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Hills first to benefit from new HBO

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

The development and implementation of a revamped land program has led to the first ground breaking of a new home in Oneida.

The program, called the Home Building Opportunity (HBO), was a revamp of the former Land List that had been around since 1977.

According to Scott Denny, Comprehensive Housing Coordinator for the Oneida Tribe, "The Home Building Opportunity is a new vehicle, a new method, to address the historic Land List in a way that creates a more equal opportunity and a higher potential of success. The goal is to create an opportunity for people to get land to build their own home."

Two such families are getting that opportunity this year.

Kristine and Steve Hill are the first to break ground on their new homes in Oneida.

"We're just ecstatic right now. We're grateful to the tribe for giving us the opportunity," Kristine Hill said.

The process for the Hills began in 2008 when they responded to an advertisement from the Division of Land Management that was placed in the Kalihwisaks.

"We had been renting for eight years and we've been wanting a home for a while and we were actually negotiating with the land office for the one we were in, but when the opportunity came up for a new home, that just

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Submitted Photo/Kristine Hill

The foundation of the Hill's new home was recently poured on the lot they received from the Oneida Tribe's HBO program.

Smoking ban not to affect tribes

By Nate Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

A recently signed Wisconsin smoking ban by Gov. Jim Doyle will have little impact on tribal businesses that currently offer smoking facilities.

Under the blanket of tribal sovereignty, the Oneida Tribe and its businesses will be exempt from the statewide ban. "The Tribe is reviewing the state smoking ban and will be formulating its own position. In general, state laws do not apply to the Tribe on the Reservation, and this analysis applies to the state smoking ban," said Jim Bittorf, Deputy Chief Counsel for the tribe.

The Oneida Business Committee has discussed the possibility of enforcing a tribal wide smoke free environment but were waiting to take any action until the state formulated its plan.

Gov. Doyle traveled the state Monday, May 11, ceremoniously signing the bill that prohibits smoking in public places effective July 5, 2010. The bill allows smoking in already existing cigar bars and specialty tobacco shops. Any person who violates the ban would receive a warning and be subject to fines ranging from \$100 to \$250. The ban comes on the heels of 37 Wisconsin communities already enforcing local smoking bans.

"It's time for every person in Wisconsin to breathe freely at restaurants, taverns and workplaces across the state," said Gov. Doyle. "A smokefree Wisconsin will save money in health care costs, improve public health and save lives."

Gov. Doyle launched a state wide smoking ban initiative in 2007. He raised cigarette taxes by \$1 and dedicated funds for stop smoking aides and youth prevention.

Youth and elders kick off fishing season



Kali photos/ Nate Wisneski

The 10th annual Youth & Elder Fishing Day was held Saturday, May 16 at Osnúhsa? Kanya'tála (Finger Lake). The event featured music, food, prizes and fishing. Above: Natalyiah Stevenson, 8, (left), Sierra Stevenson, 4, (center), and their grandmother, Terri Smith, (right), bag up their catch to bring home. Left: Community members line Osnúhsa? Kanya'tála during a windy, warm day to catch fish in the freshly stocked lake.

More photos online at kalihwisaks.com

There's something fishy in Trout Creek

By Nate Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

A decade of hard work, teamwork, and dedication accumulated into celebration along the banks of Trout Creek.

The Oneida Tribe held a ceremony on Tuesday, May 12, to celebrate the release of brook trout back into Trout Creek after nearly 10 years of restoration on the watershed. The ceremony was attended by community members, local politicians and local government agencies from Brown and Outagamie County.

"Trout Creek was a relatively healthy cold

water trout stream that did not possess a population of brook trout due to previous agricultural pollution, channelization and other human impacts," said James Snitgen, Oneida Water Resources Supervisor. "Regular monitoring by the Oneida Water Resource Team (now) demonstrates a healthy community indicative of a cold water trout stream."

"It's important to restock this creek," tribal Chairman Rick Hill said during the ceremony. "When we

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Trout Creek



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Jim Snitgen (left) and Sadie Kelley (right) prepare to place brook trout fingerlings into Trout Creek Tuesday, May 12.

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Veterans set to break ground on new VFW



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7:45 AM - Veterans will depart for local cemeteries, Anna John Nursing Home, and Veterans' Memorial for ceremonies
11:45 AM - Groundbreaking on new VFW to begin
12:05 PM - Lunch

Submitted photo
Oneida VFW Post #7784 held their final meeting in their outdated building earlier this spring. The groundbreaking for the new VFW hall is scheduled for May 25, Memorial Day.

OBC Meeting Wrap May 13, 2009

By Nate Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The May 13 Oneida Business Committee (OBC) meeting had an unusually large crowd for an OBC meeting.

Attendance: Rick Hill – Chairman, Kathy Hughes – Vice Chairwoman, Patty Hoeft – Secretary, Trish King – Councilmember, Brandon Stevens – Councilmember, Tehassi Hill – Councilmember, Ed Delgado, Councilmember

The OBC approved meeting minutes from the April 6, April 22 and April 30 meetings.

Travel Reports

HHS Tribal Budget and Policy Consultation, April 29-30, Washington D.C., Kathy Hughes. According to Hughes, the consultation was attended by tribal leadership from across the country. The report was accepted.

Regional Tribal Operations Committee and GAP Conference, March 24-26, Chicago, IL, Tehassi Hill. Hill noted that numerous tribal environmental issues were discussed at the conference. The report was accepted.

General Tribal Council Petitions

Another one-time per capita payment petition was submitted May 8 to

the tribal secretary office. The petition calls for a one-time payment of \$10,000 to each tribal member not contingent on age and was submitted by Dr. John E. Powless, Jr. The petition will be heard during the July 11 General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting. If the petition were to be ratified payments to tribal members would be expected no later than December 1, 2009.

July 6 Semi-Annual Meeting Preparations

A status report of the implementation of past GTC directives is expected to be included in the report distributed during the July 6 meeting. During a November 15, 2008 GTC meeting the governing body passed a motion that all GTC directives dating back to 1994 must be implemented before the end of fiscal year 2010 or the OBC face removal.

The OBC examined if changes need to be made to the current higher education scholarships due to its rising cost. The OBC looked at having a ladder system with higher degrees that cost more receiving higher scholarship amounts. A perpetual endowment was also examined to fund the scholarships. Most committee members agreed

the current system needs revisions and that a plan needs more refining before presented the GTC.

July 11 Special GTC Meeting Preparations

The meetings agenda was adjusted due to the petitioner's request to remove the hyperbaric oxygen chamber petition from the July 11 meeting and move it to the fiscal year 2010 budget meeting. The July 11 meeting agenda will include the Recreation Center and amendments to current tribal election laws.

Follow-up Reports/BC Directives

The OBC heard a request for paid time for selected color guard members who are employees of the tribe. There is no current policy in place for these representatives of the tribe but the requests needs to be re-worked and a state-

ment of effect was requested for the June 10 OBC meeting.

A request from the tribal school was added to the agenda in which they were requesting support for a grant in the amount of \$1.970 million to repair the roof of the Turtle School. Support was given by the OBC.

New Business

A request came from the Secretary's office to have a special election caucus for Gaming Commission vacancies. The caucuses will be held June 1 at 1 p.m.

Travel Requests

Native American Finance Conference, May 12-13, Las Vegas, NV, Tina Danforth. The travel request was approved.

Great Plains Indian Gaming Association Conference, May 17-20, Prior Lake, MN, Rick Hill. The travel request was approved.

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changes everything right there," Steve Hill said.

The Hills decided to submit an application to the Division of Land Management and began the process that included being preapproved for the cost of the home, picking out a plat of land, and a whole lot of paperwork.

"There was a lot of legal paperwork that was very intimidating...I was ready to throw the towel in [but] Michelle (Hill) took care of a lot of things for us. Between Scott (Denny) and Michelle, that's what really got us through the process," Steve said.

The cost savings for the Hills was well worth the work they needed to put in to make their new home a reality.

"It saved us thousands, literally thousands of dollars for the lot...it literally was about an \$80,000 savings," Kristine said.

Steve Continued, "When an opportunity like this comes up, you just don't walk away from it. This is like that dream that just falls in your lap. And we thought we'd work with the hurdles; it's worth it if you get something offered to you like that."

Steve and Kristine knew they would have to do their share of legwork to make their dream home a reality.

"If you want to build a home you have to do your homework. You can't rely on...ok here's the Tribe, just give it to me, we'll wait until you're done. It can't be that way. You have to get out there and you have to work at it and you have to do your own research. We did a lot of homework and we met with a lot of builders in the area

here," Steve said.

The Hills are the first family to break ground under the new HBO program. That said, they had anticipated a few bumps in the road.

"We realized that we were the first group going through this program so we did expect it and the land office kind of warned us of that. It was a learning process and...I have to say that the land office was very good about it overall. We had deadlines that we had to meet...it turns out the Land Office is willing to work with you as long as you're making progress and showing that you're interested and you're going to follow through with the project they'll bend for you and they did just that," Steve said.

The Hills are hoping to be in their new home sometime in mid August of this year.

The HBO program is still in the early stages of its implementation and according to Denny, "I think it's going to continue to be a success. Truth be told, part of its success is going to be hinged on economics."

Fortunately, for potential homeowners, there are programs available through Denny's office that may help buyers and builders get into their dream home.

"That's part of what I do as the housing coordinator. I sit down and present people with reliable financial options that have had known success in Indian country."

For more information regarding the HBO program contact Scott Denny at (920) 869-6193 or email: sdenny@oneidanation.org

Reward offered for Cottrell case

On August 29, 2005, in the early morning, Erwin Cottrell died as a result of a hit and run crash on STH 172, east of Babcock Road. The case has been unsolved thus far. The Cottrell family, the Oneida Police Department and the Ashwaubenon Department of Public Safety are working together to try to bring closure to this tragic event and asking for help from the community.

A reward of \$6,000 is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of

the person, or persons, responsible. An account has been established at Bay Bank and if anyone would like to donate to the reward, they can do so at Bay Bank, reference to the Erwin Cottrell Reward Fund.

If you have any information, please contact Sergeant Ron King, Jr of the Oneida Police Department at 869-2239, Investigator Angie Cali of the Ashwaubenon Department of Public Safety at 492-2995, or Crime Stoppers at 432-7867.

CORRECTION

In the May 7 issue of the Kalihwisaks on page 7B, Judicial Officer Stanley Webster was misidentified as Stanley Metoxen. The Kalihwisaks Managing Editor Dawn Walschinski apologizes for the error.



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Passing On...



Evison, Shirley
August 7, 1935 – May 8, 2009



Shirley Evison, 73, Oneida, died unexpectedly Friday afternoon, May 8, 2009, at a local hospital. The daughter of the late Guy and Mercie (Metoxen) Cornelius was born Aug. 7, 1935, in Oneida. She married Lewis Ninham, Sr. and he preceded her in death. She then married Floyd Evison and he preceded her in death.

Shirley worked in California for several years until moving back to Oneida. She worked at the Oneida Casino and later at the Oneida Food Pantry. Mrs. Evison was active in the community and volunteered for various causes over the years. She enjoyed going to the casino, playing bingo and watching "Wheel of Fortune."

Survivors include her son, Lewis Ninham, Jr.; one sister, Zelda Pierce; brother Frederick Cornelius; four grand-

children and three great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her two husbands; one daughter, Debra Sewell; one sister, Adele Oldenburg; and five brothers, Elmer, Kenneth, Sherman, Everett and Forrest.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 11, 2009 at the Oneida United Methodist Church, Freedom Road, Oneida. The Rev. Earl L. Smith, officiated with burial in the church cemetery.

Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, 305 N. Tenth St., De Pere, WI assisted the family with arrangements. Please go to www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences Evison family.



Skenandore, Ruth Myra (House)
March 28,1924 – May 9, 2009



Ruth Myra (House) Skenandore, 85, Oneida, found peace on Saturday, May 9, 2009, at her home surrounded by family. She was born and lived in the Oneida area her whole life.

Ruth Myra enjoyed quilting, cooking, gardening, baking, beading and taking care of grandchildren. No matter the task, Ruth Myra was "good at all of it".

"The best woman in the world" will be missed by her loving husband of 67 years, Cecil Skenandore; two brothers, Jim and Gordon (Nancy) House; four sisters, June Cornelius, Loretta (Stan) Webster, Carol Artman, Nori Damrow; one sister-in-law, Shirley (Powless) House; one brother-in-law, Manual Baldovino; eight children, Cecil James (Tina) Skenandore, Betty (Jim) Willems, Sharon (Allen) Cloud, Wayne Skenandore, Eugene (Judy) Skenandore,

C l a u d i a Skenandore, Barbara Ann (Scott) Andre, Linda (Wayne) Verheyen; 15 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren; as well as numerous in-laws, extended family, and friends everywhere.

Ruth Myra was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Pearl (Archiquette) House; two brothers, Walter and Reggie House; and one sister, Martha Jane Baldovino.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at the 1st Congregational Church United Church of Christ, 1018 Cedar Street, De Pere WI.

Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, 305 N. Tenth St., De Pere, WI assisted the family with arrangements. Please go to www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

A special thank you to Dr. Michael Flood and Twinkle Toes, your patience and care will never be forgotten.



Skenandore, Donald Elias
December 17, 1948 – February 27, 2009

Donald E. Skenandore, 61, passed away unexpectedly Friday, February 27, 2009. He was born December 17, 1948 in Oneida, to Jane Alice and Donald Gerald Skenandore.

Donald is survived by his children Maria (Jeff), Donald, Morningstar and Gilberto; grandchildren: Serenity, Donald L., Donald W., Desire, James, Danielle, Ricardo and Christopher; brothers and sisters: Calvin, Leonard, Toni Skenandore, Jean Graichen, Christine Torres of Milwaukee, WI; Florence, JoAnne (Roger) Thundercloud of Green Bay, WI; LeRoy (Dorothy), of Oneida, WI; numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by his parents; son Fabian Skenandore; sisters Suzanne Kopacz and Darlene Skenandore-Holton (Leon).

Visitation and services were held at the Longhouse in Oneida at 10:00 am on Thursday, March 5, 2009. Burial followed at the Oneida Methodist Cemetery.

W I T K O W I A K FUNERAL HOME, Milwaukee and RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 North Tenth Street, DePere, WI both assisted the family with arrangements.

In lieu of flowers a memorial fund has been established.

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



In Loving Memory



Lovingly Remembered...May 21st
Timothy J. Hill
1962 ~ 2002

Little red bird,
Why do you come near?
Are you the embodiment of
our
Loved one, who's no longer
here?

You first come around
Seven years ago in May,
Seeming to bring peace,
After that fateful day.

Whenever we see you,
We get a little smile.
The little red bird is back,
He's come to visit us awhile.


Or do you bring a message
When you fly by?

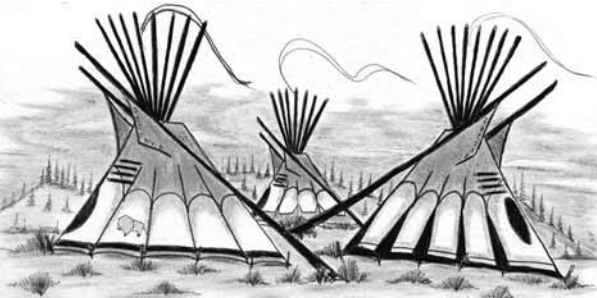
Is it from
Tim,
Just
wanting to
say "Hi."

"Go see my
family,"
Does he
say to you?
"And let them know,
I'm thinking of them, too."


Which ever it is,
Little red bird, you must
know,
We think of Tim often,
And still miss him so.

Love, your family





Thank You!
The Hargrave-Berg family
would like to thank every-
one in the community, fami-
ly, and friends who came
together and supported us
during the most difficult time in our lives. We
appreciate the endless condolences we have
received, the food donations, and kitchen help.
We are grateful for all of you who reached out to
us, especially those who we were unable to thank
personally.




The Hargrave-Berg family


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"Tony" Metoxen would like to
express our deepest gratitude and
most sincere 'Thank You' to all
those who helped us during the
unexpected passing of Tony.



The outpouring of care and support will forever touch our hearts and we feel blessed to be a part of this community.

Thank you to Dave "Speedy", Vanessa and Kids for taking extra special care of Maddox and I at the house and for the meals that they made whenever people were hungry. Thank you to his cousin's, Kelly Jo, Audrey D, Gina, Kory, Sandia, and families for coordinating the feast in his memory. Thank you to the Metoxen & Funmaker cousins for your help in celebrating Tony's 10-day feast. Thank you to the Oneida Singers for the beautiful hymns you sang at Tony's service, your voices always had a special place in his heart. Thank you to the Duck Creek Singers for bringing the Big Drum and singing for Tony at his service, he would have been especially touched by your gesture. Thank you to all the visitors who we are not able to send a Thank you card to, your presence was comforting to those of us Tony left behind, it helped us know that the rough days ahead of us, will be lessened with you in our lives. Thank you to all those who donated food or just came to visit with us during our time of need and for watching over us to make sure we were okay. Thank you to all of our family and friends who traveled from far away to help us during our time of need.


To Ryan Funeral Homes for all of your assistance and support. To Paul and Tina Danforth, for opening their place of business to honor one of Tony's final requests. To Vern and Lynn Doxtator for all of their special assistance.

To those of you not named above, we say thank you for your assistance during this difficult time and your actions were not overlooked.

From the bottom of our hearts we thank
you more than words can say...

His wife, Faith "Jamie"; son, Maddox; Sister and brother-in-law, Denise & Elmin Rivera, Brother, Keith and Special Friend Anita, Francis & Kelly Huntington, Don & Ginnie Oswald.


For beautiful
Linda Nicholas
who passed away 29 years ago
this year, and would have been
50 years old on May 25th
**Happy Birthday in Heaven
Linda!!**



No farewell words were spoken,
no time to say goodbye,
You were gone before we knew it,
and God only knows why.
I thought of you with love today
but that is nothing new
I thought about you yesterday
and days before that too.
I think of you in silence
I often speak your name
All I have are memories
and your picture in a frame
Your memory is my keepsake
with which I'll never part
God has you in His keeping
I have you in my heart.

Sadly missed by your Mother Carol
Smith, Daughter Misty Dawn House,
Grandchildren Layla, Kayree and
Kayleb. Also your sister's Bonnie,
Geraldine, Denise, and your
Brother Franklin, Relatives
and Friends

In Loving Memory of
Angie Powless
September 12, 1923 to May 29, 2003



A warm spring morning, it was a good day to do all the things you think about doing when spring comes. You like to have coffee and breakfast with Dad in front of the window, watching everyone drive by to work, get on the line early and find a sucker for bingo. That day, you were in good spirits looking forward to the Elder Luncheon at the Radisson. Then suddenly you left us for the spirit world, you walked on when the lilacs were in full bloom and the birds were singing outside your breakfast window.

Since that day six years have passed, seldom does a day go by when we don't think of your smile, laughter and your soft kiss on our cheek. The years don't seem long when we think about you, it seems like the years have passed quickly and your memory stays as strong as your love in our hearts.

So Mom, everyday you share with the spirits, know that you are loved and missed by your entire family and friends. Maya Angelou once said, "A great soul serves everyone all the time, A great soul never dies, it brings us together again and again." Your are that great soul that keeps this family together.

Loved always, remembered with a smile, and missed by
Husband, Purcy, Children, Kathy, Richard, Greg, Bobbi, Ralph, Jamie, Joey and Monica and our families and your family and friends

With Sincere Appreciation!

On behalf of Gerald and myself, we want to thank everyone who attended our son's (Tony Metoxen) unusual trip to the beyond. He talked about having people attend the wake one night and then having to go to church and the cemetery the next day. He said he thought it was hard on the family and didn't want his friends and family to go through that and that if anything ever happened to him, he wanted everything on one day. He got his wish but all too soon. We're sure the good Lord had his reason for taking him so soon and hopefully some day we'll all be together.

In the meantime, we want to especially thank Pastor Marshall Newble, who came from Milwaukee, to speak; his best friend David Earhart for his comments. We want to thank everyone who brought food, drink, etc., their companionship, their prayers and especially the prayer circles that were formed (even in Mexico). We want to thank our son Keith and his friend Anita and our daughter Denise and her family for being here for us and still are. We also want to thank the Funmakers (Diane's children) for coming to the house and asking if they could take care of the food, including taking care of the cooking if necessary. But, our biggest thank you goes out to our daughter-in-law Faith (Jamie) who has always been so good to us. But to ask us to go to the funeral home with her and be included in the preparations, it really made us feel good. Jamie, you are one of a kind, we love you and Maddox and we will never forget that.

**God Bless You All
Gerald and Alberta Metoxen**



Caretakers' Corner

Comprehensive Housing Coordinator changes location but not services

need emergency shelter?
• If the Tribe does not have a program to help me, are there other options?

These types of questions and many more are often asked of the Housing Coordinator. The approach taken to answer these questions is done by sitting with each single adult, couple, or family in a private 1-on-1 meeting to go through all the details related to their housing situation and its challenges

The Housing Coordinator maintains a data base with housing related resources from both internal and external programs. The resources the Housing Coordinator can provide cover many aspects related to a fami-

ly's housing needs. The Housing Coordinator can provide you and your family resources on the following topics:

- Renting
- Home Purchasing
- Home Building
- Mortgage Financing
- Shelter & Transitional Living
- Self Sufficiency Assistance
- Housing Vouchers
- Employment
- Casework
- Budgeting & Planning
- Food Distribution
- Landlord Tenant Law
- Fair Housing

For the past four years the Comprehensive Housing Coordinator has been located at the Division of Land Management (DOLM) building. Members and their families have

become accustomed to meeting with the Housing Coordinator at DOLM, yet many members still go to the Oneida Housing Authority building as their first option.

To better serve the community and bring like-kind services under one roof, effective May 18, 2009 the Comprehensive Housing Coordinator's office will be located at the Oneida Housing Authority.

Although appointments are preferred, the Housing Coordinator does take walk-ins. If you are looking for information regarding your housing needs, please call **920-869-2227** to set up a time to meet with the Housing Coordinator.

Comprehensive Housing Coordinator moving to Oneida Housing Authority

When you or your family are looking for information related to housing and have some of the following questions, the Comprehensive Housing Coordinator is the person to see.

- What kind of housing options does the Tribe offer?
- What housing options can I qualify for?
- Are there options for both renting and owning?
- What kind of financing opportunities are out there?
- Where do I turn when I

BIA letter addresses storm water management fee

Oneida members who live in Hobart may have been assessed a fee on their property taxes, for storm water management. The following is a letter from the federal government addressing that issue.

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March 24, 2009

Mr. Richard Heidel
President
Village of Hobart
Hobart Villages Offices
2990 S. Pine Tree Rd,
Hobart, Wisconsin

Mr. Guy Zima
Chairman
Brown County Board of Supervisors
PO Box 23660
Green Bay, WI 54301

Dear President Heidel and Chairman Zima:

We are in receipt of a request for assistance from the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin with regard to a Storm Water Management charge being imposed on lands owned by the

United States of America in Trust for the Oneida Tribe by the Village of Hobart, the subject of this letter.

The charge shows up in the 2007 Brown County tax statements for the trust properties as "STORM WTR MGMT" under "Net Property Tax and Total Specials". We are also aware that a "Notice of Issuance of Tax Certificate for Tax Roll of 2007" was issued for these trust properties.

The County presents no issue with regard as to land held in trust by the United States for the Tribe is not subject to state and local taxation, yet seeks to avoid that prohibition by characterizing the tax as a fee for services.

In *Chase vs. McMasters*, 573 f2d 1011 (8th Cir. 1978), Cert. Denied, 439 U.S. 965 (1978), the court held that any attempt by the City to tax trust property was barred by the Supremacy Clause of the United States Constitution because it interfered with the Indian owner's right to enjoy the beneficial use of the land held in trust without obligation to pay taxes and therefore interfered with the operation of an important means of implementing a policy held by the Federal Government to meet its trust obligations to Indians. Chase also provides, "When Congress provided in § 465 for the

legal condition in which land acquired for Indians would be held, it doubtless intended and understood that the Indians for whom the land was acquired would be able to use the land free from state or local regulation or interference as well as free from taxation".

Additionally, and assessment is a tax rather than a "fee" when it is levied to generate revenues to support general public purposes rather than as reimbursement for actual services provided to users. *Nation Cable Televisions Ass'n, Inc. v. United States*, 415 US 336 (1974), and *City of Cincinnati v. United States*, 39 Fed. Cl. 271 (1997,) which explain the legal criteria distinguishing a tax from a service fee and the prohibition against taxation of federal property. The Village of Hobart ordinance is clear in that the assessment in this case is for the general purpose of defraying storm water management costs.

Also, Id., at 1018, the Departmental regulations specifically prohibit state and local regulation of trust property. 25 Code of Federal Regulations provides:

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, none of the laws ordinances, codes, resolutions, rules or other regulations of any State or political subdivision thereof limiting, zon-

ing or otherwise governing, regulating, or controlling the use or development of any real or personal property leased from or held or used under agreement with and belonging to any Indian or Indian Tribe, band, or community that is held in trust by the United States or is subject to a restriction against alienation imposed by the United States.

In conclusion, the Storm Water Management charge is clearly a tax that may not be imposed on land held in trust by the United States, as lands held in trust by the United States may not be sold for taxes in the absence of its consent. *United States v. Alabama*, 313 U.S. 274 (1941); *United States v. Michigan*, 429 F. Supp. 8 (E.D. Mich. 1977).

Please take immediate action to delete this property from the tax certificate list and terminate further collection action.

Further correspondence regarding this matter may be directed to me at the address noted above.

Sincerely,
Terrance L. Virden
Regional Director

CC: Richard Hill, Chairman Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Superintendent, Great Lakes Agency (Attn: Real Estate Services)

Dream home available at Thornberry Creek

By Nicole Rommel
Division of Land Management

Is your dream home near the golf course at Thornberry Creek? If it is, then read on.

As you know, the Tribe has purchased the Thornberry Creek Golf Course and it includes 3 residences. Soon the Land Office will be announcing two D.R.E.A.M. homes that will be available for purchase. The third one has an existing lease until the end of this year. At that time it could be available to an Oneida tribal member. We need to know if there are Oneida tribal

members who are interested and can afford the house.

This home is valued around \$300,000. Currently, we are looking to see if there is any interest from tribal members to purchase it. A Dream Home is sold at the appraised value of the house, but the land around and under remains in the name of the Tribe, but the home buyer is provided with a long term lease. The home buyer also must maintain insurance and pay the improvement portion of the taxes until the land goes into trust

status.

Following is an estimate of the cost for this house:

- House is appraised at \$300,000.
- Down payment is 5% which is \$15,000.
- The mortgage is for \$285,000 at 6% interest rate.
- Approximate monthly payments: Mortgage \$1500 Taxes \$535 Insurance \$100
- The approximate total monthly payment is \$2135.

This article is written to see if there is any interest out there. If we find out that there is an

interest, we will follow our usual procedure of:

- 1) Advertising it in the Kalihwisaks
- 2) Having two open houses
- 3) Taking applications.

So, if you are an Oneida enrolled tribal member and are interested in hearing more about this beautiful home and you are looking for a new home, contact Nicole Rommel in Financial Accounts at the Division of Land Management by July 31, 2009. You can reach her at (920) 869-1690 ext. 1823 or e-mail nrommel@oneidanation.org.

Upcoming Events	Calendar	2009
June 4		
Sunlite Drive Area Development Presentation WHEN: Thursday, June 4 TIME: Noon PLACE: Norbert Hill Center - Business Committee Conference Room Presented by the Village of Hobart Staff This is an opportunity for residents to hear about the Centennial Centre Development near Sunlite Drive. There will be discussion on commercial, residential, parks & recreation development. There will be key construction dates also discussed. A light lunch will be served.		
June 4		
Old Fashioned Oneida Dinner WHEN: Thursday, June 4 TIME: 5:00pm - 7:00pm PLACE: Holy Apostles Church, 2937 Freedom Road, Oneida, Wis. Oneida round steak, side pork, boiled beans, cornbread, biscuits, boiled potatoes, Johnny cake, bowl of grease. \$8 a plate. Call 920-869-2565 for more information.		
June 6		
Tour de Cure WHEN: Saturday, June 6 TIME: 6:45am - 2:00pm PLACE: Norbert Hill Center, N7210 Seminary Rd. Oneida, WI 54155 Tour de Cure is designed for avid cyclists and recreational riders. Choose a route that is right for you. Bring along your friends and family and ask them to join you in pedaling for a cure! Register by May 15 to receive a free Team Oneida cycling jersey (limit 30). All Team Oneida participants receive free registration, t-shirt, food and goodie bag. All riders must raise \$75 in donations. Contact the Diabetic Team at 920-869-4868 FMI.		
June 12-14		
Bayfest WHEN: Friday, June 12 - Sunday, June 24 TIME: Various PLACE: Leicht Memorial Park, Downtown Green Bay Sign up to be a volunteer at Bayfest and receive an official Bayfest volunteer t-shirt. Volunteers are asked to work at least one four-hour shift. Volunteers are needed in the Adventure Zone, Information Tent, Marketplace Set-Up, and Children's area. Bayfest is a designated project approved by the Green Bay Public Schools for service learning. Contact 920-435-5220 or niki@art-seventsinc.com to sign up.		
June 21		
Mass on the Grass WHEN: Sunday, June 21 TIME: 10:00AM PLACE: Jackson Park, 300 Madison Street, Green Bay Come celebrate Father's Day at the 6th annual Mass on the Grass. Benches will be available, but feel free to grab your comfy lawn chair or a blanket to share. Rain Location appointed at Holy Apostles Church, 2937 Freedom Road, Oneida. We'll have live music and refreshments will be served following the service. This is a Community Event and the public is invited and encouraged to share the events.		
Tuesdays		
Women's Talking Circle Group WHEN: Tuesday evenings TIME: 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM PLACE: Community Education Center Conference Room, 2632 S. Packerland Wise Women Gathering Place is sponsoring a Women's Talking Circle Group. Come and join us as we discuss a healthy lifestyle, relationships, children, jobs and overall wellness. For more information: Contact Marlene Summers or Bev Scow at Wise Women Gathering Place 920-490-0627 .		
Mondays		
Teaching Powwow Drum WHEN: Mondays TIME: 6:30PM PLACE: Flying Leaf Community Center in Site II The Oneida Housing Authority has a powwow drum that meets on Monday nights. We are looking for Boys and Girls to join us, no experience necessary, this is a teaching drum. FMI call Breezy at 920-869-6669 .		
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.		
<i>To include events in this section please call the kalihwisaks office at... (920) 869-4280, 4279, 4090 or 4277</i> <i>Announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.</i>		



BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

Home and commercial cleaning

By Steven J. Gandy
Kalihwisaks

When something needs cleaning in your neighborhood, who you going to call? Dirt Busters.

Oneida member Mike Goodeve and his wife Kathy recently started their own cleaning company called Dirt Busters in January of 2008.

Mike had been in construction his entire working career and Kathy had recently received her degree in paralegal but she was finding it difficult to find a position in her field. That is when she began to work part-time for a cleaning company and realized that her and Mike could begin their own company and do things better than the competition.

“We talked about it and decided we should go for it. We just kind of started real small and then we started thinking we should get with the Oneida preference and maybe get some work out there. So we did that real quick and we got on the Oneida Vendor list,” Mike said.

The couple began to strategize and decided to use the Internet to help them increase their client base.

“We found that we started picking new clients up, mostly residential, fairly quickly and it was a surprise to us just how quickly it was



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

Mike Goodeve, right, and his wife Kathy started their own cleaning service called Dirt Busters. The business is growing despite the recent economic downturn.

happening and it was based solely on, I would say 90 percent, on a website Kathy built and posts on Craigslist,” Mike said. “It also helped that we got insured and did things the right way.”

Dirt Busters is a family business with Mike, Kathy and their three children all helping with the work load.

Like most small business owners, the Goodeves have had some drop-off in business during the current recession but it’s not keeping Dirt Busters from trying to grow their business.

“In the last six months, eight months, we’ve probably lost 25 percent of our residential just from layoffs, but we are still moving forward at a rampant pace it seems. It’s almost kind of scary to think just how well

we’re doing,” Mike said. “We really spent a lot of money. We took a small business loan out through Bay Bank and we probably put 60% of it into advertising and that was key. We would not be where we’re at today without having spent that money on advertising. We’ve gotten a ton of work because of the advertising and the website.”

In addition to the residential work, Dirt Busters also has a wide variety of commercial customers and has begun to cater more to that clientele.

All the hard work is paying off for Dirt Busters and they are creating a name and reputation for themselves within the Oneida community.

“I’d like to just be known out there in the

community as just, without a doubt, without question, call this company because they’ll never do you wrong. That’s what we’ve worked so hard on, building that reputation,” Mike said.

The future that lies ahead for this young business and its owners is shaping up to fit their goals.

“We just want to have a successful business in five years where we were still in the game and doing well. I don’t see us being multimillionaires, but just being able to live comfortable and being able to provide for our kids,” Mike said.

For more information about rates and availability call Dirt Busters at: (920) 217-8144 or visit their website at: www.dirtbustersgb.com

Easy targets: teens and their money

Reprinted from the Pathfinder Newsletter

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Most people don’t expect someone they know and trust to betray them or mislead them into a bad situation. Young people who come into a lot of money are often targeted for scams or swindled out of their money. Usually, these scams and swindles come from people the youth know and trust.

Cheryl Skolaski, Director of the Oneida Enrollment Department, said there are about 300 Oneida youth who turn 18 every year.

Those enrolled since the early 1990’s, received annual and special per capita distributions into their trust accounts for years. When Oneida youth turn 18 years old, the Oneida Enrollment Department sends them a notice about how they can claim their per capita from the Minors Trust Fund. In recent years, the teens received about \$10,000 dollars, Skolaski said.

Some Oneida youth have been swindled out of their per capita by friends, relatives, and even some parents. Often, the Oneida youth are unaware that the

swindling happened until months later. A swindle is a way to get money or property from a person using deceitful methods, like outright lies, misleading statements, pretending to be a friend, or pretending to be a person in great need.

Mrs. Skolaski has a couple of suggestions for Oneida teens to safeguard their per capita from the Minors Trust Fund.

First, teens ought to file their claim form, and not allow anyone else to file it. At the age of 18 years, nobody can legally sign for the teen or get anything notarized on the teens’ behalf, except in special circumstances.

The teen needs a valid identification card, and then has to see a Public Notary before signing the form. The Public Notary will check their identification card. After the teen signs the form, the Public Notary puts a seal on the document which means he or she witnessed the teen sign the document. The Enrollment Dept. relies on the Public Notaries to verify who is signing the per capita claim forms.

“Sometimes, parents will take their teen’s claim form, and will find a Public Notary who will let them sign the teens name on the form. Some

Public Notaries will even let other individuals sign a teens’ name on the claim form. We know who some of those notaries are, and their integrity is under question,” Skolaski said.

If teens don’t get their checks, the Enrollment staff will look at their paperwork to make sure everything is in order. If their check was delivered and cashed, the staff will compare the signatures on the claim form and on the back of the check. They’ll also show the teen the signatures. Most of the time, the teen can tell by the signature who signed it.

“We haven’t heard of scams by strangers from the outside. Usually, the teens get ripped off by someone they know, like

a friend, room-mate, parent or relative,” Skolaski said.

The teen is advised to file an “Affidavit of Forgery,” and contact the bank. The bank will try to get the money back.

Secondly, when teens file their claim form, they should write down the “anticipated date” of when their check will be delivered. They should follow up with a phone call to the Enrollments Dept. if they didn’t get their check by the anticipated date, Skolaski said.

If a teen doesn’t get their check within 30 days, the staff can look at the paperwork and see what the problem might be.

• See 8A,
Teen money

New Oneida Administration Building to Opens its Doors

By Ernest L. Stevens III

Executive Communications Specialist - Administration

On Saturday, May 30th, 2009, the new Oneida administration building located at 909 Packerland Dr. will open its doors to give tribal members a chance to see it first hand. With approximately 60,000 square feet of office and operational space, there is much absorb. Beautiful architecture, seamless accessibility, and state of the art facilities make this property easy to enjoy at close range, but what is most important is that the people are able to understand the overall perspective of the purchase and have any and all issues addressed in a comfortable, calm environment.

There will be tours conducted during the Open House, where tribal members and employees can not only see the building, but weigh in on the questions and concerns that they may have been having. Mary Jo Nash, Real Estate Area Manager for the Division of Land Management said “Once the members have had a chance to walk through the building, they may not only have had some of their questions answered, but they may also have new questions that we will be prepared to answer as well.” Tours of the building will be conducted by members of the Joint Executive Team, with the various directors and supervisors from departments moving in, and the Acquisition team who oversaw the purchase.

chase to be on hand to answer any questions at any given time.

As a part of the event, there will also be information distributed that details the perspective of the purchase as it relates to the tribe as a whole. “It is important to understand the history of the land, to understand what it means to have re-acquired land that we lost years ago,” says Public Affairs Director and tribal member Bobbi Webster, “this isn’t just a building acquisition, it’s land recovery.” These and many other topics will be a part of information distributed and discussed during the Open House event.

Please come and visit the new Oneida administration building with some engaging questions, constructive feedback, and a good mind as we move forward in preparing for our future as a nation.

- Light snacks and drinks will be provided
- Transit will be on hand to provide transportation
- Parking in the rear of the building only

When: Saturday May 30th from 10am to 2pm
Tours - 10 – 10:45am, 11 – 11:45am, and 1 – 1:45pm

Where: The New Oneida Administration Building (new name yet TBD), 909 Packerland Dr. in Green Bay (Just north of W. Mason next to Chase Bank on East side of Packerland.)

Welcome to all tribal members



Photo courtesy of Ernest L. Stevens III

The new Oneida Administration Building, also known as the Unilever Building, located 909 Packerland Drive will be open for tours Saturday, May 30. Tribal members will be able to tour the property.

Business Brief

If you are an Oneida Business owner and would like to be considered for our next ‘Background on Business’ focus contact us at:

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Rick Hill
Chairman

Sheku,

Spring is a time of new birth and renewal all around us. There are many great things happening on our reservation that are cause for celebration and thanksgiving. As Chairman, I receive questions daily from all walks of life and it becomes difficult to respond to every individual inquiry. The Kalihwisaks provides me an opportunity to answer many of the questions that come to my office in a manner which provides information and answers to questions on many minds.

Chairman’s Corner...

Rejuvenation on the Reservation

The release of trout into one of our streams was a historical event last week. Many Oneida people and our friends and neighbors came to actually release thousands of fingerling trout back into our trout stream. Our hope is that in a few years we can once again enjoy fishing for trout on the Oneida Reservation the same way our ancestors did. I would like to say Yaw^ko to Glenn and Linda Mercier, my neighbors for welcoming the ceremony and fish release on their property, and all others who worked collectively and cooperatively to see this ten year project come to fruition.

The New Oneida Administration Building (Unilever)

In accordance with the GTC directive to acquire land and property, the Oneida Nation has recovered another small parcel of land

through the recent acquisition of the former Unilever building on Packerland Drive. This facility will meet the needs of Tribal divisions which are currently in cramped and dislocated facilities. The expansion of office space is more conducive to networking like services and expanding the accessibility of services that need to work together. This acquisition was a fiscally responsible purchase to meet the growing needs of our employment and services. From a historical perspective, this property falls into the original allotment of Isaac Antone. Once again we have recovered a piece of our homeland here in Oneida, Wisconsin.

Nature’s Way

In 2003-04, a directive was given to the Business Committee to provide funding to the Seven Generations Corporation to go ahead with the investment in

Nature’s Way. The investment in Nature’s Way was meant to provide jobs to our people and strengthen the tribal community. Unfortunately, Nature’s Way ended up not being a successful investment for Seven Generations Corporation, and in the end, the Tribe.

The current Business Committee inherited this situation regarding Seven Generations Corporation and Nature’s Way and immediately began working with the new CEO of Seven Generations Corporation, Kevin Cornelius. Mr. Cornelius stepped forward to investigate and address the business relationships with Nature’s Way regarding existing leases and its investment in Nature’s Way regarding the Board of Directors. Mr. Cornelius, working through the Treasurer’s office has kept the Business Committee apprised regarding all of the actions being taken and considered.

Unfortunately, in order to recover rental fees and costs, Seven Generations Corporation has had to file a lawsuit against several companies doing business in the facility. We have no way of knowing the outcome, but the corporation is actively pursuing recovering of the unpaid lease payments. In addition, Mr. Cornelius, with the support of the Seven Generations board of directors, as well as at the request of the Oneida Business Committee during a recent shareholder meeting, is pursuing an investigation into the actions of Nature’s Way, the business activities, and our investment. We have notified Mr. Cornelius that he has the support of the Oneida Business Committee to pursue whatever remedies available to resolve this situation.

We have recently heard that Nature’s Way has permanently closed its doors and dismissed its employees. Some of those employees were

Tribal members or their spouses. Our thoughts go out to these individuals, and we hope that other employment can be found quickly in these difficult times. I encourage all of our departments and programs to work together to provide available assistance to these and other members and their relations who have been affected by the recession.

While I dislike ending on such a somber note, it is probably appropriate to remind ourselves that the difficulties we are facing will pass, and that reliance on each other is what has gotten ourselves, our families, and our communities through difficult times in the past. Our strength lies in our ability to band together to meet the challenges facing us.

I would like to thank you for taking the time to review the information I have provided.

Yaw^ko,
Rick Hill, Chairman

Treasurer’s Report

By Cristina Danforth
Tribal Treasurer



Greetings to everyone;

I hope your spring activities have been going well. The renewal of Mother Earth always brings excitement and new energy. I would also like to extend a heartfelt congratulations to all of our students (K-post secondary) graduating this month.

In this week’s article, I would to discuss several issues facing the Nation.

Budget

Many inquiries, both internal and external, have been coming into my office regarding the 2010, 2011, and 2012 budget cycle. First of all, I would like to thank everyone for your patience as we continue to work through the details. We have initiated a new three-year process that will be addressed to the Gaming side of the organization for projected revenues and budget planning purposes. When we complete our task on the Gaming side, we will send off more specific guidelines and directions as to how we can fund necessary mandates and operational costs. In today’s economy (recession), we are blessed to continue to find resources and employment for the community while so many other organizations are struggling financially.

Unilever Building Acquisition

As some of you are

aware, I am not in support of the recent acquisition of the new office complex that was presented by Land Management Director Fred Muscavitch and General Manager Debbie Thundercloud. The two basic rationales for the purchase were to save mileage and to free up retail space that is being used by governmental offices (Bay Bank, 54 retail, and Ridgeview retail buildings). My opposition was based on the following reasons: a) the building purchase price was not budgeted for FY 2009; b) the costs for the relocation of tribal offices was not budgeted for; c) the cost to maintain the building was not budgeted for (heat, electric, taxes, water, sewer, telephones, etc.); d) the cost to clean the building was not budgeted for (labor internal/external); e) the initial request to purchase the building was \$1million in August and then increased to \$3.2 million by the time of purchase; f) we currently have underutilized space for both commercial and governmental facilities; g) the economy is very volatile (recession) and this impacts the real estate market; h) fiscally, the tribe overall is not meeting its financial projections; i) there was sufficient funds in Land Management’s acquisition budget yet other allocated funds were

• See pg. 10A, Treasurer

OBC Forum...

I’ll Be Seeing You

I remember watching the History Channel. An old veteran from either World War II or the Korean War was telling a story about a young soldier hed known back then. A young man just starting out in life. The young soldiers squad was receiving heavy losses and continued to receive fire from all around them. When it was determined they that should pull back with their dead and wounded, the young soldier refused to leave his position until he knew his fellow squad members were safe. The old veteran told how after all the squad members had left for safety accept for two, the young soldier insisted that he would hold the ground until the second to the last man also left. And as the old veteran recalled, as he was leaving the young soldier, the young soldier said, Ill be seeing you. And as the second to the last man looked back at a distance, he saw the young soldier standing up and firing at the enemy. The second to the last man was the old veteran telling the story. He never saw the young soldier again.

As we approach Memorial Day, Id like to take time to remember our veterans who are no longer with us. Remember their sacrifices for us. Id also like to take time to remember family members who are now gone but still loved and thought of. May the god of us all love them and care for them.

Business Committee moves to comply with General Tribal Council Directives

On November 15, 2008, over 1000 members of the General Tribal Council met to consider a series of petitions submitted by Tribal member Madelyn Genskow. At the meeting, the Oneida Business Committee (BC) was directed to comply with past GTC directives, with the consequence of non-compliance being possible removal from office. The OBC has been working hard trying to determine past directives and developing plans to comply. The General Tribal Council will receive a report on the OBCs progress in July (There are 2 GTC meetings scheduled for July).

Land and who will Live on it

I have always been a supporter of land acquisition. My first experience in Tribal government was an appointment to the Land Committee in the 1980s. I missed very few meetings. As a BC Councilman, in my first term, I requested that the Business Committee utilize \$50 million in our reserve funds for land acquisition. My motion was turned down, and within a year it was gone anyway to pay for the per capita distribution. I have always been a supporter of land acquisition, but now I have to reflect on that support.

As a Councilman, I have access to reports from Tribal members,

Tribal leaders and former leaders. Land acquisitions have not always been on the up and up. At times in the past, people trying to sell land to the Tribe at reasonable prices have been turned down. Later, the same land was purchased by the Tribe at much higher prices. The new seller at the higher price? Tribal members who always seem to know how to get with Tribal money.

Another reason for my reflection is my belief that spending hundreds of millions of dollars should be for the primary purpose of making the Oneida Reservation a place for Oneidas to live and raise their families. But Oneida has a slow growth plan for Oneidas. A slow growth plan limits land for Oneidas to live on. In other words, regardless of spending hundreds of millions on land acquisition, for most Oneidas, there is big hand out there on the Reservation boundaries. On the palms of that hand, it says to most Oneidas, stay out, this land is not for you or your families to live on, but you may look at it and of course, you may pay for it with your Tribal resources.

There are only a few Business Committee members who appear to be speaking out regarding making the Oneida Reservation a place for Oneidas to live.



Ed Delgado
Councilman

Secretary Patty Hoeft has spoken often about her vision of Oneida as a place for Oneidas to live and raise their families, for ever and ever. Chairman Hill has publically stated that he supports the development of more housing opportunities for Oneidas. I have been saying for a number of years, that as Hobart develops and is making additional plans to build hundreds of more homes in the next few years; and as non-Oneidas continue to build throughout the Reservation at a pace that far exceeds Oneidas pace, we the Oneida people will soon be a minute minority in our own country, that being the Oneida Indian Reservation.

Hobart

The village of Hobart appears to run its own news agency. The Hobart Press says that the Oneida Indian Reservation no longer exists (disestablished some years ago). The Village has an extensive development plan to build hundreds of homes in the next few years. The village has a population of over 5,000, of which, fewer than a thousand are Oneidas. The Village of Hobart sits totally on the Oneida Indian Reservation. The struggle to determine who

• See pg. 10A, OBC Delgado



By Patty Hoeft
Tribal Secretary



In the last issue highlighted a few ways about how to get involved with your tribal government. Listed below are more ways to get involved, such as attend BC and apply for an appointment to a tribal board, committee or commission.

Attend the evening session of the BC meeting every 4th Wednesday of the month to hear reports by tribal boards, committees, commissions and corporations. The evening session starts at 5:15 p.m. If you are available during morning hours, regular BC meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at the Norbert Hill Center and the Planning Community Development meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month. Both meetings begin at 9 a.m. at the Norbert Hill Center.

Apply for an appointment to a board, committee or commission. There are about 14 different tribal boards, committees and commissions and six

corporate boards available for tribal members to serve on. Members of these boards are appointed by the Business Committee. Go to oneidana.org to see a list of these boards and to get an application. Applications are also available by calling the Tribal Secretary's Office.

Remember to vote in the upcoming special election. Please watch for notices about a special caucus that will be scheduled in June for a vacancy on the Oneida Gaming Commission. Applications and petitions to be added to the ballot for this position will be accepted at the Tribal Secretary's Office during the five business days following the caucus. The special election will be scheduled for late July.

This page is one place to get information about tribal government meetings and events. Other places to get information or forms include the tribe's website at oneidana.org and by calling the Tribal Secretary's Office at (920) 869-4364.

OBC Meeting Results

The following meeting results have replaced the full minutes of the Business Committee meetings to help save space and reduce costs. These results entail the heart of the BC's actions in the meeting, however, the full version of the minutes can be accessed on the Business Committee's website at www.oneida-nation.org or by contacting the Tribal Secretary's office at 920-869-4451. The internet can be accessed at the Oneida Library and Community Education Center.

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING April 8, 2009 Business Committee Conference Room

Present: Chairman Rick Hill – meeting chair, Vice Chairwoman Kathy Hughes, Treasurer Tina Danforth, Tribal Secretary Patty Hoeft, Council members Melinda J. Danforth, Edward Delgado, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr., Trish King, Brandon Stevens

REGULAR SESSION Old Business Midwest Tribal Consultation Session March 25-26 Bloomington, MN Travel Report

Action: Patty Hoeftz to accept the Midwest Tribal Consultation Session Travel report and recommendations Melinda J. Danforth. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Tina Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

Follow up Reports Oneida Recreation report

Action: Oneida Recreation report accepted and follow-up reports deferred to the Community Development Planning Committee agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Action: Main motion amended to direct the General Manager to provide a follow-up report to the Business

MAY & JUNE OBC Regular Meeting dates May 27 & June 10, 24 Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month

Committee meeting on the implementation of a pilot summer project for Saturday hours at the Oneida Recreation Center with funds identified. Motion carried unanimously.

Oneida Township, Outagamie Cty-Seminary Rd. construction project Agreement AGF2008017

Action: Construction project agreement status report accepted with an update on the reconstruction of Seminary Road to come back to the May 13, 2009 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

2009 Semi-Annual status update report

Action: 2009 Semi-Annual status report accepted. Motion carried unanimously. **SEOTS building renovation update**

Action: EOTS status report

accepted and the General Manager directed to provide an updated report at the next Business Committee meeting of May 13, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

Oneida Library Board report

Action: Patty Oneida Library Board report deferred to the April 22 Business Committee evening meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Oneida Personnel Commission report

Action: Oneida Personnel Commission report deferred to the April 22 Business Committee evening meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Take an Elder to Lunch Week Resolution

Action: Resolution 4-08-09-A Take an Elder to Lunch Week adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

Fireworks Display for Family Carnival 2009 Resolution

Action: Resolution 4-08-09-B Fireworks Display for the 2009 Family Carnival adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

Energy Efficient Deployment on Tribal Lands U.S. Dept. of Energy Resolution

Action: Resolution 4-08-09-C Energy Efficient Deployment on Tribal Lands U.S. Department of Energy adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

White Bison Wellbriety Journey for Forgiveness Resolution

Action: Resolution 4-08-09-D White Bison Wellbriety Journey for Forgiveness adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

Requests

Honor the Elder Planning Committee Request

Action: Recommendations to designate May 25 through 29, 2009 as Take an Elder to Lunch Week, officially delegate the Honor the Elder Planning Committee the responsibility of coordinating the event, grant the Honor the Elder Planning Committee permission to contact tribal departments and vendors for door prize donations, direct as many Business Committee staff as feasible to assist with this event and that the Honor the Elder Planning Committee identifies a budget as soon as possible approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Lift the hold on Oneida Transit Garage CIP Project for securing federal funding to proceed Request

Action: Hold on Oneida Transit Garage CIP Project lifted for securing federal funding and to proceed with the project. Motion carried unanimously.

Post two Oneida Seven Generations Corp. Board Vacancies

Action: Request to post two Oneida Seven Generations Corporation board vacancies approved. Motion carried unanimously.

SEOTS pilot status

Action: General Manager and Chief of Staff directed to provide a recommendation

regarding the SEOTS program and its funding for the May 13 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: The word “pilot” removed with the General Manager coming back with a recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

Early Head Start grant

Action: Early Head Start grant deferred to the General Manager for follow-up. Motion carried unanimously.

Retro-approve FY09 indirect cost negotiation agreement with Dept. of Interior

Action: Indirect Costs Negotiation Agreement back-up materials into moved to executive session material section. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Request to retro-approve FY09 indirect cost negotiation agreement with the Department of Interior for March 16, 2009 approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee recommendations

Action: Recommendations of appointing Chris Cornelius, Michael Hill and Clifford Doxtator to the Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Oneida Personnel Commission Recommendations

Action: Recommendations of appointing Peril Huff, Robert Christjohn, Genevieve Gollnick, Crystal Holtz and Yvonne Jourdan to the Oneida Personnel Commission approved. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Melinda J. Danforth. Opposed: Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

Advisory panel on Medicare Education April 22, Washington D.C.

Travel Request
Action: Vice-Chairwoman's travel request for the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education April 22, 2009, Washington, D.C approved. For: Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr., Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

Share the Care 2009 Cancer conference May 6-7, Lac du Flambeau, WI Travel Request

Action: Vice Chairwoman's travel request for the Share the Care 2009 Cancer Conference May 6 through 7, 2009, Lac du Flambeau, WI approved. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Melinda J. Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)

March 4 LOC minutes
Action: March 4, 2009 LOC meeting minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously.
March 18 LOC minutes
Action: March 18, 2009 LOC meeting minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously.
Open Records Open Meeting Law

Amendments Public Hearing May 26, 2009

Action: Patty Public hearing date of May 26, 2009 for the amendments to the Open Records Open Meeting Law approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Forward Removal Law Amendment to the Semi-Annual meeting July 6, 2009

Action: Request to forward the Removal Law amendments to the July 6, 2009 Semi-Annual meeting approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Legislative Affairs Stimulus initiative update

Action: Stimulus initiative update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

Retro-approve letter to IRS

Action: Request retro-approve the letter to the IRS approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Retro-approve testimony in support of AB-35 Bill

Action: Request to retro-approve testimony in support of AB-35 Bill to ban mascots in the state of Wisconsin that was delivered by Councilman Brandon Stevens approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Local government update

Action: Local government update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION New Business

Personnel issue
Action: Personnel issue item referred to the Chair's office to discuss with the employee. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Brief Carcieri v. Salazar update

Action: Cacieri v. Salazar update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Nicklaus Firm research proposal supported. Motion carried unanimously.

Audit Committee Feb. 26 Audit Committee minutes

Action: Feb 26, 2009 Audit Committee minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously.

New York Land Claims New York Land Claims settlement Update

Action: New York Land Claims settlement verbal update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

Use of New York land property

Action: Recommendation from the Chief of Staff to continue with our strategy for why we own land in New York State accepted and Chief of Staff directed to ensure the land is always maintained as not to become a nuisance. Motion carried unanimously.
Meeting adjourned: 4:20 p.m.

Vacancies

Oneida Gaming Commission

Two (2) Vacancies

1 term ending 2011
1 term ending 2012

Qualifications:

- Must be an enrolled Oneida and at least 21 years of age;
- Must have a minimum of five (5) years of any combination of post-secondary education, gaming training, and/or gaming experience in gaming regulations, gaming operations, gaming licensing, auditing, gaming laws or Indian law, administrative hearings or decision making, background investigations, surveillance, law enforcement, business administration or business management.

Deadline: June 22, 2009 @ 4:30 PM

Applications can be obtained from the Tribal Secretary's office at the Norbert Hill Center or online at:

www.oneidana-tion.org

For more information about vacancies, please contact Tribal Secretary Patty Hoeft at **920-869-4364**.

Oneida Business Committee Regular Meeting

April 22, 2009 - Business Committee Conference Room Meeting called to order at 9:15 a.m.

Present: Chairman Rick Hill – meeting chair, Vice Chairwoman Kathy Hughes, Treasurer Tina Danforth, Tribal Secretary Patty Hoeft, Council members Edward Delgado, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr., Trish King, Brandon Stevens
Excused: Council member Melinda J. Danforth.

Oath of Office

Oneida Personnel Commission

Yvonne Jourdan administered on April 22, 2009
Robert Christjohn administered on April 15, 2009
Crystal Holtz administered on April 15, 2009
Genevieve Gollnick administered on April 14, 2009
Peril Huff administered on April 13, 2009

Oneida Nation Veterans Advisory Committee

Chris Cornelius – not present

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Business Committee
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Every 4th Wednesday of each month
Boards • Committees • Commissions
May 27th Quarterly Reports

- Environmental Resource Board
- Oneida Land Claims Commission
- Oneida Land Commission
- Oneida Tribal School Board
- Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee
- Oneida Powwow Committee
- Oneida Nation Arts Board
- SEOTS

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Government Meeting Notices UPDATED REGULARLY!

May 27, 2009
Oneida Business Committee Regular meeting: 9 a.m. – Norbert Hill Center
Oneida Business Committee Evening meeting: 5:15 p.m. – Norbert Hill Center

June 4 – Planning & Community Development meeting: 9:00 a.m. – Norbert Hill Center

June 6 - Special Election Caucus for Oneida Gaming Commission vacancy

July 6 - Semi-Annual GTC Meeting: Radisson Hotel and Conference Center

July 11- Special GTC Meeting: 10 a.m - Oneida Elementary School

July 25 - Special Election for all vacancies of elected boards, committees and commissions

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Clifford Duxtator administered on April 21, 2009
Michael Hill administered on April 14, 2009
Anna John Nursing Home Commission
Dellora Cornelius administered on April 21, 2009
Carol Silva administered on April 21, 2009
Finance Committee
Christine Klimmek administered on April 22, 2009

REGULAR SESSION Reports
Stimulus initiative update
Action: Stimulus initiative update report approved. Motion carried unanimously.
2010 Census report
Action: 2010 Census report update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
Renewable Energy Project March 19-20 Scottsdale, AZ Travel Report
Action: Renewable Energy Project travel report accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings 2009 Semi-Annual update report
Action: 2009 semi-annual status report accepted and Tribal Secretary directed to present a report at the regular Business Committee meeting of May 13, 2009 regarding the organization of the July 6, 2009 GTC semi-annual meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: General Manager directed to prepare a written report describing the status of the Oneida Housing Authority program from the changes being governed by a board to now being directed within the Tribal organization at the May 13 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
100 Day Plan petition
Action: Date for the 100 day plan General Tribal Council petition not assigned and deferred the petition to be considered by the Business Committee one year from today. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Trish King, Tina Danforth, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Motion carried.
Corporate charter review sub-committee update & recommendation
Action: Corporate charter review sub-committee’s definitions of full disclosure deferred to the Audit Committee for a definition and the Audit Committee directed to forward that defini-

tion to the Law Office for final review to be incorporated within all corporate charters. For: Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Opposed: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.
Action: Corporate charter review sub-committee’s report accepted and another update requested at the May 13 Business Committee meeting Trish King. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth, Trish King, Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.
Action: Law Office directed to develop the language for the corporate charters, resolutions for the adoption of the corporate language, and a cover memo for each charter which explains the steps that should be taken to implement the changes as well as the changes that have been made, due on the May 13, 2009 Business Committee agenda. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Abstained: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.
Source of Business Committee delegated Article 4 powers
Action: Source of Business Committee delegated Article 4 powers deferred to the May 13 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
Paid time for selected color guard members who are employees
Action: Paid time for selected color guard members who are employees deferred to the May 13 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
CFO review payments to corporate board members
Action: CFO review payments to corporate board members report accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
AODA and women’s shelter update
Action: AODA and women’s shelter report update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business Requests
Recommendations to Oneida Police Commission
Action: Recommendations deferred to executive session. Motion carried unanimously.
Highway 54 bridge public hearing date
Action: Highway 54 bridge public hearing deferred to the Community Development Planning May 7, 2009 meet-

ing. Motion carried unanimously.
Request the General Manager to create a donation fund for land acquisition
Action: General Manager directed to provide an update on her work with the land task force on how to use GTC stipend payments to be donated for land purchased due back at the May 27, 2009 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
July 11, 2009 GTC draft mail-out packet
Action: July 11, 2009 GTC draft mail-out packet update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
Xerox corporation lease agreement
Action: Xerox corporation lease agreement with the addendum that will provide a limited waiver of sovereign immunity approved. Motion carried unanimously..
Recommendations to the Election Board
Action: Recommendations of appointing Michelle Hill and Rosa Melchert to the Election Board approved. Motion carried unanimously.
National Indian Health Board 2009 Annual Consumer Conference Sept. 14-18, Washington D.C. Travel Request
Action: travel request for the Vice-Chair to attend the National Indian Health Board conference Sept. 14 -18, 2009 in Washington D.C. approved. Motion carried unanimously.
Blanket travel to attend SEOTS Board meetings
Action: Blanket travel request for Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth and Trish King to attend SEOTS board meetings approved. Motion carried unanimously.
Energy Projects for Indian Tribes May 18-20, 2009 Passamaquoddy Tribe, Maine Travel Request
Action: Travel request for Councilmen Ron “Tehassi” Hill, Jr. and Brandon Stevens to attend the Energy Projects for Indian Tribes, Maine May 18 through 20, 2009 approved. For: Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth. Opposed: Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Motion carried.
Acton: Backup information from Seven Generations that they are requesting their attendance and paying travel expenses prior to travel requested. Motion carried unanimously.
Tim Wapato Funeral

April 23-24, Rapid City, South Dakota Travel Request
Action: Travel request for Chairman Hill to attend Tim Wapato’s funeral April 23-24 in Rapid City, South Dakota approved. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Abstained: Tina Dnaforth. Motion carried.
Haskell Indian Nations University Board of Regents meeting May 6-9, Lawrence, Kansas Travel Request
Action: Travel request for Councilman Stevens to attend Haskell Indian Nations University Board of Regents meeting May 6-9, 2009, Lawrence, KS approved. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Abstained: Brandon Stevens. Motion carried.

Community Development Planning Committee
April 2, 2009 Community Development Planning Committee minutes
Action: April 2, 2009 Community Development Planning Committee minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee March 27 Finance Committee minutes
Action: March 27, 2009 Finance Committee minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)
April 1 LOC minutes
Action: April 1, 2009 LOC minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously.
April 6 LOC minutes
Action: April 6, 2009 LOC minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously.unanimously.
Per Capita Ordinance amendments Resolution
Action: Resolution 04-22-09-A Per Capita Ordinance amendments adopted. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Brandon Stevens, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Abstained: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.

Legislative Affairs
Retro-active approval of Letter to President Obama & Secretary of Interior Salazar
Action: Request to retro-approve the letter to President Obama and the Secretary of Interior Salazar approved. Motioned carried

unanimously.
Local government update
Action: General Manager directed to do an analysis of the training offered with recommendations for consideration back to the Business Committee May 27, 2009 agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
New Business
LOC attorney contract
Action: Attorney contract for Scott Wilson to September 30, 2009 approved. For: Tehassi Hill, Brandon Stevens, Kathy Hughes, Trisk King, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.
Team FY 2010 budget
Action: Treasurer directed to schedule a Special Business Committee meeting before May 13, 2009 to review plans to develop the FY2010 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.
Recommend Christopher Duxtator, Bernard John Stevens, Ronald E. King, George Skenadore to Oneida Police Commission
Action: Appointments of Christopher Duxtator, Bernard John Stevens and Geroge Skenadore to the Oneida Police Commission approved. Motion carried unanimously.
Ronald E. Kings exemplary status as a former employee and his experience recognized but recommendation for appointment not approved due to a conflict of interest. For: Kathy Hughes, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Patty Hoeft, Tehassi Hill. Abstained: Tina Danforth, Brandon Stevens. Motion carried.
Hobart Communication
Action: Chairman’s verbal update regarding relationship with the Village of Hobart accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Brief
Subrogated claim, Cornelius v. K-Mart Corporation, et al.
Action: Subrogated claim Cornelius v. K-Mart Corporation, et al accepted as FYI. Motion carried unanimously.

New York Land Claims New York Land Claims settlement Update
Action: Verbal report from the Chief of Staff regarding New York Land Claims update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: New York Land Claims updated given a standard time of 1:30 p.m..

Motion carried unanimously.
Meeting recessed until 5:15 p.m.

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE EVENING REPORTS 5:15 p.m.
Oneida Seven Generations Corporation
Action: Oneida Seven Generations Corporation report accepted. Motion carried unanimously
Oneida Appeals Commission
Action: Oneida Appeals Commission report approved. For: Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens, Tina Danforth Kathy Hughes, Ed Degado. Abstained: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.
Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation
Action: Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation report accepted. Motion carried unanimously
Legislative Operating Committee
Action: Legislative Operating Committee report accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
Oneida Tribal Integrated Enterprises
Action: Oneida Tribal Integrated Enterprises report accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee
Action: Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee update accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
Bay Bank
Action: Bay Bank report accepted. Motion carried unanimously.
Oneida Library Board
Action: Oneida Library report accepted. Motion carried unanimously
Oneida Personnel Commission
Action: Oneida Personnel report accepted and Business Committee liaison directed communicate with the Oneida Personnel Commission regarding attendance. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr. Opposed: Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth Brandon Stevens. Tied voted. Chair voted in opposition of motion. Motion failed.
Action: Kathy Hughes to have the Business Committee liaison follow-up with the Oneida Personnel Commission. Motion carried unanimously.
Oneida Golf Enterprise
Action: Oneida Golf Enterprise report deferred to May 13, 2009 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
Meeting adjourned: 8:08 p.m.

Emergency Meeting Results

Oneida Business Committee Emergency Meeting April 30, 2009 – Meeting called to order at 1:15PM
Present:Chairman Rick Hill – meeting chair, Tribal Secretary Patty Hoeft, Council members Melinda J. Danforth, Edward Delgado, Ron “Tehassi” Hill Jr., Trish King, Brandon Stevens
Excused: Vice Chairwoman Kathy Hughes, Treasurer Tina Danforth
REGULAR SESSION
New Business
Adoption of amendments to Emergency

Management Law
Action: Amendments to Emergency Management Law adopted on an emergency basis with resolution 4-30-09-A until May 13, 2009, with the recommended additions by attorney Scott Wilson and agreed upon by the Director of Emergency Management. Additions are: Add Emergency language into adopting resolution and add Influenza A H1N1 to line 35.7-3 sub 8. Motion carried unanimously.

From Page 5A/Teen money

Sometimes, the form wasn’t turned in, or it was turned in after the deadline. In that case, the teen may have to wait a full year to get their money.
Also, the teens can choose where they want their check mailed. They should have their check sent to a reliable address. They can choose someone they trust or their college dormitory address (if they’re in college), and have their check delivered there.
The Enrollment Dept

encourages teens to have taxes withheld from the check so they don’t get stuck with a big tax bill in the next year. Skolaski also suggests that teens put some into savings, and find a Financial Advisor they can talk with about investing some of their money for the future.
Most importantly, Skolaski said, teens need to follow up on their per capita check and make sure it’s delivered to a safe and reliable address.

From Page 1A/ Trout Creek

settled here one of the main reasons (we did) was the abundance of animals, trees and fish.”
The Oneida Tribe worked with the Unites States Fish and Wildlife Service to raise 5,000 brook trout from eggs that were collected in Ash Creek Wisconsin. The two-inch fingerlings will be stocked into Trout Creek across five locations over three years to create an optimal chance of success.
With 10% of the fingerlings expected to survive, more work and patience is going to be needed and fishing the creek is not recommended. According to Snitgen, those that do survive will need time to mature, as they do not reproduce until they are three years old.
Testing of the creek waters will be done at monitoring stations routinely and an annual population assessment will be completed.

McLester retires after 27 years



Photo courtesy of Carol Liggins

Thelma McLester, third from left, retired April 30, 2009 after 27 years of working with Oneida. McLester was first hired in 1982 and in 1983 she was selected for the position of Area Manager for Education and Training, the position she has held until her retirement. McLester was honored her with a luncheon at the Radisson with co-workers.

EchoHawk named Interior’s Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs

WASHINGTON, D.C. ~ Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar today lauded the Senate’s approval of Larry EchoHawk, a law professor and former Idaho Attorney General and state legislator, as Interior’s Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs. The President

had nominated EchoHawk on April 20, 2009. Larry EchoHawk has spent his life working on behalf of American Indian communities, Secretary Salazar said. “He is a dedicated public servant with excellent leadership abilities and the legal expertise and legislative experience to

help us carry out President Obama’s commitment to build stronger Indian economies and safer Indian communities. Together we will work cooperatively with the federally-recognized tribes to empower

GBE putting Green Bay on map

By Nate Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

When many in the competitive cheer circuit think of talent hot beds, Green Bay, Wisconsin isn't in the forefront of most minds. A tribal-member owned gym has put Green Bay on that map.

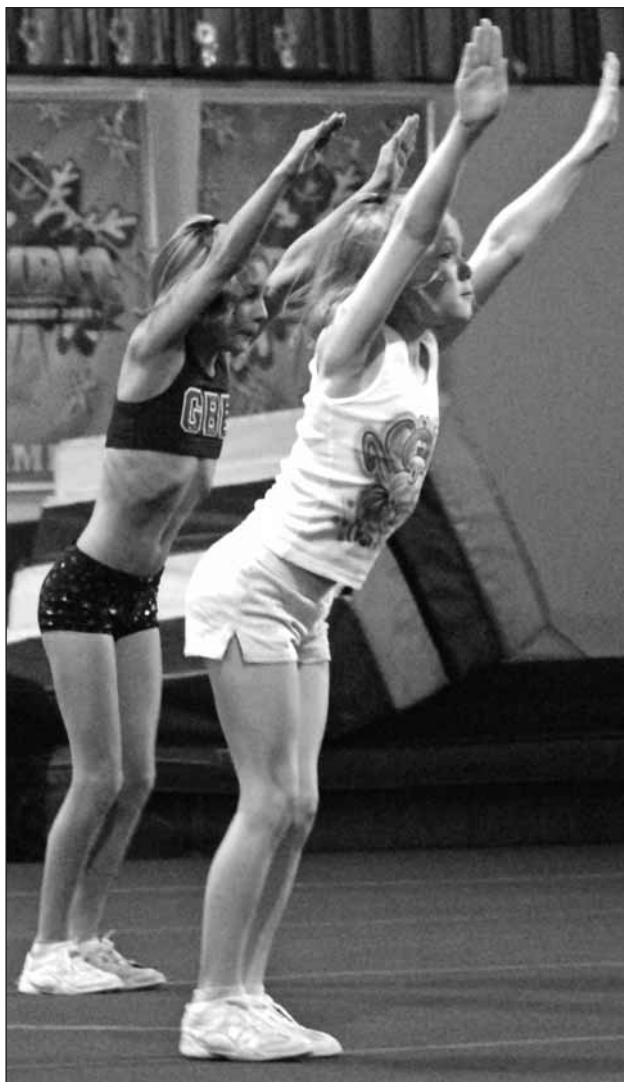
Green Bay Elite has accumulated 172 national titles and countless regional and local titles over their brief 10 years in existence. The gym opened in 1999 and is located at 1194 O'Hare Boulevard in DePere. It is owned by Charlene and George Greendeer, along with their daughter Cherokee.

The gym services about 200 children ranging from three to 18 and that number is close to plateauing due to limited space in the current 12,000 square foot facility. The gym plans on starting expansion construction soon to accommodate their growth.

Cherokee doesn't see her gym as a cheer factory only concerned with wins. "We not just about trophies and banners," she said. "We teach life lessons such as time management, self-esteem, teamwork and study skills along with cheerleading."

Don't let the Greendeer's stance put off the importance of wining. This past season alone they won 11 national titles including the NCA Nationals in Dallas, Texas, nine regional titles, and five local competitions. The gym was also awarded "The Small Gym of the Year Award" by Insider Cheerleading Magazine.

"That's such a big deal and honor," said Cherokee about the



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Members of Green Bay Elite's Lime Team practice Tuesday, May 19. Green Bay Elite is located at 1194 O'Hare Boulevard in DePere.

award.

The cheer season runs September through early May with about one competition a month with higher-level teams traveling throughout the country while lower level teams travel the mid-west.

Competition routines last 2 ½ minutes and are set to music and is composed of five elements; dancing, tumbling, jumping, stunting, and cheering. Teams are scored on the accuracy and execution of their routines.

With an emphasis on competitions the gym also offers a wide array of services. Tumble classes, clinics, private

training, baton twirling, pom pon training, and summer camps and clinics keep the staff busy during the off-season. The gym welcomes all talent levels.

According to Cherokee, the gym's close-knit family atmosphere spills over into charity work they do. "We do special performances and do charity work every year. We want the kids to know it's important to give back to the community, no matter what," she said.

To contact Green Bay Elite call (920) 983-1700 or visit their website at www.gbecheer.com.

From Page 8A/EchoHawk

American Indian and Alaska Native people, restore the integrity of the government-to-government relationship and fulfill the United States' trust responsibilities.

Echohawk, currently a professor of law at Brigham Young University's J. Reuben Clark Law School, began his career as a legal services attorney, working for impoverished Indian people in California, then opened a private law office in Salt Lake City. In 1977, he was hired as tribal attorney for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes at the Fort Hall Indian Reservation in Idaho, a position he held for more than eight years. He became special counsel to the tribe in 1998. He is admitted to the bar in Idaho, Utah and California. A member of the Pawnee Nation, EchoHawk has served on the American Indian Services National Advisory Board and Board of Trustees, the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, the Indian Alcoholism Counseling and Recovery House Program and the American Indian

Community Resource Center Board. A former U. S. Marine, EchoHawk was elected Attorney General of Idaho in 1990, the first American Indian in U.S. history elected as a state attorney general. He had served as the Bannock County Prosecuting Attorney since 1986. Before that, he served two consecutive terms in the Idaho House of Representatives, from 1982 to 1986. EchoHawk received his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Utah in 1973 and attended Stanford Graduate School of Business MBA Program, 1974-1975. He has received numerous awards and honors, including Distinguished Alumnus Awards from both Brigham Young University (1992) and the University of Utah (2003). In 1991, he was awarded George Washington University's Martin Luther King medal for his contributions to human rights, and was honored as a speaker at the Democratic National Convention. As Idaho's delegation Chair, he was the first American Indian to lead a state delegation

to a national political convention.

As Idaho's delegation Chair, he was the first American Indian to lead a state delegation to a national political convention. EchoHawk received his Bachelor of Science degree from Brigham Young University in 1970, where he studied on an NCAA football scholarship and was named to the Western Athletic Conference All-Academic Football Team in 1969. He also earned Academic All-Conference First Team honors as a senior. EchoHawk was honored in 1995 as the first BYU graduate to ever receive the National Collegiate Athletic Association's prestigious Silver Anniversary Award, given to a select few prominent athletes who have completed their collegiate athletic eligibility 25 years ago, and have distinguished themselves in their careers and personal lives. EchoHawk, 60, and his wife Terry have six children: Jennifer, Paul, Mark, Matthew, Emily and Michael; and 22 grandchildren.

UND's Fighting Sioux nickname headed for dustbin

By Dale Wetzel

Associated Press Writer

DICKINSON, N.D. (AP) ~ North Dakota's Board of Higher Education has agreed to drop the University of North Dakota's Fighting Sioux nickname and Indian head logo, a move intended to resolve a decades-long campus dispute about whether the name demeans American Indians.

The name and logo, which is a profile of an American Indian man with feathers and streaks of paint on his face, could still be saved if North Dakota's Standing Rock and Spirit Lake Sioux tribes agree by Oct. 1 to give UND permission to use them for at least 30 years.

However, tribal offi-

cials say that possibility is remote, and board members and UND President Robert Kelley spoke of the logo and nickname in the past tense on Thursday. Unless the name and logo receive tribal endorsement, they will be retired for good on Aug. 1, 2010.

The board, which met Thursday at Dickinson State University, voted 8-0 to retire the logo and nickname.

"This has been a long-standing tradition at UND, and I think the board action now

instructs the university to develop new traditions," Kelley said.

Said Richie Smith, the president of the Board of Higher Education: "The logo and nickname have been symbols of pride for many generations, but it's time to go forward."

Board member Grant Shaft, who is chairman of a committee that has been studying the issue, said the move may help UND's likely application to join the Summit League, an 11-member NCAA Division I conference that is seeking a 12th school.

The Oneida Recreation Dept.

will continue to take registration for the 2009 Summer Program until **Friday, May 29, 2009**. If you have any questions, call **920-869-1088**.

Thunderhawks soar over Bluejays



Kali Photo/Nate Wisneski

Oneida Thunderhawks' Cameron Stevens (10) works behind the net during lacrosse action on Monday, May 18 at the Norbert Hill Center. The Thunderhawks defeated the Menasha Bluejays 10-8 to claim their first victory of the year and first victory in school history as an organized varsity team.

The T-Hawks faced DePere on Tuesday, May 19 and fell 10-7. Their current record is 1-7.

DIVISION OF LAND MANAGEMENT DREAM HOME OPEN HOUSE

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\$225,000

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**TUESDAY,
JUNE 2, 2009
11:30 P.M. TO 1:30 P.M.**

**WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 3, 2009
4:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.**

**APPLICATION
DEADLINE DATE
MONDAY, JUNE 8,
2009 @ 4:30 P.M.**

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- 🏠 1,978 Square Feet
- 🏠 5 Bedrooms
- 🏠 2.5 Bathrooms
- 🏠 First Floor Laundry
- 🏠 2-Stall Attached Garage
- 🏠 All Brick Exterior
- 🏠 Concrete Patio
- 🏠 Finished Basement
- 🏠 Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer included

🏠 Estimated Monthly Payment: \$ 725
(-0- down @ 3% for 50 yrs.)
🏠 Estimated Monthly Tax Payment: \$ 293
🏠 Total: \$1,018
🏠 Applicants who have a min. monthly gross income of \$3,636 are encouraged to apply.

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This is a spec sheet only and not a legal binding contract. Onsite viewing is recommended for potential home buyers. Eligible buyers must be enrolled members of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

Public meeting set for US 41/WIS 29 interchange in Brown County

Reconstruction plans and design updates to be discussed

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Northeast Region office in Green Bay is announcing a public information meeting to obtain comment on design plans for the reconstruction of the WIS 29 interchange at

US 41 in Brown County. The meeting is scheduled from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at Lombardi Middle School, 1520 South Point Road in Green Bay. The meeting is structured as an open house with a brief presentation at 5:30 p.m. These planned improvements are part of the US 41 Project in Brown County.

Proposed improvements include:

- Reconstructing the US 41/WIS 29 interchange to a systems interchange to allow directional, free-flow movements between US 41 and WIS 29.
- Local interchanges at US 41/Shawano Avenue and WIS 29/Packerland Drive.
- A Collector/Distributor (C/D) roadway along US 41 between Mason Street and Memorial Drive. The C/D roadway is a parallel roadway that

provides access between closely spaced interchanges.

- Roundabouts to be built along Packerland Drive and Shawano Avenue. Roundabouts are also planned at the Shawano Avenue/Taylor Street intersection and the new South Frontage Road connection to County J.

The public is encouraged to attend the meeting and provide input

concerning this project. Maps showing the proposed improvements will be displayed and roundabout information made available. WisDOT representatives, including real estate staff, will be available to discuss the project on an individual basis.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, or would like more information, contact Project

Manager Paul Vraney at (920) 492-5999. Citizens who are hearing-impaired and who require an interpreter may request one by contacting Paul Vraney at least three working days prior to the meeting via the Wisconsin Telecommunications Relay system (dialing 711). For more information visit <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/projects/ne.htm>.

Oneida girl is Wisconsin State Finalist Second time at National Pageant Competition

Special to Kalihwisaks

Nia Skenandore, age 6½ from the Town of Oneida and student of Freedom Elementary School is returning to Madison, Wisconsin on May 23, 2009 to compete in her second year in the National American Miss Beauty Pageant as a Wisconsin State Finalist for the prestigious title and crown of Wisconsin Princess.

She is the oldest daughter of Jeff and Jennifer Skenandore. She has an older brother, Sean and younger sister, Savannah. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends who all support her.

She enjoys reading, being creative, helping others and occasionally

watching the television show *Animal Cops*. Her ambition is to become a *Police Officer* focusing on animal control and helping animals that are in need.



Nia Skenandore

Last year at the pageant, she received several trophies which included a State Finalist award, Spirit of America award, a Portfolio award, Outstanding Program Participation and an official crown and banner for filling one full page of the State Pageant book with sponsors and busi-

ness advertisements.

This year, her goal is to become the Wisconsin State Cover Miss. She has worked hard at getting more sponsors and businesses to put their advertisements in the State Pageant book to qualify for the title of State Cover Miss.

Currently through the help of the many generous sponsors and businesses that have placed their advertisements in the State Pageant book she is on her way to achieving her goal.

From Page 6A/OBC Delgado

controls the Reservation will determine the future of our Oneida Tribe and the ability of our descendants to exist as Oneidas.

Oneida

The Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin has 16,000 Tribal members, with approximately 6,000 of the membership living on or near the Reservation. Why are the Oneidas losing the fight to maintain the Oneida Indian Reservation as a Reservation populated by Oneida Indians? Its my belief that either the Oneida Tribe has had extremely weak leadership on this issue, or there are some powerful financial interests at play.

The Bridge on Highway 54

The bridge on Highway 54 is unsafe. Its too narrow and it sits too close to a populated area (Site I). It was built in 1932. The population was nowhere near what it is today. There was no housing site, no library and no Recreation Building concentrated less than 200 feet away from the bridge. At 100 feet from the bridge, in 1932, there was no concentration of school busses turning into Site I every morning and every afternoon throughout the school year. The new bridge and relocated road, is to be located approximately 150 feet from where it sits now, and although I can understand the concerns

of those whose land may be condemned to allow for the change, as an elected leader, I am sworn to always protect the welfare and safety of Oneida people, and thats what I have to do.

New Administration Building

In my last report, I stated that I did not support the purchase of the new 3 million dollar administration building on Packerland Drive. I still dont. However, other things have been published since that border on mis-information. My fellow councilman Brandon Stevens stated that the Tribe was considering building a 40 million dollar administration and therefore, the 3 million dollar purchase actually saved the Tribe 36 million dollars. I

object to administration providing a new councilman wrong information. The Tribe, 5 years ago, was considering building a 29 million dollar administration building but that plan was shelved when the Business Committee determined that the plans financial justifications for building such a structure were flawed. If I were Brandon, Id be outraged. Also, the idea was published through our General Managers office, that because our Tribal success was built on the blood, sweat and tears of our ancestors, we should support the purchase of a new administration building. True, our ancestors sacrificed to survive, but that has very little to do with irresponsible spending.

Thank you.

Oneida Seven Generations Corporation

This area of the tribe as chartered entity is in transition. Last fall, a new CEO Kevin Cornelius was hired. He replaced John Kroner who was terminated last spring (2008). When Mr. Cornelius was hired, he knew the Oneida Seven Generations Corporation (OSGC) was in dire need of redirection and improved business transactions in order to provide more accountability than the previous CEO's dealings. I thank him for his willingness to take on this challenge.

The mission of OSGC is "to promote and enhance economic diversification as a holding company for real estate assets, management of related assets or a holding company for other business ventures in order to develop long term income streams for the Oneida Tribe". With this in mind, Mr. Cornelius went to task only find some questionable business practices of the corporation. One of his primary tasks has been to clean up their financials and to begin holding all tenants accountable to their leas-

From Page 6A/Treasurer

es. In the last quarter of 2008, OSGC reported a four million dollar loss which represents their (38%) investment interest in the Nature Way Tissue Company. OSGC is also pursuing litigation to collect back rent owed to OSGC by Nature's Way, along with pursuit of other available legal remedies. This item will be further addressed at the GTC Semi-Annual Meeting in July.

Oneida Golf Enterprise

On a more positive note, as we were directed, the OBC acquired the Thornberry Golf Course through a foreclosure proceeding. The OBC then established the Oneida Golf Enterprise (OGE) board to oversee the operations. To date, a land lease with the tribe (CFO's office) and Land Management has not been concluded. A lease for the golf course and club house needs to be completed with the OGE board while a lease for the land itself needs to be completed with Land Management. It was reported and "pitched" to the GTC that the golf course "would not cost the Tribe anything". Unfortunately, my office has been relegated to sign off on the loan payments for the past five months in the amount of \$191,015. After six months, the payments on

the loan will change from interest only to interest and principal and will increase to _____ per month. It is my office's obligation to report out this expense and I can only anticipate that the newly appointed OGE board will fulfill their obligation to take over the loan payments. On a positive note, the course is now open for business and recently submitted their capital expense budget that includes allocations for much needed upgrades on the facility; I am "told" their operating budget is forth coming. Meantime...golf anyone?

My tenure in the office as your Treasurer has been challenging, innovative, eye-opening, and intriguing in a positive and healthy way. I am always looking for opportunities to improve our financial systems and making it both user-friendly and transparent, while protecting the sensitivity of the information provided. I am thankful for the new and continuing staff that assist me in my efforts to be fiscally sound and responsive to the needs of the community. In closing, a special thank you to those who served our country with honor and loyalty; and have a pleasant Memorial Day weekend.

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Congress recently extended the date for the completion of DTV transition from February 17, 2009 to June 12, 2009. However, full-power television broadcast stations could terminate its analog broadcast service on any date prior to June 12. If you have questions about when your local station will terminate its analog broadcast signal, please contact them directly. After the transition, a television receiver with only an analog broadcast tuner will require a converter box to receive full power over-the-air broadcasts with an antenna because of the Nation's transition to digital broadcasting. Analog-only TVs should continue to work as before to receive low power, Class A or translator television stations and with cable and satellite TV services, gaming consoles, VCRs, DVD players, and similar products. Information about the DTV transition is available from <http://www.DTV.gov>, and from <http://www.dtv2009.gov> or 1-888-DTV-2009 for information about subsidized coupons for digital-to-analog converter boxes.

Activation at time of service and two-year service agreement required. Applicants must be 18, have a physical address and participate in at least one state program as noted on the Lifeline application. Service not available in all areas. Participants must certify eligibility to receive Tribal Lifeline discounts and eligibility must be re-verified annually. Promotional phone subject to change. Price do not include taxes, fees or other charges. Other restrictions may apply.





In the News with...

Cultural Heritage

Cultural Heritage uses the Internet to create access to Oneida History and Culture

“It is very exciting to adapt high tech to our culture, however true research can not be replaced by a computer”

~ Loretta Metoxen, Oneida Historian



Since January of this year, Cultural Heritage has been building web pages on the Oneida Nation's website. www.oneidanation.com. The website is being updated weekly and Tribal

Historian, Loretta Metoxen has lent her vast knowledge of history to the web pages through a series of topic interviews. 300 years of history is being covered and an outline is available on the history page.

One of the latest projects that was added is The Weekly Historical Note. The Weekly Historical Note summarizes different topics and on occasion provides scans of original documents researched by Nicolas

Reynolds, Historical Researcher.

Movie clips and video minutes are currently being produced and a 7 minute clip on the winter game of snow snake has been added. The short clips or video minutes are

being created to give a quick history lesson or to highlight an activity that pertains to Oneida. “This is a great opportunity to reach 16,000 members who may want to know more about Oneida but maybe they just don't have the same access to teachers that we have on the reservation.”, said Michelle Danforth, Multi-Media Specialist.

Another upcoming addition is the creation of a new language website. If you didn't already know, you can access Oneida Language lessons through the Oneida Nation website. Through a federal grant, Forest Brookes and Stephanie Stevens will be working with

the language curriculum to create teaching tools, such as books, animation, games and much more. It will be a fun place for parents and kids to learn the Oneida Language.

If you are interest in future events for Cultural Heritage, Language, the Oneida Museum or the Library, check our event calendar or tribal calendar.

“It is very exciting to adapt high tech to our culture, however true research can not be replaced by a computer. But if we can scan documents, then it is available immediately to tribal members.” Commented Loretta Metoxen, Tribal Historian



**Friday
June 19th
11AM – 1PM**

Cultural Heritage will be hosting an open house for the public to stop by and see what has been happening with the log home restoration project. Each log home will have a theme with old photos and information supporting the theme.

1. Travel to WI, and land loss (John Q Adams)
2. Oneida Crafts (Nelson Skenandore)
3. 1920's Furnished Home (Chauncey Baird)
4. Cooking – Late 1800s Furnished Home (Josuah Skenandore)
5. Open Cabin for special displays (Jacob Skenandore)

Lunch will be served on a first come first serve basis. We are also seeking out any information or old stories about the families that resided in those homes.



Weekly Historical Note Calender

May 11th The Creation Story

May 18th Clan system and Responsibility

May 25th Ceremonies

June 1st The Great Law of Peace

June 8th Oneida's Way of Life

June 15th Oneida Cultural Symbols

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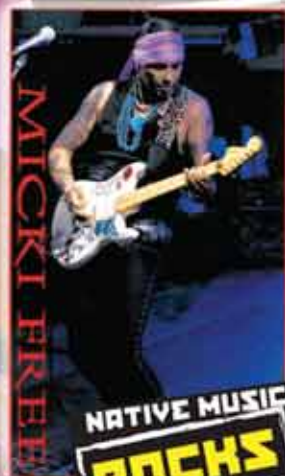
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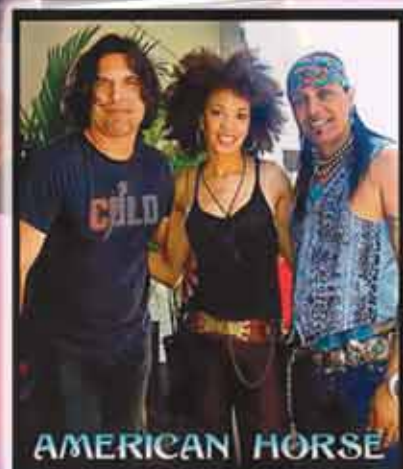
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4:45 - 6:00 pm
Road Trip

6:30 - 7:45 pm
Slim Jim Phantom &
Jamie James
of The King Bees
Rock n Roll

8:00 - 8:30 pm
Comedian Charlie Hill

8:30 - 10:00 pm
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Military Museum aims to share Service People's stories



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Retired Marine Captain Frank Cornelius, left, gives Thelma McLester a tour of the Frank and Nancy Military Museum opened this May in Cornelius' remodeled Laundromat.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Retired Marine Captain Frank Cornelius and his wife Nancy have transformed their Laundromat into a private military museum.

The museum started in their basement with Frank's military possessions as well as items from his father Anderson W. Cornelius who served in the Calvary in France during World War I. As the couple collected and were given more items, the display took up more and more of their basement.

"We just outgrew (the basement) it couldn't handle it, so we put it out here," said Frank.

The Frank and Nancy Military Museum has Marine uniforms, swords, weapons, and some hands-on displays

such as flack jackets, bedrolls and helmets.

"We wanted to put this up so that other people can see it, the schools could see it, younger children would see and have a sense of what the service men have to do and have to endure to protect our freedom," said Frank. "Everybody, whether they've been in the service or not, can spend some time here and look at all the things we have on display."

The museum is located at N6126 County Road E in Oneida. Call 920-869-2709 to schedule a visit. Visitors are welcome to stop in if they see the Cornelius' cars in the driveway.

"Everybody has a story that was in service. People need to hear that story, because if they don't, they're going to take it to the grave," said Frank.

Oneida Author Releases Two More Books

Tribal member Dr. Peter Kurowski released in January two more books. The Cure For Racism: Two Trees and The Everlasting Angel and The Real Magic have come out with high marks from noted scholars. Dr. Alveda King, the niece of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., spoke strong words of commendation on a radio interview in St. Louis regarding The Cure For Racism.

Two Trees shows how bad science as well as bad philosophy contributes greatly to world views marked by fission rather than freedom. A scholar in the classics, Dr. Kurowski writes a frank yet very hopeful work on a subject begging for dialogue beyond peripherals. His diagnosis and prognosis goes deep even as it strives to reach a large audience.

Kurowski's other work, The Real Magic, is dedicated to the Oneida Tribe in general and his



**Dr. Peter
Kurowski**

torian Loretta Metoxen in particular, a cousin of Dr. Kurowski. As a student of the Hebrew Bible, Kurowski unveils a mysterious Biblical figure in the book of Exodus, the Angel of the Lord. He shows how this uncreat-

ed Angel frees a nation of slaves. Moreover, this Angel gives to people revelation in Exodus on the essence of love. Kurowski's goal is that young people have access to what the Hebrew Bible teaches about love, civility, kindness, nobleness. Without these virtues a society will not be enduring nor endearing.

Kurowski who grew up in Ashwaubenon Wisconsin is a Lutheran pastor who lives in California, Missouri. He says, "I thoroughly enjoy receiving the Kalihwhsaks. It helps to keep me in touch with my heritage!" For those interested in knowing more about these two books, see lawgospel.com.

Oneida Nation Museum

Saturday, June 6, 10:00AM & 2:00PM Bracelet Making – Design your own bracelet with small sized beads. Space limited to first 20 people. 1 hour classes. \$3 materials fee in addition to regular admission fee.

Wednesday, June 10th, 5:30 – 7:30PM To honor our fathers, we will host a **Father's day event**, Part I: The Roles and Responsibilities of Iroquois Men, Presenter – Ron Hill. Space is limited to 15 people. Please

Saturday, June 13th, 10:00AM & 2:00PM **Paper Clan Animals** – Learn about the three clans, Space limited to first 20 people, 1 hour classes. Free activity with regular admission fee

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The Oneida Environmental Department held its annual Tree Distribution at Osn&hsa> Kanya=t@la (Finger Lake) on Saturday, May 9. Hundreds of Oneida tribal member lined up that brisk morning for opportunity to pick through the numerous variety of trees. Tribal member could take up to seven separate trees with a limit of three of any one variety.

Young women travel for Moon Ceremony



Photo courtesy of Ana Barton

Participants in the Becoming Women Group-Ka'nityotiyá'sa Kunathuwi'sá ΔKΔhake? visited Tonawanda, NY this April. The group met with elders and toured the New York State University of Buffalo.

By Ana Barton
Eco Services

The young women to Becoming Women Group, Ka'nityotiyá'sa Kunathuwi'sá ΔKΔhake? spent three weeks in March and April learning songs for the moon ceremony currently being held at the Seneca Reservation in Tonawanda, NY. It was the group's intent to travel to Tonawanda for the ceremony scheduled on the full moon on April 9, 2009. Five days before the group left for NY, the ceremony was rescheduled. Unfortunately, it

was not enough time for the planning committee to change the logistics of the trip. The group consisting of three staff, two parent chaperones and eight young women left for NY on April 7, 2009.

We arrived in Tonawanda on April 9, 2009. We ate breakfast in Tonawanda and then headed out to their longhouse to speak with two elders, Esther Sundown and Efie Jonathan. We all had a chance to ask questions about the ceremony, the significance of it and why it is done. We all had a chance to practice the songs with them and to hear about their lives, growing up traditional. It was quite a treat! The young women presented the elder women with baskets with products made by the group throughout the year like dehydrated white corn, apple butter, salve, lip balm, pickles, salsa and maple syrup. We ate lunch and headed off to a tour of NY State University at Buffalo.

We prearranged for the young women to tour the University. We asked to be given the tour by a native advisor. We were met by Amanda Casali whose family is from Akwesasne. She certainly made us feel welcome!

She had native faculty from various departments talk to the group about resources, opportunities and academics offered by the University. She had current students come in and talk to the young women about University life and the multitude of clubs and extra curricular activities available. We walked all over campus and checked out the sports complexes, art building and the dorms. The young women were very excited and already making plans for college on the ride back to the hotel!

The next morning, we loaded up and went across the border to Canada to see Niagara Falls. We split up into several groups and toured the Falls and surrounding attractions. After lunch we headed back to Oneida. We arrived in Oneida the evening of April 11, 2009. As the parents arrived to pick up their children, the young women were giving hugs and expressing their thanks to the staff. We all had a great time and were able to bond with one another. Hopefully, these will be relationships we all can nurture into the future.

Are you potential royalty? Prove it at the annual Miss Oneida Pageant.

It's never too early to start planning for the Miss Oneida & Jr. Miss Oneida Pageant...

June 18, 2009 will be here before you know it!

We are looking for ambitious and positive young ladies who want to represent the Oneida Nation & have fun while doing it.

MISS ONEIDA: ages 18-25 ~ JR MISS ONEIDA: ages 13-17

All participants must:

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2. Be an enrolled Oneida or in process of
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4. Possess knowledge and understanding of the Oneida culture and history

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2009 Submissions to Yukhika-latuhse

(Oneida, WI) -- 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 fifth annual issue, which will be published in September. The deadline for submissions is June 26, 2009.

The editors prefer that writers submit electronically to jjstevens@centurytel.net or SBENTON@oneidanation.org. Writing can also be sent to **Oneida Nation Arts Program, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155**. Please mark to the attention of Yukhika. Submissions should be no more than 3 pages per writer. People should also include a short biography which includes tribal affiliation, and an SASE if submitting by snail mail.

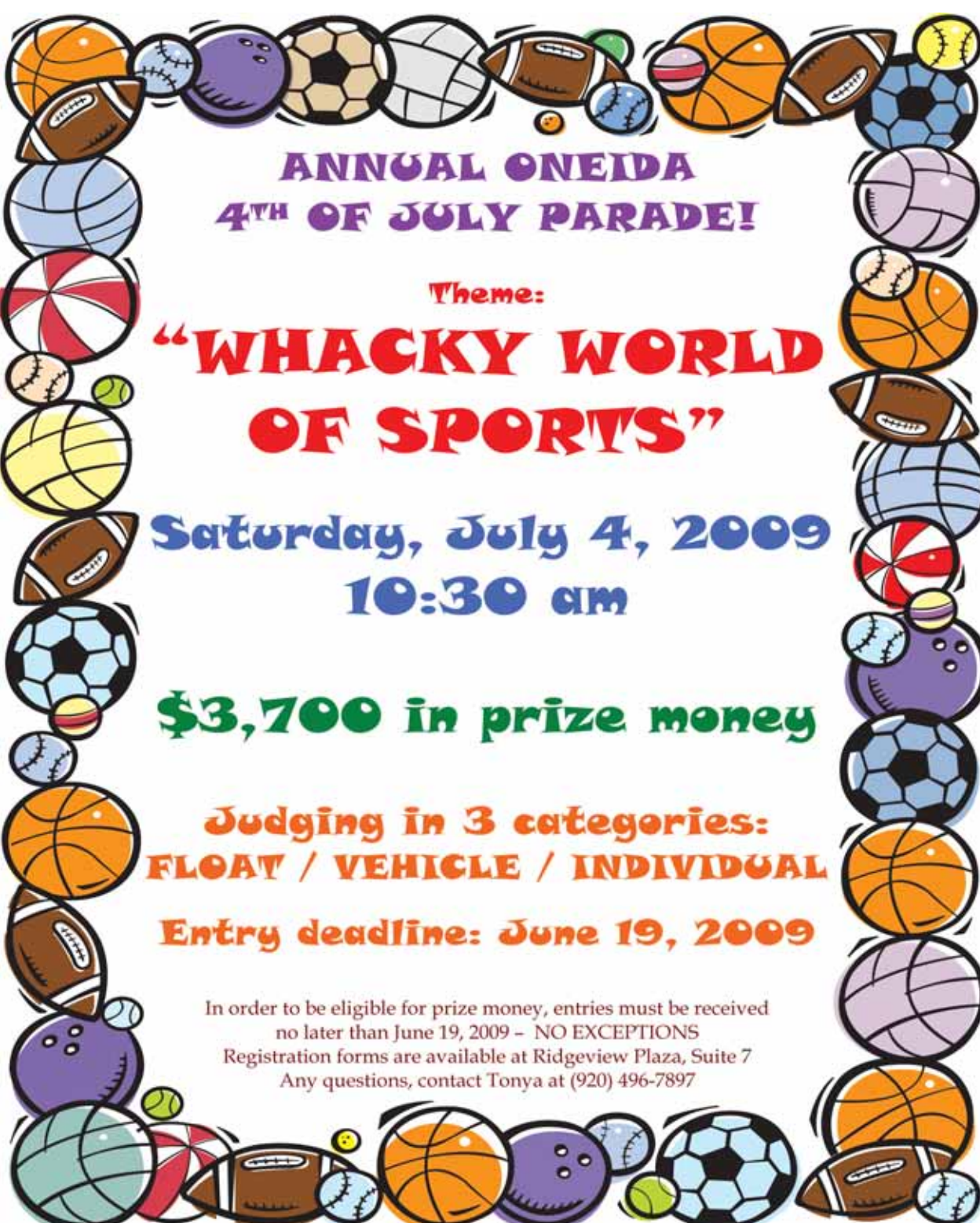
Say YES to maple syrup

Youth Enrichment Services (Y.E.S.) held their Fourth Annual Pancake and Porkie Breakfast on Friday, April 10th. The breakfast was held to celebrate the end of the Maple Sugar Camp activities for the young people who participated in the camp. Camp participants attend Southwest High School and West DePere Middle School. The youth, their family members, and some of the Oneida Veterans had a breakfast of pancakes, sausages, beverages, and of course, the maple syrup they helped to gather. The Y.E.S. Program staff prepared the breakfast, and

took care of the reception and serving duties. A slide show was presented featuring all the students and the accomplishments for the year.

The camp is a collaborative effort between the Y.E.S. Program, Cultural Heritage Center, Brown County Parks, Oneida Conservation Corps (OCC), Tsyunhekewa Cannery, Experiential/Adventure Department, Oneida Veterans Department, and the Veterans.

Yaw^ko to everyone who assisted with the camp and the breakfast and to the Recreation Department for the use of the County H Building.



ANNUAL ONEIDA 4TH OF JULY PARADE!

Theme:

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Saturday, July 4, 2009
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NIEA Native Oratory Speech Contest

**Saturday, October 24, 2009
Midwest Express Center; Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

A 5-10 minute speech that advocates ways of thinking, belief systems, or an attitude towards specific issues related to Alaska Native, American Indian, Native Hawaiian or other indigenous languages. The speech can be delivered in the English or Native language. For the Native language speech presentation, an English translation must be provided to the contest officials.

The speaker may use limited notes or deliver it from memory. Topic must address the theme of the convention, Shaping Our Future Wisdom Keepers, and

relate to Native languages.

Speeches must make strong use of supporting materials such as elders' teachings, cultural lore, and public record (magazines, newspapers, internet, etc.) Sources of information should be clearly cited during the speech and included on notes or in a manuscript and must be made available to contest officials prior to the competition.

We encourage students to participate in the oratory speech contest.

The contest will be open to any registered NIEA High School & Postsecondary students.

Top three places will be awarded cash prizes!

For more information, call **202-544-7290**, email **wjohnson@niea.org**

Kids Arts and Wellness Camp

**Submitted by
Gabrielle Metoxen**

Oneida Nation Arts Program (Oneida, WI) – Hey Kids! Would you like to have some old time camp fun? Perform an old time camp skit? Act in a play? Make both traditional and contemporary art projects? Have fun in the sun? Learn about martial arts? And go tree climbing?

Then come and enjoy the KIDS ARTS AND WELLNESS CAMP, July 6 – 10 Monday through Thursday, 8:30am-3:00pm and Friday 8:30am-1:00pm. The camp is open to all children between the ages of 7 – 12. Children enrolled in the Kids Arts and Wellness Camp will enjoy programming from the Oneida Fitness Center, Experiential/Outdoor Adventure and. The Camp is held at the Oneida Arts Program Cottage and Social Service/Fitness Complex on West Point Road and

Packerland. The cost of the two week camp is \$15 and includes lunch and snacks.

The KIDS ARTS AND WELLNESS CAMP has a qualified team of artists, fitness specialists, and a team of young adult counselors. During the week of camp, children will explore and enjoy many different art and wellness activities. On Friday, July 10, during the lunch hour, the children will perform a special presentation for parents and community members, they will also be able to show off their works of art they did during the camp.

This is a collaborative project within the Governmental Services Division of the Tribe.

Registration is limited to 50 kids per camp. For more information or to receive registration information, please contact Gabrielle at (920) 490-3834 or check out our website **www.oneidanationarts.org**

Oneida Higher Education

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Trust Scholarship

The Oneida Trust Scholarship was established as a financial resource to assist eligible enrolled Oneida Tribal members in securing higher education opportunities.

The Trust Scholarship is targeted to applicants who are in need of fulfilling college entrance requirements in order to become official accepted into an accredited post-secondary education institution.

The scholarship can assist with: Required pre-requisite credited classes, post-graduate preparation and admission exams, such as the GRE, GMAT, LSAT or related preparatory course work.

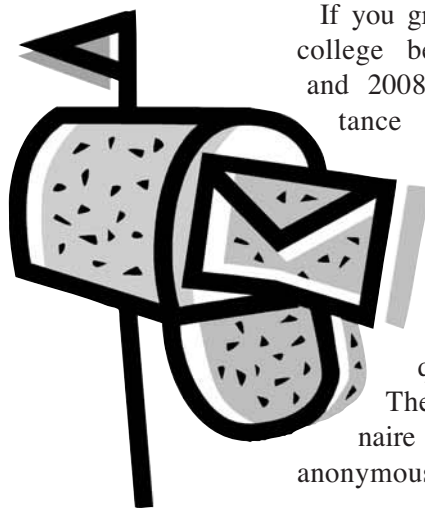
The Trust Committee respectfully request that all recipients of this scholarship keep in mind the prospect of returning to the Oneida Tribe to share their acquired knowledge, experience, and education.

Applicants must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, be in academic good standing (2.0 grade point average for undergraduates and 3.0 for graduate students).

The Trust Scholarship is a one-time scholarship up to \$2,500.

For an application, contact the Higher Education Office at
920-869-4033 or 800-236-2214 x 4033.

Oneida Higher Education graduate follow-up survey is coming



If you graduated from college between 1996 and 2008, with assistance from the Oneida Higher Education Grant, you will soon be receiving our questionnaire. The questionnaire is completely anonymous and takes

approximately 15 minutes to complete.

The results, which will be shared with the Oneida people, will give us a nation wide picture of what our graduates are doing, as well as give direction to our future generations. It is important that everyone who receives the questionnaire return the questionnaire.

We believe all members should be proud of their commitment and successful completion of their higher education goals. We want to thank you for not only taking advantage of the grant, but sticking with the struggles and joy that comes with higher education.

2009 NIEA Convention Annual Awards

We invite you to nominate one the deserving representatives from Wisconsin Tribal Nations for the NIEA Awards so that we can honor them on the National Indian Education Scene. The categories are:

Teacher of the Year: Awarded to General Member currently teaching in the public schools, tribal/community schools, BIE schools, tribal colleges or university settings.

Educator of the Year: Awarded to a General Member teacher, coun-

selor, or administrator with significant work.

Elder of the Year: Awarded to an Elder Member, 60 years or older, who has made outstanding contributions to Native education.

Parent of the Year: Awarded to a General Member parent for outstanding leadership, commitment, concern, and voluntary efforts.

Community Service Award: Awarded to a General Member that exemplifies the positive role an individual can provide in their local

community.

AWARD RULES

Only NIEA voting members can nominate or be nominated for awards. You can become a member by paying a \$50 Membership fee. NIEA will verify nominator and nominee's membership status. Awardees will be announced at the Annual Gala Awards Banquet in Milwaukee on Saturday, October 24, 2009 and are expected to be present. Finalists will be notified by August 31, 2009 of their nomination and

award status. Expenses such as Convention registration, lodging, and transportation are the responsibility of the nominating individual or organization.

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Award nominations are due **May, 30, 2009**

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Marian University to hold Criminal Justice Camp

FOND DU LAC, Wis. — Marian University's School of Criminal Justice is offering a Criminal Justice overnight summer camp June 22 – 24.

This camp is specifically designed for students entering their junior or senior year of high school. The University is holding an early-bird special, offering a fee of \$179 if registered by May 15th. The regular fee is \$199, which includes all meals and lodging. The registration deadline is **May 30**.

Marian's Criminal

Justice camp offers adventure and experiential learning to those who have an interest in crime fighting and prevention. Campers will discover and practice a variety of techniques from surveillance and hostage situations to crime scene investigation and DNA testing. In addition, campers will have the opportunity to meet with criminal justice professionals to learn more about careers in criminal justice.

Upon completion of the camp, campers will earn a \$500/year scholarship if enrolled at

Marian. For more information about Marian's Criminal Justice camp, please go to **www.marianuniversity.edu/cjcamp** <<http://www.marianuniversity.edu/cjcamp>>.

Marian University is a premier Catholic university located in Fond du Lac, Wis. The University offers more than 40 undergraduate and graduate programs at its main campus, and a variety of adult accelerated-degree programs in facilities throughout Wisconsin. The size of the University permits a very favorable student-faculty ratio, one of the lowest

among Wisconsin campuses. Campus planning efforts are under way to enhance facilities on the University's 104-acre Fond du Lac campus, as well as at Marian's 15-acre Town of Byron campus and facilities in Appleton and West Allis. Marian's programs of study are designed to meet a full range of pre-professional and professional academic needs, including business, education, the arts, sciences, nursing and technology. Marian University is a community committed to learning, dedicated to service and social justice.

Summer Scholarships for Oneida Art and Music Students

**Submitted by
Christine Klimmek**

Oneida Nation Arts Program

In addition to the UWGB music and art summer camp scholarships provided to local students, the Oneida Nation Arts Program is expanding its Dollars for Arts Scholarship Program to include a lim-

ited number of scholarships to Oneida middle and high school students throughout the country. Parents will be reimbursed registration and lab fees for qualified summer art and music programs up to \$300 per camp. To receive the reimbursement, the camp must be pre-approved by

the Oneida Nation Arts Program. **All camps or workshops must occur before September 1, 2009**, and must be sponsored by an established institution or organization. Instrument rental, lessons, art supplies, mileage, meals or any other incidentals are excluded. For more

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Thunderhawk

ONHS celebrates Culture Days

THT photo/Doug Reed
Right: Students enjoyed the warm spring weather playing lacrosse.
Below: Students practiced singing Oneida social dance songs.



Screenplay in progress

By Maria Guerra
Thunderhawk Times editor
Over the winter, a group of ONHS students have been working with staff member Lynn Adrian to produce a screen play. Chris Powless has also leant his expertise
The screen play and the actual play are well on their way.
How did it all start? You can thank a select few kids from last year and Lynn Adrian’s enthusiasm for getting things going for us!
It started out as just a film class, and a want for film equipment. Then it spun into an interview with the Oneida Arts Board—that Eli Ninham, Brandon White, and I presented.
That got us the

money for film equipment!
After that, the project turned into some students — Schuyler Salloway, Guadalupe Martinez, and me—writing our own play as well. Many students in our group also got to work with nationally-known playwright Arthur McClenahan.
Now, it is well on its way to having part of it filmed and the rest acted out by the ONHS students!
On Monday, May 04, Lynn and Chris, along with mentorship coordinator Cindy Thomas, who is helping sponsor the project, accompanied twenty-two students to UW-Oshkosh to take the project one more step.

Welcome to our debut

By Maria Guerra
Thunderhawk Times editor
This is an open invitation to the Oneida community to come to Oneida Nation High School at 6 p.m. on May 27 to see the progress of the screenplay that students have been working on since last fall.
A short presentation will brief everyone on what has happened since this project was just an idea two years ago to today where we have some video footage and a set is ready.

We have lots of footage—some professional—some done by the students.
Everyone involved in the screenplay will be there and there will be some time for anyone to ask questions.
Please come and see all the hard work we’ve done to create something!

No More School!

By Jaylee Godfrey
ONHS sophomore
School is almost over for the year and it’s about time!
For months, it’s been nothing but school all day.
It wouldn’t be bad, if it wasn’t so boring. But, you have to deal with it.
So, I just suck it up and move on. My days are filled with books, homework, and the occasional test.
And it’s all about to end. We are counting down to the end of school and there are only about eighteen days left.
Now, it’s time to make summer plans.

Eagle set free at ONSS



THT photo/Doug Reed
An immature bald eagle was released near the Turtle School on Tuesday, May 5.

Sara’s Orange

By Leah Pociopa
ONHS sophomore
Everyone meet “Baby Jo.” He is senior Sara Melchert’s pet orange. He has many different faces. He also likes to sit next to Sara and watch people...do stuff!
Baby Jo has many different names. Sara has a different orange every day. No matter what his name is that day, he is known school-wide.
Sara says she makes one every day because “it puts a smile on my peers’ faces.”
Baby Jo is considered Sara’s best friend, until 6th hour that is. Then he is “shared” with the students in Laura Neuen’s class. So much for Baby Jo.
Sara said eating Baby Jo “was the best part of the whole thing.” Hmmm!
If you see Sara, be sure to ask her about her orange. (Do it before 6th hour, though.)

My Scoop

Sexual harassment or not?

By Quinn LaRock
ONHS senior
In 2003, just six years ago, a student going to Safford Middle School, in Tucson, AZ, was accused of having prescription strength Ibuprofen. School officials had gotten a tip that a student had pills and was distributing them within the school.
The school officials then contained the student in the school office. Savana Redding, just 13 years old at the time, was asked to remove her clothes and shake out her underwear. The teenager described this experience as “The most embarrassing moment of her life.”
The school district has a zero tolerance policy on any kind of drug. Acting on their tip, school officials then asked her to remove her jacket, shoes, and socks. After they didn’t find any pills, they then continued and asked her to remove her T-shirt and stretch pants. They still did not find any pills.
They then kept going. They asked if she could then shake out her bra. Scared and embarrassed as she was, Redding followed the school officials’ orders and started to shake out her bra, which in the process exposed her naked breast.
After not finding anything in her bra, they asked if she could pull out her underwear at the crotch and shake them out. During this time, Savana accidentally revealed her private area. This was embarrassing to Savana, so embarrassing that Savana began to cry and even hid her face so that no one could look at her take her clothes off.
Savana said that during this time that this was going on, she had reported to school officials that she did not have any pills and had repeatedly asked them if she could stop. She had also asked them if she could call her mom, but school officials denied her requests before or even after the strip search had been conducted.
I believe that this indeed was a violation of Savana Redding’s constitutional rights and I think that no one should stand by and let this happen. I believe that these people that conducted the strip search should be held responsible and charges should be held against them. Sexual harassment or not? You decide.

Statistics for Thunderhawk Lacrosse

Number	Name	Shots	Goals	Assists	Loose ball controlled
2	Skenandore, Joslin	5	0	6	17
4	Santiago, JoJo	9	0	0	11
5	Stevens, Tracy	0	0	0	2
7	Santiago, Eddie	27	10	0	17
8	Gutierrez, Paul	10	0	0	9
10	Stevens, Cameron	13	3	0	10
12	Miller, Garrett	12	0	0	6
15	Hill, Cory	6	0	1	8
18	Powless, Eldon	5	0	0	7
22	White, Kyle	10	2	0	6
23	Guyette, Richard	2	0	0	2
32	Granquist, Bradley	1	0	0	3
56	Skenandore, Jason	2	0	0	4
62	Guerra, Louis	Goalie	Goalie	Goalie	Goalie
65	Bateman, Matthew	0	0	0	4
69	Danforth, Robert	4	0	0	7
80	Skenandore, Shane	7	0	0	3

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Project Description is a Habitat Restoration project at Lancaster Brook off of Hillcrest Drive. Legal Description is T24N, R20E, Section 18.
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Jaquise James Heart



Jaquise James Heart was born on March 8th, 2009 at 7:15am at Aurora Bay Care Medical Center to the proud parents of Deborah Kelly & Dominique Heart. Jaquise was 2 lb, 4 oz and 14 inches long. Jaquise is happily welcomed by his Grandparents, Carmen Hill and Rodger Ponfil Jr.

Royce Alexander Driver



Royce Alexander Driver, newborn son to Nicole Porter and Ronald Driver Jr. Born Saturday, April 18th, 2009 at St. Mary's Hospital, Milwaukee. Royce weighed 8lbs 11oz and measured 21 1/2 inches in length. Maternal Grandparents are Debra Huff-Porter and Herman Porter. Maternal Greatgrandparents are Roy and Alice Huff and Mary Delarosa. Paternal Grandparents are Ira Johnson and Ronald Driver Sr. Paternal Greatgrandparent is Magret Nelson. Royce is happily welcomed by her big sister Amaya and big brother Ronald III "Trey".

Autumn Two Bears Nesja



Autumn Two Bears Nesja was born on May 8, 2009 to proud parents Michael Nesja and Ashley Kitchenakow. She weighed 8 lbs. and 8 oz. and was 19.5 inches long. Grandparents are Anthony and Elena Kitchenakow of Neopit and the late Sarah Andrews of Green Bay. She has one big sister at home, Kiarah.

Good News submissions are accepted Mon.-Fri. 8AM-4:30PM at the Kalihwisaks Office on the lower level of the Norbert Hill Center. **Deadlines are posted in Kali.**

Congratulations

Kristal L. John
Graduating from **Marquette University**, Milwaukee, WI. May 17th, 2009
School of Arts and Sciences with a Political Science Major and a Spanish minor. She is the daughter of Kirk John (Yvonne), Jody John (Tom) and brother Dakota.



Best of luck to you and all our love, Grandpas, Grandmas, Aunts, Uncles and all your cousins.

Happy 18th Birthday

Deborah
on May 21st
Congratulations on your baby boy



Love, Mom, Podge, Grandma and Grandpa

Happy 18th Birthday

Stara
on May 17th



Good luck @ ASU in the fall!
I'm so proud of you!!
Love you, Mom

Congratulations

Erica Bell
on your graduation from **UW Madison** with a Bachelor's degree in Food Science. You have honored us with your hard work and we are very proud of you. Good luck in your new career at ConAgra Foods!



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Happy 18th Birthday

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on May 17th

Happy 19th Birthday

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on May 18th!




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Devonte



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Ka'tshatstasla (The strength of belief and vision as a people)
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American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Update



By Jennifer Hill-Kelley
Interim Economic Resources Coordinator

Over the past month, many tribal programs have been busy reviewing and writing grants with the help of the grants office for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) or "stimulus" funding. To date, the Oneida Tribe has received stimulus funding awards for the Oneida Housing Authority, Elderly Services Nutrition Services, and Child Care. These awards were based on formulas

set by the applicable federal agencies and the Tribe has received letters notifying us of the award. The Tribal programs must let the federal agency know how the money will be spent and agree to the grant requirements.

Other program grants that were also formula allocations to the Tribe include funding for Headstart, Transit, Indian Reservation Roads, the Oneida Nation Elementary School Facilities Improvement and Maintenance, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Housing Authority Lead

Hazard Reduction and Food Distribution. This programs are existing tribal programs which will receive additional funding under the Recovery Act. The Tribal programs must submit full grant applications to the applicable federal agency to receive the funding.

Also, a new program and funding source was created by the Department of Energy titled the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant. This grant program can be used for the development and/or implementation of: an energy efficiency and conservation strategy; programs to conserve energy used in transportation; building codes and inspection services to promote building

energy efficiency; energy distribution technologies; technologies to reduce and capture methane and other greenhouse gases generated by landfills or similar sources; and on-site installation of renewable energy technologies on or in government buildings. Additional eligible activities are building energy efficiency audits and retrofits, financial incentive programs for energy efficiency improvements, and material conservation programs. The Tribe was given a formula allocation and the Tribal Energy Team is currently evaluating what work to include in the grant application.

Grants have also been submitted for funding for the Oneida Police Department, Oneida

Nation School System Lunch Program Equipment, Environmental Stream Restoration, and the Domestic Violence Program. We hope to hear whether those programs will be funded as soon as June 2009.

Oneida is also partnering with external agencies to tap into stimulus funding. The Gaming Training Department has joined with the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College for a workforce advancement training grant. Also, the Housing Authority has joined with the City of Green Bay on a grant application for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

There are more opportunities for stimulus funding on a competitive basis in which the details

of the requirements have not been released. Examples include funding for Broadband Technology and special financing or bonding provisions. The tribal organization is working to prioritize current projects to be ready for those announcements.

In the near future, there will be a separate stimulus funding page on the Tribal website which will have regular updates and links to other websites for your information. There will be regular updates to the community in the Kalihwisaks as well. The Tribal organization is working hard to use this unprecedented funding to enhance the services and benefits to meet the needs of the Oneida community.

Oneida Housing Authority \$1,455,731 Award with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

The Oneida Housing Authority was awarded \$1,455,731 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Construction elements of Indian Housing this project was Block Grant program. Oneida's Kalihwisaks on submitted our May 7, 2009. Please note funding Indian Preference and amendment to a due date of our Indian Housing May 29, 2009 for submitting sealed bids. Anticipated construction start-up is scheduled for July 2009.

The two types of activities that the funds will be used for include new construction and rehabilitation of existing houses. Construction of five (5) new homes for homebuyers will be funded by the stimulus funding. The Oneida Land Commission approved five lots in Equestrian Estates on May 11, 2009 for the Oneida Housing Authority to construct (3) three bedrooms, (1) four

bedroom and (1) - five bedroom homeownership homes. It is anticipated these homes will be available for occupancy in the early spring of 2010. A Request for Proposals (RFP) for construction elements of Indian Housing this project was Block Grant program. Oneida's Kalihwisaks on submitted our May 7, 2009. Please note funding Indian Preference and amendment to a due date of our Indian Housing May 29, 2009 for submitting sealed bids. Anticipated construction start-up is scheduled for July 2009.

The second activity planned for OHA's stimulus funding is rehabilitation/modernization of thirty-two (32) rental units. The Request for Proposals (RFP) to conduct 32 home energy audits will be noticed in the June 4, 2009 edition of the Kalihwisaks. Stay tuned for further updates on these activities.



Contributed photos
Sample photos of the types of homes that will be constructed at Equestrian Estates.



Oneida Housing Authority

Up date on Reinvestment Act of 2009 Indian Housing Plan Amendment \$1,455,731

Program Activity – New construction of five (5) homes for homebuyers. The Oneida Land Commission approved five lots in Equestrian Estates on May 11, 2009 for the Oneida Housing Authority to construct (3) three bedrooms, (1) four bedroom and (1) - five bedroom homeownership units. It is anticipated these homes will be available for occupancy in the early spring of 2010.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) for construction elements of this project was advertised in the Kalihwisaks on May 7, 2009. Please note Indian Preference and a due date of May 29, 2009 for submitting sealed bids. Anticipated construction start-up is scheduled for July, 2009.

Program Activity – Rehabilitation/Modernization of thirty-two (32) rental units.

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Contact:

Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Interim Economic Resources Coordinator,
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Weblinks...

- **White House Recovery website**
- **Wisconsin Office of Recovery and Reinvestment**

www.Recovery.gov

www.recovery.wi.gov/

- **National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)**

www.indiancountryworks.org

stimulus@oneidanation.org

Stay tuned to the next issue...

For the Oneida Transit Program.
They will be the featured article in the...

June 4th issue.

Personal Diabetes Care Record

An incentive program for patients

The Diabetes Team of the Oneida Community Health Center has implemented an incentive program for patients. The program is called the Personal Diabetes Care Record. It allows patients to earn five dollar gift cards for getting their diabetes checked. Any Native American who receives diabetes care at the Oneida Community Health Center is able to participate.

Mary Krueger, LPN of the Diabetes Team heard

of the program being used at other tribal clinics. She thought it would be a great way to educate patients, emphasizing on what needs to be done if they have diabetes. She worked diligently to get the program developed for the Oneida Community Health Center.

How can incentives be earned? First, request a wallet size Personal Diabetes Care Record from the Diabetes Team at the Oneida Community Health Center. Second, bring the card with you whenever you see your health care

provider. Third, every time one or more of the items listed on the card has been completed, ask your staff member to record the date, results, and initials. Lastly, submit the card to the Diabetes Team, at any time, even multiple times, to receive your five dollar gift cards. By completing one card you can **earn up to \$70!** Once your card is completed, you will receive a pair of comfy slippers.

For more information, please call (920) 869-2711 and ask to speak to a member of the Diabetes Team.

OCHC employees help out fire victim



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

A tearful Kim Pargo, standing center, received \$965.25 on Friday May 8, from fellow employees at the Oneida Community Health Center (OCHS). On Thursday April 30, Pargo's De Pere home received extensive fire damage.

National Click It or Ticket Enforcement

Mobilization May 18-31

Oneida's seat belt rates are on the rise! Since 2005, our usage rate has increased 18%. That represents a dramatic increase.

The Oneida Injury Prevention Program has been working on increasing seat belt usage rates since 2003. Activities have included; school presentations, employee awareness, parking lot signs, media blitzes, guest speakers, public service announcements, and positive reinforcement.

In 2005 and 2008, observational seat belt surveys were completed by the Environmental, Health & Safety Division. The surveys are a way to calculate seat belt usage rates for a community. Oneida has seen some dramatic results. From 2005 to 2008, Oneida's seat belt usage rate increased 18%. But we are still below state and national rates. Oneida's usage rate is 64%, the Green Bay/Appleton Area is 79.4%, and the national rate is 83%. So while we have made great improvement, we still have some work to do.

Click It or Ticket is a nationwide law enforcement campaign designed to increase the use of seatbelts and decrease motor vehicle fatalities. This annual mobilization is conducted by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in coordination with law enforcement agencies, state highway traffic offices, and traffic safety advocates. Since 1996, this enforcement campaign has successfully increased the U.S. seat belt usage rate from 63% to a current 83%.

However, the 2008 seat-belt usage rate for Wisconsin of 75.3% was below the national average. In the 2008 Click It or Ticket Mobilization, nearly 11,000 law enforcement agencies participated in the campaign, issuing over 600,000 citations nationwide.

BUCKLE UP DAY & NIGHT

This year's campaign is aggressively emphasizing the importance of ALL motorists buckling up, day and night. The risk of being involved in a fatal crash significantly increases at night. NHTSA research shows that fewer people wear their seatbelts at night compared to during the day. In 2007, nearly 14,500 vehicle passengers died in crashes that occurred between the hours of 6pm and 6 am. Of these fatalities, 63% of these passengers failed to wear their seat belts.

The effectiveness of seat belts is undisputed. Seat belts are the most effective safety device available in vehicles. However, nearly 1 in 5 Americans still fail to buckle up while driving. In 2007, over 15,000 lives were saved by seatbelts. Unfortunately, an additional 5,000 fatalities could have been prevented if seat belts were worn.

A citation for an adult is \$10, while a citation for an unbelted child (4 and under) is \$160.80. The Oneida Police Department will be out in full force stopping and ticketing unbelted motorists.

To read the entire 2008 Oneida Seat Belt Study go to <http://www.oneidanation.org/Environment/page.aspx?id=2802> and for additional information about seat belt safety, please visit www.nhsta.gov

Motorist Group ¹			
Oneida Nation Seatbelt Usage	% 2005	% 2008	Change in % Points
Total Occupants	54	64	10
Drivers	57	65	8
Passengers	39	57	18
Wisconsin Seatbelt Usage			
Total Occupants-Statewide	73.3	75.3	2
Total Occupants-Green Bay/Appleton Region	77.6	79.4	1.8
National Seatbelt Usage			
Total Occupants-Nationwide	82	83	1
Drivers	83	84	1
Passengers	78	81	3
Total Occupants-Midwest Region	79	79	0
Total Occupants in States with Secondary Enforcement			
Laws	75	75	0
Primary Enforcement Laws	85	88	3

¹Drivers and right-front passengers of passenger vehicles with no commercial markings

²2007 Wisconsin seatbelt usage data, 2008 unavailable at this time

New WIC Foods Are Coming in August 2009!

NEW! Baby food for infants

NEW! Fruit and Vegetable checks for women and children

NEW! Canned beans *or* dried beans

NEW! Whole grain products: 100% whole wheat bread, soft corn tortillas, whole wheat tortillas, and brown rice

Also: More foods to support breastfeeding moms and their babies

Formula amounts will change to help meet babies needs based on their age

Low-fat milk for children over the age of 2 and for all moms

Ask your Oneida WIC Nutritionist for more information: 869-4829

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

ATTENTION:

Increase in income limits.

Please review the annual gross household income amounts. If you didn't qualify before, you may qualify now!

2009 INCOME LIMITS

Annual gross household income must be AT OR BELOW this amount

Brown County (location of purchase property)

1 person	2 persons	3 persons	4 persons	5 persons	6 persons	7 persons	8 persons
36,900	42,150	47,450	52,700	56,900	61,150	65,350	69,550

Outagamie County (location of purchase property)

1 person	2 persons	3 persons	4 persons	5 persons	6 persons	7 persons	8 persons
40,300	46,100	51,850	57,600	62,200	66,800	71,400	76,050

HCRIH Down Payment Assistance Grant Program Extended through June 30, 2009!

Want to buy a home? Need help with the Down Payment?

The Housing Cost Reduction Initiative (HCRI—pronounced hickory) grant program offers a flat \$5,000 mini-grant to qualified tribal members who want to buy their own homes. HCRI grant funds can be used for downpayment, closing costs, property insurance payments for one year, utility fees and/or deposits, and/or fees associated with the purchase in a limited-equity housing cooperative.

How the Program Works:

- You are an enrolled Oneida tribal member.
- You purchase a home within the Oneida Reservation boundaries.
- You find the home and a lender (can be done at same time as this application).
- Your household income is at or below the limits in the chart below.
- You agree to stay in the home for five years (or else the grant becomes a repayable loan automatically repaid when you sell, refinance or move out of the home).
- You complete a six-hour home buyer counseling course prior to closing.
- You contribute \$250, \$500 or \$1,000 towards closing costs, depending on your income and household size.
- You close on your home prior to June 30, 2009.



Contact Nicole Rommel at (920) 869-1823
nrommel@oneidanation.org
Oneida Division of Land Management

This program was made possible by a grant from the State of Wisconsin Department of Commerce Division of Housing & Community Development to the Oneida Housing Authority in cooperation with the Oneida Division of Land Management.

Family Fitness Highlights

Oneida Family Fitness Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 5:30AM–8:30PM
Saturday: 5:30AM–3:00PM
For more information call
920-490-3730

Roll the dice and help Team Oneida Ace the Race

Your assistance in posting/ distributing this information to Employees and encouraging participation on TEAM ONEIDA is most appreciated.

Gather your friends and family and register to participate in the upcoming Bellin Run / Walk (6.2 mile) Corporate Team Challenge on Saturday, June 13.

ALL TEAM ONEIDA participants are provided a 50% discount - off the RACE Registration Fee. The cost for employees and their friends and family is \$8.50. Also, all employees that register will be entered into a drawing for a \$100 Oneida Retail Gift Card!!!

This year, Team Oneida's Goal is to finish 1st in each category & WIN THE BELLIN RUN CORPORATE CHALLENGE TRIPLE CROWN! This award goes to the team that is a major Bellin Run sponsor and finishes in 1st place for the Corporate Timing Division, Participation Division, and famed T-shirt Contest. Last year, Team Oneida finished 3rd, 1st, and 3rd respectively.

Corporate Timing Division - seeking both male and female Oneida employees who can run fast!

Participation Division - seeking over 300 Oneida employees, friends and family to register to participate in the walk or run for TEAM ONEIDA. Where are we now? To date, TEAM ONEIDA has 160 participants registered, with 72

employees. Last year, we had 330 team members, with 119 employees.

Team Oneida is trying to defend last year's 1st Place finish in our division for employee participation. At this time, Oneida is trailing behind three other companies. See the following website to check our status: <http://www.bellinrun.com/FCCKeditor/UserFiles/file/Week%206%20Final%20Results.pdf>

Team T-shirt Design Contest - seeking creative design talents to help create the winning design! We have a great t-shirt design for submission!

This year, Bellin is going GREEN and encouraging participants to Register Online. REGISTER your-

selfs, friends and family on the Oneida Intranet homepage (past features in upper right-hand corner) or have them stop in at Oneida Family Fitness!

Thank you for your time and encouragement towards a heathier Oneida work force!

If you have any questions, please email our Bellin Run Corporate Team Captains Eric Frantz or Ryan Waterstreet at efrantz@oneidanation.org or rwaterst@oneidanation.org and they'll gladly assist you with information you need! Questions? Phone: **920-490-3730**.

*In Good Health,
Oneida Family
Fitness Team*

Body Walk

By Stefanie Reinke
Fitness Specialist Supervisor

Physical activity is one of the cornerstones for good health and walking is one of the easiest and safest ways to exercise. If we could bottle up fitness walking into pill form, it would be the most popular prescription in the world. Why? Because it has so many benefits! Combined with healthy eating, physical activity is key to any plan for life-long weight control. Keeping your weight within healthy limits can lower risks of developing type 2 diabetes, heart disease, stroke, cancer, and osteoarthritis. Physical activity strengthens the heart and helps control blood pressure. It also boosts good cholesterol (HDLs-High Density Lipoproteins) while helping reduce the bad cholesterol (LDLs-Low Density Lipoproteins). And the list of benefits goes on and on.

Oneida Family Fitness is excited to provide a class devoted specifically to walking. Participants will learn proper walking techniques, methods for monitoring and changing intensity level, stretching and the benefits provided. Join us on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-10:00am to walk our bodies to better health and fitness!

Let's Get Started

By Jason Manders
Fitness Specialist

Starting an exercise routine can be a major undertaking with many questions. Not knowing where to start or how to begin can leave a person feeling intimidated and overwhelmed. Here are a few tips to help make the exercise experience an enjoyable one.

Know the equipment

It's not always easy to ask for help, but most people welcome the opportunity to show and tell how equipment works. For the first time exerciser, it's essential to know what equipment does and how it works. Everyone started as a beginner and probably had the same questions. If unsure, ask.

How often should I exercise?

This is a common asked for most people especially beginners. The body needs rest after bouts of exercise. If possible, allow for twenty-four hours between workouts. This will help to prevent over-training and allow for the body to recover. When starting an exercise program, choose to exercise three days a week. A schedule of Monday, Wednesday

and Friday will allow for the much needed rest and recovery time.

How much should I do?

There are no magic numbers when exercising. Deciding the number of repetitions and weight to use depends upon individual goals. For building endurance, 8-12 repetitions might be best. For building strength, 3-7 repetitions would be fine. When using resistance (dumbbells, weighted bars etc.), it a good idea to exercise with a partner for encouragement and to assist when needed.

These are just a few questions that most people ask or wonder about. Knowing how to exercise often to exercise and how to use equipment properly can make the visit to a fitness center rewarding and enjoyable. Now let's get started.



Spicy New Program at Oneida Family Fitness!

The new group exercise program "Step with Spice" is guaranteed to lift your spirits along with your bum. Come join us at 9:15 AM Tuesdays and Fridays for a saucy and energetic workout that combines Latin dance movements with step intervals. This exciting program is offered free of charge with an Oneida Family Fitness membership. Come join the party and have fun while exercising!



Weigh of Life

Weigh of Life is a 12 week weight management program that is designed to give you the tools you need to achieve a healthy, BALANCED weigh of life! Instructors deliver educational sessions designed to teach you how to make healthier choices and empower you to achieve and maintain a healthy weight. Contact OFF at **920-490-3730** or email family-fitness@oneidanation.org for more details.



Oneida Family Fitness Staff
Michelle Mielke.....Fitness Center Director
Ryan Waterstreet.....Assistant Director
Amy Griesbach.....Office Manager
Ryan Engel.....Fitness Specialist Supervisor
Stefanie Reinke.....Fitness Specialist Supervisor
Eric Frantz.....Fitness Specialist
Jason Manders.....Fitness Specialist
Jessica Trembl.....Fitness Specialist
Todd Shelto.....Fitness Specialist
Amanda Riessenberg.....Fitness Specialist
Tek Skenandore.....Fitness Assistant
Hudson Denny.....Fitness Specialist/Promotions
Kevin Schoenebeck.....Martial Arts Coordinator
Adam Brown.....Martial Arts Instructor
Maureen Cisler.....Administrative Assistant
Shoshana King.....Administrative assistant
Teresa Roth.....Aquatics Supervisor
Teresa Holschuh-Sieja.....Aquatics Trainer/Supervisor
Nicole Cooley.....Lifeguard
Orrie Kreuscher.....Lifeguard
Jessica Mettler.....Lifeguard

The Oneida Family Fitness (OFF) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to the Fitness Center lately, please stop in and get acquainted with the staff! The office is located at:
2640 West Point • Green Bay, WI
Phone: (920) 490-3730.
Look for O.F.F highlights once a month in the Kali.

THIRTY SEVENTH ANNUAL
ONEIDA POW-WOW
July 3-5, 2009 • Norbert Hill Center
5 Miles West of Green Bay on Hwy. 54

Join us in song and dance at the 37TH ANNUAL ONEIDA CONTEST POW-WOW! OVER \$70,000 IN PRIZE MONEY WILL BE AWARDED!

MC: Lawrence Baker, Ft. Berthold, ND
MC: Artle Skenandore, Oneida, WI
Arena Director: R.G. Harris, Apache, OK
Arena Director: Patrick Madrid, Oneida, WI
Head Singing Judge: Wayne Silas Jr., Oneida, WI
Smoke Dance Coordinator: Melinda Danforth, Oneida, WI
Head Male Dance Judge: Mike Peltier, Oneida, WI
Head Female Dance Judge: Connie Danforth, Oneida, WI
Host Drum: Straight Across, Green Bay, WI
Head Male Dancer: Darrell Hill, Milwaukee, WI
Head Female Dancer: Amber Buffalo, Hobbema, Alberta

Chicken Dance Special-\$3,000 Payout
Sponsored by the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee

Golden Age Men's 60 & Over Traditional Special
Sponsored by Bear Paw Keepsakes

Tasheena & Robin King - Feather Ceremony
Girls 12 & Under Special

The Public is Welcome!

	Admission	Grand Entries	Registration
Weekend Pass	\$10.00	Fri., July 3 7pm	Fri., July 3 5pm - 7pm
Daily Pass	\$5.00	Sat., July 4 1pm & 7pm	Sat., July 4 9:30am - 12:45pm
60 yrs. & older	FREE	Sun., July 5 12 Noon	Contest points start on Friday.
10 yrs. & younger	FREE		NO CANOPIES ALLOWED.
Dancers/Singers	\$5.00		

For more information, call the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee at 920-496-5310. Reserve your room now at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, Green Bay by calling 1-800-333-3333. Rates based on availability. Also, when you reserve your room, ask about the Thornberry Creek at Oneida golf specials.

Proud Sponsors:

DRUMS Across ONEIDA

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Otsi'khé·ta? Wahní·tale?

Planting Moon

May 2009

The National Society for American Indian Elderly

Is seeking local volunteers for the Summer Associate Program to work with the elderly. The program is 10 weeks starting June 1 and end finishing August 16

Recruiting:

- **One Team Leader:** College student or recent graduate - Must be 18-24 years old
- **Five Students:** 18-24 years old Must be college student,

recent graduate or in High School

Summer Associates can do direct service activities, they can build trails, work on a clean up project, garden projects, an elder chore service or something else that is a needed in our elder community

The living allowance for Summer Associates is \$200.00 per week

You can apply on the AmeriCorps VISTA site

at <https://my.ameriacorps.gov/mp/listing/publicRequestSearch.do>

The program type is AmeriCorps VISTA, choose Wisconsin the state you plan to serve in and you should check the box for summer. Please note that you want to serve with the Oneida Tribe Elderly Services, in Oneida Wisconsin.

Questions please call **920-869-2448** and ask for Claudia Skenandore

ELDERS AND EVERYONE... ...DRUMS CONTACT

From the desk of Linda Douglas



I am with Elderly Services and will be the main contact for the DRUMS Across Oneida newsletter. Please contact me with any comments, suggestions, concerns, complaints, etc.

Thank you for your attention. My phone number: **920-869-2448** email ldouglas@oneidanation.org

Emergency Preparedness Kit

Just a friendly reminder to check and update your kit. Please check the expiration dates on any food and medications. Replace if needed. Here is a list of things you should have available:

1. Three day supply of non perishable food (granola bars etc...) canned goods and manual can opener....
2. Three day supply of water (one gallon per person per day)....
3. Battery-operated or crank-powered radio....
4. Flashlight with extra batteries and bulbs....
5. First aid kit and manual....
6. Sanitation and hygiene items (toilet paper, feminine products)....
7. Matches in a waterproof container and plastic garbage bags....
8. Whistle (to attract attention to the emergency personnel)....
9. One change of clothing and a pair of shoes....
10. Blanket....
11. Roll of Duck tape....
12. Pet supplies....
13. Extra set of keys....
14. Pack of playing cards to bide your time until rescued....
15. In the event you use an oxygen tank, have an extra one available....

These are all timely tips to consider for your own safety in the event there is a disaster, fire, flood, etc... These may be very helpful to you. If you do not have an emergency kit or have any questions call Elderly Services at 920-869-2448. Ask for Joyce Ann Hoes.... YAW<KO

Elders dance the night away



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Oneida elders danced all night during the annual elder dance. Live music, food, prizes and fun was available for all who attended.

*Have a
Great
Month!*

Alzheimer's Discovery Group

Monday and Wednesday 9:30-11:30 am
*For transportation to the group call
Elderly Services at 920-869-2448*

GLNAEA
Great Lakes Native American Elders Association,
Sponsored by Stockbridge Munsee



August 6 and 7, 2009
Northstar Casino, between Bowler & Gresham

All elders who need a ride to GLNAEA, please sign up at the Oneida Senior Center (Meal Site) by Monday, July 13, 2009. We must have 20 people signed up to reserve a coach bus, or else we'll use tribal vans. Payment must be received by July 13 and the last day to cancel is Monday, July 20 for reimbursement of payment. We will be staying at Konkapot Lodge and the cost is \$36.00 per person. We will leave the Senior Center (Meal Site) at 1:30pm on Thursday, August 6. Any questions please call Oneida Senior Center at (920)869-1551.



Oneida Area Faith in Action is having a raffle for a Pendleton Blanket

The drawing for the lucky winner will be held
June 18, 2009

Please contact: Florence Petri, Tina Pospychala,
Claudia Skenandore or Joyce Johnson (920-869-2448)
at
Oneida Elderly Services.

For your raffle tickets.

Faith in Action Board members will also be selling raffle tickets. The tickets are (1) for \$1.00 or (6) for \$5.00.

Oneida Elderly Services ANNUAL



Supports: Roberta Kinzhuma Scholarship

Date: Friday, June 26, 2009

Time: 10am to 3 pm

Location: Former Towers Foods

(N7360 Water Circle Place, Oneida, off Hwy 54, behind Little Bear Development Ctr and Oneida Post Office)

**Rummage, Car Wash,
Lunch, 50/50 Raffle**

(Mealsite will serve breakfast only)

Entertainment Contributed by
Da Rock'n Daddies (King boys)

Volunteers are wanted! Please contact Hillary at
Elderly Services 869*2448

For more information call Claudia Skenandore at
869-2448

Rummage Sale Tidbits:

- Elderly Service Mealsite will serve breakfast instead of lunch this day so that all can participate in the sale.
- Rummage sale time is a great time for spring cleaning. Have you done yours?
- If you would like to donate, please call us at 869-2448 for pick up. We would greatly appreciate if you could store your items until the week of June 26. Otherwise we will find storage for the items.
- Roberta Kinzhuma scholarship winners last year were Randi R. Walking Eagle and Lola J. Smith. Encourage them in their education goals if you see them.