are high and can cloud better judgment. Scammers know this scenario creates an excellent opportunity to manipulate victims into handing over money and personal information."

Sweetheart scams take on a number of forms, but most involve scammers starting relationships online under fake profiles, building the trust of the victims and then using a "sob story" to convince the victims to send them money or personal information. The money is often requested as a wire transfer to another country.

Be on the lookout for a

scam if your online love interest:

- asks you to leave the dating site and communicate by personal email or instant messages
- professes love for you in a heartbeat
- requests that you send personal information including social security, bank account or credit card numbers
- claims to be from the U.S., but is "traveling" or "working overseas" right now
- makes plans to visit, but cancels the trip because of a last-minute medical, financial or family emergency
- asks you to send money by wire transfer to pay for airfare, visas, government documents or to help a family member in distress. Never wire money to someone you do not know or have not met in person. Wiring money is like sending cash – once it is gone, you cannot get it back.

"Regardless of the length of your relationship or the story the other party is giving you, if your online partner

starts requesting money, it should send up a red flag that you are being drawn into a scam," added Chalmers.

For more information or to file a consumer complaint, visit Consumer Protection's website at datcp.wisconsin.gov, send an e-mail to datcp@wisconsin.gov or call Toll-free at 1-800-422-7128.

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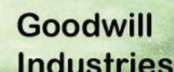
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OBC Forum...

I hope this New Year has started off on a good foot for you and your family. My office has been steadily working towards the pursuit of strengthening policies and putting in many hours on projects that can benefit the membership.

As I took my seat as a Councilman, I laid out a landscape of projected policy work to pursue a policy agenda poised around advancing the interest of the Oneida people. To this end, I have already authored and released several comprehensive memos which probed at policy issues and pursued discussions at various internal levels. It is important that we, as a tribe, start thinking more critically about certain policy matters and start pursuing a more reasoned governing course. This is why I will continue to actively push for these important discussions even though they may be controversial.

PER CAPITA

I wanted to note, in my last Kalihwisaks article I took the initiative to present an optional per capita proposal in the attempt to prompt some dialogue around addressing the fast approaching expiration of the current per capita plan. I have heard from many tribal members, some in support of a new approach towards per capita and some not in support. First, it is encouraging to know so many people are keeping informed by reading the Kalihwisaks and are becoming involved in voicing their opinions on policy proposals. Secondly, I have

heard the points that have been raised, some excellent ideas have been pointed out.

It is worth noting, I was advancing in one part of my per capita proposal a plan I heard from a tribal member whom lives over 130 miles from Oneida. This particular member drives to all of the GTC meetings so this was not a proposal that came from someone whom lives locally. It was the idea of someone who puts in a great effort (drives 260 miles round trip) to make it to all the meetings. Nonetheless, I understand some people would prefer the per capita plan to remain structured as it is.

Part of the basis of my per capita proposal was to try and build in some cost savings under a new per capita plan. In working the numbers, I have found there is a considerable savings opportunity for the tribe. Moreover, per capita distributions, as laid out in my plan, reflect a proposed annual distribution of \$15,117,403. The actual FY2012 annual per-capita and stipend budget cost this year alone is \$25,932,800. Under my proposal we can realize a savings of \$10,815,397 annually.

I would note the idea around the use of these savings under my proposal is many. First, we need to exercise a concentrated effort to build more housing on the reservation. The housing needs here are historic and well documented. Secondly, over the last few years there is an array of services which have been eliminated which need to be

restored. Lastly, I would note, we have so many homeless and unemployed Oneidas and we need to try and find creative ways to foster program activity where we may be able to elevate some of these folks whom are willing to work hard.

The truth is, the tribe is in a precarious financial position. For example, although we have a good credit rating and we pay all our bills, we are treading into some murky waters with some built in carrying costs. Fringe and indirect are the heaviest carrying costs. In fact, going into the next (2013) budget cycle we will be facing a projected \$10,000,000 million dollar plus deficit. What we are trying to exercise is a delicate balancing act here, where we contain some cost without having to choke-off services or reduce personnel numbers.

So, the OBC and the membership will undoubtedly have to make some tough decisions later this year. Hopefully those who have thoughts on this issue will be able to attend the GTC meeting when a per capita plan is discussed so we can hear good solutions around the per capita issue.

POLICY UPDATE

In addition to work on various policy issues, my office has been working diligently on legislation and projects which are at



Vince DelaRosa
Councilman

various levels of completion. Following are some brief overviews of a couple of legislative pieces I am working on.

At the last LOC meeting, I presented amendments to the Legislative Procedures Act (LPA) which I believe is an important step towards completing a thoroughly comprehensive law to regulate how the OBC and Legislative Operating Committee will process our laws. This law will be presented for a public hearing in the next few months. I look forward to your honest and frank opinions and comments, not only on the LPA, but on all legislation and policy matters my office is working on.

Since January, my office has also completed a thorough review of the Judiciary draft last presented to the GTC. At the last GTC meeting, I noted to the membership that I had many concerns and questions regarding the Judiciary that I'd like to see looked at. I have submitted a memo to the Judiciary workgroup containing approximately 25 points that I wanted reviewed in order to ensure the Judiciary draft is on point with what this OBC and GTC are asking for. If you'd like a copy of my memo, contact my office and we'll get you a copy of the memo.

I have been hearing from the membership that there is a need for John Doe hearings and a good whistleblower law. Our members and

employees need an avenue for reporting any wrong doings in order to reduce the risk of loss for the tribe while protecting those who have come forward. As such, I have submitted a request to the LOC for research to begin on a whistleblower policy that can work for our organization.

My office has also been working on providing two-way communication as part of the public hearing process. As part of my commitment for open government and communication, I have been promoting a mechanism for tribal members anywhere in the country to view our meetings live and to view archived meeting footage. Internal departments are working together to put the finishing touches on this project so hopefully we will be doing trial runs in the next month or two.

LIAISON UPDATE

The Community Development Planning Committee (CDPC) continues to actively work on addressing raised concerns and continues to review development and planning projects and reports. As the CDPC Chair, I am excited to report that the meetings have not only had a large number of attendees but have prompted many good productive discussions.

In December I submitted a memo to the OBC requesting a housing assessment for the Milwaukee area. We have a large population of Oneidas living in and around Milwaukee County so I requested a study to be undertaken to assess what the true housing needs are for the

Oneida Milwaukee area residents. As part of providing housing opportunities to as many Oneidas as we can, we need to more thoroughly understand the full extent of the need.

At the December 14th OBC meeting I brought forward a recommendation that the Oneida Housing Authority no longer pursue the acquisition of taxable housing stock. It is imperative that we set the course towards building on our trust lands as a norm rather than the exception. I further supported the motion for future acquisition dollars earmarked for housing to be prioritized for housing stock purchases on non-taxable land. Housing continues to be a priority for my office and I am committed to bringing both housing and jobs to the reservation which is why I am continuing to aggressively work towards bringing a cutting edge housing proposal that will not only bring affordable housing onto the reservation but jobs as well.

I encourage you to join my email list. Through my email list I will send out updates and other forms of policy information. Thank you for your time, and as always, if you need assistance or are interested in any released memos, reports, or additional plan information, please feel free to contact my office at **920-869-4426** or through my personal email at **oneida2011@yahoo.com**.

Respectively,
Vince DelaRosa

Letters & Opinions...

Gaming enterprise in need of audit

I see all gaming departments failing in Management which leaves poor supervisory skills, which causes the employees to have friction amongst themselves which cause increased levels of stress, makes you dread coming to into work and in worse case scenarios are the reason a person wants to quit their job – they are the “difficult coworkers.” But quitting a job that you like or love because you don't get along with a coworker shouldn't be a reason for your resignation – that is so high school. When situations like this happen, stand back and do a self-assessment, is it really you or management? 90 percent of the time it is management not doing their job in a professional manner.

If it's not friction could it be “favoritism” in this/or all departments of gaming? When I worked in gaming, I could see and others could see in these departments if a Manager/Supervisor is favoring a particular employee or group, thereby leaving excluded employees at an unfair disadvantage. This unfair disadvantage can lead to feelings of resentment and mistrust, resulting in

decreased morale and productivity. While the organizational consequences can be quite serious, they are not necessarily the worst threats. There can be server legal ramifications for favoritism in the workplace as well.

While it is natural for certain people to have more in common than others, employees who hold positions of authority are expected to develop work relationships that are professional and free of bias. No employee should be subject to unfair treatment because of a manager/supervisor's prejudice or personal inclination to favor an individual or group.

Having three (3) managers in one depart, this type of activity should not be occurring but it does and on a daily basis. What makes this department any different than any other department in gaming? Will Louise Cornelius or Chad Fuss please explain this?

I think the gaming enterprise need to be shut down until someone can get into these departments to see why there are so many management/supervisor/leads in all departments with the amount of front-line employees. I have never seen such a vast amount of money being paid out to management/supervi-

sors/leads, these directors/managers/supervisors need to do their jobs and not hire others to do their jobs for them. If the supervisors are scared of accountability then they shouldn't be supervisors.

More scenarios: Bingo has three supervisors/three leads, now why would bingo need leads? There is nepotism in the bingo hall, why hasn't anyone addressed this? Doesn't the manager/director know we do not allow nepotism? Who does the hiring of the managers/directors in gaming, are these individuals educated or just hired because they are related/friends to someone?

Slots department has at times two (2) supervisors and a lead on all shifts, why?

Security department has corporals, sergeants, and lieutenants all working on one shift, why?

All gaming employees hear from management is “we don't want to hear about the negative.” Well, how do you fix things then?

Gladys Dallas

Random Acts of Kindness

Today I stopped in at the health center, and when I got there, I realized by back tire was flat. I called AAA for road-

side assistance and was prepared to wait the hour or so before someone could come out and change my tire. A young man pulled up to my car and asked if he could help me. While he was doing so, I ran into the pharmacy to pick up my prescription and as I came out he was pulling away. Although I had thanked him before I went in, I wanted to thank him again. If it weren't for another gentleman he was helping to put a charge on his dead battery, I would not have been able to catch up to him. He would not accept payment from me, and for that reason, I assumed he was just a regular kind of guy offering assistance when needed with no expectations of anything in return! How awesome is that. Chivalry is not dead! For that reason, I will not print his name in my letter, but just wanted to let him know if he reads this, his help was greatly appreciated and his act of kindness will stay with me for a long, long time.

Susan G. Daniels

Poem of Remembrance

Michelle; as I'm walking thinking of you missing all the things we used to do

Those times will be

with me night after night day after day thru and thru

I always try to forget the bad times the sad times that we used to share

Remembering our laughter, the happiness the love we have for each other and for each other we were there

All the times I think of you, your beauty through my eyes

As you softly glide along watching over across the beauty of the skies

And when the times I think of you I feel all alone

The teardrops softly running down remembering that you are safely home

All the times I dream of you somewhere in the middle of the night

I awake remembering your image I softly laugh as I remember what a beautiful sight

And the times I think of you I can feel the hurt and pain

Just hoping for my next dream to come so I can see you once again

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From, Junior Marvin F. Wayka, Jr



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ONEIDA NATION LADY THUNDERHAWKS Runaway with win after quick start



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Kanani Nunies scores from the post against a Wolves defender. The Lady Thunderhawks used a quick start against the WI Valley Luthern Wolves to runaway with the victory on Tuesday, February 7, 2012. Oneida won the game by a final score of 47-24. Kanani Nunies with 18 points and Natasha Stevens with 13 points were the team's high scorers.

ONEIDA NATION THUNDERHAWKS Sharp shooting breaks zone defense



Kali photo/Travis Cottrell

Oneida guard Devonte Pointer shoots over the outstretched arm of a Wolves defender. The T-Hawks took on the WI Valley Luthern Wolves in a home game played on Thursday, February 2, 2012. Oneida utilized three point shots and drives to break the Wolves' zone defense. Devonte Pointer and Mike Mills lead the team in scoring with 17 points and 14 points.

2011 WIXC series race results



Submitted photo

From left to right: Zack Skenandore received second in the B Class, Jondel Skenandore received fourth in A Class, Jerry Blasczyk received first in the +50 Class, and Taylor Skenandore received second in the women's class. Congratulations Racers!

Umpires needed for Youth Baseball



By Kyle Casper
Recreation Supervisor

The Oneida Recreation Department is currently looking for umpires for the upcoming youth baseball season. Umpires are needed for Little League games, which will be played on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 5:30 and 7:15. Some baseball experi-

ence or officiating experience is preferred by I am willing to train umpires for the Little League level. Babe Ruth umpires will be played on various nights from late May through mid-July. For this level, previous umpiring experience is necessary. Little League umpires will receive \$20 per game for

the plate and \$15 for the bases, while Babe Ruth and Pony umpires will be paid \$40 for behind the plate and \$30 for the bases. Anyone interested or if you have any questions, please contact Kyle Casper at 920-833-0010 or kcasper@oneidana-tion.org.

Oneida Recreation Now Accepting Youth Baseball Registrations

By Kyle Casper
Recreation Supervisor

The Oneida Recreation Department is currently accepting registration for all youth baseball programs. The deadline for registration is **March 30** for Babe Ruth (13 - 15 year olds). Practice will begin in mid-April with games beginning at the end of May. The dead-

line to register for T-ball (5 - 6 year olds), Pee Wee (7 - 8 year olds), and Little League (9 - 12 year olds) is **May 2**. Little League practices will begin in early-May and a tryout for all new players to Little League will be held on May 3rd at the Site I ball diamond from 6:00 - 7:00. T-ball, Pee Wee, and Little

League will all begin play in early June. \$5 Recreation membership fee is due at the time of registration. You may register at the Civic Center or Cty H Rec Center or by contacting Kyle Casper at 920-833-0010 or kcasper@oneidana-tion.org.

Babe Ruth Baseball Coach Needed

By Kyle Casper
Recreation Supervisor

The Oneida Recreation Department is looking for a coach for the Babe Ruth Baseball team for the upcoming season. The Babe Ruth baseball team is for youth ages 13-15 and will play 10-12 games from late May

- early July. Practice should begin by mid-April. The league is somewhat competitive so I would like someone with baseball or coaching experience if possible. If anyone is interested or would like to find out more information please con-

tact Kyle Casper at 920-833-0010 or kcasper@oneidana-tion.org



Jim Thorpe Native American Games

An exciting week of athletic competition is coming to Oklahoma City in honor of one of Oklahoma's greatest athletes. The Jim Thorpe Native American Games will take place June 10-17, 2012 at different venues throughout Oklahoma City including: ASA Softball Hall of Fame, Remington Park, Oklahoma City Tennis Center, Oklahoma City University, Lincoln Park Golf Course, Millwood High School, and Bishop McGuiness High School.

to share their talents in the spirit of the "World's Greatest Athlete" and Native American Legend...Jim Thorpe. The Games will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Jim Thorpe's record setting Olympic performance in Sweden. Over 3,000 Native American athletes are expected to participate in 11 different sports throughout the week that will include basketball, softball, baseball, tennis, wrestling, track and field, cross country, golf, martial arts, stickball and beach volleyball. Entry

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Wisconsin in Brief

Menards ends discrimination claim for \$1 million

Eau Claire, WI – The Menards home improvement chain has agreed to settle a race discrimination case for \$1 million.

A Chicago arbitrator recently approved the settlement which compensates hundreds of managers and assistant managers who say they were passed over for promotions because of their race. About 700 employees at Menards Midwestern stores can begin filing claims for their share of the settlement Feb. 23.

The plaintiffs' attorney Jeffrey Taren tells the Eau Claire Leader-Telegram that letters will be sent to employees affected by the settlement. Menards spokesman Jeff Abbott says the company has denied any wrongdoing, but chose to settle because it's a "wise business decision."

The case began in 2004 when three former Menards employees filed a claim with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

City of Sheboygan pursuing casino plan

Sheboygan, WI – The city of Sheboygan is pursuing a casino development agreement with the owners of the Blue Harbor Resort and the Sokaogon (suh-KOG'-en) Chippewa tribe.

Claremont New Frontier Resort, the Sokaogon Mole Lake and the city would develop a casino near Lake Michigan in Sheboygan's South Pier District. An off-reservation casino would need federal approval, which could be a lengthy process.

The Sheboygan Press says a contract approved by the Redevelopment Authority Thursday night requires the tribe, resort owners and the city to reach a development agreement in 180 days. The city would sell land on the South Pier to Claremont for the casino. If the project does not get federal approval, the city would have the option of buying back the land.

The Sokaogon Chippewa Community is a 1,200-member tribe with a reservation near Crandon.

From 7A/Jim Thorpe Games in Oklahoma City

forms for all sports can be downloaded from the Jim Thorpe Games website.

In addition to these 11 sports, a Jim Thorpe Native American All-Star Football Game will take place on Friday, June 15, 2012. This game will showcase Native American high school seniors from across Oklahoma. If you are interested in participating in the All-Star Game or if you are a high school coach who would like to nominate one of your players, contact the Jim Thorpe Native American Games office.

Remington Park will be the host site for the

Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Native American Art exhibit, Health Fair, College and Career Fair and traditional cultural exhibitions throughout the week. Remington Park will also be the site of an NFL Punt, Pass and Kick competition and a 5K Run.

Proceeds from the Games will benefit the Jim Thorpe Bright Path Youth Programs that include Jim Thorpe All-Star Games, Children's Challenge, Artfest and the statewide Red Ribbon Week. In addition, a portion of the proceeds will benefit the "Awakening the Spirit" Native American

Diabetes Awareness and Prevention program of the American Diabetes Association.

Thousand of Native American athletes, primarily young people, will participate in the Jim Thorpe Native American Games; making it one of the largest events of its kind. In addition to the sporting events; cultural activities associated with the Games will include art show, traditional entertainment and sporting exhibitions.

"The Native American communities know the importance and value of supporting healthy lifestyle choices for their youth. Some of the many

benefits of the Games will include promoting leadership development, increasing cultural awareness and most importantly – motivating young people to achieve great things," said Annetta Abbott (Choctaw), Executive Director. "Our young people are not only the leaders of the future; they are the leaders of today."

For additional information on the Games contact Annetta Abbott, Executive Director, 405-208-9253 or aabbott@jimthorpegames.com or visit their website www.jimthorpegames.com

US House OKs bill for Quileute tribal move

PORT ANGELES, WA. – The U.S. House approved a bill Monday that will allow the Quileute tribe to move its school and other buildings out of a tsunami zone on the Washington coast to higher ground in Olympic National Park.

The land transfer bill gives the tribe 785 acres

in the park and settles a reservation boundary dispute. In return the tribe assures access to coastal beaches that are reached by trails through tribal lands.

The Peninsula Daily News reports there's similar legislation awaiting action in the U.S. Senate.

The tribe needs higher

land to put the school, elder and child care centers and the tribal headquarters out of reach of a tsunami.

The tribe has been seeking land to move to outside of the tsunami zone for about 50 years.

Mohawk indicted in upstate NY landfill dig case

ALBANY, N.Y. – A Mohawk who began digging up a capped toxic landfill near his reservation home in northern New York last summer has been indicted on felony and misdemeanor charges.

Authorities say 57-year-old Larry Thompson drove a backhoe through the fence at the former General Motors plant in Massena and dug about a half-acre from the top of the 12-acre landfill. He faces counts of criminal mischief, reckless endanger-

ment and resisting arrest. Part of the 270-acre industrial site made aluminum cylinder heads starting in 1958. It was designated a federal Superfund priority in 1984.

Thompson said after his Aug. 11 arrest that he was frustrated by the government decision to cap the landfill instead of removing the chemicals, blaming them for cancers among his family and other Akwesasne (og-wuh-SAHZ'-nee) residents.

Man loses thumb in attack outside casino hotel

TURTLE LAKE, Wis. – A Minnesota man is accused of cutting off the thumb of a victim he was trying to rob outside the St. Croix Casino and Hotel in Barron County.

Prosecutors say 29-year-old Deangelo Rucker, of St. Paul, pulled a knife on the man, tried to stab him and take his money as the

victim was walking toward the hotel in Turtle Lake last Friday. Court records say a large portion of the man's left thumb was cut off.

Police searched the hotel and found Rucker in one of the rooms. The Eau Claire Leader-Telegram says he's being held on a \$25,000 cash bond.

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Local native man participates in stem cell research study

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwisaks

At the height of his career as a PGA pro, 33 year-old Staber Burr suffered a massive stroke. He and his then wife were blessed with a son Grayson who was only five months old at the time, and they had just purchased their first home with plans to fix up their home together.

"It was a stroke that doctors now say was going to happen someday," explained Staber. Extensive testing revealed that Staber had a blood condition that causes blood clots. The diagnosis was grim. "They (doctors) said my life would never be the same," Burr recalled. At first, he explained, "I could not sit at the side of the bed, couldn't feed myself, couldn't talk good, couldn't use the bathroom or hold my son."

That was six years ago. He has come a long way since then. "I fought back and with my family's help, I regained some of my abilities. But, I still have miles to go as I

The 35 of us might pave the way for use of stem cells in the United States"

— Staber Burr

have limited use of my left side and still struggle with every day efforts," said Burr.

Through the years, the support of his family has been unwavering from day one. His mother Georgia devotes her time to her son without question. His father Robert Sr. and siblings Robert Jr. and Teshia are a constant support as well.

A glimmer of hope came shining down on the Burr family recently. Staber received confirmation that he was accepted to be a part of a unique opportunity – to participate in a stem cell research trial through the University of California in San Diego. The year long research will test how stroke survivors respond to stem cell injections. "I am extremely lucky that I was even accepted into this study," he explained. Only 35 were chosen out

of thousands of applicants and Staber was the only candidate that was chosen from out of state. "The 35 of us might pave the way for use of stem cells in the United States," he added.

His initial visit took place last fall from November 3-18, 2011. His father accompanied him on the initial visit and a 30-day follow-up visit in December. "My family and I are praying these treatments will help me regain some physical and mental abilities I lost due to the stroke," said Staber. He is due to make the trip once again this week – his three month check-up. He will be leaving on Thursday, Feb. 9, 2012 with his father by his side. Additional follow-up visits will take place at six months, nine months and at twelve months. Each of the additional visits require



Kali photo/Yvonne Kaquatosh

Above, Staber does some strength exercises with his trainer Elijah Metoxen at the Oneida Fitness Center. Staber began participating in the Oneida Diabetes Prevention Program approximately three weeks ago.

at a minimum, a three to four-day stay.

With the required extended stay to participate in the study, the financial burden falls on the family for airfare, hotel and meals. To offset costs, a benefit for Staber is scheduled for Thursday, February 23rd, and will be held at the

Harmony Café, 1660 W. Mason St., Green Bay, WI from 2:30 – 5:00pm. There will be numerous prizes raffled off during the event including a one-night stay at the Stockbridge Casino. Raffle tickets are on sale now for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. (Look for the flyer in this issue of the

Kalihwisaks for more information.)

"I would greatly appreciate anything you can do to assist me in making this rare opportunity possible. Without generosity from people, businesses, organizations like yours, I will not get this very rare opportunity," expressed Staber.

Peter Cetera



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APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 10, 2012

Roberta J. Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship

Oneida Elder Services are delighted to announce the availability of the "Roberta J. Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship". This scholarship is in honor of Roberta Kinzhuma's dedication and hard work that she put forth towards obtaining her Bachelors Degree.

The Roberta J. Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship Fund is set up for women going back to school to further their education and for their continued efforts in academic achievement. The scholarship funds are generated from fund raising activities of the Oneida Elder Services.

Oneida Women are encouraged to apply for the "Roberta J Kinzhuma Memorial Scholarship". A \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded directly to an individual meeting the following criteria:

1. Must be returning to school (Freshmen are not eligible)
2. Must be a single mother
3. An enrolled member of Oneida Indians of Wisconsin

4. Must have a 3.0 or B cumulative grade point average
5. Seeking a degree or certificate in an accredited college and/ or technical school

Please submit application along with short essay regarding yourself, a copy of your last semester's grades/transcripts, and a copy of your tribal ID.

Applications can be picked up at: Oneida Elder Services 2907 S Overland Rd Oneida WI 54155

Oneida Higher Education N7210 Seminary Rd Oneida WI 54155

Applications are due February 10th. Winner will be notified via telephone on February 21st. Winner will be presented scholarship award at the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging (ONCOA) monthly meeting February 28th.

If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Director of Oneida Elder Services at **920-869-2448**.

Oneida Nation School System

Academic Honors Q. 2 2011-12

Highest Honors

Eighth Grade
Yohnehtote G. Danforth - 4.000
Synala Smith-3.800

Sixth Grade

Cierra R. Johnson-3.800
Lexus M. Stevens-3.800

Fifth Grade

Nathaniel B. Tate-3.918

Fourth Grade

Vianna S. Smith-3.934

Third Grade

Shania C. Barber-4.000
Raini Cornelius-3.835
Yanet M. Torres-Mejia-3.835

High Honors

Eighth Grade
Colleen C. Johnson - 3.734

Makayla L. Doxtater- 3.666

Tiger Smith-3.602
Brittney J. Hill-3.534
Jade A. Cornelius-Daubon-3.532

Louisa M. Mehojah- 3.500

Seventh Grade

Taliah R. Frederick- 3.734

Saquoia R. Metoxen- 3.668
Sandra G. Torres-Mejia- 3.668

Mariah M. Miranda - 3.534

Yakira D. Tate-3.534
Michael I. Robinson- 3.532

Sixth Grade

Jenna J. Cornelius-Daubon-3.668
Jada R. Sitting Bear-3.534

Jermaine F. Running Bear-3.532

Fifth Grade

Iselena T. Torres-Mejia-3.583
Fox P. Christjohn-3.500

Fourth Grade

Summer G. Doxtater- 3.602
Eleciah M. Danforth- 3.534

Honors

Eighth Grade
Nathan J. Williams-Freeman-3.253

Akasha C. Berg-3.168
Toni M. Bodway-3.134
Grace L. Powless-3.134
Lillian V. Stands-3.134

Brianna E. Bissonette- 3.132

Chad K. Manthei-3.068
William A. Johnson- 3.000

Angalee R. Powless- 3.000
Bernice L. Stevens- 3.000

Seventh Grade

Tabbitha J. Ninham- 3.335
Clara A. Denny-3.268
Florence L. John-3.000

Sixth Grade

Cameron L. Hill-3.468
Esperanza T. Cruz-3.466
Shienne P. Red Hail- 3.466

Vanecia D. Smith-3.400
Zhaida E. Wilbanks- 3.398

Christopher J. Danforth-3.250
Ariel R. Webster-3.200

Danielle L. Dessart-Skenandore-3.083
Deion J. Komanekin- 3.066

Fifth Grade

Qualayou S. Smith- 3.418
Tiara J. Barber-3.335
Emerson S. John-3.250

Leida N. Rodriguez- 3.250
Maya A. Cruz-3.168
Jack R. Mehojah-3.000

Fourth Grade

Malia L. Jacobs-3.466
Sadie E. Schuman-3.334
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Franklin Ortiz-3.000

Third Grade

Vashantai M. Smith- 3.418
Joseph B. Powless- 3.333

Adriana M. Funmaker- 3.250
Aidan A. Teller-3.250
Natavia A. Adams-3.248

Dakota C. Swamp-3.168
Matayah M. Escalante- 3.085
Javon T. Webster-3.083

Richard W. Longcore- 3.003
Lailanna O. Hill-3.000

Oneida Nation High School

Academic Honors Q.2 2011-12

Highest Honors

Twelfth Grade
Colleen Cornelius-3.906
Guadalupe Martinez - 3.890

Paul Christjohn-3.810

Tenth Grade
Paul Christjohn-3.810

High Honors
Twelfth Grade
Mason Powless-3.761
Hodazha Pidgeon-3.667
Kanani Nunies-3.619

Honors
Twelfth Grade
Kalene Beechtree-3.429
Shanna Jourdan-3.390

Anthony Cornelius- 3.619

Eleventh Grade
Noelle Metoxen-3.714
Jessica House-3.620
Muriel King-3.524
Fredrick Miller-3.500

Ninth Grade
Mitchel Cornelius-3.571
Ruby John-3.571

Honors
Twelfth Grade
Kalene Beechtree-3.429
Shanna Jourdan-3.390

Michael Santiago-3.239
Bradley Sievers-3.239

Eleventh Grade
Diego Metoxen-3.381
Brandon Doxtator-3.381
Abalone Paprocki-3.334
Michael Mills-3.167

Tenth Grade
Yasmine Denny-3.239
Matthew Powless-3.167

Ninth Grade
Angelica Schuyler-3.191
Isaac Reed-3.190

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 27, 2012

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Green Bay - Northeast Wisconsin Technical College is currently accepting applications for three open positions on the NWTC District Board of Trustees. Open positions include the following: Employer Representative, Employee Representative, and School District Administrator Representative.

Each of the three appointments will be for three-year terms beginning on July 1, 2012.

Applicants must submit at least two letters of reference supporting their nomination and must attend a public hearing of the District

Board Appointment Committee on March 22, 2012, at 5:00 p.m., in the NWTC District Board Room of the NWTC Green Bay Campus. At the public hearing, applicants will be interviewed by the Appointment Committee.

Application materials are available by calling Mary Jo Tilot, NWTC Executive Assistant to the President, (920) 498-5409, maryjo.tilot@nwtc.edu; by visiting the NWTC District Office, 2740 West Mason Street, Green Bay or by visiting the website at: <http://www.nwtc.edu/atnwtc/people/district-board/Pages/home.aspx>

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Santierra C. Crume
Alysia M. Powless
Naomi M. Smith

Third Grade
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Shania C. Barber
Thunder G. Cornelius
Richard W. Longcore
Joseph B. Powless
Vashantai M. Smith
Chrisian R. Stevens
Yanet M. Torres-Mejia

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Hailey J. Metoxen
Xavior J. Saldaña
Carlos D. Smith
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Session Dates
Tuesday, Feb. 21st
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OR
Wednesday, Feb. 29th
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Location
Oneida Nation Community Education Center
2632 S. Packerland Dr. Green Bay, WI 54313

To register please return this bottom portion to the Community Education Center at 2632 S. Packerland Dr. Deadline to register is the Friday prior to your desired session dates. **SPACE IS LIMITED!**

Name: _____ Oneida Enrollment #: _____
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 SCHEDULED HEARINGS**

**RE: Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
 vs Various Individuals**

A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by the Oneida Tribe for judgment against them, on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Oneida Tribal Judicial System Office at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite # 1.

Lance P. Hill, 11-TC-121; Donna J. Metoxen, 11-TC-108; Tina D. Metoxen, 11-TC-113; Jamie M. Sablich, 11-TC-128; James B. Smith, 11-TC-055, Kyla R. Wallenfang, 11-TC-118.

For specific questions about this claim, settlement, or payment arrangements, please contact Cheryl DeJardin, at Skenandoah Complex in Central Accounting Department at (920) 490-3562.

If you have questions on the process, feel free to contact the Clerk or Administrator, Oneida Tribal Judicial System at (920) 496-5300.

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 All creditor claims must be filed on or before **March 5, 2012**

Marlene Silas
 DOB 9/14/1938
 DOD - 8/11/2011

Karen Sommers
 DOB 2/13/1958
 DOD 11/20/2011

Janice Metoxen
 DOB 4/26/1964
 DOD 4/26/1990

Send all creditors' claims and/or information relating to the decedent to the following:
 Tina L. Figueroa,
 Land Title and Trust Specialist,
 Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
 Division of Land Management
 P.O.Box 365
 Oneida WI 54155
 Dated:
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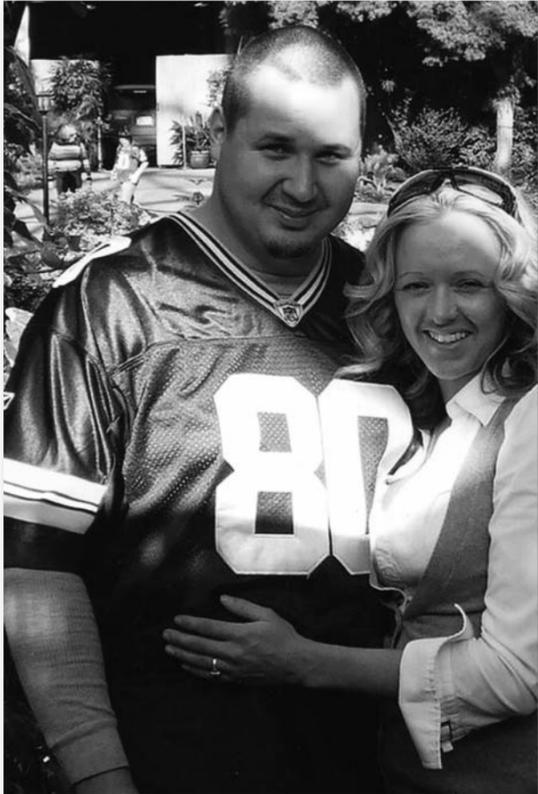
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Congratulations

Congratulations to our daughter Tia Danforth. Her Varsity All-Star dance team, West Allis Allegro made it to Nationals in Florida.



Daddy is proud of you! Love, Dad, Apache, Yokalasha, Muñeca and Sango. We would also like to thank all of you in the community who helped by purchasing 50/50 raffle tickets. The winner is Jackie Schumann and she won \$143

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Happy Anniversary to my wonderful husband Dewain.



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We would hit the sidewalk, going Paster and Paster, listening to the concrete pass under my wheels. Remember the hours we spent at the skate park, hitting ramps and flying through the air! We had so much fun! Heck, Dad, 60 minutes of play time each day is all I need. Please?

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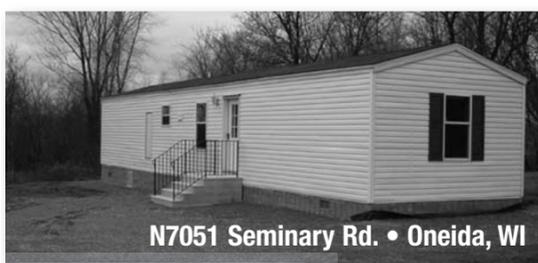
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School salad bars offer great tastes and healthy options

Submitted by Susan Higgs, RD, CD

WIC/Nutrition Manager, Oneida Community Health Center

The Oneida Nation schools are fortunate to have salad bars, not all schools do! Students and staff are able to make selections each day or receive fruits and vegetables as part of the regular menu.

School Salad Bars Are:

- An easy and delicious way to eat healthfully.
- Offer a variety of good-for-you and great tasting fruits and vegetables.
- A great way to help make "half" of what you eat each day, fruits and veggies.
- An easy way to try a new or different form of fruits or vegetables, whether they are fresh, frozen, canned or dried.
- Helpful in meeting your daily requirements of fruits and vegetables.
- An easy way to start or keep a healthy habit.

Why are fruits and veg-



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Oneida Nation School System students and faculty enjoy a nutritious trip to the salad bar.

etables so important?

- They are high in vitamins, minerals, antioxidants, and fiber.
- Give you energy with less calories; compared to chips and soda.
- Help you achieve a healthy weight.
- Fruits and vegetables are low in fat, saturated fat, cholesterol, and sodium; and help to prevent heart disease and high blood pressure.

- The fiber helps:
 - o You feel full longer.
 - o Aids in digestion.
 - o Prevents spikes in blood sugar.
 - o Decreases cholesterol by binding to the "bad" cholesterol and removing it from the body.

The 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans new My Plate initiative encourages all of us to make half your

plate fruits and vegetables. So parents and caregivers can also be role-models to kids at home, by offering fruits and vegetables at meals and eating them as a family.

More information, easy recipes and ideas about healthful eating is available at www.ChooseMyPlate.gov

Extreme Sports

By Joelle Thomas

Thunderhawk Times

In Journalism, we started the semester looking at extreme sports and, then, conspiracy theories. I'll give you a rundown of extreme sports in this issue.

Extreme sports are doing stuff like BASE jumping, BMX, Dirt jumping, Extreme Motorsport, Kite surfing, Paragliding, Parkour, Rock climbing, Sky diving, Bungee jumping, and much more. You can go to You Tube and just look up "Extreme Sports" to see some of these.

Some people think the people that do extreme sports are crazy and out of their mind. But you only live once so you might as well try everything you can. Am I right

or am I right? I'm right. It takes a lot of Adrenalin to do something like that but I'm sure its lots of fun.

Personally, I would love to try something like that.

People have actually died doing extreme sports but I'm sure it's only because they didn't know what they were doing or they were nervous. You have to clear your mind when you are doing something like that.

But now that you know what Extreme Sports are maybe you will want to go and try it some time.

The Chicago Bulls

By Avery King

Thunderhawk Times

Here's a prediction for this shortened-NBA Season: The Chicago Bulls are going to go to the Championship 2012, because there is no other team more ready for a championship than the Bulls. Their point guard "D. Rose" is going hard

to the paint and nailing his three-point chances.

Rose is a key to the Bulls' chances. His salary is \$7,000,000 and his new max deal is \$94 million, over five years. As the Bulls' MVP, he has a lot of point catching up if he wants to be MVP two years in a row. He is also part of Adidas.

ONEIDA
Basketball Schedule

2/10/12 - vs. Stockbridge - Girls 5:00pm Boys 6:30pm
2/13/12 - vs. Wyldewood Christian, Oshkosh - Boys 5:30pm
2/16/12 - vs. WI Career Academy/Milwaukee - Boys 4:30pm

All games at home

Meet Sheldon Skenandore Q&A

What grade are you in?
10th Grade.

How long have you gone to ONHS?
Almost all my life.

What grades?
Mostly good grades.

Where do you live?
Green Bay.

Who is your family?
Ashley, Charles,

nephews, nieces, mom, and stepdad .

How are your grades?
Good.

How is your schedule this year?
Pretty Good.

What classes do you like at school?
Dave's first hour,

world affairs, biology, Sonny's.

What extra-curricular activities do you participate in?
None .

Why did you take journalism?
Because Denis is a cool

guy.

Do you do creative writing?
Poems.

What do you know



Sheldon Skenandore

about Oneida language Culture?
It's cool.

What do you plan to do in the future?
Own a game store.

Do you have a boyfriend or Girlfriend?
Girlfriend.

What are your hobbies or interests outside of school?
Play games.

What kind of music do you listen to?
95.9 kiss FM.

What is your favorite music artist?
Selena Gomez.

What's your favorite color?
Blue.

What is your favorite food?
Pizza.

What is your favorite TV show?
SpongeBob.

What is your favorite movie?
Norbit.

What is your favorite book?
Green Mile.

What's your favorite sport to play?
Football/Basketball.

What do you like on your pizza?
Vegetables.

Who is your hero or role model? Why?
Sister, because she's always nice to me.

What are your plans, after high school?
Go to business school.

What do you plan to do as a career?
Sell Games.

What do you think about President Obama?
Good president.

The Packers or Bears?
Bears.

Get to know Avery

By Josanna Cornelius

Thunderhawk Times

Avery King is a sophomore at Oneida Nation High School. He's attended Oneida schools for about seven years and has been at the high school since he was a freshman.

Other schools he has been to are Freedom and Wahpeton. He lives at Kylee's house who is his girlfriend; his family is the King's.

Avery averages about a B in school. I asked him how his schedule is and he said and quoted "boring." His favorite class is physical education, and he does not participate in any out of school curricular activities. He took journalism because that's what the school put him in he "had no say." He does not do any type of writing besides in this class.

Avery said he doesn't know much about the Oneida language

He said he plans to go



Avery King

to college for construction management.

His favorite interests are playing basketball, eating at Subway, watching sports center, and listening to Wiz Khalifa. Avery's favorite color is red, his favorite movie is "The Ghetto Stories," and he has no favorite book.

He likes pepperoni and cheese on his pizza. His role model is his brother and his favorite sports team is the Lakers. His motto is "Just do it", just like Nike. He thinks Obama is pretty straight, and he would choose the Bears over the Packers.

Meet Tyler Stevens

By Sheldon Skenandore

Thunderhawk Times

What grade are you in school?
10th grade.

How long have you gone to Oneida nation high school?
Two years.

How long have you gone to Oneida schools?
11 years.

What other school have you attended?
Seymour.

Where do you live?
Oneida.

Who is in your family?
Brothers, my Mom,



Tyler Stevens

Grandma.

How are your grades?
Normal.

How is your schedule this year?
Fairly good.

What classes do you like at school?
All

What did you take journalism?
The Thrill.

Do you creative writing poems?
No.

What do you plan to do in the future?
Nothing.

Don't Be Afraid of the Dark - Movie Review

By Táwet White

Thunderhawk Times

Guillermo del Toro directs this thriller about creatures who live in the basement of Blackwood Manor.

A young girl named Sally (Bailee Madison) goes to live with her father (Guy Pearce) and her father's girlfriend and co-worker (Katie Holmes). Sally doesn't want to live with her father in some strange place with a strange woman; however she has no say in the matter.

The three of them live in Blackwood's Manor, an old dusty mansion that Lord Blackwood used to live in until he mysteriously disappeared. Sally's father and her father's girlfriend live in Lord Blackwood's manor while they clean it and fix it up to sell it.

Kim (Katie Holmes) is an interior designer and really wants Sally to like her. Sally is very hesitant

and gives Kim the cold shoulder many times in the movie. When things start moving, Sally lashes out to alert someone, and of course the old movie cliché, her father thinks she is making it up and crying out for attention. Kim doesn't believe her at first, but she does know that something is not right.

Kim begins to research Blackwood's Manor and finds that his final painting matches the drawing Sally made a few days earlier exactly. The painting and the drawing depict a screaming demonic creature crawling out of a dark tunnel or cave.

Kim starts to believe and they try to get Sally out of the house, but the creatures need Sally for their plan so they take action. This kept me watching, longing to know what happens next.

4 of 5 Stars.



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So what is the purpose of an Ombudsman?

a check on government activity in the interest of the citizens and investigate complaints of improper government activity.

Organizational Ombudsman

A designated neutral party who assists in the informal resolution of conflict while providing confidentiality and maintaining fairness, equality, and objectivity. The Organizational Ombudsman does not represent a specific party or the organization in any aspect. The Organizational Ombudsman represents "fair process and the administration of fair process" and functions independently of management. The Organizational Ombudsman investigates matters/concerns by gathering information, assists in identifying possible resolutions, makes recommendations to resolve matters, provides recommendations for process improvements, identifies potential systemic problems within an organization, and maintains open communication by issuing public reports about situations

and the end results.

Advocacy Ombudsman

An individual who represents or advocates on behalf of a specific party or designated population while seeking resolutions to conflicts or complaints. The Advocacy Ombudsman typically seeks to resolve problems, concerns, or complaints of an individual that related to a belief of a violation of rights or improper treatment. The Advocacy Ombudsman, as a representative, may become involved in formal resolution processes representing the issues and interests of one side. Advocacy Ombudsmen are often found in the long term care setting such as Nursing Home facilities. While these are the three basic "types" of Ombudsmen, it is important to understand that a 'hybrid' style of Ombudsman also exists. This 'hybrid' style is simply the cross of one of the three basic types of Ombudsman with some characteristics or typical functions of another. The most common mix seems to be the Organizational with the Classical thus creating an informal,

impartial, and neutral party with the authority to do formal investigations and/or possibly provide statements or input as part of a formal process. It could also include the ability to assist with 'binding' (documented and agreed upon) solutions between parties.

As a result of a directive given by the Oneida General Tribal Council in 2005, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is currently required to have an Ombudsman. The specific type of Ombudsman was not defined, nor was it stated as to whether or not there was to be only one type of Ombudsman. For this reason, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin currently has one (1) Ombudsman functioning as an Organizational Ombudsman. The next article will look at the creation of the Oneida Ombudsman and the identified intent behind the creation so that the community can see the link to how the function of the current Ombudsman came about.

Oneida Ombudsman
Dianne McLester-Heim
920-490-3713

Haskell, EPA promote environment, science careers

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) ~ Haskell Indian Nations University is partnering with the Environmental Protection Agency to promote science and environmental careers.

The university in Lawrence and the EPA's office in Kansas signed an agreement Wednesday to promote interaction between Haskell students and EPA staff.

Karl Brooks, the EPA district's regional administrator, says he hopes the agreement will encourage more Haskell students to apply for intern-

ships and jobs with the EPA.

He says it also should prompt EPA staff to help Haskell faculty with research, and give Haskell students knowledge they could use to help their tribes with environmental issues.

The Lawrence Journal-World reports EPA staff members also will be considered for adjunct faculty positions at the school.

Information from: Lawrence Journal-World, <http://www.ljworld.com>

<http://www.oneidanation.org/HealthCenter/page.aspx?id=326>



Parental Consent

Attention: Patients of the Oneida Community Health Center

The following information is regarding PARENTAL CONSENT FOR MINORS.

All minors under 17, who are not emancipated, will need to be accompanied by appointments either by a parent, legal guardian, or another designated person over the age of 18.

• "Another designated person" accompanying the minor child must be over 18 and named on the Wisconsin HIPAA Consent form, Section B.

• Consent for treatment may be obtained by written note, telephone call, or a fax of consent for treatment

• AND/OR to facilitate the consent process.

• The "Authorization to Consent to Medical

Treatment of Minor Child" form will be made available to parents/legal guardians. Ask the nursing staff for the form.

Minors ages 17 to 18 may be seen without a parent or guardian (at the discretion of the provider), and consent for treatment may be obtained by written note, telephone call, or fax of consent for treatment.

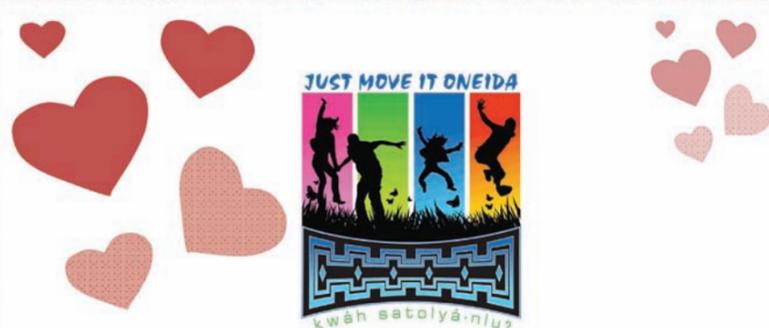
Minors between the ages of 14-18, who may access health care without parental consent at the OCHC for the following:

- Pregnancy test, and if positive, care for their pregnancy
- Minor patients who are parents can seek care for themselves and infant/child
- Evaluation for a sexually transmitted infection, and if positive, treatment for that infection
- HIV testing

All minors who access OCHC are encouraged to speak to their parent/guardian about their current diagnosis, to improve communication, and gain support of their current health concerns.

Any medical provider who feels that a minor under the age of 18 does not grasp the seriousness of their health interventions or medication management may request a parent/guardian to accompany the minor.

If these requirements are not met, your child cannot be seen by our providers. You will be asked to reschedule your child's appointment.



Just Move It Oneida - Healthy Heart Walk

Saturday, February 11th, 2012

At Oneida Family Fitness

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| 9:00-10:00 am | Registration & Health Screening |
| 9:15-10:00 am | Boxing Boot Camp (Studio A) |
| 9:00-11:00 am | Children's Activities (Gym) |
| 9:00-11:00 am | Indoor Walking Track |
| 10:00-11:00 am | Healthy Heart Education (Education Room) |
| 10:15-10:45 am | Lively Lo Impact Class (Gym) |
| 10:30-11:30 am | Light Lunch |

For more information, call OFF at 490-3730

Oneida Community Health Center
866-869-2711
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Blood Pressure Screening

ONEIDA SENIOR CENTER

134 Riverdale Dr. • Oneida, WI 54303

Wednesday { April 25, 2012
July 25, 2012
October 24, 2012

11:30AM-12:30PM

- No Cost
- Walk-in Service



Sponsored by
Oneida Community Health Nursing Department
920.869.4840

TRIAD CLASSES

Nutrition classes offered to patients with diabetes in the Taking Responsibility In Addressing Diabetes Exercise Program

Education Room

Sports Nutrition for Diabetes

February 22nd, 2012

4:30-5:30 PM

Oneida Family Fitness Education Room

Hunter's Safety Course

Location:

Oneida Community Education Center
2632 Packerland Dr. • Green Bay, WI

Time: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Dates:

First Class:

February 13, 15, 20, 22, 27 & 29
March 5 & 7

Second Class:

March 19, 21, 26 & 28
April 2, 4, 9, & 11

Anyone born on or after January 1, 1973, MUST pass this course in order to purchase an Oneida Sportsman License.

To register for one of the above classes, contact the Oneida Conservation Department at (920) 869-1450



It is our mission to provide lifelong learning to the lives of the people who choose to participate in our programs. The Oneida Adventure Experience combine adventure-based educational programs that utilize activities that are challenging and fun, to help stimulate individual growth and team building skills. Our staff understands that people learn best through experience.

ONEIDA ADVENTURE



Get out and Get Connected



Kayak

3 Week Class Sessions

\$30

Thursday Nights

February 2nd, 9th, 16th

Wednesday nights

5:30-7:30pm

March 7th, 14th, 21st

April 4th, 11th, 18th

ROLL CLASS

\$20

March 28th

April 25th

Contact:

Mark Steinbach
920.490.3846



Winter Fest!

February 18th

10:00am-1:00pm

Oneida Adventure will have snowshoeing, and cross country skiing available at Winter Fest!

All gear will be provided for, just dress for the weather! Cultural Heritage, and Environmental will also be providing other fun winter games!

No previous experience necessary. A great time for first timers to give Snowshoeing and Skiing a try!

SEE YOU THERE!



Survival

4 classes

April 3,10,17,24

5-7pm

Overnight on

April 28th & 29th

Instruction will be provided on the three main rules of survival

Fire: Learn various fire building skill. Use natural fire starting materials (flint and steel or a bow drill to start a fire)

Shelter: Build a survival shelter using the surrounding resources. Knot tying

Water: Treating and collecting water.

Contact

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Oneida Adventure Works with 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th graders at the Turtle

Todd Muske writes about how Oneida Adventure provides new opportunities of physical and emotional health for his students. He writes: During gym Students climb to new heights in Experiential Education. Through Experiential education programming this winter session, students have had the opportunity to "tree climb." During this unit students learned how to set and reach goals and to encourage themselves and fellow classmates to try a new experience. Students continued to thrive under new and challenging experiences, one of which was "tree climbing." How this worked was, students were able to climb to the top of the gym ceiling by use of harness,



ropes, and tree climbing knot system that allowed student to ascend using their overall body strength. While some students achieved their goal of just making it off the ground, others made it to the tree chairs slung up near the top of the climb. Students could relax in the chairs, and view how far they had come, realizing the pride in achievement. Todd continues stating, "Cindy, Kip Mark, and Shannon have been instrumental in bringing this fun and exciting experience to our students. One of the student's, Ta Koma King adds, "I really enjoyed the challenge to see how high up the ropes I could get!" Overall, most students challenged themselves to climb.