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Oneida's future leaders move on to kindergarten



Student project wins national award

By Nate Wisneski Kalihwisaks

Students at the Oneida

Nation High School not only built a bio-diesel project but also a renewable energy dynasty. For the second straight

year the school has won the Indian Education Energy Renewable with Challenge the National Argonne Laboratory.

The project takes used cooking grease through heating chemical intervention it transformed usable bio-diesel fuel.

The two-phase contest had the school advancing after its initial design plans were awarded one of the five \$3500 prizes to fund the construction of their project. They were notified of their win on Wednesday, May 18.

"We submitted our plans and they picked five colleges and five high schools throughout the country," said Dave Santee, the school's coteacher in science classes. "We were one of the five they picked and we actually came in under budget," he proudly



Oneida Nation High School students and staff stand in front of their bio-diesel project that took first place at the 2011 Indian Education Renewable Energy Challenge.

added.

The eight-person group spent about 20 hours over three weeks building and developing the project before it was submitted.

"It did feel good to get out of the classroom and come here to work on it," said senior Brandon White.

"We just found out and I am really excited," added senior Danny McKinney.

Students working on project included Devan Little, Larissa Alexi Silva, Danny Bradley McKinney, Grandquist, Jade Doxtator, and Brandon White.

The group wins a trip to Chicago at accept their award and \$5000 cash.

"The whole purpose of this is to get kids thinking about renewable energy," said Santee. "That's what the tribes are doing. The government is really working on renewable energy on reservations. The kids are going to be the ones

Lucus, Charles Cook, implementing a lot of these programs.

The contest is cosponsored with Bureau of Indian Education, the Indian Affairs Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development and the U.S. Department Energy's Argonne National Laboratory. The focus of the contest was to promote renewable energy development for Indian Country among students and teachers at the high school and college level.

Video crew searches for ghosts at Norbert **Hill Center**

By Nate Wisneski Kalihwisaks

Almost every person in the Oneida community has or heard of a paranormal experience at the Norbert Hill Center. A television show set out to capture such an experi-

"Ghost Venture Crew" is a ghost hunting show lead by three female investigators. They decided to investigate the halls of the Norbert Hill Center after reading about paranormal encounters online. They are in talks with a national cable channel for a fall premiere and currently air on a local channel in Chicago.

According to Zondra the shows Executive Producer and Lead Investigator, evidence of paranormal activity was not hard to come by as it mounts with each tape reviewed.

"I haven't seen this kind of evidence before, there is so much going on at the Norbert Hill Center," said Mae. "I can't believe the information we got from here. I am blown away."

The most telling evidence is video captured by a hand held camera in the Oneida Business Committee conference room. It clearly shows a shadow figure walking in the back of the room.

Static cameras placed throughout the building have hundreds of orbs along with irregular lights and other shadows.

Mae welcomes people who question the authenticity of her findings to review the footage themselves.

"If it was a human the hair and skin would glow on the night vision," she "Analyze (the video), if you edit some-

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Head of Episcopal Church of the US visiting Oneida

By Dawn Walschinski

Kalihwisaks

of Members Apostles Church are getting ready for a visit from the Most Rev. Dr. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church on Sunday, June 5. Holy Apostles Vestry member Jenny Webster stated the congregation is excited about the event. "It's quite an honor to be

chosen," said Webster. "We're very excited and we're very humbled that she chose our church."

Bishop Jefferts Schori will preach at the 10:00am service at the Church of the Apostles, Holy Freedom Road, Oneida. The congregation is the oldest Indian mission of the Episcopal Church with roots dating 1702 when Anglican sionaries arrived in central New Episcopal Church played a major role in the move of the Oneida Indians from New York Wisconsin in the 1820's. Its membership remains primarily Oneida.

According to Webster, the congregation is creating raised beadwork purses and

rosaries in honor of the visit. "We're going to give ... the Presiding Bishop a gift of ... an Oneida cornhusk doll, and then also a beaded



Katharine Jefferts Schori

year term.

Presiding Bishop will expe-

picture frame with raised beadwork," said Webster. The frame will have a picture H o 1 Apostles as well as the church beaded on the frame.

Presiding Bishop

Jefferts Schori is chief pastor to the Episcopal Church's 2.4 million members in 16 countries and visits all 110 dioce-

ses over the course of a nine During the visit the

rience the breadth of the diocese and gather clergy and lay leaders for conversation about the Church.

"Everyone's invited to come to church that day. And we're also sending out invites to the other churches in Oneida, and also to the Business Committee," said Webster, who stated they expect around 300 people to attend the visit.

Webster said the church plans to plant a white pine in honor of the Presiding Bishop's visit and will ask her to bless it.

Bishop Jefferts Schori will preach at the 52nd Annual Eucharistic Festival at St. Paul's Cathedral, 51 West Division Street, Fond du

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Judiciary Work Group building for future

By Dawn Walschinski

Kalihwisaks About a dozen Oneida citizens gathered for the Thursday May Judiciary Working Group held in the Norbert Hill Center. Three Oneida Committee Business (OBC) members, members of the Oneida Appeals Commission, and interested community members discussed the potential structure of the proposed Oneida Judicial System and how it will function as directed by a February 5 General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting. On that night the group discussed ethical codes and discipliactions.

Councilwoman Trish King read from the proposed law.

"Judges shall be subject to the Oneida Removal Law, and be removed from office in accordance with the provisions set out therein," said King.

"I like that," comment-Appeals Commissioner Winnifred Thomas.

The meetings have been occurring every Thursday night throughout March, April and May average between 12 to 15 attendees. Patrick Elm said he attends the work group to give back to Oneida.

"I feel that the tribe has done a great deal for me and my family," said Elm. "It will be a historical thing also. My family and the next generations of my family can look back and say 'hey, my grandfather sat on that."

Kelly McAndrews credited her love of law



L to R: Kelly McAndrews and Pat Elm read over the judiciary law.

for participating in the work groups.

"I'm very passionate about the judiciary and all things legal," said McAndrews. "I'm very enthused about the work the group has done, it's been just an incredible experience meeting people I haven't met before coming together cohesively and coming to ... a meeting of the minds in terms of making some recommendations," said McAndrews.

Daniel Guzman-King emphasized sovereignty in creating the new judi-

"I think this is a great thing for the Oneida Nation to have our own judicial court system," he

Councilwoman King has been facilitating the meetings and stated she is pleased with the effort community members put

"I'm grateful for the commitment that the people put in. I'm just really excited about it, and I ... really feel this will take us to the next step," she said.

The work group decided to separate the chief justices from trial judges.

"What we realized when we talked about the judges is that they have to be high end executives. They have to know not just tribal law, they need to know the law in general because of the expanding jurisdiction," said McAndrews.

The group agreed that the chief justices would require law degrees. The three participants noted that qualifications for trial judges engendered the most discussion.

"We spent four meetings on that alone," said

"What was clear on February 5 in reviewing all of the notes is that the GTC favored education, the question was how much," said McAndrews.

The work group is proposing a requirement of a four-year degree.

The three participants each stated they've gained knowledge from taking part in the judiciary work group.

"I learned a lot from listening to others, from hearing the other points of view," said Guzman-King.

"I'm just incredibly thankful to have this experience. I think this has been wonderful," said McAndrews. "My hope is that there is a judiciary. I hope that peounderstand importance of it, that they understand that it impacts what sovereignty is supposed to mean.'

2011 Primary Election Results May 7, 2011

Candidates advancing to the July General Election are bold and italicized **Business Committee Chair**

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Pero, Robert M. Sr. March 13, 1931 – May 14, 2011

Robert M. Pero, Sr., 80, of Milwaukee, WI, passed away on Saturday, May 14, 2011. Beloved husband for 55 years of

father of Kim (Debra),

the late Robert Jr.,

Edward (Fiancee Cindy

(Heather), Lisa, Jodi

(Emanuel) Pena and

Frank. Robert is sur-

vived by his grandchil-

dren, "Pretty Girls":

Angie, Tina, Shannon,

Naomi, and Ali, and

"Grandpa's Boys": Rob,

Kevin, Joel, Dylan,

Jamie, and Zachery.

Cherished great-grand-

father of Kelsey, Justin,

Aubrie, Alyssa, Trey,

Jamhal, Kaden, Mason,

Landon. Dear brother of

Lois Hoeft, Francis,

Laila,



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Loving

Anthony

Kimberly,

and

William, and Eugene Pero. Further survived by nieces, nephews, other family members

and friends.

Robert was a proud member of the Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe Chippewa Indians. He was a member Buckskins. He faithfully served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a lifetime member of Charles Fielder Post #9469, VFW. He was retiree of AC Sparkplug and a member of UAW Local #1866.

Requiem Eucharist at Noon at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 3200 S. Herman St. Milwaukee, WI Interment with Military Honors to follow at Woodlawn Cemetery.



Devin,

Hill, Leroy March 17, 1931 – May 10, 2011

Leroy Hill, 80, Green Bay, died Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at home. He was born March 17, 1931 a son of the late Alphius and Mathilda (Jordan) Hill.

Leroy is survived by his nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews, and good friends Shirley and Art Mattie. He was preceded in death by his par-

ents; siblings Clarence Hill, Sr, Marie Peche, Belma Marundee, and Shirley Mann.

Funeral Service was held at 2:00pm on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 N. Tenth St, De Pere, WI.

Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Hill family.

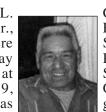


Gerald L. Skenandore, Sr., 68, of DePere passed away peacefully at home May 9, 2011. He was born April 17,

1943 in Oneida to the late Henry "Hank" and Catherine (Cornelius) Skenandore. He worked several years as a roofer and with the Oneida Tribe before retiring in 2010. He is survived by four daughters and two Geraldine (Charles) Skenandore, Seymour; Noreen (Dale) Green Reed, Bay;

Jacqueline

Skenandore,



Christine (Linden)
Reed, Gerald L.
Skenandore, Jr.,
Peterson
Skenandore,
Oneida; Nineteen
grandchildren,
and seventeen

grandchildren. great Gerald is further vived by his siblings: Minnie Smith, Lawrence (Mary) Skenandore, and Gordon Skenandore, all of Oneida. Many nieces and nephews. Gerald was preceded in death by the wife of his children Priscilla R. Skenandore, one daughter Harlene three brothers, and Norbert, Clarence, and Glen. His parents.

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Owen (White) Wilson, age 85, passed away peacefully at his home in the village of Hobart, surrounded by family members, on Sunday, May 15, 2011.

Owen was born on March 26, 1926 in Wyeville, WI to Agnes (Eagle) and Felix White Sr. He was raised in the Wyeville/Tomah area and Black River Falls. He attended the Tomah Indian School and the Neillsville Indian School. He received an associate degree from Mount Scenario College, Ladysmith, WI attended University Wisconsin – Stout, the University of Wisconsin - River Falls, and the University of Wisconsin

- Stevens Point.

He worked as a welder in Chicago for years.

While working in Chicago, he met and married Vera Skenandore. Owen and Vera had four children, Donald (Paula) Wilson,

Bernard Wilson, Priscilla Wilson Shegonee, and Diane Wilson.

Vera and Owen later returned to Black River Falls where they lived and worked for several years. While living at Black River Falls, Owen worked at Jackson County Forestry Service while Vera worked as a nutritionist.

They next moved to Oneida, WI, where they remained until Vera passed away 3½ years ago. Owen continued to reside at Oneida until he

passed away.

Owen was a comical philosopher of life. He enjoyed golfing, traveling, the Green Bay Packers, watching tennis, and wood carving. He will be greatly missed by all.

In addition to his four children, Owen is survived by his grandchildren, Matt Wilson, Palmer Hall, Christopher Hartman, **Nicholas** Wilson, Lauren Hartman, Jamison Wilson, Danielle Wilson, America Hartman, Ricky Wilson, Wyatt Wilson, Brooke Wilson; 10 great grandchildren; a sister, Ellen Rose Snowball; and numerous other relatives and friends.

In addition to his wife, Vera, he was preceded in death by his parents, Agnes and Felix White Sr., brothers, Henry Smoke, Felix White Jr., Woodrow White, and Eugene White, and sisters, Roxanne Masquot and Gertrude Duffey.

Traditional Ho-Chunk services were held at 12 noon on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 at the District One Community Center and burial was in Decorah Cemetery both in rural Black River Falls. George Garvin was the presiding elder.

The Buswell Funeral Home, Black River Falls, is assisting the family with arrangements.

Online condolences are available at www.buswellfuneralhome.com

Stevens, Julie Ann April 8, 1965 – May 6, 2011 Ann Abraham (S

Stevens, 46, Green Bay, died Friday afternoon May 6, 2011, at home, surrounded by her family. She was a proud

Native Woman of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin. Julie is the daughter of Abraham (Sandy) Stevens, Sr. and the late Patricia (Harold) Huff.

She enjoyed spending time with her grand-daughter, hanging out with friends and family, cooking for her family, watching movies, doing beadwork, listening to music and doing crosswords.

Julie is survived by her fiance, Eldon Wheelock, Green Bay; children, David "Daniel" Stevens, Green Bay; Becky Stevens, De Pere; Tracey Stevens, Oneida; Eli Matson, Elroy, Wis.; and her grandchildren, Aydin and Acacia. Survivors also include her father,

Abraham (Sandy) Stevens, Sr., Oneida; her brother and sisters, Sue (Brian) Pickett, Seymour; Sharon (Ralph) Cornelius, Oneida; Patricia

"Bo" Stevens, Green Bay; Michelle Adams, Green Bay; Carmen Vallecillo, Green Bay; Joseph Stevens, Oneida; Amanda Stevens, Green Bay; and several nieces and nephews, whom she dearly loved. Julie was preceded in death by her mother, Patricia (Harold) Huff; brother, Abraham "Nick" Stevens, Jr.; nephew Gerald Smith; and niece Luna Flor Martinez-Stevens.

Funeral services were held at 5 p.m. Monday, May 9, 2011 at RYAN FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, WI.

Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Stevens family.

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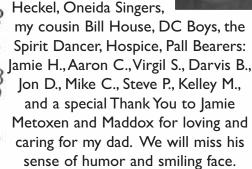
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Oneida Business Committee wrap: May 11, 2011

By Dawn Walschinski

Present Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes, Secretary Pattie Hoeft, Treasurer Tina Danforth, Chairman Rick Hill, Council Members Ed Delgado, Trish King, Tehassi Ron Hill, Melinda Danforth.

Excused - Councilman Brandon Stevens

The Oneida Business Committee (OBC) started off the Wednesday, May 11 meeting by swearing seven of eight people for five boards. Chris Cornelius and Al Manders took the oath of office for the Oneida Environmental Board; Cornelius Jodi was sworn in as an Oneida Election Board Alternate: Oneida Child Protective Board had Beverly Skenandore take the oath; Michael Hill and Carol Silva swore in for the Oneida Nation Veterans **Affairs** Committee; and Wayne Metoxen and Wilbert Rentmeester joined the Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises Board.

The OBC addressed a request from Oneida citizen Gerald Doxtator to investigate how improve Behavioral Health's operations to better serve youth and see clients sooner.

"I always got to go out

of Oneida to get services for our own kids, because I can't get (Behavioral Health) to follow through or get appointments fast enough," said Doxtator. He complained of redundant paperwork to get services and a three month wait for appoint-

"If anybody with a right mind can't get through there, how's someone with a wrong mind get through that mess?" Doxtator asked.

"We think we have excellent staff over there. good councilors, we think they're doing a good job with what we give them, unfortunately, we can't give them the funding to do the job that they really would like to be able to do," replied

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Vice-Chairwoman Hughes. "But with every system, there is always room for improvement, and we have asked management to look at case management for one."

Hughes requested work with Doxtator Behavioral Health to improve its systems.

"It would be even more helpful now if you could work with that same staff that's assessing the system to identify the bureaucracy that you feel in your mind could be made maybe a little more streamlined," she said.

Manager General Debbie Thundercloud suggested that the new ombudsperson could gather customer input to create an action plan.

"We're going to be working with the Business Committee to work on the eligibility requirements because we can never provide enough services, and we have a three to four month waiting period right now,' said Thundercloud.

Secretary Hoeft made a motion to direct the General Manager to bring back a report on the concerns raised about the ability of Behavioral Health to meet the community's needs by the end of June which was approved.

Minutes

The OBC approved the April 27 OBC minutes.

Resolutions

The OBC passed a resolution that repealed a 1984 resolution that required annual tuberculosis (TB) screening for all tribal employees. The resolution requires that the Employee Health Nursing Department establish which positions in the tribe should continue to get tested periodically.

Board, Committee and Commission quarterly reports

Amelia Cornelius presented reports for the Oneida Land Commission and the Oneida Land Claims

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Commission.

For the Land Commission, Cornelius reported Oneida reacquired 73 acres this quar-

Cornelius stated that the Oneida Land Claims Commission was planning a special event on Oneida Treaty History Series in June.

Both reports were accepted by the OBC.

Debbie Danforth of the Oneida School Board presented the board's report, which was accept-Danforth requested for an exception for the school to the policy that requires newly hired employees to be paid a starting salary that's 5% below their regular salary during their 90 day probationary period.

"That poses a real definite problem in our process in terms of hiring," said Danforth. The request was deferred to the next OBC meeting for a legal review.

A report from SEOTS was accepted via telephone conference.

Standing Committees Legislative Operating **Committee**

The OBC accepted the April 20 Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) minutes. The committee also reserved Chapters 400-499 in the Code of Laws for education-related laws. The OBC accepted amendments to the LOC bylaws.

Finance Committee

The May 6 Finance Committee meeting minutes were approved by the OBC.

Community **Development Planning Committee**

The OBC approved the April 7 Community Development Planning Committee (CDPC) minutes.

The OBC also supported a plan called Adapt and Grow that would Tsyunhéhkwa make Retail Stores self-sufficient within five years.

Travel Reports

The OBC accepted a travel report from Vice-Chairwoman Hughes on Tribal Technical Advisory Group (TTAG) meeting held April 20-21 in Portland, Oregon. TTAG is an advisory committee to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

General Tribal Council

The OBC debated when to set the General Tribal Council (GTC) Meeting for the FY2012 budget. Secretary Hoeft stated there are no Saturdays available and suggested two Sunday dates and a Monday date.

Councilwoman Danforth stated there was a 1989 OBC resolution that required budget meetings be held in September. The item was deferred to the next OBC meeting.

Follow ups/BC direc-

The OBC accepted a report from the General Manager's Office concerning Oneida's advisory boards. The report recommended doing annual reviews of the boards starting in the next budget cycle.

The OBC accepted a report on Sole Source Contracting for Oneida Indian owned businesses.

New Business Requests

Councilman Delgado made a motion to reinstate a hiring freeze for entities under General Manager.

"Hiring is perhaps maybe going back to our habits," old said Delgado. The motion failed.

Secretary Hoeft made a motion to request the Joint Executive Team (JET) to bring back a report on the number of total employees at beginning of fiscal year and to date, and cost of those employees, and the impact of the severance plans. The motion was passed.

The OBC approved a letter to Senators Ron Johnson and Herb Kohl regarding Oneida's opposition to bill S771-Tribal Gaming Eligibility Act; approved a Review and Approval of compliance inspection reports for Oneida gaming facilities; issued facility licenses for the Packerland One Stop and Mason Street Oneida and Travel Center gaming facilities, and approved a contract with Getty Images US Inc. for graphic art image subscription.

Division Director of Environmental Health and Safety Pat Pelky gave a report on progress

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2011

May 22

Essential Oils Seminar

WHEN: Saturday, May 22 TIME: 1:00pm

PLACE: Bear Paw Keepsakes 2667 West Mason Street

Join us for this look at everyday oils -nine to make your day the "oilers" way. Find out what you can do to improve your own health. RSVP with Connie at 414-481-1792.

Oneida Community Music Project

WHEN: Tuesday, May 24

TIME: 5:30pm PLACE: Parish Hall, 2936 Freedom Rd.

Everyone welcome! Be a part of a non-profit music project with local Oneida bands to create modern music with Oneida lyrics. Corn soup provided. Please bring a dish to pass. Bands bring written lyrics to be translated. Call Larura at 920-360-4761.

June 11

Longhouse fundraiser

Saturday, June 11 WHEN: TIME: 7:00am - 12:00pm **PLACE:** Parish Hall, 2936 Freedom Rd.

Join us for breakfast and help support the longhouse fundraiser with a good breakfast and great get together. Contact persons are Cliff Cornelius 920-490-1265 or Noreen Smith 920-619-8495 for more information and donations.

Bayfest Live needs your help

WHEN: Fri., June 17 - Sat., June 18 TIME: Various

PLACE:

Downtown Green Bay Sign up to be a volunteer at Bayfest Live and

receive a free event t-shirt. Volunteers are asked to work at least one (1) four-hour shift. Volunteers are needed for the Children's Area, Information Booth, Marketplace Set-Up, and Stage Hands. Without their help Bayfest Live would not be possible. FMI: (920) 435-5220 or info@artseventsinc.com.

June 24-26

St. Croix Chippewa Annual Pow-Wow WHEN: Friday, June 24 - Sunday, June 26

TIME: Starting 7:00pm Friday Mak'oode Arena at the St. Croix **PLACE:**

Casino, Turtle Lake More than five hundred dancers and singers from

tribes and first nations across North America will compete for prize money. Pow-wow visitors can also enjoy traditional foods and purchase Native American art. All ages are welcome. Grand entries will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday, June 24; at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 25; and at 1 p.m. on Sunday, June 26. Admission is \$5 for the weekend. St. Croix tribal members, visiting tribal elders and all children six and younger will be admitted free. For more information on the pow-wow, contact St. Croix Casino Turtle Lake marketing at 1-800-846-8946.

Compassionate Friends - Oneida Chapter

3rd Tues of every month WHEN: TIME: 6:30PM - 8:00PM**PLACE:** Parish Hall, 2936 Freedom Road

Compassionate Friends is a support group supporting family after a child dies. Questions contact:

Women's Talking Circle Group

WHEN: Every Tuesday! 6:00PM - 7:30PMTIME:

PLACE: Wise Women Gathering Place, 2483 Babcock Rd.

Wise Women Gathering Place is sponsoring a Women's Talking Circle 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 McLester or Emma White at Wise Women Gathering Place 920-490-0627.

Thursdays

Wise Youth Group

WHEN: Thursdays TIME: 4:00PM -6:00PM **PLACE:** Three Sisters Center

For more information call Isabel Parker at (920)

498-2011 or Bev at **920-490-0627**.

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.

To include events in this section please call the kalihwisaks at (920) 496-7316, 7317, 7318 or 7319

Announcements must have a contact phone # that can be

published to be included in this section.

Oneida Veterans Department 920-490-3989 and let him know who's who.

Do you recognize these Veterans?



Do you know the veterans in this picture taken in the 60's or so? Call Kerry Metoxen at the

Thunderhawks lacrosse continues winning ways





Kali photos/Travis Cottrell

The Oneida Thunderhawks lacrosse team pictured in a match against the Bay Port Pirates on May 12, 2011 at Bay Port High School. The game was shortened due to severe weather.

The Thunderhawks also participated in the 2011 JV Lacrosse Invitational tournament played at Wausau West High School on May 14, 2011. Oneida cruised to a 16-1 first round victory against the Neenah Rockets. The Thunderhawks claimed another one-sided victory in the second round of the tournament, defeating D.C. Everest 13-1. The team then found themselves in a rematch with the DePere Redbirds in the championship game. Oneida emerged victorious, defeating DePere 3-2 and claiming first place at the invitational.

Kalihwisaks offices will be CLOSED

Friday, May 27 & Monday, May 30

in observance of Oneida Day & Memorial Day

44th Annual

Miss Oneida Royalty Pageant

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Friday, June 24th 2011

6:00 p.m.

Radisson Hotel & Convention Center Wolf Room Come experience the selection of Oneida Nation's

New Ambassadors 2011-2012 Miss and Ir. Miss Oneida

Qualifications

Each contestant must agree to perform a traditional Oncida talent. (i.e. Corn husk dolls, bendwork, songs, dance, etc...)

Must Meet: Never been married, no children, and no previous or pending misdemeanor or felony convictions, Applicant must have knowledge of and understanding of the Oneida culture and history

Email: rfiguero@oneidanation.org

Oncida, WI 54155

Mail to: P.O. Box 365

Miss Oncida

High School Graduate or

Enrolled in College

Enrolled or in process of enrollment

with the Oneida Tribe of Indians

of Wisconsin

18-25 years of age (by day of coronation: June 16, 2011)

Contact: Rich Figuerou

Phone: 920-496-5026

Fax: 920-496-7494

OFF celebrates employee

health and fitness



Kali photo/Sadie Wilson

Todd Shelto, Oneida Family Fitness instructor, teaches strength training during National Employee Health and Fitness Day on May 18. The center had programs for 12 hours ranging from yoga to tai chi. There were prize drawings for employees who participated in 30 minutes of physical activity.

Golf Lessons Available

Youth group lessons offered June & July

- Ages 8-11, 12-16
- 4 lessons, weekends or evenings
- \$40.00 per person includes golf balls

Adult Group Lessons

- 4 lessons, weekends or evenings.
- Video included in one lesson
- \$50.00 per person plus cost of golf balls

Individual lessons

- Golf balls included
- Video included

USGTF Certified Instructor United States Golf Teachers Federation

Conrad K. King 920-606-7602

- \$40.00 per lesson up to I hour

For the Best in Native

Tune in to...

on your FM dial... Thursdays

American Music Kalihwiyose

WPNE 89.3 10:00PM to midnight



Payroll Deduction Opportunity for all employees within the Oneida Tribe entities!

> Sign up for a 2011 Golf Play Pass & Save 10%

Payroll deduction opportunity runs thru September 2011

Purchase your 2011 Season Golf Pass at 2010 rates!

Enrolled Oneida Tribal members receive a discounted rate!

Contact Mark Becker for Oneida Tribal Member discounted prices!

Employees can use payroll deduction for purchases towards a 2011 season golf pass or play passes. Pay over a 15 week period! Employees must complete a form in the golf shop at Thornberry Creek at Oneida.

Contact Mark Becker, mbecker@golfthornberry.com to sign up and/or for more information.

Mark Becker, Director of Golf, PGA Thornberry Creek at Oneida 920-434-7501 x106 www.golfthornberry.com

"Come Play With 'Us"

Oneida Nation Appreciation Day Friday, May 27th, 2011

Jr. Miss Oncida

Student

Enrolled or in process of enrollment

with the Oneida Tribe of Indians

of Wisconsin

13 17 years of age (by day of coronation: June 16, 2011)

There will be discounted rounds of golf and huge raffle prizes throughout the day for all Oneida Tribal members who come out to play!





Mark Becker, Director of Golf, PGA Thornberry Creek at Oneida 920-434-7501 x106 www.golfthornberry.com
"Come Play With Us"

OBC Forum

Chairman's Corner...



Rick Hill Chairman

Earlier this month here in the Green Bay area, I was present to hear Governor Scott Walker announce the State of Wisconsin's plan to seek an interstate designation for Highway 41 from the federal government. The intent is to boost economic development along the highway and to increase traffic safety for passenger and commercial vehicles.

Back in 2005, Wisconsin Congressman Tom Petri secured language in the federal transportation law to have Highway 41 designated as a future interstate highway. Seeking an interstate designation requires the State to meet a number of federal requirements and standards before Federal Highway the Authority grants its approval, such as weight load limits, lane/shoulder widths, and overhead bridge heights.

The Highway 41 corridor is

approximately 142 miles between the cities of Green Bay and Milwaukee. Of that, less than one mile of Highway 41 is located within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Reservation at the intersection of Highway 54/West Mason Street, one of the busiest intersections in the Green Bay area. It is possible that Oneida is the only tribe in the United States to have a major highway intersection within its reservation boundaries.

In 2010, the Highway 41 and Mason Street intersection averaged more than 70,000 cars per day, with the traffic count much higher on Green Bay Packer game days. It is anticipated that once the Highway 41 expansion is completed, the traffic count has the potential to exceed 100,000 cars per day.

At the federal level, the interstate designation also has support of Congressman Reid Ribble, who was recently appointed to the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee earlier this month. Locally and regionally, more than 20 Brown County municipalities along Highway have adopted resolutions of support for the interstate designation. The State will begin the interstate designation process and consult with all the affected communities by holding public informational meetings to keep the public informed.

Because a portion of the Oneida Reservation is part of the Highway 41 corridor at

We also

the Mason Street intersection, any infrastructure improvements to the highway have the potential to affect Oneida and our economic interests in a positive manner. This in turn helps to support our governmental programs and services to the Oneida membership.

By working together with the local, state and federal government agencies on the 41 Highway corridor improvements and interstate designation, we can bring all of our resources together from all our respective governments to improve the Green Bay region and traffic safety of our citizens and visitors, more importantly and improve our respective economies to sustain our communities.

OBC Forum...

Shekólih,

Along with the transition into spring, many community events and organizational issues are starting to take shape quickly, and while I cannot cover them all, there a few I would like to recognize or address.

Elections

First, a huge Yaw^ko to the Oneida community for participating in the first ever Oneida Primary Election on May 7th. It was absolutely exciting to see approximately 1200 people exercise the right to vote! I am pleased to announce that I have successfully made it through the primary and am determined to work hard to retain your sup-

Unfortunately, this campaign season has already been filled with a lot of misinformation, unrealistic promises and vicious rumors, so I urge ou to confront the candidates about their plans

to make their promises a reality and to seek out the truth to rumors circulating amongst the community.

As always, the community can expect a very professional, respectful and dignified campaign from me, and I am always open to hearing your concerns and recommendations. General Election is scheduled for July 16th and once again I humbly ask for your support.

Budget

The Oneida Business Committee is once again engaged in budget discussions and continues to face challenging circumstances to balance the budget. In the upcoming months, the Business Committee will be reviewing the budgets and address the foreseen shortfall. I will do my best to provide a point of view that balances the three major budgeting areas we look at: Labor (wages, benefits, etc.), and accurately as possithe 24th Annual AISES System

Direct Services (Social Services, health care, elderly services, etc.) and GTC Mandates (per capita, higher education funding, etc.).

Regarding the requested Secretarial Election to complete the constitutional amendment process, we continue to be in a holding pattern, awaiting a decision from the Department of Interior. The decision makers in Washington D.C. have been lobbied and made aware of the outstanding questions we have for Secretarial Election.

As stated during the community information sessions and in mailings, we will do our best to continue distributing information as timely



Constitutional Melinda Danforth nation.org Amendments Councilwoman Congratulations

Graduates! Graduation season is upon us and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the Oneida graduates from Headstart, Elementary School, High School & College. A special congratulations to my son, Everett Danforth, for graduating from Oneida Headstart and a huge Yaw^ko to the Oneida community for always placing education a top

priority! **Science Fair** Winners

The Oneida Tribal School participated in

propose

held in Albuquerque, New Mexico. While the competition took place in March, as one of the school liaisons, I would still like to take this opportunity to congratulate everyone who participated. 4 students participated as follows:. Loiusa Mehojah, grade 7; Sheila Stevens, grade 8; Guadalupe Martinez, grade 11 & Ululani Nunies, grade 12. The students were sponsored by ONSS with the support of the Oneida Nation School Board and the endorsement of the Oneida Nation Business Committee. 3 of the students placed in their perspective categories, 2 of the students won 2nd place and one student won 1st place. Ululani won 3 special awards and Guadalupe

Martinez won 1 special

award. Also, I extend a

special Thank you to

Oneida Nation School

making \$60,000 or less

per year. In my last

Legislative Forum, I said

Science Fair which is

Peguero and Laura Studee and parents chaperones Jack and Debbie Mehojah, for chaperoning the students.

Community Events

If you have the opportunity to read the Kalihwisaks, please take note of some upcoming community events. There are several taking place every month and May and June are no exceptions. Two upcoming annual events are:

• The Elder/Youth Fishing Event on May 21st at Culture Heritage, and Taste of Oneida (aka Family Carnival) will be held on June 3rd and 4th.

Please feel free to continue send me your questions and feedback. I can be reached through email mdanforj@oneidanation.org or at www.facesearch: book.com Melinda J. Danforth.

Yaw\(\lambda\)ko!

Memorial Day

My step-father, Willard E. Lamere, was a World War II veteran. He normally did not talk much about his role as a medic in the invasion of Normandy. I know he had memories that affected him deeply. The few things he did say about those days have caused me to stop and think about those veterans who fought and died for our country. Willard was Winnebago. He did tell us when we were young about Mitchell Red Mitchell Red Cloud. Cloud, also Winnebago, received the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The Congressional Medal of Honor is the highest U.S. military awarded. decoration More often than not, a Medal of Honor is grantposthumously because the action performed while earning

the Medal is so self-sacrificing and courageous that it results in the soldier's own death. Mitchell Red Cloud, the record says, was a Corporal in the 19th Infantry in Korea. On November 5, 1950, Red Cloud was on a ridge guarding his company command post when he surprised communist Chinese forces. He sounded the alarm and stayed in his position firing his automatic rifle at point-blank to check the assault. This gave his company time to consolidate their defenses. After being severely wounded by enemy fire, he refused assistance and continued firing upon the enemy until he was fatally wounded. His heroic action prevented the enemy from overrunning his company's command position and gained time for evacuation of the

wounded.

Memorial Day, I'll be remembering Mitchell Red Cloud, my step-father Willard, and veterans who have sacrificed.

Tribe Continues to Spend

At the May 11th Business Committee Meeting, the

BC approved a six month contract for a full-time attorney to help Legislative the Operating Committee close out the legislative initiatives for this term. In an effort to reduce costs, I voted against the hiring. Tribal Treasurer Tina Danforth and Tribal Secretary Patty Hoeft also voted to save the money to help balance

the budget for 2012. **Wage Petition Update** To date, the Business Committee continues to



Ed Delgado Councilman

1.8% wage increase. In July, the General Tribal Council will approve, disapprove modify petition request for a w a g e increase of

that if I were a slot-technician making about \$38,000 annually, and had children to feed and diapers to buy, I'd vote for the larger wage increase. As a Business Committee member, I hope we can identify the funds to increase the 1.8% to something more .75 cents per reasonable and accepthour for all employees able to our employees

who have not received a wage increase for 3 years.

OHA Rentals

Many Oneidas who want to know why OHA renters have to pay rent at a much higher rate non-renters. than Renters currently pay 30% of their adjusted income. I support a lower rate. Below is the rate paid by other tribes in Wisconsin:

Wisconsin Native Housing Authorities

Rent Calculation

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	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	
Tribe	Bdrm	Bdrm	Bdrm	Bdrm	Bdrm	% of Income
Bad River	N/A	125	150	175	200	20%
Ho-Chunk	186	251	359	431	514	20%
LCO	185	218	273	305	351	9%
LDF	180	240	300	335	390	30%
Menominee	N/A	350	350	350	350	30%
Oneida	300	353	441	494	578	30%
Red Cliff	N/A	N/A	325	350	N/A	20%
Sokoagan	N/A	200	200	200	200	7.50%
St. Croix	116	137	171	192	221	Flat Rate
Stockbridge-Munsee	285	335	419	469	N/A	30%
Potowatomi	N/A	350	350	350	350	30%



DA Clocks are back in Stock!

• Oneida One Stop • Language House Oneida Nation Museum ~ Cost... \$20.00 each ~

Oneida Business Committee Meetings

Wednesday, May 25, 9:00am Wednesday, June 8, 9:00am Norbert Hill Center The OBC meets every 2nd and 4th

Wednesday of the month

Government

May 23, 2011

Amendments

Appeals Commission.

clarify the type of land

the Ordinance applies to

and allows individuals to

appeal fines and citations

to the Environmental

Amendments to Address

Guardians Ad Litem

The intent of these

amendments is to prevent

conflicts of interest in the

appointment of guardians

ad litem. The provisions

for appointing a guardian

ad litem are located in the

Placement, and Visitation

law. Under the amend-

ments, a person would be

disqualified for appoint-

ment as a guardian ad

litem for a particular case

if he or she is related to

an interested party, an

proceeding, or to an

appointing

Commissioner.

Paternity law and Child

Support law are also

included in order to refer-

ence the Child Custody,

Placement and Visitation

The purpose of these

amendments is to update

the Hunting, Fishing and

Trapping Law for the

2011-2012 season. The

allow ten and eleven-year

olds to obtain a sports-

man license to hunt after

completing a hunter safe-

ty course, if he or she

remains within arms

grasp of a mentor while

hunting; obeys all hunt-

ing laws and regulations;

and obtains the necessary

licenses, permits and/or

tags. The Amendments

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Purpose:

Trapping

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Conflicts of Interest.

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Custody,

Resource Board.

Appointments

Purpose:

Child

Purpose:

Oneida

Animals

Amendments.

Purpose:

Child

Move.

Board Vacancies

To submit an application by e-mail send to: TribalSecretary@oneidanation.org To submit an application by **mail** send to: Tribal Secretary's Office

PO Box 365 Oneida, WI 54155 To submit an application in person: The Tribal Secretary's Office is located on

the 2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center If you have any quwstions please contact the

Tribal Secretary's Office at 920-869-4364

Oneida Personnel Commission

Five (5) Vacancies

Qualifications:

- Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
- The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven community members
- Shall serve a full term of 5 years unless appointed to fill a vacancy created by resignation with more than one year remaining, then shall be remainder of term.
- Membership may not be such that a conflict of interest between the private interest and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.
- Membership may not be such that nepotism is created by the following relationships: father, mother, husband, wife brother, sister, daughter, son, father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other.

Deadline: 4:30 May 23, 2011

Oneida Pow Wow Committee

One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:

- Shall serve a three (3) year term.
- May be required to perform supervisory duties in regard to a powwow.

Deadline: 4:30 May 23, 2011

Oneida Library Board

Two (2) Vacancies

To monitor and advise programs, services and acquisitions of print and non print materials provided to library clientele. **Oualifications:**

- Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
- Must be 21 years of age or older. Deadline: 4:30

May 23, 2011 Oneida Tribal Services

Advisory Board

One (1) Vacancy

Purpose:

To set missions and goals for the delivery of services; to act as liaison between the Oneida Social Services program serving Southeastern Wisconsin and the Oneida people residing therein; to review the programs budget; to guide and advise the programs administration; provide guidance in all the functions of the SEOTS Board; and to adhere to the appropriate chain of command in any and all relative communications.

Qualifications:

- Must be an enrolled Oneida Tribal member. • Resumes will be required for appointments.
- Applicants must agree to firm commitments for attending training, Board and
- General Tribal Council meetings, functions and other events established by the SEOTS Advisory Board or the Oneida Tribe. Deadline: 4:30

May 23, 2011

Oneida Police Commission

Two (2) Vacancies

Qualifications:

- Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
- Must be at least 25 years of age. • Must submit to a complete background investigation and shall not be found to have
- convicted of the following: o Shall not have been convicted of a felony in the state of Wisconsin or convicted of
- any crime in another state that would be considered a felony had the offense and adjudications occurred in the state of Wisconsin. o Shall not have been convicted of a misdemeanor due to a plea arrangement for a
- o Shall not have been convicted of any ordinance violation that could bring discredit
- to the Oneida Police Commission.
- o Shall not be considered exonerated by a pardon granted by the state of Wisconsin or the Oneida Tribe for any conviction listed above for the purpose of serving on the Oneida Police Commission.
- Shall submit to drug testing prior to appointment and on an annual basis.
- Shall not be an employee of the Oneida Police Department
- Must be a person of known good standing in the community. • Shall serve a full term of 5 years unless appointed to fill a vacancy created by res-
- ignation or removal, then shall be remainder of term.

Deadline: 4:30 May 23, 2011

Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee

Two (2) Vacancies

Qualifications:

- The Veterans Affairs Committee will be made up of members of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin who have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States of America. • Members shall have been inducted into, or voluntarily entered, active duty in one of
- the service branches of the Armed Forces of the United States of America and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch of the Armed Forces of the United States of America due to "less than honorable conditions." • Must have been on active duty by serving 181 days or more of continuous active
- duty unless discharged early, with less than 181 days active duty, for a service connected disability. • Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has completed at least six years
- in the Reserves or National Guard, or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability. • Shall be a citizen in good standing in the Oneida Community.
- Terms of office shall be for a period of 3 years.
- Deadline: 4:30

May 23, 2011 Oneida Environmental

Resource Board Three (3) Vacancies

• The ERB shall consist of nine (9) enrolled members of the Oneida tribe who are not

Qualifications:

employed within the Environmental Dept, the Conservation Dept, or other areas of the Oneida Tribe over which the ERB has direct oversight responsibility and authority. Commissioners shall be appointed by the Oneida Business Committee to serve a (3) year term. Mission: To protect, conserve and enhance all natural resources to assure the preservation of the

quality of life for the next seven generations.

Deadline: 4:30 May 23, 2011

Public Hearing Notice

9:00AM Norbert Hill Center (BCCR)

year old hunter. In addition, to the Amendments would Custody, allow tree stands to Placement and Visitation remain up until April 1st, law to Address a Parent as opposed to two weeks after the end of archery The intent of these season; require a buck to Amendments is to require have at least 4 points in order to be harvested; a parent with physical custody of a child to prolimit a designated hunter vide notice to the other to hunting for one elder parent prior to moving or disabled person; legaloutside of the state. The ize colony traps; require individuals to obtain a Amendments also propermit before possessing vide a mechanism for the non-custodial parent to or releasing birds for dog object and a hearing to be training purposes; and held. The Amendments allow non-Indians to are based on a request obtain a predator's submitted by the Oneida license to hunt fox, coy-

Purpose: Tribal Regulation of Domestic Indian Preference in **Ordinance** Contracting Adoption.

Reservation.

The purpose of these The Indian Preference in Contracting law would amendments is to grandreplace the current father in those individuals who have more ani-Oneida Indian Preference mals than allowed under Law, which was originalthe Tribe's law, if they ly adopted in 1998 and last amended in 2003. had those animals on the land before they became The purposes of the law subject to the jurisdiction are to 1) expand the of the Tribe. The amendapplication of preference ments would also allow in contracting, thus an individual to operate a increasing economic kennel on land zoned resopportunities for tribal idential, if he or she businesses, and 2) to prevent increased Tribal obtains a permit from the Land Commission which costs due to misuse of allows the kennel. Indian preference entitle-Finally, the amendments ment.

Purpose:

Amendments to the Per Capita Ordinance.

The intent of these Amendments is to:

- Adopt a fine of 1/3 of the balance of the trust account to penalize those individuals who submit fraudulent proof of a diploma when claiming their trust account funds.
- Prohibit someone who is dually enrolled in the Oneida Tribe and another Tribe from being eligible for a per capita payment.
- Outline how a Tribal per capita payment or trust account payment.
- · Clarify how prior payments may be claimed and how they are distributed.
- Prohibit a per capita payment to a Tribal member whose date of death occurs before the payment is distributed.
- Authorize the Trust Committee to establish additional payment dates, as needed, with Oneida Business Committee (OBC) approval.

Voluntary Law Adoption. Hunting, Fishing and Law

Purpose:

The purpose of this law is to govern voluntary severance by creating the authorities and responsibilities of various Tribal entities when a voluntary severance is available to employees of the Tribe. The Law allows the **Business** Oneida Committee to reduce the Tribe's workforce, based on financial conditions, through the enactment of a voluntary severance. Under the Law, the Human Resource Department and Executive Managers are responsible for informing employees of the voluntary severance and mak-

employee is eligible to

receive a severance. The intent of the Law is not to terminate employees based on performance issues and applies only to those employees who voluntarily resign from the Tribe.

June 23, 2011

Purpose:

Zoning and Shoreland **Protection** Amendments: Nuisance Provisions.

The intent of the proposed amendments is to expand and clarify the ote and raccoon on the nuisance provisions of Law. Amendments add an intent statement to the public nuisance section of the Law and additional categories to the public nuisance section. The intent of the Amendments is that even though certain conditions may exist, they will not necessarily be a public nuisance. The definition of "public nuisance," along with the intent of the public nuisance section and the discretion of the Zoning Administrator will be determine whether a public nuisance exists.

Public Hearing Process Testimony:

Oral: There will be a 5 minute limit for all oral presentations. Each participant is encouraged to provide a written transcript of his/her oral testimony, to be submitted while present at the public hearing or within ten (10) business days from the date of public hearing to the below named indi-

Written: For those who

viduals.

member may refuse a cannot attend the scheduled public hearing or do not plan to speak at the hearing, the Oneida Tribe encourages those to submit written testimony. A maximum of ten (10) pages, doubled spaced, can be submitted within ten (10) business days from the date of public hearing to the Tribal Secretary (Patricia Hoeft) Tonya Boucher, Legislative Reference Office at the Norbert Hill Center, 2nd floor or mail to PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155.

Severance If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to public hearing process you may contact Tonya Boucher at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise tboucher@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 920-869-4240. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this law are also available on the I n t e r n e t: http://www.oneidanation.org/government/law ing the final determinasandpolicies/publicheartion as to whether an

ings.aspx

Lat?snaló·loks

They gather the Names

She koli Swakwe Ku

(Greetings to All)

I am Jodie Skenandore, your Burial Benefits Specialist. This is the second article in a series regarding burial benefits for the

Tribal Membership.

This article will focus on situations that can and have resulted from not submitting an OLIPP (Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus) Beneficiary Designation form.

Our goal is to get every adult

Tribal Member to complete a Beneficiary Designation Form. In the coming months you will see me and/or other representatives from the Enrollment Department at various community events to help achieve this goal.

Contact Jodie at: 1-800-571-9902 or 920-869-6202 or by email at: JSKENAN7@oneidanation.org

The following burial benefits are available to the membership:

Children's Burial Fund

Eligibility Criteria:

- Children ages 0-5, not enrolled but eligible for enrollment or children age 6 who have been recommended for enrollment but have not yet been approved by the Business Committee
- Available at no cost

Requirements:

- Requests for assistance must be received within 365 days from date of death.
- Original invoices must be provided to the Oneida Enrollment Department for payment within 365 days from date of death.
- Specific documentation must be on file prior to processing of invoices for funeral expenses.

OLIPP (Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus)

Total benefit \$15,000

Eligibility Criteria:

- Enrolled Tribal Member
- Available at no cost

Requirements:

Requests must be received within 365 days from date of death. • Widow or widower If no Beneficiary Designation form is on file, the following naming sequence will be used:

- Child(ren) (natural or legally adopted)
 - Grandchild(ren)
- Parent(s)
- Brother(s) and sister(s)
- Member's estate

Oneida Tribal Cemetery

TSI? TYEYA? TATALIH (Where They Bury a Body)

Plot Cost: Currently \$100 per plot Plot marking, opening/closing fees determined at time of burial

Mark the Box!!!

Simply put, we're encouraging members who have not completed a Beneficiary Designation Form to:

(a) Obtain a Beneficiary Designation form(b) Complete the Beneficiary Designation form

(c) Return the Beneficiary Designation form to the Enrollment Department

If you are undecided as to who should be your beneficiary(ies) we suggest you do the following until you determine who will be your beneficiary(ies).

(a) Complete section A(b) Check mark the Enrollment Department box

(c) Sign and date section D

In the event of your untimely death, by check marking the Enrollment Department box, this ensures that your funeral home invoice is paid (either up to the life insurance benefit amount of \$15,000 or \$7,500 if married, unless spousal waiver has been signed). Any remaining monies under the \$15,000 would then be paid to eligible beneficiary(ies) as identified in the following naming sequence:

(a) Widow or widower

(b) Child(ren) (natural or legally adopted children)

(c) Grandchild or grandchildren

(d) Parent(s)

(e) Brother(s) and sister(s)

(f) Member's estate

Most importantly, once you have determined your beneficiary(ies), you should complete a new Beneficiary Designation form. This can be done by requesting a new form by picking one up from the Enrollment Office or printing one from our website (www.oneidanation.org/enrollment). This will ensure that your final wishes are carried out by those who you entrusted to take care of your

The following examples are being provided to encourage every adult to take a proactive role in assuring that their life insurance benefits are used for the purpose it was intended, your funeral/final expenses:

Scenario #1

• A single Tribal Member who had minor children. Because there was no Beneficiary Designation form the life insurance policy naming sequence had to be enforced. The legal guardian of the minor children received the proceeds. Unfortunately, no one was allowed to assign any portion to the funeral home. Therefore, the funeral expenses did not get paid and whoever signed the contract with the funeral home was responsible to pay the bill.

Scenario #2

 A widowed Tribal Member had numerous adult children. Because there was no Beneficiary Designation form the life insurance policy naming sequence had to be enforced. According to the policy (naming sequence), the children were determined eligible to receive the proceeds in equal shares. The insurance company had to locate all children to make payment, which took more than 6 months. Some children assigned their portion towards the funeral home expenses, leaving responsibility of payment of the remaining balance to whoever signed the funeral home contract.

Scenario #3

• Numerous occasions have occurred where the naming sequence was followed due to no Beneficiary Designation form on file. The person(s) who were determined to receive the proceeds did NOT use the monies to pay the funeral home bill, leaving the responsibility of payment to the person(s) signing the funeral home contract.

Scenario #4

• Unfortunately, there have been numerous occasions where a Tribal Member did have a beneficiary form on file and the beneficiary(ies) they designated did NOT use the monies to pay the member's funeral home bill, leaving responsibility of payment to the person(s) signing the funeral home contract.

This is why it is highly recommended that you check the box to have the Enrollment Department designated as Primary Beneficiary. This way your funeral home bill will get paid first and any remaining monies will be paid to either your designated or undesignated beneficiary(ies).

Please join us at the following community events.

ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN 2011 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT **JULY 16, 2011**

BUSINESS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON Choose one (1)

RON "TEHASSI" HILL ED DELGADO

BUSINESS COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIRPERSON Choose one (1)

GREG MATSON DENNIS "DJ" DANFORTH, JR.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE TREASURER

KATHLEEN "KATHY" HUGHES CRISTINA "TINA" DANFORTH

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

PATTY NINHAM HOEFT PAT LASSILA

THIS IS A SAMPLE BALLOT ONLY

ONEIDA TRIBAL JUDICIAL SYSTEM

JANICE SKENANDORE-MCLESTER WINNIFRED L. THOMAS (WINNIE) MARY ADAMS SANDRA L. SKENADORE SANDHA L. SKENADOHE LEE NINHAM LOIS POWLESS "STAN" WEBSTER CHRIS J. CORNELIUS MANUAL JESSE TORRES JR. MANUAL JESSE TORRES MICHAEL DEBRASKA FLOYD HILL II ROCHELLE A. POWLESS WESLEY T. MARTIN, JR. JEAN M. WEBSTER JOHN ORIE DOROTHY A. SKENANDORE
JULIE KING
CLIFFORD DANFORTH GLADYS DALLAS AMY STEVENS

REFERRENDUM QUESTIONS

Should the Chief of Police be Elected? NO

YES

Should absentee ballots be accepted, for Tribal members that live out of State, that are home bound, or in any other way incapacitated, to attend any type of election?

> YES NO

Should the Oneida Business Committee disallow employees of the Tribe, who are required to be at the GTC in the capacity of their job, from the stipend?

BUSINESS COMMITTEE COUNCIL MEMBER Choose up to five (5)

DAVID P. JORDAN "FLEET" JENNIFER WEBSTER JENNIFER WEBSTER
GARY L. JORDAN
PAUL NINHAM
BEN VIEAU
BRANDON STEVENS
MELINDA J. DANFORTH
ELAINE REED-DOXTATOR JOHN E. POWLESS, III CATHY BACHHUBER VINCE DEL ROSA JENNIFER M. STEVENS PEARL B. WEBSTER LINDA "BUFFY" DALLAS

> **ELECTION BOARD** Choose up to three (3)

PAMELA F. NINHAM CONSTANCE DANFORTH

TRUST/ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE Choose up to two (2)

OIS METOXEN STRONG DEBRA J. DANFORTH

ONEIDA COMMISSION ON AGING

SHIRLEY BARBER CLIFFORD G. DOXTATOR CLIFFORD G. DOXTATOF LANEVA (KAYO) HILL BEVERLY J. ANDERSON MARLENE R. SUMMERS DONALD D. McLESTER KAREN COFFEY

LAND COMMISSION Choose up to two (2)

TED HAWK MICHAEL L. HILL (BLUTO) PAT CORNELIUS
TOM OUDENHOVEN (OUDIE)
DONALD D. McLESTER
LLOYD E. POWLESS, JR.

TRIBAL SCHOOL BOARD PARENT POSITION Choose up to two (2)

VICTORIA (VICKY) MATSON JACQUELINE SCHUMAN MICHELLE B. HILL MELINDA K. DANFORTH DEBRA J. DANFORTH RHIANNON R. METOXEN

LAND CLAIMS COMMISSION Choose one (1)

RITA SUMMERS

THIS IS A SAMPLE BALLOT ONLY



ONEIDA

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• Oneida One Stop • Language House Oneida Nation Museum ~ Cost... \$20.00 each ~

If you want to learn to tell time Language House has a CD and lesson for only \$5 more.

Division of Land Management-16th Annual Open House-

June 24th 10am-2pm 470 Airport Drive, Oneida WI 54155

Please come and visit us at our Open House, there will be games, bake sale, food, and this year's raffle prizes are;

2 Night Stay in the Dells,

Fishing Gear Package, Golf Package for a group of 4, 18 holes, \$50 Gas Cards,

And

Ticket prices:

1-\$1 and 6-\$5

Many more prizes! Drawing Held the day of Open House

Letters & Opinions...

Code Name Geronimo

Does it ever end? The latest is the announcement that Osama bin Laden (among the most hated men in the HISTO-RY of the world) was given the code name -Geronimo. When U.S. forces killed Bin Laden and communicated it to our President, the message was "Geronimo EKIA" (enemy killed in action).

The origin of this code name has not been attributed to any specific person or administration. If the Obama administration did not create this code name, Tribes would certainly expect that this President would discontinue its use? This is very disappointing Mr. President.

Geronimo was famous Indian war leader against invading Mexican and United States troops. Injured many times by bullet and buckshot wounds became an icon. He defended his land and people aggressively and against great odds with just a handful of followers. He was by all accounts very elusive and feared, resulting in him being named "the worst Indian that ever lived" by white settlers.

So, why would the United States government resort to giving Bin Laden the code name -Geronimo? Geronimo was brave and fought for his and his peoples survival. Bin Laden was a coward who bought the lives of children and men to become terrorists, suicide bombers, and murderers of innocent people. In today's era of enlightenment, where discrimination racism cease to exist, how can this happen? I wish I had an answer. Like the defenders of Indian mascots, maybe the President believes this is a way to "honor" and "show respect" for our culture.

Mr. President: Can you provide the young Indian children who went to school on the Monday after Bin Laden's death with a teachable moment as to why they should endure their classmates scorn and ridicule (yes, kids can be mean)? What is our "take away" from

I am a proud tribal member who is here because my forefathers were able survive against all odds. My fellow tribmembers remain proud, surviving, and continuing to make great contributions to society. We will be relentless in guaranteeing our right of

existence, and the fair and respectful treatment of all. That is the very least we will accept.

The Oneida Legislative Affairs Office and Business Oneida Committee should be in the process of demanding a formal apology.

Chris Luttrell

Thank You for the **Support**

We would like to extend our appreciation to al those who supported my daughter Cheyanna Metoxen in the 2009 National American Miss Pageant in Middleton, WI. This pageant was a true blessing for us and a great growth opportunity for my daughter. Without all you help my daughter wouldn't have taken advantage of the opportunities the pageant offered. We love and appreciated Kerry Metoxen and the **ONVAC** Committee, Cletus Ninham and the Oneida VFW #7784, Brandon Stevens and family, Grandpa, Grandma, Jeannie Way, Uncle Roger Metoxen, Uncle Cary Metoxen, Lori Metoxen, Cornelius and the Oneida Farm, members of the **CFFC** Church Milwaukee, WI, Cathy Metoxen, Mike Debraska and family Milwaukee, and Geraldine Danforth and the donation committee.

Again, thank you to all that I may have missed. If it wasn't for your help this opportunity would not have become a reality. Love you and God bless you all.

Tanya Metoxen

Tribal responsibility

on any business Seven Generations \$19 million loan request information given I believe is wrong. I wish that I could just sit quietly by and not get involved, but I want all the tribal members to know that what they have been told by the Business Committee and by our good attorneys is incor-

You were told that the Tribe would not be liable if the 7 Generations Project failed. That is wrong. The Tribe set up this Corporation and the ultimately Tribe is responsible if it fails! Regardless of their Charter. Here is how it works:

The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) sets up the Rules (25 CFR 103). The Indian Finance Act tells how the money is to be released. The Guaranteed Loan Program only promises the loaning institution they will get their money back. Now read the fine print. It is the fiduciary responsibility of the Federal Government to recover the lost money from the Tribe. In other words, the Tribe has to pay it back. The tax payers must be assured. Congress is our boss. Congress set up the Tribes and Regulations. Follow the flow chart:

Bank: Loans money **Tribe:** Spends the

money **Upon default: Bank forecloses:** Takes the business **BIA Guarantees loan:**

Pays off the mortgage **BIA owns business:** Tax payers don't want the business

BIA collects from the tribe: Works out a payment plan based on how much our casino makes and the Tribe pays a percentage of the gross amount until the loan is paid in full

The Tribe pays: Our

money is gone It is the responsibility of the Elected officials to check this out before we have another Nature's Way or Plexus Plan where we lose money and we never go after it to protect all the Tribal members. Don't listen to our good attorneys. Get a second opinion. Check with the BIA solicitor and read 25 CFR Part 103. I respectfully request that every Tribal member who wants to protect our money to call Mr. Steve Ruda in Denver at 1 (720) 407-0610. He is the one who administers the program for the BIA, representing the Government. Find out that the Tribe is ultimately responsible. Be informed – please.

Sincerely, Frank Cornelius

Issues facing the **GTC**

Dear Editor,

Recently, I submitted a petition for the GTC meeting scheduled to resolve items previously tabled, and the Judiciary is one such item. On May 23rd, I will ask the GTC to take Judiciary Act off the table and vote on the qualifications of judges and the disciplinary panels for several reasons.

First, and most important, the will of the GTC has been done. February 5th motion required an open forum of community members to discuss the options, come to a more precise recommendation regarding educational standards and disciplinary panels, and return to the GTC. It is my understanding this has been done.

Second, the GTC is ready for this positive change. Aside from the arbitrary and confusing last minute motion to table issue on February 5th, the GTC reached the point where it seemed finally (after years) ready to vote to approve the law that establishes our tribal court. The tribe outgrown the "Appeals Commission" (AC) especially with recent expansion in jurisdiction.

Last, and related to both above points, is my concern regarding ethics. According to Oneida's own "Code of Ethics," a law that applies to elected or appointed government officials including Appeals Commissioners:

"A government official shall create and maintain an independent and honorable political system, and shall observe high standards of conduct toward achieving this goal, including, but not limited to

- (1) encouraging separation between. . .[e]ntities of tribal government, and...[avoiding]contact. . . that violates. . .[s]eparation. [and]
- (2) avoid[ing]participation in action or decision making. . . that would present an appearance of conflict of interest or actual conflict of interest."

When Appeals Commissioners openly admit to participating and attempting to influence a volunteer citizen group discussing the proposed judiciary, the Code of Ethics is violated in two important ways: violation of the separation of powers and undermining the public confidence in governmental affairs by attempting to influence an outcome for personal gain.

Appeals Commissioners, in order to maintain the system of checks and balances (separation of powers), do not belong in any place attempting to influence the creation of law in this way. This is a foundational legal principal-one which any legally educated person

would understand.

While an Appeals Commissioner claim a future law does not create an ethical conflict -- it most definitely does. If the discussion focuses on setting educational/ experience standards for Judges that a Appeals current Commissioner can't meet, then attempting to influence the conversation has a direct impact on their future income and employability.

In such a case, the Code of Ethics is violated in the most basic and selfish way. Oneida needs officials who understand ethics, follow them, and will face true consequences for not abiding by them. This is vital to our confidence in our public officials and legal system.

I ask you to attend the May 23rd meeting with open minds and hearts. This is an important issue of sovereignty, public confidence, integrity, and credibility.

Sincerely,

Loretta Metoxen

"For The People"

Ed DELGADO

Oneida Chair

Thank you for your support at the May 7th Primary Election

Authorized and paid for by Ed Delgado

OHA works hard to keep units in shape

By Nate Wisneski Kalihwisaks

The responsibility of a landlord is to provide a safe living condition for their tenant. The Oneida Housing Authority's

(OHA) rehabilitation and maintenance crews make sure that responsibility is A widely forgotten aspect of the OHA' pro-

gram is the updating units when a family moves out and new family moves in. Shane John, OHA Rehab Coordinator since 1994, is responsible to ensure the process is as smooth as possible.

"On the maintenance side it is pretty consistent. A lot of patching walls and doors and repainting," John said. "On the rehab side, we do big projects at one time like siding, roofing, and flooring."

John acknowledges concerns about varying time frames each home has when it is rehabbed but explains there is a reason.

"Each house is going to be different. It depends what tenants lived there. Sometimes it just takes a fresh coat of paint and we are out of there in a week or week and a half," John said. "Sometimes we will be there for a month because of the excessive damage like patching holes patching doors, or replacing floors. It just varies from unit to unit."

According to John the OHA rehabbing process never seems to end. "We do so many different large projects on 25 to 30 homes at a time. By the time we get done in Site II we go to Site I and it's time to come back to Site I for something else. It seems like a revolving door," John said.

John wants tenants to know that simple maintenance self-sufficiency is encouraged.

"We don't want them messing around with water heaters but sometimes we get calls to tighten screws on a doorknob," said John. "They can change their own light bulbs, check furnace filters. They are expected to keep their grass cut and shoveling (snow) unless they are elderly."

The busy workload might affect morale but that is not the case at OHA.

"The guys we have like what they are dong and enjoy it. They get a lot of satisfaction out of it," John said. "We are not looking for recognition. The guys get it from themselves and us when they fix up a unit. We know what we are doing and we do a good job."

To reach OHA about housing options call (920) 869-2227.

Tribal members head to the polls to make history

By Nate Wisneski Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Tribe took a historic step during the first ever primary elections held Saturday, May

The primaries narrowed the field of Oneida Business Committee (OBC) members to 15 while setting up two-person races for the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary positions. The Treasurer position was not on the ballot as the field only consists of current Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes and cur-Treasurer Tina Danforth.

The General Tribal Council adopted new election laws allowing the first ever primary election during January 3 Annual meeting. Elections for the OBC are held every three

Top vote getters from the primary election may not carry over to the July 16 general election as turnout was lower than the consistent average that the primary election

has. The primary election saw 1,215 total voters with 136 of those coming from Milwaukee. According to the Oneida Election Board Chairperson Leyne Orosco voter turnout should increase for the July elections.

"(There) were not as many, about 400 less than a general election," said Orosco. "In 2008 there were about 1.600 voters in the general election. In 2005 there were 1,508 and in 2002 there were 1,704."

The primaries did create some extra preparation by the Oneida Election Board.

"(We made) the members aware of the upcoming primary about six months prior to the election. We developed a fact sheet for the members to answer questions in advance of what to expect and what the primary would accomplish," said Orosco. " "The rest of the preparation was basically a duplication of services; verifying primary candidates, notifying the can-



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Oneida tribal members took to the polls to make history in the tribes first ever primary election. Voters narrowed the field in Oneida Business Committee positions and will select the committee during the July General Elections.

didates of eligibility, developing a sample ballot, notice of election, a lot of logistics behind the scene preparing for the election. Because of the primary, we did have to rent an extra Accu-Vote tabulator twice, once for the primary election and once for the general election."

As expected, voters had more than the usual amount of questions for Election Board members.

"I believe it was because this was the first primary for Oneida. A lot of the questions surrounded the two round system. Many didn't understand why they couldn't pick two candidates to go forward in the officer positions and 15 in the council section. After an explanation of how the primary works and what we were trying to achieve, they understood it better," Orosco

The July 16 General Election will not only set the OBC for three years

but also fill open positions on the Oneida Tribal Judicial System, Oneida Commission on Aging, Land Commission, Land Claims Commission, and the Parent Position on the Tribal School Board. Referendum questions regarding stipend payments to on-the-clock employees, absentee balloting, and the election of the Chief of Police will also be considered.

To receive your payment, return your Completed/Notarized Payment Form to:

FOR UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE ONEIDA ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT PO BOX 365 **ONEIDA WI 54155-0365**

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Important Information regarding 2011 Payment

Please Read Carefully!

Types of Payments, Amounts for FY-2011:

 $^{\$}1,200.^{^{00}}$General Adult Payment

\$2,000.00......Elder (62) Payment (\$1,200 + \$2,000 = \$3,200.00)

\$638.14.....Elder (65) Payment

(\$1,200 + \$2,000 + \$638.14 = \$3,838.14)

For Elders turning 62 or 65 in October, November or December of 2011, your Elder 62 or 65 monies will be paid at the end of the month following your birthday.

For Example: If you turn 62 or 65 in December 2011, you will be paid at the end of **January 2012**.

UNCLAIMED 2010 Per Capita Payments:

The Deadline to claim a 2010 per capita is September 1, 2011

1. Payment Form Mailing:

- FY-2011 Membership Payment Forms were mailed on May 2, 2011 to every eligible adult with an address on file.
- To request a FY-2011 Membership Payment Form, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department.

2. Payment Form Receipts:

• A postcard receipt will

be mailed to the CHECK address indicated on the payment form. Postcard receipts will be mailed every two weeks. Please allow time for delivery.

• If you do not receive a postcard receipt, or the tax withholding information indicated on your postcard is incorrect, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department.

Payment Form Deadline Close of Business on... THURSDAY, September 1, 2011

Checks Mailed on... FRIDAY,

September 30, 2011

Please read the Instructions on your payment form carefully.

If there are any questions, please contact us.

Oneida Enrollment Department

P.O. Box 365 • Oneida, Wisconsin 54155

http://oneidanation.org/enrollment • 920-869-6200 • 800-571-9902

Minor Trust Account questions: Contact the Trust Department @ 920-490-3935

Attachment Questions: Contact the Oneida Tribal Judicial System @ 920-497-5800

Oneida Community Library hosts open house

It may have been cold and rainy outside on Saturday April 16th, but the Oneida Community Library it was "chili". The Oneida Community Library held its Annual Open House and "Staff Chili Cook Off". Every year we hold an Open House for patrons to come in and check out all the great innovations going on at the library, with the added bonus of sampling some great chili and fry bread made by the staff. Our featured author this year was Mercer Mayer the writer of the popular Little Critter Series. We celebrated his work by sharing stories, games, and activities based from his stories. The chili and fry bread maybe gone, but all the wonderful resources offered to our patrons at the libraries are not! We have two great locations to serve you, Oneida Community



Submitted photo Stacy Grignon enjoys a bowl of soup at the Oneida Community Library open house Saturday, April 16th.

Library at 201 Elm Street Oneida, Wi or Green Earth Branch Library W1273 Redtail Drive (located in the Green Earth Mobile Home Court). So come check us

Oneida to Host Gaming Risk Management Conference

By Ernest L. Stevens

When:July 14th and 15th (stay tuned for the times and schedules)

Where: Radisson Hotel and Conference Center

Oneida's own Risk Management department landed us a host gig for a very important, very well attended event. Annual Gaming Risk Management Conference is a concerted effort to bring tribes from this regional area together to address common risk issues associated with gaming and hospitality activities, share knowledge and experience for the benefit of all tribes represented. It is also a collective initiative to fellowship, promote share new ideas, instill trust and create new friendships among all tribes involved. attracts tribal representatives from within the five region

Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Attendees will include all those who work with various programs for their tribes in Risk Management, Security, Human Resources, Control, Safety/Loss Claims, Insurance, and so forth. Also, tribal vendors will have an opportunity to attend, which include but are not limited to insurance brokers, claims administrators, and other consultants.

Guest speakers will include professionals in areas of all related expertise including Emergency Management, health care, safety/loss control, food & hospitality, training, workers' compensation and return-to-work program managers, occupational health, and nursing professionals.

"There is an expected attendance of 80, or more." said Risk Management Director Bob Keck, "so we have an opportunity to not only share with these tribes how we manage risk, but also how we do business overall. It is also a great opportunity to share with them some elements of Wisconsin Oneida community." Oneida's centralized

location may make it easier and more affordable for more attendees than in the past. "The attendee mailing list from last year's host numbered around 90 names," adds Keck. "I have increased it to around 120 by making sure all WI tribes were on the list, plus I added several names as a result of my having many MI connections. My hope is that this will be the most well attended conference ever."

Bob had attended these conferences in the past and felt they were great learning and sharing opportunities for him, his department, and the tribe as a whole. It is an opportunity again to meet, network, and potentially engage in business with our neighboring tribes to share and gain knowledge. Beyond that, the opportunity comes down to simple economics. "I participated in the Revenue Generation Committee meetings that were held

in early 2010 and felt that volunteering to host the 2011 annual conference would be a good revenue opportunity, so with the support of the RG Committee, I went ahead with it. And here we are."

This will be a great opportunity to showcase our facilities as well, and we plan to work with the Enterprise entities to offer golf packages to attendees at Thornberry, among other efforts to maximize the opportuni-

The conference itself is free for attendees, and ALL our conference costs will be paid for through sponsorships, so there is NO cost to the Tribe to host it. "I solicited sponsorship donations from our Risk Management associated vendors and those vendors who have been financially supportive of this conference in the past," adds Keck. "It all worked our perfectly for everyone. I am excited

to be a part of it." Organization and planning efforts by Risk Management have been greatly assisted by our own representatives from the Radisson, Gaming, Tourism, Marketing, Thornberry Creek, Employee Health Nursing and others. A special Yaw^ko for all of your help!



JUNE 1 - JUNE 19

Dad will flip over these grills! Every day, from June 1-19 one lucky winner will go home with a Weber® Genesis EP-310 LP grill, valued at \$900! There will be winners all day starting at 11am. Go home with a portable grill, a gift card to Pits-N-Spits, a year supply of Mad Dog & Merrill sauces, or a grilling utensil set. The Weber® grand prize will be awarded at 8pm each night!

For every 30 points on your Star Club card will give you an entry into the drawing. And simply have your card in a machine during drawing times to win.

June 17 • 11am-2pm – Food Drive: Bring in a canned good item and get a free burger or brat.

June 18 • Noon-3pm – Come see Mad Dog & Merrill at the casino!

June 19 • Father's Day – All men will get \$5 Free e-Play.

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NORTH STAR

From 4A/OBC wrap

restoring trout streams for a retro-approval of a temporary working agreement between his department and Brown County to remove a dam at the Brown County Golf Course.

"We have been able to just released another 2500 more fingerlings, so this is really a great project that we're working on with Brown County and US Fish and Wildlife," said Pelky. The OBC retro-approved the project.

Julia McLester was reappointed to the American Indians Against Abuse Coalition by the OBC; and OBC Okayed a meeting with a tribal citizen concerning her enrollment status.

Action in open session on items from Executive Session Discussion meeting of May 10, 2011

Executive Manger reports

The Council accepted a bi-monthly report from the General Manager's Office and from Chief Counsel Jo Anne House.

Follow-ups/BC direc-

An update on Three Fires, LLC was accepted as FYI.

Complimentary Α Items and Services Compliance Audit was deferred to the next meeting.

Councilwoman Melinda Danforth volunteered her office to do the performance evaluations of executive managers excluding the Chief Financial Officer Larry Barton, and to have them done by May 25.

Audit Committee

The OBC approved minutes from the March 17 and March 29 special Audit Committee meetings, and for the March 31 Audit Committee meeting.

An Internal Audit restore trout back into the Report with Attachment stream, and yesterday we A was approved by the Council.

The OBC approved Compliance Audits for rules for Black Jack, Minibaccarat, and Three Card Poker.

N Business/Requests

The Oneida Business Committee approved a contract with McKesson Healthcare with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity, and approved Seven Oneida Generation Corp. - Life Settlement Investment.

Additions

The OBC approved travel for any OBC member who wished to attend the National Congress of American **Indians** (NCAI) conference taking place in Milwaukee June 13-16.

The OBC accepted a report from Gaming Commissioner Amelia Cornelius on gaming vendor licensing for contracts under \$50,000, and deferred the item to the Legislative Operating Committee.

A six-month contract for attorney Scott Wilson was accepted by the Committee.

Councilwoman Danforth put in a request for the Chief of Staff Bill Gollnick to do an update on the Oneida Land Claims in New York at an upcoming GTC meeting.

Must be present to win and 21 or older. North Star Mohican Casino Resort management reserves the right to alter or cancel any promotion at any time and without prior notice.

State

Fish wins seat in 2011 World Poker **Tour Championship**

Keshena, Wisconsin – April 25th, 2011 – A memorable once-in-alifetime expedition to Las Vegas, Nevada may generate an abundance of wealth for a local Menominee Winning was "in the cards" the Menominee Casino Resort recognizes Kenneth "Bum Bum" Fish, of Keshena. Mr. Fish is the first enrolled Menominee tribal member to have the opportunity to compete in the World Poker Tour (WPT) Championship on May 14th – 20th, 2011 at the Bellagio in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The total prize package is valued at \$29,568.00 and it consists of the \$25,500 entry fee, a weeks' stay at the Bellagio, airfare and \$2,000.00 in spending money. The stakes are high as a total of 681 privileged participants will compete for the top prize of 1.65 million dollars over the course of 4 days of continuous play.

A 10-week World (WPT) Poker Tour Satellite Tournament took place on Friday evenings in the Poker Room at the Menominee Casino Resort. 50 seats were available for the admission fee of \$65.00 per seat. Each week, the top two players would

qualify to compete in the WPT Main event. The Menominee Casino Resort is the only local venue to actively participate therefore, this is an extraordinary opportunity for Mr. Fish.

World Poker Tour is one of the most recognized names in internationally televised gaming and entertainment with brand presence in landbased tournaments, television, online mobile. Leading innovation in the sport of poker since 2002, WPT ignited the global poker boom with the creation of a unique television show based on a series of high stakes poker tournaments. WPT has filmed more than 350 hours of programming broadcast in over 150 countries.

"It is an honor and privilege to represent the Menominee Resort and its poker players in the World Poker Tour Championship. It's even MORE gratifying to represent the Menominee Nation Menominee people," said Fish. The Menominee Resort would like to congratulate Mr. Fish on his remarkable achievement.

Taking the long route for diabetes awareness



A group of walkers raising awareness about the effects of diabetes passed through the Oneida reservation on Monday, May16. The group is walking 5000 miles across the country telling the devastating effects of the disease and the benefits of exercise.

From 6A/Haunted

thing there will be layers in the video. There are no layers. Any editing of special effects you do on film creates layers and you can't hide them from analysis."

Many in the communiaudio evidence to prove paranormal activity inside the Norbert Hill Center as they have firsthand experience with something out of the ordinary.

Charlie Doxtater tells about an experience he had as a freshman in the high school as the basketball team's manager.

"One night after we returned from an away game and the coach sent me in to put the clip boards and (basketballs) in his classroom. I put the key in the door and I seen something out of the corner of my eye. When I looked I seen three full bodied apparitions of a priest and two nuns standing at the end of the hallway," he said via Facebook. " I threw the stuff in the room slammed the door and walked away as fast as I could. I was so freaked out that I didn't lock the door. That place definitely has something there."

Oneida **Business** Committee member Melinda Danforth also has an experience lacking explanation.

"Nine years ago, I was working in my office at about two a.m. I was doing my homework to finish up my Bachelor's degree. I saw a figure walk by and I looked up in time to see half of the body, and it looked like it was Bill Gollnick," said Danforth. "I called out to

Bill to say what are you doing here this late at night, and I received no response. The next day I saw Bill and asked him what he was doing working so late at the Norbert Hill Center, and he ty don't require video or replied that he wasn't even here in Oneida, that he had just returned from Washington D.C."

Mae wants to assure that fear should not be felt when entering the Norbert Hill Center and not everyone will have a ghostly experience.

"They're not going to pop out at every person that walks through the door. No one has to worry about walking through the doors. There should be no fear-factor," said Mae. "They may do it to some people depending on how sensitive they are to the paranormal world. The people that aren't sensitive will not be bothered. Every person has control over their own body and their own space. The spirit world has rules that they have to follow, they can only bother you if you let them, so don't let them."

If the show is not aired nationally, the footage will be posted on Youtube to allow community members to view

Prior to being purchased by the Oneida Tribe in 1984 grounds were used as a federally supported boarding school for Oneida children. It then was bought by the Green Bay Catholic Diocese in 1924 and used as a seminary and boarding school called Guardian Angels.

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National

Senate Indian panel to discuss racial concerns

By Susan Montoya **Bryan**

Associated Press The U.S. Senate Indian Affairs Committee didn't know when it scheduled a hearing on racial stereotypes that members would have such an emotionally charged name to discuss. But the use of the Apache leader's moniker as a code name for Osama bin Laden has appalled Native

The legendary warrior was known for his ability to walk without footprints, leaving allowing him to evade

Americans and drawn

calls for an apology.

thousands of Mexican Geronimo code name and U.S. soldiers, became much like bin Laden However, the commitevaded capture for the tee will address the past decade.

for Native But Americans, there's an important difference: Geronimo was a hero not a terrorist.

Statements of disapproval from tribal leaders, a call for President Barack Obama to apologize, and scores of angry comments on social network sites have surged since the issue came to light after bin Laden was killed.

Thursday's hearing was scheduled long before details about the

Hey there, readers out there, do you love to read and would you like to be a member of a book club that meets monthly to go over a particular book that has been chosen by the group? This may provide you with a different perspective just by discussion with other members. And it will fill in any gaps that you may have questions on. We meet monthly at the ARTS PROGRAM **CONFERENCE ROOM** and would enjoy your company.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT MYSELF OR BETH AT 920-869-2273 OR 920-490-3833.

public. matter, said Loretta Tuell, staff director and chief counsel for the committee.

Native Many Americans say that while they are angered, they are not surprised. They say the code name is yet another insult in a long, tumultuous history with the federal government.

government "The does what it wants when it wants. The name calling is going to stay around forever. But when you think about it, this is an insult," said Leon Curley, a Navajo and Marine veteran from Gallup, New Mexico.

Jeff Houser, chairman of Geronimo's Fort Sill Apache Tribe, noted in a letter to Obama that the decision behind the code name stemmed from an ongoing cultural disconnect, not malice. But the damage is the

"We are quite certain that the use of the name Geronimo as a code for Osama bin Laden was based on misunderstood misconceived historical perspectives of Geronimo and his armed struggle against the United States and Mexican governments," Houser wrote.

"However, to equate Geronimo or any other Native American figure with Osama bin Laden, a mass murderer and cowardly terrorist, is painful and offensive to our Tribe and to all Native Americans."

The White House referred questions on the matter to the U.S. Defense Department, which said no disrespect was meant to Native Americans.

department The wouldn't elaborate on the use of Geronimo's name but said code names typically are chosen randomly and allow those working on a mission to communicate without divulging information to adversaries.

The Apaches are not alone when it comes to battling the impact of stereotypes.

The Seminole Tribe of Florida is still waiting to for an apology from Obama over a court brief filed earlier this year that compared the tribe's ancestors to al-Qaida. The Defense Department clarified the use of the Seminole reference, but it wasn't enough for the tribe, Chairman Mitchell Cypress said in a letter president the Wednesday.

"Once again, our nation's native people were categorized as terrorists," he wrote, referring to the Geronimo code name. "The time has never been more appropriate and necessary for you to issue an apology to Native America."

The U.S. military has a long tradition of naming weapons and helicopters after American Indians and has a history with the Geronimo word American paratroopers in World War II started using it as a war cry.

The reason behind the name's use in the bin Laden raid has been the subject of much speculation.

Some think because the al-Qaida leader, like Geronimo, was able to elude capture for so many years. Others say it's because the government considered both men terrorists, and some have suggested the guerrillastyle raid on bin Laden's compound was reflective of Apache's fighting techniques.

Louis Maynahonah, a Navy veteran and chairman of the Apache Tribe Oklahoma, said he doesn't believe the code name was meant to be derogatory. He pointed to the name's use as a paratrooper war cry and to the fleets of military aircraft named Indian tribes, including the Apache helicopter.

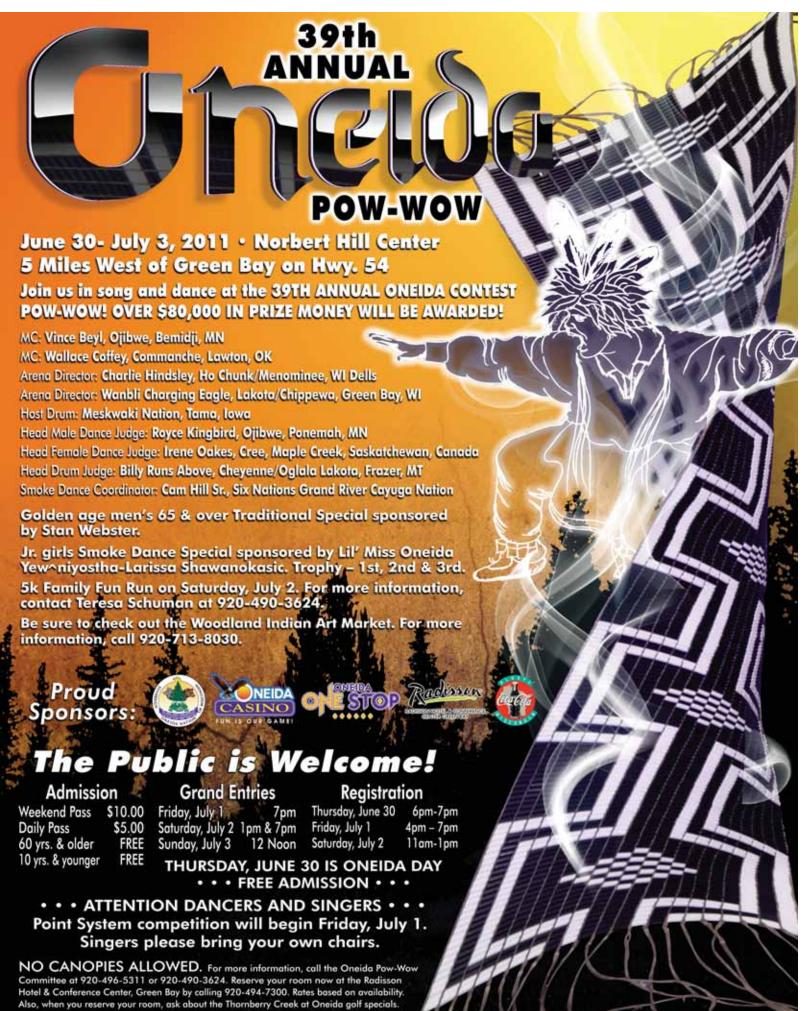
"It's symbolic to me of the Army at the time trying to capture Geronimo," he said of the code name. "They had a heck of time because he used to slip across back the Mexican border. This bin Laden has been slipping from us for 10 years."

Whatever the reason behind it, many in Indian Country say the code name was simply a bad choice that opened old wounds.

"The name Geronimo is arguably the most recognized Native American name in the world, and this comparison only serves to perpetuate negative stereotypes about our peoples," the Onondaga Nation Council of Chiefs said in a statement issued Tuesday.

"The U.S. military leadership should have known better," said the council, from the Onondaga Nation near Syracuse, N.Y.

Morning Star Gali, a member of the Pit Tribe in River California, agreed. Part of Gali's family is descended from Geronimo's tribe, and she has made it a point to share that history with her three young children.



From 1A/ Holy Apostles

at 11am on Saturday, June 4th. This annual gathering of the diocesan family includes a picnic following the liturgy.

Jefferts Schori grew up in the Seattle area and spent most of her life in the West. A career as an oceanographer preceded priesthood, being ordained in 1994. She holds a B.S. in biology Stanford University, an M.S. and Ph.D. in oceanography from Oregon State University, an M.Div. from Church Divinity School of the Pacific, and several honorary doctoral degrees. She was serving as priest, university lecturer, and hospice chaplain in Oregon when Bishop of elected Nevada in 2000. She was elected Presiding Bishop in 2006. She is married to Richard Miles Schori, a retired mathematician. They have one daughter who is a captain and pilot in the U.S. Air Force.

Additional Information can be found diofdl.org/pbvisit

The Diocese of Fond du Lac is a part of the Episcopal Church, USA worldwide and the Anglican Communion with over 6,000 baptized members worshipping in 37 locations across the northeastern third of the State of Wisconsin. Holy Apostles in Oneida is part of the Diocese of Fond du Lac.

For information visit diofdl.org

Local

Future of Oneida Food Pantry in hands of Community

Ernest L. Stevens III **GM** Administration

Providing a food pantry is a crucial part of providing needs to the community, but it will take community involvement to breathe much needed life into such a project. At this point, the tribe has been utilizing a card system that services roughly 150 people a month, but that is not a pantry. The people want a pantry, but again, it is the people that need to create one.

A recruitment process is underway to gain the interest of the community in starting the process, and creating something that we can be proud of. The Oneida Tribe Grants Office has offered its assistance with applying for 501c3 (non-profit) status, which will allow the pantry to apply for grants to purchase food, equipment set up for the storage of fresh, frozen and canned goods. There are many community members who are anxious to provide assistance through either past experience or by directly assisting with future operations. We need those people to step up.

"There was a few individuals who were very interested, but once they found out it was not going to be a paid position, they lost interest," says Pre Leverence, Director of Community Support. Economic

"Members must understand that at this point, we need volunteers to come forth."

Given our budgetary fallbacks from state and federal government cutbacks, it is likely we will not have access to as many funds for Social Services programming, at which point we will need to prioritize direct services to community members over things like the card system. In that case, we will not be able to utilize tribal contribution to fund the current system. It is time for us to create our own Pantry, in the same way all pantries are run. It will take volunteers dedicated to create the 501c3, and to keep it running in a way convenient to the community.

You may have also heard that "location is everything", and that phrase is also true of accessibility to a food pantry. Location has always been an issue and it will as we try to determine the future of any pantry for our communi-The General ty. Manager's office will be coordinating some outreach initiatives with Social Services in an attempt to gain interest from the community. We have three community meetings scheduled thus far, so community participation will be of great appreciation. These

meetings will also serve as a point of education in the process, the history, and to develop any plans for the future of the

"We value participation and your voice will be utilized in the ultimate recommendation to the BC, and of course the GTC," says Deborah Thundercloud, General Manager. "We hope that there is as much of a voice on this issue at these meetings as there has been at GTC and BC meetings. We are all accountable."

If you have suggestions or a sincere interest to assist with creating this operation to benefit people in our community, please contact the Center for Self-Sufficiency at 490-6800 with contact information. We will need the participation and assistance from the community to develop a comprehensive process that ultimately meets the needs of the community as this moves forward. Below are the meeting dates and times.

• Friday, June 24th @ 11 AM - 1 PMSocial Services Green Room (location of old

Pantry) • Monday June 27th @ 11AM - 1PMSocial Services Green

• Wednesday June 29th @ 5 PM - 6 PM BCCR

Mailbox Improvement Week Arrives ONEIDA, WI - The especially important after

U.S. Postal Service® is asking all Oneida homeowners to inspect and repair their mailboxes during Mailbox Improvement Week, May 16-22, says Postmaster Cheryl Koenig.

"Repairing suburban and rural mailboxes improves the appearance of our community and makes delivering and receiving mail safer for our carriers and customers," Koenig says.

The Postal ServiceTM makes this annual request because of the wear and tear that occurs to mailboxes every year. "This is the effects of last winter," she adds.

Some of the typical activities that may need

- to be done include: • Replacing loose hinges on a mailbox door.
- Repainting a mailbox that may have rusted or started peeling.
- Remounting a mailbox post if loosened.
- Replacing or adding house numbers.

"If a homeowner plans to install a new mailbox or replace a worn one, he or she must use only Postal Service–approved traditional, contemporary or locking full/limited

service mailboxes," said "Customers Koenig. should be careful when purchasing curbside mail receptacles because the use of unapproved boxes is prohibited. Customers may use a custom-built mailbox, but they must consult with my office to ensure it conforms to guidelines applying to flag, size, strength, and quality of construction."

For more information on the use of names or numbers on mailboxes, or answers to any other questions, please inquire at your local Post Office or contact Cheryl Koenig at 920-869-3710.

Thank You for the Support I would like to say Yawako to all who voted for me in the preliminary on the 7th of May and hope you do the same on July 16th and talk with your friends to vote for me too. Yawkko again, Ben Vieau Authorized and paid for by Ben Vieau

To Everyone who Supported me in the Primary Election, May 7.

Yawako and Thank You

Please know that I greatly appreciate your vote, and again ask for your support and more, on Election Day, July 16th.

EXPLORE www.oneidanation.org ONEIDA Challenge

All entries must be received in the Oneida Communications Office no later than 4:30 pm or post marked by Friday, June 24. No exceptions. Each participant may qualify only once. Entries in excess of one by the same participant will be disqualified, the first entry reviewed will be the official entry. Only complete correct entries are eligible for the prize drawings.

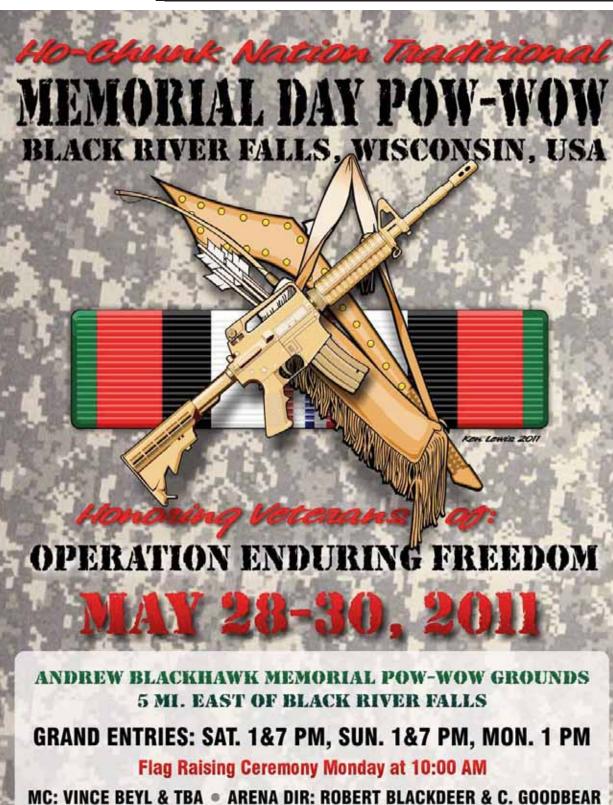
> Oneida Nation Museum would like to invite Oneida/Iroquois Artists/Craftspeople to participate in the

Annual Cultural Festival Thursday, June 30, 2011 From

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To reserve a table please contact Sue by June 1st at 869-6539 or

speterso@oneidanation.org



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Music for Oneida Children



t has been an exciting year for the Music for -Oneida Children program, an (MOC) emerging professional children's music group of the Oneida Nation Arts Program. Our Oneida Youth Singers performed their 2nd annual concert on Sunday, April 17. The children performed traditional Iroquois Social Songs, Oneida Hymns, and Oneida language songs to a full house of 150 people. Then on Monday, April 18 the group sang at the Anna

John Nursing home.

Following their performance, the group attended a performance of the Lakota Sioux Indian Dance Theatre at the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center.

Seventeen children participated in the program

and rehearsed on Saturdays starting in January. The singers range in age between 7 – 13 years old, coming from 9 different schools in 4 different school districts. Under the caring musical direction of

Kal^na Brooks and Eden Denny, the children learned their cultural music, language, and music.

The next opportunity to join Music for Oneida Children is our Summer Camp, August 1 – 12,

Monday-Friday, 8:30 -12:00pm. We have a dynamic team of artists including Wade Fernandez, native flute, Harold Katchenago, pow wow drum, Kal^na Brooks, Iroquois music, and Eden Denny, hymn singing and piano. Students work with our teachers in small groups and then as one large musical ensemble. The camp is open to all children between the ages of 7 - 14. The cost of the camp is \$25, with scholarships available for children who qualify for free or reduced lunch.

Special this year, the Music for Oneida Children have been asked to perform on Friday, August 12 at the

Wisconsin State Fair. Children participating in the summer camp will have the opportunity to perform at the State Fair.

To help raise funds for the Music for Oneida Children, our dedicated parents group has started fund raising. The parents raised \$278 with a basket raffle at the spring concert. A special thanks to our Parents Group and community for your support.

For more information or registration form for the Summer Camp, check out our web site at www.oneidanationarts.org or contact Gabrielle or Dominique at the Arts Program at 920-490-3834.



All Offices will be CLOSED on Friday, May 27, 2011

in observance of Oneida Day

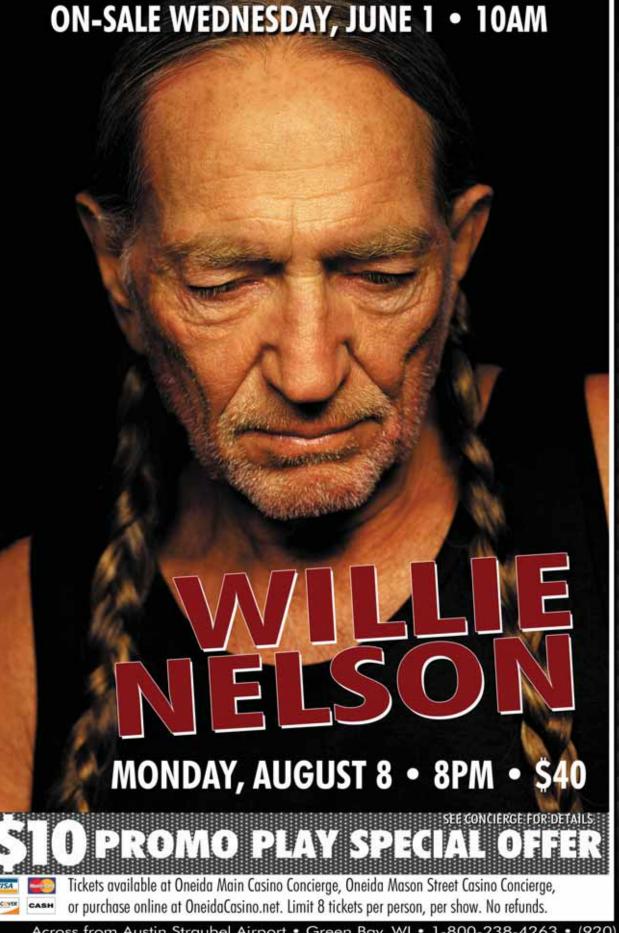
Monday, May 30, 2011 in observance of the

Memorial Holiday



Submitted photos
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with the
Lakota Sioux
Dance
Theatre.
Left: the
MOC final
performance.

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Environmental

Trees of tomorrow giving away



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Community members gathered for the Oneida Environmental Department's annual free tree distribution on Saturday, May 14 at Cultural Heritage. People were limited to six trees. The annual event celebrates Earth Day.

SPRING TURKEY HUNTERS!

The Spring Turkey Season closes on Sunday, May 29, 2011 Please contact Oneida Conservation at (920) 869-1450 with any questions or concerns

The close date was revised. to allow one additional week of hunting. Please disregard the closed date in the Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping book. The correct close date for the Spring Turkey Season is Sunday, May 29, 2011, which is mentioned in the Spring Turkey Season pamphlet that you received when you purchased your Spring Turkey Tags.

Volunteers needed for **Green Bay** farmers' market

Green Bay, Searching for some volunteer opportunities or community service? Volunteers are needed for the 2011 season of the Farmers' Market On Broadway. Friendly and energetic volunteers are sought for event set up, beverage sales and event take down.

The eighth annual Farmers' Market On Broadway presented by BayCare Clinic runs every Wednesday evening June through October from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in September and

October) rain or shine. The Farmers' Market On Broadway is organized and supported by On Broadway, Inc. (OBI). OBI is a non-profit community-based program dedicated to the enhancement of the Broadway District in downtown Green Bay. The Farmers' Market On Broadway was created in an effort to showcase the best of local goods-from fresh produce to original works of art-and connect them with the downtown community. Market resources are provided by OBI and its supporting volunteers and sponsors. Want to get involved? Call Janna at 437-2531 or e-mail Info@onbroadway.org for more information, or stop

at the On Broadway Inc.,

office 117 South Chestnut



Survival Skills Workshop for Teachers

you have what it takes to make it through a survival situation? Would you like to gain the knowledge, skills, and confidence to become self-reliant? Develop outdoor survival skills, the confidence to use them and the ability to teach them to your students during this 5-day workshop for teachers. The Outdoor Survival Skills Teacher Workshop is back by popular demand at Trees For Tomorrow and once again taught by wellknown Naturalists Joe Panci and Sandy Lotto. The Survival Skills workshop fees are only \$350 for the 5-day course. Optional 3 graduate credits are available for an additional \$300. Call now to reserve your spot in this class or any of the other workshops offered this summer.

A natural resources specialty school located Eagle River, Wisconsin, Trees For Tomorrow offers fieldbased programs that place participants in

Eagle River, WI –Do direct contact with natural resources that support human needs. These programs, including workshops for teachers, develop awareness, knowledge, and understanding of natural resources to help participants make informed decisions regarding the management and wise use of those resources. This experience inspires and promotes stewardship of natural resources for use by future generations.

Taught by a variety of specialists, teacher workshops at Trees For Tomorrow range in length from three to five days. Participants may choose to earn from one to three credits, depending on the duration of the course. The location of the campus enables the participants to take full advantage of the living classroom that the northern forest provides, so each session includes field experiences to give teachers hands-on exposure to the topics of study. This experiential outdoor learning method is a tradition at Trees For

Tomorrow. Teachers will leave these workshops inspired with fresh ideas to modify the curriculum for their own classrooms.

Courses offered this summer include: Outdoor Survival Skills; Urban Forestry Education, Natural Resource Education, Nature Photography, and Practical Herbology.

According to Cheryl Todea, Teacher Workshop Coordinator, "Trees For Tomorrow has been offering profesdevelopment workshops for teachers for over 60 years. The opportunity for affordable graduate credits combined with top quality instruction makes these workshops in great demand and very successful." Courses fill quickly. Register now!

To receive additional information on the courses or to register, please call Trees For Tomorrow 715-479-6456. Information is also availonline www.TreesForTomorrow

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For more information or to register for Tech Camp: (920) 498-6817 • (800) 422-NWTC, ext. 6817

Education

Summer Art Camps for Kids

(Oneida, WI) - The Oneida Nation Arts Program is proud to offer a very unique opportunity for children to learn self reliant and cultural skills of sewing and craft in our firs Cultural Arts Camp. The camp runs for two weeks, June 13 -24, Monday - Friday from 12:30 - 4:30 pm at Arts Program 1270 Cottage, Packerland (behind the Fitness Center). The

9 - 14. Cultural Arts Camp Description:

camp is open to all chil-

dren between the ages of

Working in small groups with a talented group of artists, students will learn how to do beadwork, raised beadembroidery, work, applique, fringe work, cut work, and fabric design. Students will work on individual takehome projects including quilt wall hanging using applique and embroidery, raised beaded barrette or patch, cut work pillow, and their own designed fabric. And like an old fashion sewing bee, together the students will work to create a quilt for public display.

Sample Camp Day: • 12:30 - 12:45: Opening

- 12:45 1:30: Applique, Embroidery Nancy Daly
- 1:30 1:40: Break (light snacks provided)
- 1:45 2:30: Raised Beadwork with Coleen Bins
- 2:30 2:40: Break (light snacks provided)
- 2:45 3:30: Fringe and Cut Work with Lily Plass
- 3:30 3:40: Break (light snacks provided) • 3:45 - 4:30: Fabric

Design with Harper

Our instructors include Nancy Daly, Coleen Bins, Lily Plass, and Jean Harper. Daly is an artist in residency from the Madison area. She has worked with children around the state in creating their own story quilts. Coleen Bins is an accomplished Iroquois artist and Oneida tribal member. She is also an artist in residency and has worked with children around the state in Iroquois crafts. Coleen owns and operates Chief Oshkosh in Door County. Lily Plass is an accomplished seamstress and Oneida tribal member. She creates her own embroidered Native designs, ribbon shirts, shawls, and traditional outfits. Lily owns and operates Designs by Lily.

And Jean Harper is a retired art teacher from the Shawano/Gresham area. She was recognized as national art teacher of the year. She has traveled around the world studying cultural textile art.

Cost of the camp is \$25 children. Scholarships are available for tribal children who qualify for free or reduced lunch. For more information or registration form, check out our web site at www.oneidanationarts.org or contact the Arts Program at 920-490-3833. This project is made possible by a grant from the Wisconsin Arts Board with additional funding from National Endowment for the Arts.

Mother-daughter team hope to spread literacy



Joan McLester and Lauren McLester-Davis discuss their efforts to spread literacy by giving away books

Mother-daughter team Joan McLester and Lauren McLester-Davis helped to spread literacy by presenting books to area schools and other groups through First Book-Greater Green Bay on Friday, May 6 at the Oneida Golf and Country

"We hope to ... expand our program in the coming years and add more Title I schools and more places that need the books," said McLester-Davis.

According McLester, First Book-Green Bay has given away 10,000 books during its four year existence.

McLester-Davis is a seventh grade student at Our Lady of Lourdes, and was named Miss De Pere's Outstanding Teen on February 19.

"That was actually a lot of fun, and I appreciate having this title and being able to use it in helping First Book," said McLester-Davis.

As part of her role as Pere's Miss De Teen, Outstanding McLester-Davis is expected to volunteer at a Miracle Children's Network Hospital. She plans to combine the two programs by reading to children at the hospital who may be waiting for a family member's check-

"We encourage other places to reach ours and hopefully get involved in first book because it's a great organization that helps all the kids that need free books," said McLester-Davis.

Schools and community programs that received books at the event were Tank, Howe, Jefferson, Lincoln, Our Lady of Lourdes, YWCA and Oneida Library.

Call for nominations: 2011 NWTC Distinguished Alumni Award poetry finds the sacred in

College of Menominee Nation (CMN) and The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) invite the community to the CMN campuses to meet poet Kimberly Blaeser, an enrolled member of the Chippewa Minnesota Tribe. Blaeser will be discussing her book. "Absentee Indians and Other Poems", which the CMN campuses have been reading and discussing throughout this

Blaeser's collection. "Absentee Indians and Other Poems", evokes personal yet universal experiences of the places that Native Americans call home, their family and national histories, and the emotional forces that help forge Native American identities. These are poems of exile, loss, and the celebration of that which remains. Anchored in the physical landscape, Blaeser's

those ordinary actions that bind a community together. As Blaeser turns to the mysterious passage from sleeping to wakefulness, or from nature to spirit, she reveals not merely the movement from one age or place to another, but the movement from experience to vision.

Blaeser will be speaking at CMN's Green Bay campus' commons on Tuesday, April 26th and

at CMN's Keshena campus' Culture Building on Wednesday, April 27th. Both events are free, start at 6:30 PM, and are preceded by a light meal. Blaeser's presentation will include readings from the text, a question and answer session, and a book signing.

Blaeser will be visiting as the final speaker in Literary CMN's Discussion Series, which started in the fall of 2010. The Series is funded by an NEH Grant and has the goal of uniting the college and community through American Indian literature and poetry. The central theme of the Discussion Series is to use decorated texts to help initiate discussions about Indigenous people's identity in contemporary American society.

For further information contact Ryan Winn, Humanities CMN's Department Chair at 715-799-6226, extension 3070, or at rwinn@men-

minee.edu. College of Menominee Nation is an accredited college serving students from campuses Keshena and Green Bay. CMN awards associate degrees in a number of academic disciplines and professional areas, and a baccalaureate degree in early childhood/elementary education, as well as select technical and trades diplomas and certificates.

Deadline for Yukhika-latuhse

She tells us stories

Yukhika-latuhse (She tells us stories), the all-Native American literary journal published by Oneida Nation Arts Program, is now accepting poems, stories and essays for its seventh annual issue, which will published September. The deadline for submissions is May 27, 2011.

The editors prefer that writers submit electronically, as an attachment, to jstevens@centurytel.ne t or bbashara@oneida**nation.org**. Please mark to the attention of Yukhika. Submissions should be no more than four pages per writer. People should also

WI) – include a short biography which includes tribal affiliation, and an SASE if submitting by snail mail.

Yukhika-latuhse has

been publishing since 2005. In its pages has appeared the work of Maurice Kenny, Joseph Bruchac, Kimberly Blaeser, Ed Two Rivers and Denise Sweet, among many others. The journal conducts writers' workshops on reservations and in Native communities of Wisconsin. We can also be found on Facebook.



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Legal Notice

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All creditor claims must be filed on or before June 16, **2011** for: **Eunice Drephal**

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and/or information relating to the decedent to the fol-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:

Thursday, May 5, 2011

Legal Notice

Oneida Tribal Judicial System Original Hearing Body Notice of Hearing

Re: Docket #11-TC-048 Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI vs. Roger E. Konitzer and Dawn Konitzer

A diligent attempt was made to notify the above individuals of a claim filed by the Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI for judgment against them. A hearing shall take place on June 22, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. in the above captioned case at the OTJS office; located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite #1, 3759 W. Mason St, Oneida, WI 54155.

Inquiries for additional information may be directed

> Clerk of Court Oneida Tribal Judicial System P.O. Box 19 Oneida, WI 54155 (920) 497-5800

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Request for Bids Oneida Housing Authority

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To the greatest extent feasible, recipients shall give preference in the award of contracts for projects funded under this part to Indian organizations and Indian-owned economic enterprises.

Plans Specifications may be obtained by contacting Oneida Housing Authority office located at 2913 Commissioner Street, Oneida, WI., phone number (920) 869-2227. The bid documents will become available beginning May 20, 2011 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Sealed bids based on these documents will be accepted in person until 4:30 p.m., June 3, 2011. Submit sealed bids in person to Bay Bank and they will issue a bid submittal receipt with date/time as proof of timely submittal.

Bay Bank 2555 Packerland Drive Green Bay, WI 54313 Attn: Dianne Zubella

Please Note: A set of Plans and Specifications will be available for in house viewing only at the Oneida Indian Preference Office located at the Skenandoah Complex, 909 Packerland Drive, Green Bay, WI 54303. Contact: Marj Stevens at 920-496-5316.

Notice of Availability

Purpose:

The Oneida Tribe of Indians (Tribe) is proposing to construct an approximately 10,500 square foot addition to the existing casino located at 2514 W. Mason St. The expansion will include a sports bar, food court, poker room, smoke shop, combined with other renovations. The project will be funded by the Tribe. The intent is to improve the economy of the Tribe and increase short and long term employment opportunities.

No federal involvement or action has been identified for this project.

This Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared for the proposed expansion of the existing casino and is in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy Act (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives, consequences, and consultation.

Location:

The proposed expansion is planned to connect on the east end of the existing casino located at 2514 W. Mason Street, on the Oneida Reservation, located in Township 24 North, Range 20 East, Section 29, Brown County, WI.

Alternatives:

Preferred Alternative: The preferred alternative is for the Tribe to construct an addition of approximately 10,500 square feet on the northwest side of the existing. It will include a sports bar, food court, poker room, smoke shop, and other renovations. The addition will be located on what is currently a flat paved parking area; approximately 22 parking spaces will be removed. No additional parking areas will be added with this proposal. Construction will occur on previously disturbed areas. The area of impervious surface is not expected to increase. Construction is planned for Spring 2013.

The applicant expects 20-25 short term jobs during the construction activities and 25-30 full time jobs resulting from the expanded services.

No Action Alternative: To not construct the proposed expansion to the existing Oneida West Mason Street Casino location. This will not assist in the goal of expanding gaming operations and improving the economy of the Oneida Nation.

Comments were requested from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, Oneida Cultural Heritage Department for possible impacts to culturally significant areas, and the Environmental Protection Agency for possible permitting needs regarding in-stream development.

Comments and Availability:

Interested parties may obtain copies of these documents from the address below. Comments regarding the proposed action may be submitted within 30 days of the date of this NOA. Contact Lisa Miotke at (920) 869-4582 or write Oneida Environmental, Health & Safety Division, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 for additional information.

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"It is critical for producers to complete the enrollment process as soon as possible," said Wiese. "Producers must contact their local county office to set up appointments before the June 1 deadline."

All signatures of producers receiving a share in DCP and ACRE payments are required by the **June 1, 2011**, deadline. For more information

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Lawisana'w^'se "He Melts the ice"



Keelyn Royal Metoxen

Lawisana'w^'se Melts the ice" Keelyn Royal Metoxen, Newborn son to Elijah Rhiannon "RC Metoxen Lawisana'w^'se was born February 21st, 2011 and weighed 8 lbs 06 0zs 21.5 inches. He is the Great Grandson of Dellora Cornelius, Russell and the late Jeannie Metoxen, The late Roy and Leone House, and Erma and Ducky Denny. His Maternal Grandparents are Sharon House and Gary Cornelius, Paternal Grandparents and Michelle Sawyer and Kirby Metoxen. Lawisana'w^'se was welcomed home by his big brothers Elijah jr, Lohatiyo and his big sister Jossalyn.



Kiah Oneida Skenandore



Kiah Oneida Skenandore was born to proud parents Racĥae1

and Americanhorse Lawrence Skenandore on November 22, 2010 General Mercy Hospital in Sacramento, CA. She was 7lbs, 12oz and 10" long at birth. Paternal grandparents

are Gladys Brady & Reed Lawrence Skenandore Sr. Maternal grandparents

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Happy Birthday

Happy Belated

Kate

on May 12th!!

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Happy Sweet 16th Birthday Devonte



We Love You, Mom, Dad, Grandma, Pedro, Dante, Ase', Jeff, Dawn and Chris

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday

on May 26th to

August!

Missing You...

Can't wait to be together again and pursue our happiness. Soon to be...

George & Estelle Blue Bird





Kappy 5th Birthday Loh^tiyo **Brooklyn Royce** Metoxen on May 21st



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Captain

Grammy and Bumpa

Toleka Melchert



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History Team Earns More Awards at "State"

By Laura Studee

ONHS Social Studies Instructor

As many of you are already aware Kendrick Powless, Kanani Nunies, and Noelle Metoxen have been working diligently this semester on a documentary titled, "A Government of Our Own" for a competition called National History Day. Their documentary addresses the history and the impact of the Indian Reorganization Act on the Oneida community.

The first level of the National History Day competition is the regional. The regional competition was held on April 9, 2011 at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. At the region-

al level, their documentary was one of three selected to advance onto the state competition. It was quite an honor, which was unprecedented in the history of ONHS.

The National History Day state competition took place on May 7, 2011 at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Kendrick, Kanani, and Noelle did a fantastic job representing the Oneida Nation and its history at the state event. They took home 1st Honorable Mention (which is equivalent to third place) at state out of a total of twelve documentaries in their category. They also received a



Submitted photo

History Day Team (I to r) Noelle Metoxen, Kendrick Powless, and Kanani Nunies.

special category award "Local History" which carried a prize of \$125 for the team to split. This award was "crosscategorical" which means that their project was selected out of approximately 60 other

Here is the private link to their documentary on YouTube for your viewing enjoyment. A very sincere Yaw^ko for your s u p p o r t! http://www.youtube.com /watch?v=MwL1ZXKjO

ONHS Student Project Showcase

Wednesday, May 25, 2011 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm Come See the Work of ONHS Students

- Iroquois Crafts & Sewing
 - Science Research
 - Biodiesel Project
- History Research Documentary
- Art and much more!!!!!!!!!!! Light Refreshments with be served

May 27 - Oneida Day - No School

May 30 - Memorial Day - No School

June 3 - Graduation

June 6 - Last Day of school - 1/2 day.

The end is near?

By Joelle Thomas

Thunderhawk Times

Do you believe in the world ending in 2012? How about this coming Saturday?

Well, with it being just a couple of days before May 21 and seven months before 2012, I guess we will know the truth soon enough.

Predictions for the end of the world get people's attention with most people deciding whether or not they are true.

I asked around and some say the world will end, and some say it won't. But with the weather changing cold to warm, and with global warming and other things, it just might be true. Some people believe that the world as we know it has come to the end.

Then, I asked Denis his thoughts, this is what he had to say: "I don't think the world is going to end on Saturday or in 2012. There have been hundreds of "for-sure" predictions that the world would end since it began. There are even predictions that the world will end after 2012, suggesting to me, at least, that these predictions have been made and will continue to be made. We will never know." That's just his opinion.

Lynn Adrian said that, "I think it is just a part of the natural process, that it will end at some point. And I don't really think it will be all that scary."

A lot of people think it is the end because of all then natural disasters we are having. I guess we will never know for sure when the world is really going to end. Most say next year. Some say hundreds of years from now. All we have left is to wait and find out.

Meet Tyler Stevens

Celebrating Mothers Day

By Jade Doxtater

Thunderhawk Times

Mothers Day is celebrated on various days in many parts of the world, yet most commonly in March, April, or May as a day to honor mothers and motherhood.

I spent this Mother's Day with my mother at the Wildlife Sanctuary. Originally we were going to the zoo, but that was way too crowded to even get inside.

At the wildlife sanctuary there are a lot of interesting animals. I had a really good time, spending my whole day there with my dad, my step-mom, her kids, and my boyfriend. I actually really hope to be able to do it again sometime

The only thing that made me sad was spending time with everybody else's mom but my own. This poem if for My Mom, Stacey Moore:

"Happy Mothers Day" means more Than have a happy day.

Within those words lie lots of things We never get to say. It means I love you first of all,

Then thanks for all you do. It means you mean a

lot to me, And that I honor you. But most of all, I guess

it means That I am thinking of Your happiness on

this, your day, With pleasure and with

Happy Mothers Day! Another Mothers Day

Poem Lulu Bell By Eva Powless This woman resembles a super hero in our eyes.

lies. She always has wise words to share, Even if it's too truthful

Anyone who tells you

differently is telling you

Her character is never in question,

to bear.

I can promise she always has a good intention.

Her heart is too big for her own good, Because she would do anything for us if she could.

Her mentality always stays the strongest of the

Even when the entire world does her wrong. No matter how many mistakes we make,

Or her favorite things we break, She'll never give up

on us, because she loves us more then we will

ever know, And she always tells us so.

She'll never understand how much we care,

There's no one even close to her you can

compare. We love her with all

our heart.

And no one will ever tear us apart.

Language and Culture Days A Huge Success

By JoJo Santiago

Thunderhawk Times

On May 13, 2011, the Oneida Annual Language and Culture Day was held at the Oneida Nation High School.

Students were able to show off what they learned throughout the year and previous years in contests and friendly competitions.

The results were as follows: Lacrosse winners: 1st

RJ Webster, 2nd Eddie Santiago. Smoke Dance: Boys-

1st Eddie Santiago, 2nd Kendrick Powless. Girls-1st Jessica House, 2nd Kanani Nunies. Archery: Boys-1st

Bradley Granquist, 2nd Mason Powless. Girls-1st Ulu Nunies, 2nd Raquel Gonzales.

Iroquois Art: Buttons-

1st Muriel King, 2nd Colleen Cornelius. T-Shirts-1st Ulu Nunies, 2nd Kalene Beechtree

Iroquois Music:1st JoJo Santiago, Eddie Santiago, and Bradley Granquist; 2nd Ulu Nunies, Kanani Nunies, and Schuyler Metoxen.

Trivia Contest: 1st Ulu Nunies, Kendrick Powless, and Kanani Nunies. 2nd Muriel King, Geronimo Pocan, and Mary Powless.

At the end of the day, all staff and students gathered in the Norbert Hill Center auditorium where winners were announced and prizes handed were Everyone Language and Culture Teachers Kalána Brooks and Sonny Hill and round of applause for their hard work putting



Senior Jasmin Webster prepares her entry in the Fancy Pie Contest



Students Vincent Webster and Carl Tepiew on Archery Course



Participants in the Smoke Dance competition (Eddie Santiago in the foreground)

Thundechawk

By Billie John

Thunderhawk Times

Tyler Stevens.

One of the freshmen

who came from the

Oneida Turtle School and

now attend Oneida

Nation High School is

He celebrates his birth-

day on October 13th.

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school in Oneida since Pre-School. He is close to a few of the staff people who work at the high school, which would be "Carol Martin along with Becky Anderson."

He has been going to

Tyler is not a fan of reading, or going to the movies. He spends his spare time "drawing and talking to his friends."

The furthest he has ever traveled away from Oneida would Canada, but if he could go anywhere in the world he wanted to go to, he would go to Hawaii.

His favorite color is green, his favorite sports team would be the Packers, and his favorite food is chicken and Indian tacos.

He plans on working on his attitude and becoming more independent this summer.



Kali photo/Travis Cottrell

George Harper and Clifford Doxtator (background), both officers of the Green Bay Elks Lodge #259, visited the Oneida Nation Elementary School on Monday, May 16th. The Elks Lodge officers visited third grade classrooms and handed out dictionaries to students that contained a variety of information. The officers also briefly discussed the contents of the books, which featured items such as diagrams of planets, sign language, maps, flags, and the longest word in the English language. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks also discussed the word benevolent with the students, encouraging them to carry on a kindly attitude.

Notice **Land Commission Acquisition**

meeting will be on

Tuesday, May 31, 2011 at 5:00 pm

Division of Land Management

Elks Lodge visits ONES Oneida students claim top WIEA awards

By Travis Cottrell

Kalihwisaks

Oneida students Alena Cornelius and Akacia Muscavitch were honored with the Outstanding Student of the Year award, in their respective age groups, at the Wisconsin Education Indian (WIEA) Association's 2011 Annual Awards Banquet. The awards banquet was held on April 30, 2011 at the Menominee Casino & Resort Convention Center.

The WIEA consists of a board of Indian Educators whose mission is to promote and support education and educationally related opportunities for American Indian people in Wisconsin.

Cornelius, who was awarded the Outstanding Student of the Year award in the Pre-K through Third Grade category, is a second grade student at Third Street School in Black River Falls, WI. Third Street School Art Teacher, LeRoy Amborn, and Kyle Director-Reinke, Individual Case Management AmeriCore Afterschool Program, nominated Cornelius for the award.

Alena received nominations from educators because she consistently distinguished herself from her peers in areas such as academic achievement, respect, sound judgment, character, and cultural knowledge.

"Alena is a very bright



Alena Cornelius (left) and Akacia Muscavitch (right) received Outstanding Student of the Year awards, in their respective age groups.

young lady with a zest for knowledge. She is inquisitive and quick to grasp new concepts," says LeRoy Amborn. "My job would be much easier if I had a room full of students as motivated and eager to learn as Alena."

Muscavitch, an eighth grade student at Oneida Elementary Nation School, received the Outstanding Student of the Year award in the eighth grade through tenth grade category.

Muscavitch received nominations from several of her teachers, past and present; as well as a nomination from Oneida School Elementary Principal Yvette Peguero.

"She is respectful to her peers, teachers, and elders, and has always strived to do her best no matter what the challenge has been.

Without hesitation, she is willing to contribute above and beyond that which is expected of her," says Peguero.

Oneida Middle School Teacher Toni Osterberg comments on Muscavitch's cultural knowledge, "Akacia stands tall when it comes to the Oneida Language and She displays great pride when learning the language and is willing to help other students and staff when assisting with cultural events in school as well as community

The educational ambition demonstrated by these young ladies is certainly an encouraging sign for the future of the Oneida Tribe and its culture.











The US 41 Project Web site is your source for up-to-date US 41 information. Be sure to add a visit to your checklist before traveling.







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ONEIDA, WI—Nationwide last year, 5,669 postal employees were attacked in more than 1,400 cities, yet that pales in comparison to the 4.7 million Americans bitten annually — the majority of whom are children.

These statistics are part of the reason the Postal Service recognizes National Dog Bite Prevention Week, May 15-21. The annual event provides dog attack prevention tips and information on responsible pet ownership.

Beyond the needless pain and suffering, medical expenses from dog attacks cost the Postal Service nearly \$1.2 million last year. According the Insurance Information Institute, dog attacks accounted for more than one-third of all homeowners' insurance liability claims paid out in 2010, costing nearly \$413 million.

"We often hear two comments relating to the Service, check's in the mail,' and 'don't worry, my dog won't bite'. Given the right circumstances, any dog can bite. Dog attacks are a nationwide issue and not just a postal problem," said Oneida Postmaster Cheryl Koenig, "Working with animal behavior experts, we've developed tips to avoid dog attacks, and for dog owners, tips for practicing responsible pet ownership."

To spread the word that dog attacks are preventable, the Postal Service is working with the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) www.aap.org, American Veterinary Medical (AVMA) Association www.avma.org, and the American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) www.plasticsurgery.org. Other organizations include the American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons (ASMS) www.maxface.org, the American Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery (ASRM) www.microsurg.org, Prevent The Bite www.preventthebite.org and the Insurance Information Institute

The AVMA offers the following tips:

www.iii.org.

How to Avoid Being Bitten

- Don't run past a dog. The dog's natural instinct is to chase and catch you.
- If a dog threatens you, don't scream. Avoid eye contact. Try to remain motionless until the dog leaves, then back away slowly until the dog is out of sight.
- Don't approach a strange dog, especially one that's tethered or confined.
- People choosing to pet dogs should obtain permission from the owner first and always let a dog see and sniff them before petting the animal
- If you believe a dog is about to attack you, try to place something between yourself and the dog, such as a back-

pack or a bicycle.

How to Be a

Responsible Dog

Owner

- Obedience training can teach dogs proper behavior and help owners control their dogs.
- When a carrier comes to your home, keep your dog inside, away from the door in another room.
- Dogs can be protective of their territory and may interpret the actions of letter carriers as a threat. Please take precautions when accepting mail in the presence of your pet.
- Spay or neuter your dog. Neutered dogs are less likely to roam and bite.
- Dogs that receive little attention or handling, or are left tied up for long periods of time, frequently turn into biters.

Loose Dogs Halt Delivery, Possibly Cause Trauma

The Postal Service places the safety of its employees as a top priority. Letter carriers fearing for their safety due to a loose or unrestrained pet may curtail delivery and ask homeowners to pick up their mail at the Post Office until the carrier is assured the pet restrained. In cases where a carrier sees a dog roaming and can't discern where it resides, delivery could be curtailed to the entire neighborhood.

"Warm and wonderful relationships are shared between more than 72 million pet dogs and their owners in the United States," said Dr. Lori Teller, who serves on the AVMA's Animal Welfare Committee and is past president of the Texas VMA. "To protect those relationships, everyone must take responsibility for preventing dog bite iniuries.

"Half of all children will be bitten by a dog by the time they're high school seniors," said Dr. John Fraser, of the Texas Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. "It's so important for parents to supervise young children around dogs at all times, and it's just as important for children to be taught from an early age how to keep from being bitten."

"According to the ASPS, 32,961 reconstructive procedures to repair dog bites were performed in 2010, up 8 percent from 2009," explained Plastic surgeon Lior Heller, of the Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, who also represents the ASRM and ASMS. "Unfortunately, the majority of reconstructive surgeries to treat dog bites were performed on children who are frequently bitten on the face, which can result in severe lacerations, infection or scarring."

"Dog bite prevention education cannot begin early enough," said Kelly Voigt, 19, the victim of a savage dog attack when she was seven years old. She endured the pain of 100 stitches to her face as part of her recovery The experience was the catalyst behind the creation of Prevent The Bite, a nonprofit organization that promotes dog bite prevention to young children. To date, Voigt has spoken

before more than 10,000 elementary school students.

To help educate the public about dog bites, the

AVMA developed an online brochure: www.avma.org/press/publ ichealth/dogbite/mediak-

it.asp. The AVMA also

maintains a dog bite prevention facebook page.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses, and

relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.



Legal Notice

If you are a Native American Farmer

or the heir of one who was denied a

USDA farm loan or loan servicing

between 1981 and late 1999,

You can get up to \$50,000 or more from a \$760 million class action settlement.

To receive a payment you must file a claim by December 27, 2011.

For more information about the Keepseagle Settlement and how to file a claim:

call 1-888-233-5506

or visit www.IndianFarmClass.com.

Oneida Adventures



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.

Upcoming Events

Oneida Adventures Girls Group

Youth Ages 12–16 Meets every 4th Thursday of the month –

Started September 9th

Activities Include:

GPS, Survival skills, fire respect/starting, snowshoe/cross country skiing, snow shelters, camp cooking, ropes course, kayaking, snorkeling, canoeing/camping.

Oneida Adventures Boys Group

Youth Ages 12-16 Meets every 2nd Thursday of the month –

Started September 9th

Activities Include:

GPS, Survival skills, fire respect/starting, snowshoe/cross country skiing, snow shelters, camp cooking, ropes course, kayaking, snorkeling, canoeing/camping.

Contact:

Cindy Young – 490-3863 Kip Miller – 490-3810 Mark Steinbach - 490-3846



IDA ADVENTURES

HISTORY STORY...

It all started as one man's dream of pioneering an adventurous and experiential way of viewing life. He came into Oneida with a bag of equipment and a will to see his vision grow..... and grow it did into what is called today Oneida Adventures.

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Cindy Young

Specializing in recreational therapy, Cindy brings a professional edge and firm foundation in the art of working with versatile groups. Her favorite part of her job is seeing people's light shine!



Shannon Steif

With counseling in her background, Shannon cherishes the beauty of the wilderness within and around us. She is passionate about building connection through play, reflection, exploration and laughter. She seeks and helps others to understand the fullness of life at any stage or experience!

Mark Steinbach

As director of Oneida Adventures, Mark brings his expertise in the fields of: kayaking, outdoor education, climbing, and the list goes on! Mark finds great joy in helping people see the outdoor playground/classroom we have all around us.



Kip Miller

From climbing a mountain, to kayaking through Alaskan floating glaciers, Kip brings fun and adventure to every program. Kip loves to see people reach their goals and push beyond





For the Best in Native American

> Music Tune in to...

Kalihwiyose

midnight

Share an evening with friends/family with a guided kayak/canoe tour on local waters. Sea Kayak classes to be held at Norbert Hill pond. We will provide the boat, paddle, PFD, and guide/instruction. All tours at 4:30p.m. un

~Sunrise Sea Kayak/yoga Tour *June 8, 2011 4:30 <mark>AM</mark>*

Cindy Young at (920) 490-3863 or

class instruction

~Recreational Kayak Tours: June 16 (youth 2-4, adult 4:30-6:30), June 28, July 27

~Sea Kayak Tours: June 23, July 20, Aug 16 (Lake Michigan tour/skill building) ~Sea Kayak 1/2 day Class: Quick start June 8, 25 9am-12pm, July 11 4:30-7:30pm Rescue Class: June 25 1-3:30pm, Aug 17 5-7:30pm

~Sea Kayak full day class: June 7 &9 (2 nights) 4:30-7:30pm, July 9 9am-3:00pm ~Sea Kayak roll class: July 13 4:30-6:30pm





Oneida Adventures-

Invites you and your family...... to Door County!!

2011 Peninsula State Park Trip Dates: June 19, 20, 21, 2011

~Join other families and individuals for 3 days/2 nights of adventure in Peninsula Sate Park......

Sponsored by the Community Health Center Diabetic Team:

Discover the adventures in this unique area. Oneida Adventures' staff will provide

guided kayaking, hiking, biking instruction, tours, and a group camp site. Equipment and meals will be provided as part of the trip. **Recreation** opportunities are boundless as Peninsula is considered Wisconsin's most

complete park. Enjoy hiking and biking the many trails in the park, paddle the waters of Door County. Evenings will bring an opportunity to relax by the fire or possibly taking an evening sunset kayak tour. Participants will be required to participate in 2 activities during the trip. Trips/tours based on numbers and weather.

*Kids 12 and up with parents are welcome on the camping

Final sign up date with OCHC: June 9, 2011

Mandatory Pre-trip meeting @ Oneida Adventures for those screened in: June 15, 2011, 5:00p.m.-6:00p.m.

Contact Information

A pre-screening process is required through the Oneida Community Health Center Diabetic team. Interested individuals can contact Maggie Peterson at the Health Center.

Phone Number 869-4868

WPNE 89.3 on your FM dial... Thursdays 10:00pm to

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Stay Connected!

Leadership Development at the Oneida Community Health Center reaffirms an important Core Value

By Ernest L. Stevens III Special to Kalihwisaks

ONEIDA, WIS. – A "contagious positivity" in the form of high morale and team "synergy" has been spreading throughout the Comprehensive Health Division lately.

This is the result of an intensive nine-week leadership development process the staff in the medical clinic at the Health Center recently went through, led by InitiativeOne, a consulting and leadership development group.

"There's a new energy at the clinic! It's really exciting to see," said Deborah Thundercloud, General Manager, who worked with InitiativeOne when she was with a different organization. "Ultimately, our goal is to provide the best service possible to our patients and by going through this process we are well on our way to doing that."

Debbie Danforth, RN,

Comprehensive Health Operations Division Director at Oneida, agreed, saying, "We have always had the desire to improve the patient experience, but we weren't always on the same page in doing that. This process creates a synergy that allows us to focus on patients 100%. I am getting comments from patients saying, 'I don't know what's going on, but people are smiling; your staff members are really paying attention to my needs."

This high morale has been consistent throughout the entire clinic, and has led to the synergy that all staff has seen and been a part of. "The patients are seeing a cohesive team that is receptive to change," said Ravi Vir, MD, Medical Director. "Our team is providing better care and happier care, and that's leading to healthier patients."

Fred Johnson, D.Min, founder and CEO of

leading the process, is equally excited about the results the team has realized. "Our process works to inspire and promote unity amongst team members by establishing a trust-based working environment characterized by open, honest communication respect," he said. "We try to create positive change in the corporate culture and maximize each person's potential in order to create a motivated, empowered and visiondriven team. But, it's ultimately about each team member's ability to incorporate what they've learned and apply it in their daily work. I'm really excited at how well this team has been able to do that."

The changes have been noticed by the team as well.

"Dr. Fred and InitiativeOne have helped us get to where there is more trust, more open

and honest communication, and where the staff members better understand their roles," said Sandy Schuyler, RN, Director of Nursing at the Health Center. "As opposed to someone saying, 'That's your job,' we now say, 'That's my job. I'll get it done.' There's a renewed sense of ownership."

Schuyler also believes the process has helped the clinic staff become better focused on its purpose. "Our patient population base usually has several complications relating to their presenting illness," she said. "I see many of our nurses now taking ownership of knowing the needs of this community. Since going through this process, we have reground ourselves in evidence-based practice. While before we might have been more willing to give patients everything they wanted, we now see our purpose as giving them what they need.'

From a business perspective, the changes are also noticeable. Turnover of nursing staff since last summer has been zero and the morale of the staff is at its highest point ever.

Tehassi Hill, a member

of the Oneida Business Committee who serves as a liaison to the Health Center, is very impressed. He believes the success is attributable to the fact that the approach itself is an excellent fit with the Oneida culture. "The principles taught by InitiativeOne are inherent to Native Americans' beliefs of trust, respect, belief in people and the web of life, "he said. "It was easy to step into their process because you could easily relate to what they taught. It also applies to our Oneida ways, specifically our Core Values. Kahletsyalusla: the heartfelt encouragement of the best of each of us."

"Coming out of the process, a lot of its really common sense," agreed Danforth. "But we needed an objective point of view, and we needed to practice it from that point on."

So far the process has only been introduced to the medical clinic staff, but the fever is about to spread. In the coming weeks and months, all management at the Health Center will also go through the InitiativeOne classes.

"I'm very excited about what I have seen," said Hill. "The process encourages us to meet the needs of the community in a respectful manner. It will take some time before we all benefit from it, so no one should expect overnight changes, but positive change is coming."

For any questions call Debbie Danforth at (920)869-2711, ext. 4807

Oneida Health Officer among first to receive new certification

Eric Krawczyk

Whitehall, PA – Eric Krawczyk, Community / Public Health Officer at the Oneida Community Health Center is among the first to earn the certi-

fication as a M a s t e r Certified H e a l t h Education Specialist (MCHES).

The newly created dadvanced-level certification, MCHES,

advancedlevel certific a t i o n , M C H E S , awarded by the National Commission Education Cre

Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. (NCHEC) signifies that Eric Krawczyk has met the national standards for individual health education practitioners. The MCHES certification attests to the individual's knowledge and understanding of the Health Education Areas of Responsibility at an advanced-level assists employers in identifying qualified health education practitioners.

"NCHEC developed the advanced-level certification in response to recommendations from the profession that were supported by research indicating the presence of distinct levels of practice in the health education setting," work William Chen, Chair of NCHEC's Board of Commissioners. "Congratulations to this very first class of MCHES."

"The MCHES certification indicates advanced-level knowledge and skills and is a commitment to the advancement of the health education profession and continued professional development," added Linda Lysoby, MS, CAE, MCHES,

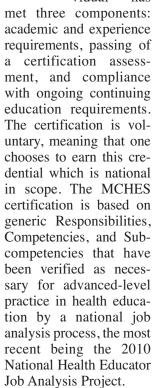
Executive Director of NCHEC.

This has been a long

This has been a long a w a i t e d step in the field of health education, and it's so exciting.

M C H E S Credential indicates that an individual has

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This achievement is considered a milestone in an individual's professional development and a testament to the individual's commitment to continuous improvement in the health education profession.

For further information about NCHEC certifications, visit www.nchec.org or contact NCHEC at 888-624-3248 or nchec@nchec.org



FROM THE ONEIDA COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH DIVISION:

PLEASE BEAR WITH US!



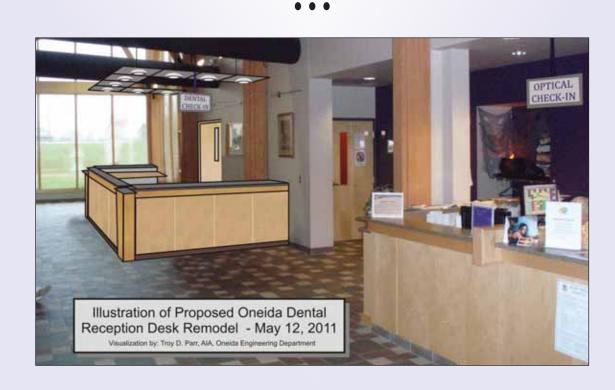
We will soon be in the process of implementing a new patient management system. We plan to go live on June 7th!

We realize that there may be a potential delay in services but **please** bear with us during this transition! We promise to make it up to you! We are currently training our staff so they wil be prepared to provide the best service to you upon completion.

Furthermore, our goal is to improve the front-end registration processes to be in alignment with our electronic medical record implementation which will soon follow. This will include a remodel of the registration area (see image below).

Thank you for your patience and understanding!

OCHC Administration



PLEASE NOTE:

Oneida Tribal offices will be **CLOSED**

Friday, May 27

in observance of Oneida Day

&

Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day

Holy Apostles



The Mission of the Church Restoration Committee (CRC) is organizing, planning, managing and raising funds that shall benefit the maintenance, historic preservation and restoration of the facilities and property of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Oneida, Wisconsin, a congregation of the Diocese of Fond du Lac.

www.holyapostlesoneida.com • 920.819.0563



The Hobart Episcopal church in Oneida

By Thelma Cornelius McLester

In 1884, the Sisters of the Holy Nativity of Fond du Lac arrived at Holy Apostles Church in Oneida. They were instrumental in helping to build a more solid foundation in the religious life of the Oneida people. In working with families, they began teaching Sunday school for children, and in 1898 they offered, for the first time, an accomplished parochial school setting. Up to this time, the Priest or members of his family had provided the most basic classes in reading, writing and arithmetic.

The Sisters also helped to initiate the National Sybil Carter Lace Association in Oneida for women. Mrs. Charles Bronson, a representative from the Association provided the initial training and the women quickly learned how to do bobbin lace work and Italian Cutwork lace making. They made lace bed spreads, cushions, doilies, alter scarves and other necessary items for the church. Many of the alter linens for the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City, were made in Oneida, Wisconsin. One important fact to mention is Eleanor Mrs. Roosevelt was a member this National Association and helped handling orders and the sales of all lace work

With up to 150 women involved in this craft they used their earnings to contribute to the Holy Apostles Church as well as earning a small income for their families. At the end of five years, the Industry was taken over by an Oneida, Josephine Hill Webster who continued this work for some time, thereby allowing Oneida women to continue earning a small income in addition to helping the church. They also received many awards such as the one where they received first place at the St. Louis Exposition in 1904.

In 1906, the Reverend A. Parker Curtis was appointed to serve at Holy Apostles. During his term, the Grafton Parish Hall was built. He also helped to raise funds to purchase land that was between the church and the cemetery. In addition he helped raise funds to purchase the Celtic Cross for the graves of Cornelius Hill and his wife Cecilia. (This cross is still visible in the front yard of the church where they are buried.) In the years, 1908 –

1920, the Reverend William B. Thorne arrived from Chicago, Illinois, to serve at Holy Apostles. Reverend Thorne can be credited for helping to maintain the holdings of the church, continue to

increase the church's membership and to work for the betterment of the church.

By 1920, the Reverend William Watson followed Reverend Thorne into the priesthood at Holy Apostles. On July 17, 1920, lightning struck the church and after the fire, all that remained were the foundation and the stone walls. Determined to rebuilt, work began almost immediately to replace the structure which was accomplished by 1922. It was consecrated on June 11, 1922 by Right Reverend Reginald H. Weller, who was the Bishop of Fond du Lac.

By 1927, the Reverend Lawrence Grant was appointed to serve at Holy Apostles Church having arrived from California. While he was living in the Rectory, it burned, and a new residence was then built right next to the church.

Reverend Grant was noted as being a fine musician and it was during his stay at Holy Apostles that he wrote a mass which was known as "Father Grant's Mass." This Mass was used during his stay at Holy Apostles and is still remembered by some of the older members today. After ten years, he returned to California in November, 1937.

He was succeeded by the Reverend William F. Christian in 1937 who remained at Holy Apostles for the next 20 years. In addition to all that Reverend Christian accomplished, he is remembered for hosting many a celebration at Holy Apostles.

On May 17, 1942, a

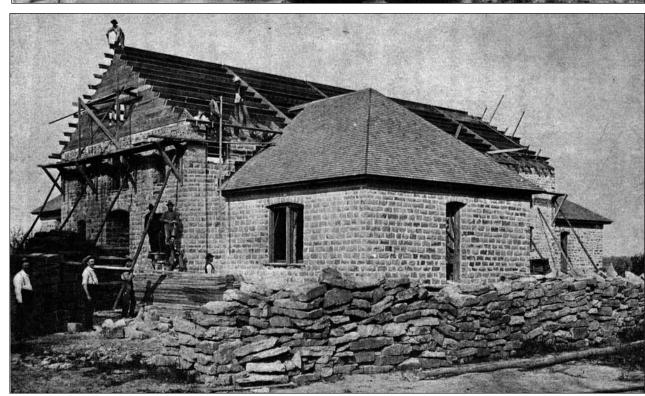
celebration was held at Holy Apostles honoring the 240th anniversary of the sending of missionaries to the Iroquois Confederacy in New York by the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, as well as the celebration of 120 years of the Oneidas move to setin Wisconsin. Invitations were sent out to all who had any affiliations with Holy Apostles. Letters received by the church included those who could not attend, but sent letters of congratulations. They included a letter from the Office of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, the Bishop from the Diocese of New York, the Bishop of Liberia from the Bishop's House in Liberia, (who was ordained at Oneida), and the Bishop of South from Dakota Executive Council of the Episcopal Church. The guest speaker for this event Right Reverend William Leopold, Bishop Quincy, Illinois. A pamphlet was written enti-

tled, "OUR ANNIVER-

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Photos courtesy of Thelma McLester

begin at least 12 to 15

organizations and activi-

ties that included young-

sters and adults. This

was a time of many

social events taking place

at the Grafton Parish

In 1957, Reverend G.

Colyn Brittain followed

Reverend Christian and

remained for three years.

Top: The bedspread pictured was made of Bobbin Lace and sold for \$600. **Middle**: The Blessing of the Convent of St. Anne, May 29, 1929. Rev'd William F. Christian; Bishop Harwood Sturtevant; Rev'd. Henry Brendemihl; Rev'd. Mother Edith, O.S.A. **Bottom**: Building of Bishop Grafton Parish Hall, 1906.

ONEIDA MISSION, ONEIDA, WIS. 1822-1942," with materials about the history of the church.

In this Pamphlet, the Right Reverend Harwood Sturtevant who was the Bishop from the Diocesan Office at Fond du Lac stated in a letter "You are the largest Indian Church of the Episcopal Church in America." "And that when you moved here in 1822 you brought the Church with you and thus established firmly the oldest unit of the Episcopal Church in the State."

In 1946, a new order called the Sisters of St. Anne arrived from Boston replacing the Sisters of Holy Nativity. The Sisters of St. Anne continued on the work that had been created by the Sisters of Holy Nativity.

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Then in 1947, Reverend Christian made arrangements to have the remains of former Priest, Eleazer Williams brought

back to Oneida and re-

buried at the church.

This, too, was a major

event with visitors attending from the surrounding area.

On May 29, 1949, a celebration was held for the blessing of the Convent of St. Anne at Holy Apostles attended by the Priest, the Bishop of Fond du Lac, Sturtevant, Reverend Henry Brendemihl from the Christ Church at Green Bay, and the head of the Sisters, Reverend Mother Edith.

There were many more

events that took place at

the Church and Reverend

Christian took the time to

He is known for attending the first Oneida Pow wow held on the Church grounds.

To be continued. . .

OCIFS

Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems

Why buy local, why buy Oneida?







Local markets are good for our health, good for our natural resources, good for our economy and good for our community. People enjoy the benefits of local, seasonal and sustainable grown and produced foods. Local markets help small farmers keep their family farms in agriculture rather than selling their land for urban sprawl. Local farmers farming with "Best Use" agricultural practices help keep our soil, water and air clean.

Food security is quickly becoming a priority as we read about food contamination, pesticides, chemicals, hormones, antibiotics, animal diseases, genetically modified seeds, and inhumane industrial farm practices. As food costs increase due to higher fuel costs, there is more hunger and

disparity in access to food. Local communities can take the initiative to protect their food sources and the environment around them to ensure a healthy and abundant food supply. Welcome to the Oneida

Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS). The OCIFS Members consist of the Oneida Farm/Apple Orchard, Tsyunhehkwa, Food Distribution and Oneida Comprehensive Health Division. The group is tirelessly working to integrate our local food and resources, improve the community's quality of food, educate the people of nutrition related health problems and assist in bringing all people closer together.

The Oneida Farm operates a Cattle and Bison Operation, from our farm to your table. The farm herd consists of approximately 400 Black Angus, with 225 grazed cow/calf operation and Buffalo. The Apple Orchard has 40 acres of orchard which totals approximately 4,200 trees. They have a large variety of meat products such as: Black Angus and Buffalo steaks, roasts and hamburgers. In addition they have a wide variety of fresh produce products such as: strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, sweetcorn, squash, pumpkins.

Tsyunhehkwa The (joon-hey-qwa) program is a culturally and community based agricultural entity of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin. The program consists of two components, Agricultural & Cannery. Agricultural component is located on a Certified Organic 80-acre site,

which provides grass-fed beef, free range poultry, farm fresh eggs and organic produce. The Cannery processes not only our products, but items produced by other areas of the Nation and the Community. All of our products and services are open to the public.

The Oneida Food

Distribution Program (OFDP) provides a well balanced food package, and has been distributing USDA food for over 26 years. They assist low income households and elderly individuals receive a monthly food package. The Food Distribution Program Outagamie, serves: Brown, Kewanee, Door and Manitowoc Counties.

O n e i d a Comprehensive Health Division assists in the connection between diet

through and health numerous departments and projects such as: Coaching, Wellness General Education and the Elderly Diabetic Luncheon.

The Oneida Farmers Market is located at the One Stop parking lot on Highway 54 in Oneida. The Farmers Market runs every Thursday from June - October and operates from Noon 6:00pm. So buy your natural Black Angus meat from the Oneida Farm, your produce from the Oneida Apple Orchard, and get your certified organic produce and food processing needs from the Tsyunhehkwa program. For more information regarding the OCIFS programs please visit us at our website www.oneidanation.org/ocifs.





OCIFS Highlight seasonal activities



Contributed photos

Left: Teaching youth survival skills training at the Oneida

Bottom Left: Rain barrel making workshop with Li'l Miss Oneida

at the Oneida Farmers' Market Bottom Right: The Oneida 6th grade class tours the buffalo coral for Youth Day on the Farm





Culture

In the News with...

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Importance of Oneida Hymn Singers

Since before European contact, the Oneidas have told stories about the Singing Societies among our people. One story tells about the Singers going to a family's home to sing at a wake. During this time, there are the clouded minded ones (the grieving family), and the clear minded ones (the support families that help with food, lodging, transportation, singing, and etc.). The Singers would gather together to help the grieving family. People would come to give their condolences and in most cases the Singers would sing all night. The Singing helps us through the time of need or sorrow. The singers try to go whenever or wherever they are asked to go.

In 2008, the Oneida Singers of Wisconsin were awarded with the country's highest honor the Folk Traditional Arts from the National Endowment of the Arts. They were chosen for their artistic

excellence and contributions to the nation's cultural heritage

The story our people tell is that when the Oneidas made contact with the Europeans we were very surprised by and enjoyed their music. The Oneidas began to Christian the take melodies and put Oneida words to them. In 1649, the English Parliament took action to form a society to work with the Indians of New York on Christianity. In 1709, four Chiefs from the Five Nations of the Iroquois went to England to meet Queen Ann. She ordered that the " Common Prayer Book " & the Hymns were to be translated and printed in the Mohawk language; this was completed in the early 1800's. The Mohawk language is very close to the Oneida language so the Oneida singers used the Mohawk Hymn Book until 1941 when Oscar Archiquette and some other Oneidas translated the hymns into the Oneida language.

In Oneida, the in uence of the Oneida Singers can be traced back beyond written history, but those Singers still



Kali archive photo

Oneida Hymn Singers performing at last summer's Oneida Museum Cultural Festival.

live in the hearts and minds of the Oneida community. The Oneida Singers have changed with the times in many respects, but the main constant about the Singers is the understanding that the songs are a gift from the Creator, and are to be shared with one's fellow man in their time of need. When we sing we carry the voices that came before us to keep that sharing alive.

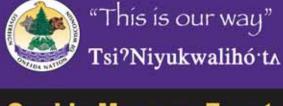
There are songs for all occasions, and singers have been asked to sing at wakes, funerals, nursing homes, schools, churches, grand openings, military gatherings, and weddings.

The requests have come from within the community, the surrounding area, state wide, nationally and internationally.

The Oneida Singers perform a capella, as they have been doing since before America's colonial period. Recipient of the 2008 NEA National Heritage Fellowship Award

Oneida Singers Hymn practice during the summer months, every Sunday from 4 PM to 5 PM at the Oneida Methodist Church Hall.

Requests for singers to perform for any occasion, can be directed to Carol Cornelius 869-3796 or Lois Powless at 833-7745



Oneida Museum Events

Oneida Storytellers Tuesdays 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM June 14th - The Creation Story July 12th - The Great Law August 9th - The Great Depression ptember 13th - Thanksgiving Address October 11th - The Three Clans

Summer Music Series Thursdays 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM July 21st - Jennifer Stevens August 18th - Cherry Bounce Sept. 22nd - Big N'Tasty

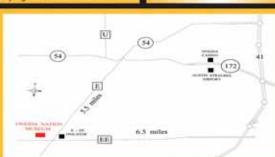
Film Festival Film Reel Injun hosted by Richie Plass Sat., Nov.19th ~ 10 AM - 6 PM Film: 10 AM & 2 PM Flying Feather Band: Noon & 4

SUPER SATURDAYS

JUNE 3 Sisters Planting **Bracelet Class** Traditional Food Demo Counting in Oneida

JULY Pinch Pottery Class Traditional Clothing Finger Weaving Plant Walk

AUGUST **Traditional Games Earring Class** Language Class Corn Husk Doll



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NEW! Language Class Schedule





Oneiga Community Library

& Green Earth Branch Library

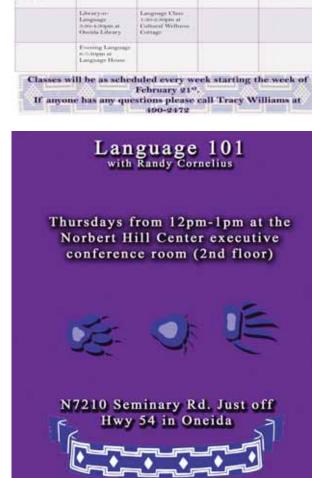


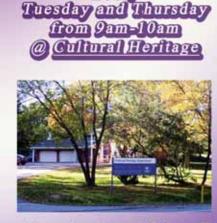




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Oneida Teaching Grammar

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Business Committee Candidates Community Meet & Greet

Taste of Oneida (Norbert Hill Center)

June 4, 2011 **Begins at Noon** **Sign Up Now:**

- Dunk Tank
- Meet & Greet

Contact: Rich Figueroa (920) 496 - 5026 rfiguero@oneidanation.org



Rock'n Daddy's



Copper Box

8:15 pm - 10:00 pm

Rock, Tex-Mex, polka, country, jazz, blues and Zydeco Saturday, June 4

> Strong Medicine 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm



Big N Tasty Blues Band 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Mad Dog & Merrill 5 pm - 5:30 pm



Oneida Smoke Dancers 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm



6:30 pm - 7:45 pm

Free Admission and Parking



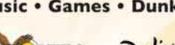
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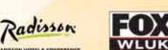
Public is Welcome



Amusement Rides • Live Music • Games • Dunk Tank • Ethnic Foods















Cultural Corridor

Noon - 6 pm

Artisan (Woodland Indian Art Show) **Corn Soup Demonstration Oneida Nation Museum Exhibit Arts & Crafts Pony Rides Horse & Wagon Rides** Buffalo cook off



FAMILY STAGE

5:00 pm - 10:00 pm Open karaoke with Action DJs

6:00 pm, 7:00 pm & 8:00 pm It's Party Time with Nicks Kid Show

Saturday, June 4

12:30 pm - 12:50 pm **Long House Singers**

1:00 pm & 2:00 pm shows presents Wildlife Sanctuary Birds of Prey

> 1:30, 3:00 & 4:30 pm Mr. Billy

/3:30 pm - 8:00 pm Open karaoke with Action DJs

