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Wisconsin seeks interstate designation for Hwy 41

By Dawn Walschinski
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Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker announced Tuesday, May 3 that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is planning to turn Highway 41 into an interstate.

"This sort of designation helps to attract growth for existing businesses as well as attract other employers to this region when they can say 'hey, we're right off an interstate,'" said Walker at a press conference held in Green Bay near the West Mason interchange.

A section of the Hwy

41 construction scheduled to begin this June will take place within the Oneida reservation borders, and Chairman Rick Hill was on hand for the announcement.

"Certainly, Chairman Hill knows coming up to this area all that it can bring to this region and throughout the state, the powerful effect it has when it comes to tourism," said Walker.

"Oneida could be the gateway for tourism for the rest of the tribes," said Hill in an interview after the announcement.

• See 8A,
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L to R: Secretary of WisDOT Mark Gottlieb, Governor Scott Walker, Oneida Chairman Rick Hill and Deputy WisDOT Secretary Mike Berg at a press conference announcing plans for an interstate.

Pancake dinner taps off maple syrup season

Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Nation School System hosted its annual Pancake Dinner to celebrate another successful year of harvesting maple sap to make maple syrup on Thursday, April 21.

Right: From left to right: Ariangel, Henrietta and Abby Talavera enjoy pancakes with all the fixings.

Below: Sixth grade student Senca Skenandore helps serve spice cake to attendees of the feast.



FOR A LOOK AT HOW MAPLE SYRUP WAS GATHERED IN YEARS PAST, PLEASE SEE PAGE 11A

ONSS staff, students bid adieu to long time teacher

By Nate Wisneski
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The Oneida Nation School System (ONSS) is grieving after the death of one of their first teachers, Carol Potack.

Potack, who died on April 28, was an Ojibwe who was hired through a phone interview in the 1980's for a not yet started Oneida Tribal School as a Chapter 1 Reading Teacher. She was the first Native American teacher at the school.

Potack then became the systems Language/Culture Teacher leading classes in self-developed language lessons along with bead-work.

• See 11A,
Farewell to Potack



Submitted photo
Carol Poteck, far left, died Thursday, April 28. Poteck was one of the first teachers to be hired by the newly formed Oneida Tribal School in the early 1980's. ONSS provided counseling for students grieving Poteck's death.

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Oneida Business Committee Wrap: April 27, 2011

By Dawn Walschinski
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The Oneida Business Committee (OBC) honored the Oneida Nation High School (ONHS) Girls' Basketball Team for their winning season at the Wednesday, April 27 OBC meeting.

Coach Jamie Betters praised the eight student athletes for their 16-6 season.

"These fine young women have worked extremely hard," said Betters. "We ended up having a successful season, it was amazing."

In attendance: Chairman Rick Hill, Vice Chairwoman Kathy Hughes, Council Members Ed Delgado, Trish King, Brandon Stevens and Ron Tehassi Hill.

Excused: Secretary Patti Hoeft, Treasurer Tina Danforth, Councilwoman Melinda Danforth.

Oaths of office
Councilman Ron Tehassi Hill administered the oaths of office for Oneida Police Officer Brandon Van De Hei; for Election Board Alternates Sunshine Skenandore, Brian Bealieu, Jodi Cornelius, Elizabeth Hopewell and Teresa Schuman; for Oneida Environmental Resource Board Members Marlene Garvey and Chris Cornelius; and for the Oneida Police Commission Member Lois Strong.

Minutes
The OBC approved meeting minutes from April 13 and an April 18 special OBC meeting.

Resolutions

A FY2011 Inter-Tribal Buffalo Council Herd Development Grant Proposal was approved by the OBC.

Draft notices prohibiting the use of electronic polling and retro-approval were denied.

"I think these are a little bit too restrictive, and would prohibit the Business Committee from acting in a matter when it's absolutely necessary," said Councilwoman King.

Councilman Delgado argued that OBC members should be on call for emergency meetings.

"We should call a meeting, and when we call a meeting, the Business Committee should be available ... There's no reason we can't get five of us here," said Delgado.

Board, Committee and Commission quarterly reports

The OBC accepted reports from the Oneida Personnel Commission, Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs and the Oneida Arts Board. A report on transferring the Oneida Powwow Committee to the Tourism Department was accepted.

Reports from the South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services and Oneida Library Board were deferred.

Standing Committees

The Committee accepted minutes for the Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) meetings held April 6 and April 14. The OBC also approved Anna John Nursing Home Board by-



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Business Committee honored the Oneida Nation High School Girls' Basketball Team at their April 27th meeting.

laws and the April 22 Finance Committee minutes.

General Manager (GM) Debbie Thundercloud gave a report on analysis of services for boards, committees and commissions. There had been requests for administrative staff support from the groups. The OBC requested that the GM's office as well as Chief of Staff (COS) Bill Gollnick's office report at the May 5 OBC meeting with more information.

A discussion about sovereignty was sparked by a request by Oneida citizen Simon De Coteau for Oneida to reimburse him for storm water fees paid to the Village of Hobart on his fee land.

"(De Coteau) did not believe this is a fee that should be charged against him, and we investigated that. We tried to find a way to

establish a broad based policy that would address this," said Gollnick.

There are approximately 216 tribal citizens who own fee land in Hobart. The Oneida Law Office recommended reimbursing tribal citizens as a charitable gift which could cost \$20,000 total, or could be done based on income.

"It's a point of contention in the community. ...For those lands held by the tribe, it pays the fees under protest except on trust lands, and it's the trust land that's currently being adjudicated. As it relates to tribal members, they have their individual responsibilities as they currently exist," said Gollnick.

He explained the Law Office is being conservative about what cases to bring to court.

"The Law Office has been very considering of what cases have the potential to succeed, which ones don't, what we as a tribe would gain from various cases, and the potential losses associated with losing," said Gollnick. "If the tribal members were to come forward and to lose, that would be precedent setting for the tribe."

"Would it be appropriate to consider a class action to recover those fees that were being assessed illegally for the purposes of running the government who are

playing us every day, using our members' money, and then they turn around and use that money to fight us on those issues," said Chairman Hill. Chief Council Jo Anne House stated the tribe has jurisdiction in those areas, but does not advise pursuing the issue in court.

"I believe the changing nature of the jurisprudence in this area has not been favorable to tribal governments," said House.

"I think the very absence of sovereignty is when we don't protect it as much as we can," said Councilman Stevens.

A motion by Councilman Delgado to pay the fee for tribal citizens under protest did not get any support.

"We're supposed to be a nation to help the people," said De Coteau. "Why aren't you helping people?"

Councilwoman King made a motion for the COS to direct a team to prepare a plan for reimbursement to tribal members who are being assess

fees by other municipal governments based on need and age which passed.

Travel

A travel request for Treasurer Danforth to speak at the Women Leaders Native American Economic Development Symposium June 20-22 in Anaheim, CA was approved.

Vice Chairwoman Hughes withdrew her travel request for the symposium.

Chairman Hill and Councilman Stevens were approved to travel to a meeting with the US Department of Interior on May 2 in Washington DC on the condition they ask Interior officials about Oneida's special election to amend its constitution, converting individual fee land to trust land, and discuss the Tribal Gaming Eligibility Act that will impact tribes' ability to put casinos on new acquired land.

• See 3A, OBC Wrap

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Passing On...

Ermenc, Jr., Joseph D. March 27, 1958 – April 30, 2011

Black River Falls, WI Joseph D. Ermenc, Jr., age 53, of Black River Falls, died Saturday, April 30, 2011 in Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center. He had been under the care of Black River Memorial Hospice.

Joseph Donald Ermenc, Jr. was born on March 27, 1958 in Milwaukee to Joseph Sr. and Dorothy (John) Ermenc. He was raised in Milwaukee and later served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Following his discharge from the Marines, he lived and worked in South Dakota. He later returned to Milwaukee and settled in Black River Falls in 1992 where he met Ida Decorah. They were married on September 26, 1994 in Milwaukee. Joe and Ida had lived in the Black River Falls area all of their married lives.

Joe had been employed as an engraver by Rudick Trophies of Milwaukee, and later as a blackjack dealer at Rainbow Casino of Nekoosa. He also had been employed at Whitetail Crossing and Smokeshop of Black River Falls.

Joe was a proud member of the Oneida Nation.

Joe enjoyed spending time with his granddaughters, gambling, fishing, and walking.

Survivors include his wife, Ida; his mother,

Dorothy Ermenc of Oneida, WI; his father, Joseph Ermenc, Sr. of Las Vegas, NV; a daughter, Ambrosia Ermenc of South Dakota; a stepson, Garrett (significant other, Stephanie Small) Decorah of Black River Falls; 4 granddaughters, Jaida, Traci, Grace, and Kaylee Decorah; 3 sisters, Pamela Ermenc and Kim (Bruce) Reyes both of Milwaukee, and Debra (Wade) Richmond of Green Bay; 3 brothers, Jeffrey Ermenc and Bryan Ermenc both of Green Bay, and James Ermenc of Oneida; and numerous nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Mamie Arellano, and step-son, Jordan Decorah.

Funeral services were held at 2 P.M. on Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at the Buswell Funeral Home, Black River Falls. Wilfrid Cleveland officiated and burial, with military honors by the Andrew Blackhawk American Legion Post 129, was in Decorah Cemetery, rural Black River Falls.

Family and friends were invited for visitation from 5 to 7 P.M. on Tuesday, May 3, and from noon to 2 P.M. on Wednesday at the Buswell Funeral Home.

Online condolences are available at www.buswellfuneral-home.com

House, Warren F. February 7, 1959 – April 22, 2011

Warren F. "Walnuts" House, 52, Oneida, died Friday, April 22, 2011 at home surrounded by his family. He was born Feb. 7, 1959 in Milwaukee, WI, a son of the late James and Warrean (Skenandore) House, Sr.



Warren loved his life travelling in the Carnival. He enjoyed being on the road, his time in Florida, helping anyone who asked for his help, joking around with people but most of all he loved his granddaughter and his time with Jamie.

Warren is survived by his daughter Nicole M. House; granddaughter Sophia House; siblings James (Linda) House Jr, Alec (Sandi) House, Joy House, Lynn Loveday, and Terry (Lauren) House; fiancée Jamie Metoxen and her son Maddox; nieces and nephews: Wendy, Jeff, Connie, Babe, Josh, Billy, and Jonathon;

Godson Aaron Loveday; great nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, and close friends. Warren was preceded in death by his parents, nephew Ryan Loveday, and aunts and uncles.

Friends and family may have called RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 N. Tenth St, De Pere, on Wednesday, April 27, 2011 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Oneida Hymn Singers at 6:30 PM, Prayer Service at 7:00 PM. Visitation continued on Thursday at Holy Apostle Episcopal Church, 2937 Freedom Rd, Oneida, from 9:30 AM until time of Mass. A Celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial followed at 10:30 AM with Rev. Kristina Henning officiating and Deacon Deborah Heckel concelebrating. Burial followed in church cemetery. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the House family.

Melchert, Theresa B. April 16, 1961 – April 26, 2011

Theresa B. Melchert, age 50, "Wab-Mosa-Kwe" (Stands in a Light Women), of Crandon, formerly of Oneida, left her home April 26, 2011 to walk with her creator. Theresa was born in Muskego on April 16, 1961 the daughter of Raymond and Adeline Melchert.

Theresa attended school in Seymour and Green Bay and later attended Nicolet Technical

College and received her C.N.A. Degree and intended to return to Nicolet and study Culinary Arts.

Theresa had a good sense of humor. She enjoyed working with Elders and being a caregiver. She enjoyed gardening, fishing, bingo and gambling with her life friend, Robert.

She is survived by: Fiance, Robert Daniels, Sr.

Sisters: Beverly Allen (Jerald Denny), Green Bay; Mary Powless, Phoenix, AZ

Sisters-in-law: Elaine "Opie" Shepard, Carter Debbie Melchert, Oneida

Brothers: Ronald (Susan) Melchert, Hudson

Timothy (Debbie) Melchert, Oneida

Mickel (Patricia) Melchert, Somerset

George (Kim) Melchert, Somerset

Frank (Liane) Melchert, Green Bay

She is preceded in death by her parents, Adeline Johnson and Raymond Melchert;

and 3 brothers, Larry, Roger & Chris.

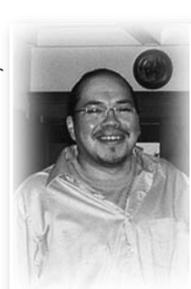
Visitation was held on Friday, April 29 from 4-6 p.m. at the Potawatomi Cultural Center, Stone Lake. Native American services were held on Saturday, April 30 at 2:00 p.m with Spiritual Leader, Joe Daniels conducting services. Interment was at the Potawatomi Tribal Cemetery, Stone Lake. Online condolences www.weberhillfuneral-home.com

The family would like to thank the Potawatomi Nation for their hospitality and assistance during this time.



In Loving Memory of... Danny John June 4, 1980 – May 9, 2010 A year has passed...

When we remember your smile, It brightens our day, Thoughts of your warmth and love, Seem to smooth the way.



You are loved and missed by so many
Mom, Kris, Brian, Dad and Amii,
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From 2A/OBC Wrap

General Tribal Council

A decision to schedule a General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting for the FY12 Budget was deferred to the next OBC meeting.

A petition concerning Health Care specialists, Initiative One Health Center management findings, land use fees for Oneida Farm, Tsyunhehkw, and grass-fed beef sold in cuts was recognized, and ordered to be researched for the June 8 OBC meeting.

Follow-ups/BC directives

The Committee approved putting in a request with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) to place polling sites in Oneida and Milwaukee for the BIA Secretarial election for Tribal Constitution revisions.

New

Business/Requests

Tonya Boucher withdrew from her appointment to the Oneida Election Board, and the issue was referred to the Chairman's office for a new recommendation.

A request to provide sponsorship to the National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference in Milwaukee June 13-16 was referred to the Treasurer's office.

The OBC approved a recommendation of Beverly Skenandore to the Oneida Child Protective Board.

The Committee also recommended a working group continue developing a recommendation for use of hand-held voting devices at GTC meetings and create a draft

GTC meeting procedure. The devices will be tested at the May 23 GTC meeting.

The OBC reaffirmed that Oneida citizens 70 and older will not pay a membership fee at the Oneida Family Fitness (OFF) Center. There was debate to allow members 55 to 69 and those with disabilities to pay a reduced \$25 per year fee. However Education and Training Area Manager Susan House stated the OFF hadn't kept records on how many members are disabled, and would need parameters for defining disabled. The budget impact for a reduced fee for those 55 to 69 would be \$12,050. Chief of Finance Larry Barton stated there would be savings to Oneida if as a result of the reduced membership fees people were more active and healthy.

"The loss is immaterial in the grand scheme of the overall fiscal impacts. Secondly, it will quantify as a savings as a means of prevention," said Barton.

The reduced fees were approved for 55-69 year olds, and a report was requested in 45 days to study the impact of reducing fees for citizens with disabilities.

The OBC approved an Environmental Protection Agency Underground Storage Tank credential inspection authorization.

Additions Wayne Metoxen and Wilbur Rentmeister were recommended to the Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises Board.

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Profile: McLester teaches lessons learned in Canada



Submitted photo

Ron McLester, Jr. went to school in Canada for his advanced degrees, and learned more about his Oneida heritage as well.

By Dawn Walschinski
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Ron McLester, Jr. traveled to Canada to obtain his degrees, and now is helping other Aboriginal students do the same as Manager of the Aboriginal Education Department at Mohawk College.

McLester, a citizen of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, was appointed to the President's Advisory Council at Mohawk College of Applied Arts and Technology in Hamilton, Ontario and to the Board of Directors of Six Nations Polytechnic.

"It's a council made up of a variety of staff members from faculty staff, support staff, student leaders, and we discuss a wide range of ... opportunities, strategic goals, and any ideas," said McLester.

Recently, his department received a \$300,000 grant to develop a program for kindergarten to 12 grade students to encourage them to seek higher education. "It's a project called

Pathfinder," said McLester. "We're bringing in 80 Aboriginal students, and they will live on campus for up to eight weeks. It's really modeled after the Upward Bound program in the states. They will contribute towards a documentary that will be used as a recruitment film. They will also be given iPad 2's that they can keep at the end of their experience."

McLester was named Chair of Diversity at the college in February.

"It's a two year pilot project, so we will be doing a needs assessment and an environmental scan to check out get a feel for how diverse and how inclusive the college is, where any gaps exist as far as making it a more inclusive and diverse campus," he said.

McLester explained the school looks at diversity within the Aboriginal population.

"We see diversity in ... the reserve students, students who are from the urban core, or from students who are from far

away – far north or far west. There are ... three different levels of diversity from the aboriginal population; and a fourth one would be for language speaking students, because there's a definite, I don't want to say barrier, but there's a definite difference from students who know some language between those who don't," he said.

McLester was also elected to the Board of Governors for Six Nations Polytechnic.

"Six Nations is ... basically an academic institution that's a community hub for not only ... focus groups and support groups, tutor groups, that kind of stuff, but also post secondary courses," he said.

McLester started his post-secondary education at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and then transferred to the University of Guelph in Ontario for Criminal Justice. He later earned a Masters in Social Work

from McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario.

While attending college in Canada, McLester said he learned more about Oneida's traditional ways.

"I got to meet clan mothers and I got to meet chiefs, and (go to) their longhouse here, and (learn) a different way of understanding of what it means to be Haudenosuantee," said McLester. Haudenosuantee means People of the Longhouse.

Because he went to college in Canada, McLester paid his own tuition. He would like Oneida to change its policy to pay for schooling in Canada.

"One thing Oneida Nation hasn't done is removed the border. The Oneida Nation recognizes the Canadian border; that border is invisible to our people, and there are treaties that say that," he said.



Calendar

2011

May 10

WIS54 Public Information Meeting

WHEN: Tuesday, May 10
TIME: 5:00am - 7:00pm
PLACE: cafeteria at Seymour High School
10 Circle Drive, Seymour, WI
Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) northeast region office is announcing a public information meeting concerning a traffic operations and corridor study for WIS 54 from French Road to WIS 55 South in Outagamie County.

May 12

Renewable Energy from Garbage ~ biomass DVD & discussion

WHEN: Thursday, May 12
TIME: 5:30am - 8:30pm
PLACE: House of Tawet
601 N Broadway, Green Bay, WI
H.O.T. Stone Soup presents a program and discussion about renewable energy from garbage. A DVD presentation by Dr. Paul Connett & Brad Angel from Green Action for Health & Environmental Justice. A discussion to follow regarding the recent proposal for a renewable energy facility on the North West side of Green Bay.

May 12

JOSHUA Transportation Forum

WHEN: Thursday, May 12
TIME: 6:30am - 7:30pm
PLACE: Brown County Public Library
515 Pine St., Green Bay, WI
JOSHUA, an interfaith organization in Brown County, is sponsoring two public forums on the importance of public transportation and the impact anticipated cuts and changes in state and federal funding could have on the local metro system.

May 14

Household Spring Clean Sweep

WHEN: Saturday, May 14
TIME: 8:00am - 12:00pm
PLACE: OHA Housing Warehouse
N6824 Seminary Road, Oneida
It's time to clear out all of your old, broken and unused items. Exchange your old mercury thermometer for a new digital one. Accepting tires, electronic waste, and household hazardous waste. Goodwill donations accepted. A free green cleaning bag while supplies last.

May 22

Essential Oils Seminar

WHEN: Saturday, May 22
TIME: 1:00pm
PLACE: Bear Paw Keepsakes
2667 West Mason Street
Join us for this look at everyday oils – nine to make your day the "oilers" way. Find out what you can do to improve your own health. RSVP with Connie at 414-481-1792.

Tuesdays

Compassionate Friends - Oneida Chapter

WHEN: 3rd Tues of every month
TIME: 6:30PM - 8:00PM
PLACE: Parish Hall, 2936 Freedom Road
Compassionate Friends is a support group supporting family after a child dies. Questions contact:

Tuesdays

Women's Talking Circle Group

WHEN: Every Tuesday!
TIME: 6:00PM - 7:30PM
PLACE: Wise Women Gathering Place,
2483 Babcock Rd.
Wise Women Gathering Place is sponsoring a Women's Talking Circle Group. Come and enjoy a cup of hot tea in the presence of women of all ages sharing and caring. Talking circles and fun activities. FMI contact Julia McLester or Emma White at Wise Women Gathering Place 920-490-0627.

Thursdays

Wise Youth Group

WHEN: Thursdays
TIME: 4:00PM - 6:00PM
PLACE: Three Sisters Center
For more information call Isabel Parker at (920) 498-2011 or Bev at 920-490-0627.

Fridays

Women's Support Group

WHEN: Fridays
TIME: 12:30PM - 2:30PM
PLACE: Three Sisters Center
For more information contact Isabel Parker or Georgia Burr at (920) 592-8682 or (920) 412-0396.

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- ✓ **UWGB (Attending) – Bachelor's in Interdisciplinary Studies & Business Administration. Expected graduation date 12/11**
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BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

New business relies on experience for success

2011 Submissions to Yukhika-latuhse (She tells us stories)

(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 seventh annual issue, which will be published this September. **The deadline for submissions is May 27, 2011.**

The editors prefer that writers submit electronically, as an attachment, to jstevens@centurytel.net or bbashara@oneidationation.org. Please mark to the attention of Yukhika. Submissions should be no more than four pages per writer. People should also include a short biography which includes tribal affiliation, and an SASE if submitting by snail mail.

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



Nori's Oneida Trading Post aims to put best foot forward

By Travis Cottrell
Kalihwisaks

Oneida Elder Nori Damrow has been involved with crafts for the majority of her life and loved every minute. Now she has taken that love and turned it into a small business venture with her new store, Nori's Oneida Trading Post.

It has been Nori's dream to one day open a store. After stepping away from a busy career she is now making that dream a reality. "I've been involved with crafts for nearly fifty years, I worked out of my home and did shows and powwows. So it's been a part of my life. Even after I began to work elsewhere I continued (to make crafts) simply because I loved it," said Damrow.

The quaint shop manages to stock a good amount of merchandise into the shop's space. Damrow says, "Everyday we change, everyday we're putting things in or fixing things different. I walk in here and I'm surprised every time I walk in, it seems to get fuller and fuller."

The store features a wide variety of merchandise such as beads, craft supplies, rugs, pottery, and baskets, just to name



Kali photo/Travis Cottrell

The staff members at Nori's Trading Post (L to R): Mary Hill, store owner Nori Damrow, and Mary Vvalther. Each member of the staff offers their own unique knowledge and experience to the budding business.

a few items. The store even displays and sells artworks produced by local artists and hopes to eventually feature an artist each month.

Although Damrow is the owner of the shop she is not without help. Damrow works with the assistance of Mary Hill and Mary Vvalther, respectively. Both of who bring experience and knowledge of crafts and artwork to the business.

"I do my artwork to sell. I paint, I sculpt, I do

raised beadwork, and I do silver smithing. I'm a master silver smith, I thought at the university level," says Vvalther of her experience in the arts. Hill also creates artwork in a different medium, "I mostly do sewing. I sew a lot of home decorations, I work with Pendleton, or whatever I feel like doing." Hill also offers experience in business.

Aside from the business' growing inventory of supplies Nori's Trading Post also con-

signs merchandise as well as entertains trades for merchandise.

"We'd like it to be more of a general merchandise store. We're looking at hats and shirts, but what's biggest on my mind are diapers," Damrow says of the future growth of the store.

"We come from three different perspectives and we all have our strengths and we all have our weaknesses. So we've just been trying to put our best foot forward

and get this thing off the ground and have something really special to offer to the public."

Nori's Oneida Trading Post is located at 2615 S. Packerland Dr., Suite F-2. The store is within the Airport Business Center. The store is open Tuesday through Saturday 10:00am to 5:00pm and will host a Grand Opening on Saturday, May 28th with ceremonies starting at 2:00pm.



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Please contact me at: (920) 530-7264 (Oneida) or (414) 614-9324 (Milwaukee) or you can e-mail me at: ThomasWilbur@mail.com.



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- Graduate of Tuck Executive Education, Dartmouth College, "Building Successful Native American Businesses"
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- Former Managing Board Member at OTIE
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Thomas E. Wilbur with his Aunt Robin Emmerton, after being nominated for Chairman of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin.

Thomas E. Wilbur (right) greeted Jack Sheldon, who recently traveled from Florida to the Oneida reservation to discuss business opportunities for the Tribe.





Kathy Hughes
Vice-Chairwoman

Last week I attended a meeting in Portland Oregon. Our task at this meeting was to prepare a draft consultation policy for CMS (Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services). This was a small workgroup with Tribal Leaders and CMS staff represented. We accomplished our task and are using this week to refine the document through email exchanges

Vice-Chairwoman's Corner...

and conference calls. The importance of this policy is emphasized each time CMS puts out new regulations and guidance with the implementation of the Affordable Care Act. The announcements most often impact our Elderly and the children, along with low-income families. While there can be no guarantees, having a Consultation Policy for the CMS will afford the Tribe a better opportunity to have input before these announcements are made, hopefully, minimizing any negative impacts.

We are continuing to look at systems to provide a better voting procedure at General Tribal Council meetings. Use of a hand held device is

expected to provide a smoother means of getting an accurate count in a timely manner. If you have been there when a hand count takes place you will know it is time consuming and at times questionable on accuracy. A workgroup is looking at devices and will be preparing procedures for GTC consideration sometime in the near future.

At the last Business Committee meeting a discussion took place regarding the fees for the Fitness Center. The Committee had previously taken action to lower the fees for those 55 and older to \$25. At this meeting, we eliminated any fees for those 70 and older.

That reduction is a minimal cost factor at

this time. But what I am concerned about is the accumulation of the small costs when we are having such a trying time coming up with a budget that meets all these needs. We received a petition this week asking for the specialty services that were eliminated at the Health Center to be returned. The Committee was reviewing this decision as part of the budgeting process but now the resolution is asking for it to be reinstated prior to any analysis to support the feasibility. We are being told again not to prepare a budget that will cut labor cost by laying people off. In addition, a petition has come forward asking for a \$.75 increase for all employees with annual wages of \$60,000 or less. These

are a few examples that demonstrate when I say we are good at coming up with ideas on how to spend money but getting the same creative thinking into how to make more money is an ongoing struggle.

While there has been a lot of talk, both for and against, the GTC meeting stipend, we have to recognize the influence that action has had on getting participation at these meetings. For more than 20 years I have been a part of the Committee in bringing an agenda to the GTC for decisions. Many of those GTC meetings didn't take place because we weren't able to get a 75 member quorum. I think it is fantastic that everyone is coming. And hopefully we will reach a point of understanding

that paying for the responsibility is not a good thing. Primary Elections are on May 7 and I hope there is a really good turn out for this first time event too. Voting in the Primary Election is another process for participation in your government and should not be dealt with lightly. We elect a Business Committee to take care of the daily governmental affairs of the Tribe and to create Laws that recognize the sovereign authority of the government to exercise jurisdiction over the reservation.

This Primary is the start in determining the Committee to do this work on your behalf. It isn't an easy job. It doesn't pay well and it takes long hours.

Letters & Opinions...

Petition Support

Dear Editor,

I support Loretta V. Metoxen's petition on the agenda for the GTC meeting, May 23rd. Her petition asks GTC to take the Judiciary Act off the table and vote on the "qualifications of judges" and the "disciplinary panel" as presented in February.

At that GTC meeting, Feb. 5, 2011, GTC supported higher education qualifications of future judges. But, after four hours, just as GTC was ready vote on a reasonable set of qualifications, a motion was made to table the Judiciary Act, again.

In sum, the purpose of the motion was to allow an open forum of community members to discuss the options and come to a more refined and precise recommendation, with the "6 month" time limit being an arbitrary time frame.

In review, the Judiciary Act and Legislative Procedures Act were on the table from a previous GTC meeting held on Nov. of 2010. But, the GTC wanted the BC separate the two proposed acts, and present them again with clarifications, as was done Feb. 5th.

We have worked on the Judiciary Act for years. During the last 2 years, the BC and LOC held 2 public hearings, and many community meetings about the Judiciary Act. Tribal members commented at public hearings, attended community meetings, and helped shape the Judiciary Act. This has not been the effort of the BC, but the collective, the Oneida citizenship.

The tribe has outgrown the "Appeals Commission" (AC) hearing body. It's time to empower a true court system, and reach the full potential of our Sovereignty. A review of comments from the Feb. 5th meeting reveals a strong belief that some of the current AC members don't have the skill sets and ethical standards required of true judges.

The majority of GTC, Feb 5th, favored higher education and experience

as qualifications for judges. Some people prefer a mediation, peacemaking and "alternative dispute resolution," which are included in the Judiciary Act under the section called "Peacemaking and Mediation Division."

Tribal members want future judges to be competent, fair, and objective in a tribal court. By setting the judges qualification higher, a strong ethical code, and a disciplinary panel of independent judges, we can reach this goal.

This petition seeks to set the qualifications to include a Juris Doctorate degree for the Chief Judges, and a bachelor's degree or 10 years of comparable experience for lower court judges.

GTC supports higher education, and dedicates funds to the Oneida Scholarship program. Many Oneidas are graduating from college, and even law school. In the past there was concern that educational requirements were too limiting, but that is no longer true. There are Oneida people who have the education, experience, and ethical standards we expect from judges.

Hopefully, the GTC will agree it's time to take off the table this Judiciary Act and Legislative Procedures Act and move forward with creating our own court.

Sincerely,
Sherrole Benton

Petition Opposition

I learned Thursday night (04/20/11) at our Judiciary Act Workgroup meeting that the Oneida Business Committee has agreed to place Loretta Metoxen's petition (to take the Judiciary Act off the table EARLY) on the agenda for the GTC meeting scheduled for May 23, 2011. By no means am I surprised, but I am truly disappointed that the Oneida Business Committee would allow the petition to be placed on the GTC meeting agenda because the GTC

OBC Forum...

Shekoli!

One of the most difficult things about nearing the end of my term of office is looking at all of the things that I still want to accomplish. No matter how members of the OBC schedule or plan, we will always end up with things that just won't be finished by the last day of the term. The last six months in office are always a rush to try and finalize as many projects as possible, which leads to a lot of hectic days and long nights.

Although several legislative items are underway, there are two particular projects that I hope will reach finalization: The Judiciary and the Indian Preference in Contracting Law. Both of these laws speak strongly to the Tribe's sovereign foundation, and among all the laws we are working on, I believe these two are extremely important for the Nation. Following is a status update on both:

The Judiciary

The February 5, 2011 GTC meeting was the third time the Judiciary came before the people. After four hours of excellent discussion, the membership was extremely close to adopting the law, but the motion got bogged down with word-smithing problems and the proposal was ultimately tabled for six months. We were directed to formulate a work group, consisting of any and all interested GTC members, to discuss and bring back specific language for two sections of the law where we had presented the GTC with different options – education/experience requirements for judges, and the composition of disciplinary panels.

Every Thursday night throughout the months of March and April, interested GTC members have come together and discussed the language and various options regarding

these two areas of the proposal. It has been a wonderful experience to see interested community members, with so many different backgrounds and opinions, come together and work together towards a common goal. I particularly want to commend the members of the workgroup for their willingness to listen to each other, the patience and respect they have demonstrated, and of course for the excellent points that have been made and the ideas that have been brought forth.

The group strives to come to consensus and will soon make their final recommendations for GTC consideration within the six-month time-frame. Of particular note: A petition was also submitted asking that the Judiciary be addressed prior to the six-month time-frame. The OBC has scheduled that petition to be heard at the May 23rd GTC meeting. The work group is being encouraged to be ready to address the issue on that day if the membership so desires to take it up.

Indian Preference in Contracting

The Indian Preference in Contracting law is the second project that I am working particularly hard to finalize. This law has been on the LOC agenda for revisions for over two years,

and we are now ready to present it for public comment.

At first glance, I thought that overhauling our current Indian Preference law might be a fairly simple task – but it has turned out to be a very challenging yet fascinating project. As sometimes happens with Tribal legislation, there are competing interests involved, and the Tribe has a stake in both of those interests.

On the one hand, it is crucial that we support Oneida-owned and Indian-owned businesses and workers. As a sovereign nation, we are deeply invested in making sure that our people can take advantage of every possible opportunity to earn a living; that businesses owned by our people become successful, and that our people are involved in every aspect of our Nation's development.

On the other hand, it is just as important that we are fiscally responsible, accountable, and most of all – fair. We have to make sure that we are not overspending on products and services. We have to ensure that every Tribal member and business is treated equally, and fairly. And we also have to make sure that nobody takes advantage of preference in a way that violates the intent of granting preference.

In the new Indian Preference in Contracting law, we are trying to strike a better balance between these competing interests, and to add accountability and transparency. We

want to make sure that everyone clearly understands their rights under this law, and how to challenge any perceived unfairness in how it is applied. Through more detailed and specific language, we are trying to close any loopholes in the current law and more rigorously enforce preference in contracting for Oneida and other Indian businesses, and preference by contractors in employment for Oneida and other Indian workers.

A public hearing will be held on the proposal on May 26, 2011, in the OBC Conference Room. This is your opportunity to let the government hear your voice. If you would like a copy of the proposal, stop by the Legislative Reference Office in the Norbert Hill Center, or check online – the www.Oneida-nsn.gov website will have information about public hearings – just click on the "Government" link at the top, and then select "Tribal Laws" from the drop-down menu. If you are unable to attend the Public Hearing, you can submit written comments to Legislative Reference Office, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155.

I would like to also note that there are a total of seven proposed legislative items that have been scheduled for public hearings in upcoming weeks. You can find information on these public hearings on the Tribal website as well as in this issue of the Kalihwisaks. Three public hearings will be held on May 23 and the remaining four will be held on May 26, 2011. We hope to see you there!

Yawáko

Oneida Business Committee Meetings

Wednesday, May 11, 9:00am

Wednesday, May 25, 9:00am

Norbert Hill Center

The OBC meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month

• See 12A,
Letters & Opinions

NOTICE OF 2011 PRIMARY ELECTION SATURDAY MAY 7, 2011

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Special General Tribal Council Meeting 6 p.m. Monday, May 23, 2011 Agenda

1. Opening
2. Announcements
3. Call meeting to order
4. Adoption of agenda
5. Tabled Items from April 11, 2011 special GTC meeting: Motion by Sandra Schuyler to table the rest of the items on the agenda, seconded by Kerry Cornelius. Motion carried.
- a. Personnel Policy and Procedure Amendment to Strengthen Indian Preference in Hiring
Excerpt from Jan. 3, 2011 GTC Annual meeting: Motion by Cathy L. Metoxen to table for 60 days, seconded by Lois Powless. Motion carried.
- b. Personnel Policy and Procedure Amendment to Vacation and Personal Day Accumulation personnel policy and procedure
Excerpt from Jan. 3, 2011 GTC Annual meeting: Motion by Madelyn Genskow to table 8.b. Personnel Policies and Procedures amendment to Vacation and Personal Day accumulation until all Oneida Tribal members who are employees of the Oneida Tribe receive a 10-day notice, seconded by Elaine Doxtator. Motion carried.
- c. Personnel Policy and Procedure Amendment to Trade Back for Cash of Vacation and Personal Time
6. Petitioner Cathy L. Metoxen: Various spending and budget requirements
7. Petitioner Loretta V. Metoxen: Take Judiciary Law from the table
8. Adjournment

Meeting location will be the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center Three Clans Ballroom, 2040 Airport Drive, Oneida, WI. Please bring this agenda packet to the meeting with you. To obtain a copy of meeting materials, call the Tribal Secretary's Office at (920) 869-4364. Meeting notices are available on the Tribe's website at: www.oneida-nsn.gov

Frequently Asked Questions Oneida Tribal General Election Primary

How will the election process be different for the 2011 General Election?

In 2011, a Primary Election will be held. In years past there was no primary election.

What is a primary?

Excerpts from Oneida Tribal Election Law:

2.12-2. There shall be a primary election for Business Committee positions whenever there are three (3) or more candidates for any officer positions or sixteen (16) or more candidates for the at-large council member positions.

(a) The two (2) candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast for each officer position shall be placed on the ballot.

(b) The fifteen (15) candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast for the at-large council member positions shall be placed on the ballot.

(c) Any position where a tie exists to determine the candidates to be placed on the ballot shall include all candidates where the tie exists.

2.12-3. The Election Board shall cancel the primary election if the Business Committee positions did not draw the requisite number of candidates for a primary by the petitioning deadline set for the primary.

2.12-4. In the event a candidate withdraws or is unable to run for office after being declared a winner in the primary, the Election Board shall declare the next highest primary vote recipient the primary winner. This procedure shall be repeated as necessary until the ballot is full or until there are no available candidates. If the ballot has already been printed, the procedures for notifying the Oneida public in section 2.5-11 and 2.5-12 shall be followed, including the requirement to print a notice in the Tribal newspaper if time lines allow.

Why have a primary?

To give members a chance to select from fewer candidates or the Business Committee positions in the General Election.

Will there be a primary for all vacancies?

No. The primary election is for Business Committee vacancies only.

When will the primary be held?

On Saturday, May 7, 2011 at the Oneida Health Center and the SEOTS Building in Milwaukee. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

If there are only two candidates running for an officer position, will a primary still be held for that position?

No. The primary is designed to get the top two candidates for each officer position. If only two applicants run for that position, each applicant will automatically be placed on the General Election ballot as a candidate.

If a candidate didn't advance in the primary, can I write their name on my ballot at the General Election?

No. Write-in candidates are not allowed.

When will the Caucus be held?

On Saturday, March 12, 2011 at the Norbert Hill Center at 1:00 p.m.

Is the Caucus just for vacancies within the Business Committee?

No, the Caucus will be for ALL vacancies of all boards, committees, and commissions with elected positions to be filled at the 2011 General Election.

When can I submit application for candidacy?

Officially this is done at the Caucus by being nominated and submitting the required application by the deadline date to the Tribal Secretary's Office.

If I can't attend the Caucus, can I still submit my application to be a candidate?

Yes. You will need to complete a petition and submit the required application by the deadline date.

How long do I have to submit an application to become a candidate?

All applications are due by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 18, 2011 to the Tribal Secretary's Office.

When is the General Election?

On Saturday, July 16, 2011 at the Oneida Health Center and the SEOTS Building in Milwaukee. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

When can I begin campaigning?

Whenever you wish.

Excerpt from Oneida Election Law: **2.5-9.**

Campaign Signs and Campaigning:

(a) Placement of campaign signs:

- (1) Campaign signs shall not be posted or erected on any Tribal property except for private property with the owner/tenant's permission.
- (2) No campaign sign shall exceed sixteen (16) square feet in area. A maximum of seven (7) such signs may be placed on a building or on a lot.
- (3) No campaign sign shall project beyond the property line into the public right of way.

(b) Removal of campaign signs. All campaign signs shall be removed within five (5) business days after an election.

(c) Employees of the Tribe shall not engage in campaigning for Tribal offices during work hours. Tribal employees shall be subject to disciplinary action under the personnel policies and procedures for political campaigning during work hours.

(d) Enforcement. The Zoning Administrator shall cause to be removed any campaign signs that are not in compliance with this law, in accordance with the Zoning and Shoreland Protection Law.

(e) Fines. Violation of the campaign sign restrictions shall result in a fine imposed by the Election Board in an amount specified in a resolution adopted by the Business Committee.

Can I vote by absentee ballot?

No. Article III Section 2 of the Constitution states "All enrolled members of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin who are 21 years of age or over shall be qualified voters provided they present themselves in person at the polls on the day of election."

Will the Milwaukee voting site be open for both the primary and general election?

Yes. Business Committee Resolution 03-13-2002-O states: "NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that an approved facility; compliance with the Oneida Election Law, 2.8-0, Section B, located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is hereby designated as a second polling site for Oneida triennial elections, beginning with the July, 2002, election." The SEOTS Building is located at 6820 West Wedgewood Drive, Milwaukee, WI.

Should you have further questions please contact any of the Election Board Officers: Leyne Orosco, Chairperson @ 920-362-0890 or at lorosco@oneidanation.org Racquel Hill, Vice Chairperson @ 920-869-4388 or at rhill2@oneidanation.org Kitty Melchert, Secretary @ 920-869-4026 or at kmelcher@oneidanation.org

2011 Election Dates to remember...

A look at key dates to remember regarding the new primary laws and the 2011 Tribal General Election

Primary Election

May 7, 2011 The primary election will narrow the list of candidates to the top two vote-getters for each officer position and the top 15 for the 5 council seats

Locations:

Oneida Health Center,
525 Airport Drive, Oneida
SEOTS Building, 6811 West
Morgan Avenue, Milwaukee

General Election

July 16, 2011, The two top vote getters of the Primary Election will appear on the ballot
NO Write-in candidates will be allowed

Campaigning

Anytime – Campaigning can begin and take place at any time

From 1A/Highway 41

Hill stated Oneida has an intergovernmental agreement with Wisconsin that will create engineering jobs for Oneida Tribal Integrated Enterprises (OTIE) as well as opportunities for Oneida entrepreneurs.

"Whether it's trucking, signage, building products, labor, not only for our own private sector, but there's also an opportunity for OTIE and the engineering area as well," said Hill.

The designation as an interstate would need to be approved by the Federal Highway Authority. Improvements to Highway 41 would have to include widening the corridor as well as meeting overpass height requirements and safety standards.

"As long as we're making upgrades and improvements along the way, we make sure we do them so it fits the

interstate standards," said Walker.

Construction will begin in the Green Bay area in at the WIS 29 and County J intersection in June and continue through May of 2012. The interstate designation will run from Green Bay to Milwaukee. The cost to make the improvements is estimated to be between \$15 and \$20 million.

Board Vacancies

Oneida Personnel Commission

Five (5) Vacancies

Qualifications:

- Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
- The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven community members
- Shall serve a full term of 5 years unless appointed to fill a vacancy created by resignation with more than one year remaining, then shall be remainder of term.
- Membership may not be such that a conflict of interest between the private interest and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.

provide guidance in all the functions of the SEOTS Board; and to adhere to the appropriate chain of command in any and all relative communications.

Qualifications:

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

**Deadline: 4:30
May 23, 2011**

Oneida Police Commission

Two (2) Vacancies

Qualifications:

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

**Deadline: 4:30
May 23, 2011**

Oneida Pow Wow Committee:

One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:

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

**Deadline: 4:30
May 23, 2011**

Oneida Library Board:

Two (2) Vacancies

Purpose:

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

Qualifications:

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

**Deadline: 4:30
May 23, 2011**

Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board

One (1) Vacancy

Purpose:

To set missions and goals for the delivery of services; to act as liaison between the Oneida Social Services program serving Southeastern Wisconsin and the Oneida people residing therein; to review the programs budget; to guide and advise the programs administration;

**Deadline: 4:30
May 23, 2011**

Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee

Two (2) Vacancies

Qualifications:

- The Veterans Affairs

Committee will be made up of members of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin who have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

• Members shall have been inducted into, or voluntarily entered, active duty in one of the service branches of the Armed Forces of the United States of America and who did not receive a discharge from active duty with that branch of the Armed Forces of the United States of America due to "less than honorable conditions."

• Must have been on active duty by serving 181 days or more of continuous active duty unless discharged early, with less than 181 days active duty, for a service connected disability.

• Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has completed at least six years in the Reserves or National Guard, or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability.

• Shall be a citizen in good standing in the Oneida Community.

• Terms of office shall be for a period of 3 years.

**Deadline: 4:30
May 23, 2011**

Oneida Environmental Resource Board

Three (3) Vacancies

Qualifications:

- The ERB shall consist of nine (9) enrolled members of the Oneida tribe who are not employed within the Environmental Dept, the Conservation Dept, or other areas of the Oneida Tribe over which the ERB has direct oversight responsibility and authority. Commissioners shall be appointed by the Oneida Business Committee to serve a (3) year term.

Mission:

To protect, conserve and enhance all natural resources to assure the preservation of the quality of life for the next seven generations.

**Deadline: 4:30
May 23, 2011**

Applications and vacancy information can be obtained from the Tribal Secretary's office at the Norbert Hill Center or online at <http://oneida-nsn.gov> for more information about vacancies, please contact Delilah Mckinney in the Tribal Secretary's office at 920-869-4421.

Public Hearing Notice

9:00AM Norbert Hill Center (BCCR)

May 23, 2011

Purpose:

Amendments to the Child Custody, Placement and Visitation Law to Address a Parent Move.

The intent of these Amendments is to require a parent with physical custody of a child to provide notice to the other parent prior to moving outside of the state. The Amendments also provide a mechanism for the non-custodial parent to object and a hearing to be held. The Amendments are based on a request submitted by the Oneida Appeals Commission.

Purpose:

Oneida Tribal Regulation of Domestic Animals Ordinance Amendments.

The purpose of these amendments is to grandfather in those individuals who have more animals than allowed under the Tribe's law, if they had those animals on the land before they became subject to the jurisdiction of the Tribe. The amendments would also allow an individual to operate a kennel on land zoned residential, if he or she obtains a permit from the Land Commission which allows the kennel. Finally, the amendments clarify the type of land the Ordinance applies to and allows individuals to appeal fines and citations to the Environmental Resource Board.

Purpose:

Amendments to Address Guardians Ad Litem Appointments and Conflicts of Interest.

The intent of these amendments is to prevent conflicts of interest in the appointment of guardians ad litem. The provisions for appointing a guardian ad litem are located in the Child Custody, Placement, and Visitation law. Under the amendments, a person would be disqualified for appointment as a guardian ad litem for a particular case if he or she is related to an interested party, an actual party, a Commissioner for the proceeding, or to an appointing Commissioner. Amendments to the Paternity law and Child Support law are also included in order to reference the Child Custody, Placement and Visitation law's standards for guardian ad litem appointments.

Purpose:

Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Law Amendments.

The purpose of these amendments is to update the Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Law for the 2011-2012 season. The Amendments would

allow ten and eleven-year olds to obtain a sportsman license to hunt after completing a hunter safety course, if he or she remains within arms grasp of a mentor while hunting; obeys all hunting laws and regulations; and obtains the necessary licenses, permits and/or tags. The Amendments also outline the requirements that a person must meet in order to be a mentor to a ten or eleven-year old hunter. In addition, the Amendments would allow tree stands to remain up until April 1st, as opposed to two weeks after the end of archery season; require a buck to have at least 4 points in order to be harvested; limit a designated hunter to hunting for one elder or disabled person; legalize colony traps; require individuals to obtain a permit before possessing or releasing birds for dog training purposes; and allow non-Indians to obtain a predator's license to hunt fox, coyote and raccoon on the Reservation.

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Purpose:

Indian Preference in Contracting Law Adoption.

The Indian Preference in Contracting law would replace the current Oneida Indian Preference Law, which was originally adopted in 1998 and last amended in 2003. The purposes of the law are to 1) expand the application of preference in contracting, thus increasing economic opportunities for tribal businesses, and 2) to prevent increased Tribal costs due to misuse of Indian preference entitlement.

Purpose:

Amendments to the Per Capita Ordinance.

The intent of these Amendments is to:

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

dates, as needed, with Oneida Business Committee (OBC) approval.

Purpose:

Voluntary Severance Law Adoption.

The purpose of this law is to govern voluntary severance by creating the authorities and responsibilities of various Tribal entities when a voluntary severance is available to employees of the Tribe. The Law allows the Oneida Business Committee to reduce the Tribe's workforce, based on financial conditions, through the enactment of a voluntary severance. Under the Law, the Human Resource Department and the Executive Managers are responsible for informing employees of the voluntary severance and making the final determination as to whether an employee is eligible to receive a severance. The intent of the Law is not to terminate employees based on performance issues and applies only to those employees who voluntarily resign from the Tribe.

Public Hearing Process

Testimony:

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

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

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Tonya Boucher at the Legislative Reference Office, via Groupwise tboucher@oneidana-tion.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 920-869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this law are also available on the Internet: <http://www.oneidana-tion.org/government/law-sandpolicies/publichearings.aspx>

Oneida Business Committee Meetings

May 11, May 21

9:00am, OBC Council Room, 2nd floor of the Norbert Hill center

Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month

For more information go to <http://oneida-nsn.gov>



Oneida Tribal Judicial System

Quarterly Summaries for Jan. - Mar. 2011

Procedure, Rule 9(E) Failure of Allegations. Appellant failed to sufficiently allege one of the criteria of Rule 9(D). This case denied.

Mary L. Brocker v. Anna John Nursing Home, Sherri Lansbach. Docket No. 11-AC-001, January 19, 2011. Judicial Officers Winnifred L. Thomas, Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless presiding. Remanded to the Oneida Personnel Commission to hold a hearing on the original merits of the case, in accordance with RAP, Rule 9(B)(2): If not ripe for Appellate review, the Initial Review body will determine what original hearing body has subject matter jurisdiction over the case.

Mary Brocker v. Anna John Nursing Home, Sherri Lansbach. Docket No. 11-AC-006, March 25, 2011. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless, Winnifred Thomas presiding. Denied according to Rules of Appellate Procedure, Rule 9(E) Failure of Allegations. Appellant failed to sufficiently allege one of the criteria of Rule 9(D). This case denied.

Appellate Court Decisions

Steven Huff v. Oneida Bingo & Casino, Slot Department, Dan Stevens. Docket No. 10-AC-018, February 15, 2011. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless, Winnifred L. Thomas, Jennifer Webster and Stanley R. Webster presiding. This case was an appeal of an Oneida Personnel Commission (OPC) decision which upheld, Appellant, Steven Huff's termination for violation of Oneida Personnel Policies and Procedures, Section V.D.2.II.a "Failure to report promptly and observe work schedules...without the specific approval of the supervisor" and Section V.D.3.c "Accumulated Disciplinary Actions Warranting Termination". Mr. Huff claimed his supervisor's failure to adhere to

Section V.D.5.e requiring him to send a copy of the disciplinary action to the area manager and gaming manager, created a procedural irregularity in the disciplinary process. OPC ruled in its decision to uphold the termination and that while there may have been procedural irregularities exhibited during the disciplinary process, "past practice has set a precedent for implementing Section V.D.5.e..." The supervisors failure to adhere to the Blue Book (requiring copies of the termination be sent to the area manager and general manager) was not a procedural irregularity that caused harm to Mr. Huff. This Appellate body found there was no procedural irregularity in the OPC's process of reasoning in itself, however, there was a procedural irregularity when they ruled there had been no previous appeal challenging this violation. This case was an appeal, a challenge and should have been acted upon. All laws and rules of the Oneida Tribe are valid and in full force and effect unless shown otherwise. This irregularity was found to be a harmless error, no evidence in the record that this failure to follow the rule resulted in any tangible harm or error which required reversal of the termination. Mr. Huff was terminated for violations of Section V.D.2.II.a and V.D.3.c of the Blue Book which he did not argue. Termination upheld.

Lee Thomas v. Oneida Tribe Financial Department, Lawrence Barton. Docket No. 10-AC-011, December 22, 2011. Pro Tem Judicial Officers Todd R. Matha, Stephan M. Grochowski, Marianne Higgins, Robert Miller, Jr. and James B. Mohr presiding. This case was an appeal of an Oneida Personnel Commission (OPC) decision which upheld a (3) day suspension due to an "unauthorized release of the Bay Bank Loan Report." On January 27, 2010 the Oneida Business Committee directed the Bay Bank President to provide the small business loan 2000 reports by

Friday, January 29, 2010. Subsequently, on January 29, 2010, Tribal Secretary Patti Hoeft independently requested the reports from Jennifer Schabow, Accounting Manager-Programs and Mr. Thomas approved the delivery to Ms. Hoeft. As a result, Mr. Barton, Supervisor issued Mr. Thomas a 3-day suspension for "unauthorized release of the Bay Bank Loan Report." Mr. Thomas objected to the discipline on three (3) principal grounds: 1) no records were released outside the Tribe; 2) the record delivery did not materially differ from similar past instances over a span of five (5) years, without Respondents pre-authorization; and 3) the records did not contain confidential information. OPC found the documents released had personal information and were released without the consent of parties and the parties could be hurt if the report was released to the public. Mr. Thomas alleged the OPC decision to be clearly erroneous and against the weight of the evidence. The Appellate body agreed. They emphasized that Mr. Thomas did not distribute the bank records outside the Tribe, but to the Tribal Secretary. OPC found the apparent absence of consent by the account holders, however neither party, not the Business Committee ever insisted or mentioned this condition. Mr. Barton indicated he should have pre-authorized the record delivery, but offered no testimony or documentation to support. The second OPC finding of "too much information" contained in the records was ambiguous. Inasmuch as no public release of information occurred, this argument fails. The Personnel Commission decision overturned, suspension overturned.

Department of Public Works, Rosa John, Custodial Supervisor v. Aaron Menchski. Docket No. 10-AC-027, March 16, 2011. Judicial Officers Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless, Winnifred L. Thomas, Jennifer Webster and

Stanley R. Webster presiding. This case was an appeal by Rosa John, Custodial Supervisor, Department of Public Works, of an Oneida Personnel Commission (OPC) decision which overturned Respondent, Aaron Menchski's termination. On June 14, 2010 Mr. Menchski was terminated for violation of Oneida Personnel Policies and Procedures, Section V.D.3.b Accumulated Disciplinary Actions warranting Termination, "The accumulation of two (2) upheld suspensions within any twelve (12) month period. (T)". Ms. John alleged the OPC to be clearly erroneous by failing to consider evidence presented as to why there was a legitimate reason the five day rule in accordance with Section V.D.5 Disciplinary Procedure was not met. OPC found Ms. John's inaction of following up on the status of whether or not Mr. Menchski appealed his April 5, 2010 discipline to the OPC to be fatal. Ms. John issued the termination more than two (2) months after the discipline had been issued. OPC decision upheld, termination overturned.

Trial Court Decisions

Donald J. Denny v. Oneida HRD-Benefits and Crawford & Company. Docket No. 10-TC-088, January 7, 2011. Judicial Officers Leland Wigg-Ninham, Mary Adams, Stanley Webster presiding. This case arose out of a work place injury suffered by Donald Denny. Mr. Denny sought additional benefits in the form of medical treatment and compensation for a 10% permanent partial disability. The court denied Mr. Denny's claim for his failure to prove his claim for 10% permanent partial disability.

Sharon Cornelius vs. Oneida HRD-Benefits and Crawford Insurance. Docket No. 10-TC-194, March 7, 2011. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Jean M. Webster and Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding. This case arose out of a

work place injury suffered by Sharon Cornelius. This situation was unique; employee, Sharon Cornelius, fainted due to her diabetic health conditions, which cause her injury. Ms. Cornelius was working during a "Code D". The criteria for the "Code D" exposed Ms. Cornelius to those conditions or circumstances beyond those common to occupational life and is predominantly work related. Furthermore, the Court found it persuasive that Ms. Cornelius' supervisor knew she was diabetic and denied her the necessary break, even when Ms. Cornelius notified the supervisor she was beginning to feel dizzy and light headed.

The Court granted Ms. Cornelius's requests of coverage for her medical bills and loss of wages provided they were consistent with the Workers' Compensation Ordinance.

Lisa Marie Summers v. Oneida Business Committee. Docket No. 10-TC-217, March 14, 2011. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Sandra Skenadore and Jean M. Webster presiding. Petitioner, Ms. Summers was requesting reinstatement of the original accumulation of employee personal time by one (1) day. Mrs. Summers filed a Motion to Voluntarily Dismiss without Prejudice, claiming the parties have come to an agreement. The Court granted the motion.

Lisa M. Behringer vs. Michael T. Behringer. Docket No. 10-DI-004, March 4, 2011. Judicial Officers Mary Adams, Jean M. Webster and Leland Wigg-Ninham presiding. This is a divorce action. Petitioner, Mrs. Behringer, filed a motion to dismiss. The Court granted the motion to dismiss.

Complete copy of the decisions can be obtained at the Oneida Tribal Judicial System office and can be viewed from the Oneida Internet. Submitted by Janice L. McLester.

Initial Review

Rule 9(D) - Criteria for Acceptance:

The Initial Review Body shall accept an appeal for appellate review if one or more of the following elements are sufficiently alleged to exist in the original hearing body decision by the Appellant in the Notice of Appeal:

- (1) A violation of constitutional provisions;
- (2) The decision is outside the scope of the authority or otherwise unlawful;
- (3) The decision is clearly erroneous and is against the weight of the evidence presented at the hearing level;
- (4) The decision is arbitrary and/or capricious;
- (5) There is exhibited a procedural irregularity which would be considered a harmful error that may have contributed to the final decision, which if the error had not occurred, would have altered the final decision;
- (6) There is a presentation or introduction of new evidence that was not available at the hearing level which, if available, may have altered the final decision.

To conserve time and space provided, the Oneida Tribal Judicial System will only put into print the Initial Review Decisions which have been denied. The cases that have been accepted at Initial Review will be published when the final adjudication has been entered.

Denied Initial Review Decisions

Matthew E. Ellis v. Division of Land Management. Docket No. 10-AC-033, January 6, 2011. Judicial Officers Winnifred L. Thomas, Janice L. McLester, Lois Powless presiding. Denied according to Rules of Appellate

Oneida Legal Resource Center

By Attorney Charlene Smith
Legal Resource Center

The Legal Resource Center (LRC) is for tribal members who have legal issues and tribal employees who have employment issues. The LRC staff is available for free legal consultations by appointment.

Due to the expansion of the Oneida tribal jurisdiction with the recent adoption of tribal laws relating to family law, more cases will be heard in the Oneida Tribal Judicial System (OTJS) for members who would otherwise have to file and appear in state court. This is an opportunity for members to have their legal disputes addressed/settled in their own court

by tribal judicial officers. It is beneficial for the tribe as a whole as it exercises our sovereign right to self govern.

The services are offered to Oneida tribal members for a fee. The legal services include family law litigation at the OTJS, pro-se divorce paperwork, name changes, wills, power of attorney documents, eviction defense (OHA and DOLM only), small claims, and legal procedure information. There may be legal issues that the LRC staff is not proficient in, but the staff will do their best to point the member in the right direction to get their legal questions answered and/or legal issues resolved. The LRC attorney also pro-

vides assistance and/or representation for tribal members in criminal matters and family law issues in local state courts.

The LRC continues to assist Oneida employees who work on the program side with their issues of employee dispute. An employee who has an employment dispute may consult with one of the LRC paralegals in regard to their rights and due process. There is no fee for this service.

Please call the LRC for more information or an appointment at (920) 496-5310.

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Oneida Business Committee Recognizes Lady Thunderhawks' Success

By Lisa Rauschenbach
ONHS Athletic Director

Last week the BC recognized the Lady Thunderhawks on their successful basketball season. This recognition was very much appreciated and needed to show our girls how proud of them we are.

I would like to give some additional recognition to Coach Jamie Better. Her commitment, hard work and perseverance to the ONHS basketball program has far exceeded any expectations that the Athletic Program has given her. Coach Better has fueled a fire in not only our basketball program but the Athletic program as well this 2011 season. Her dedication, passion for coaching and lasting influence is one of the main reasons that the community came together to support these girls. Jamie started this season, trying to teach the fundamentals of basketball but ended up teaching so much more. Basic fundamentals quickly become



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Jamie Better coaches the 2010-2011 Lady Thunderhawks basketball team during a timeout. The team was recognized by the Oneida Business Committee for their successful season.

lessons on being a team and helping one another to succeed. She spent countless hours both on and off the court teaching the girls the value of being a team player, commitment, looking out for one another, the importance of academics, being respectful, thankfulness, good sportsmanship, how to represent our community and most

importantly to never give up on themselves.

For all of these reasons, Coach Better deserves to be recognized as she is no "ordinary coach" but rather a mentor and investor into teaching our young ladies how to be student athletes. She has made a tremendous impact on the basketball program in the short time she has

been with us and her first season's success is a direct reflection of that.

If and when you see Coach Better, please thank her for everything she has done within the ONHS Athletic program. My hopes are to continue to mimic Ms. Better's efforts and passion for helping our Oneida youth to set high expectations for seasons to come.

Community Input Needed

The Oneida Nation Museum is developing an exhibition schedule for the next 3-5 years. We are asking the community for suggestions for our upcoming exhibits. Please contact Sara Summers-Luedtke at (920) 869-6531 or

ssumme2@oneidation.org with any ideas on future exhibit topics or feedback from past exhibits. With your input, we can truly make this a community museum!
Yaw^ko!

A Walk in Wisconsin's Woods

Nature writer Candice Gaukel Andrews weaves together contemporary observations and historical reminiscences in "Beyond the Trees: Stories of Wisconsin Forests" (\$26.95, ISBN: 978-0-87020-467-8), the latest release from the Wisconsin Historical Society Press. Andrews tells the story of Wisconsin's forests through its inhabitants, landscapes, and myriad changes both natural and man-made. Far from a static guidebook, "Beyond the Trees" characterizes Wisconsin's state and national forests as distinct and vibrant entities, each a unique reservoir of biodiversity and history.

the footsteps of Ojibwe hunters and early explorers, trek past the remains of bygone logging and CCC camps, and glimpse into the world of Great Lakes shipping. Whether explored on trails named after John Muir and Increase Lapham, or experienced in an urban green space, the orchids and oak savannah, beaver and brook trout, white-tailed deer and timber wolves of Wisconsin's forests are waiting to be discovered. Inviting contemporary color photographs, archival images, informative sidebars, locator maps, and contact information for Wisconsin state and national forests round out this unique book.

Readers will walk in

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WHEN: May 21-22, 2011
WHERE: Thornberry Creek at Oneida
FORMAT: Individuals
May 21st - Tee times starting @ 11 am
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THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL ONE-TIME WIGA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$5.00
This is included in the cost listed above.

Oneida Lacrosse battles for Win



Kali photos/Travis Cottrell

The Oneida Nation High School Lacrosse team faced off against the DePere Redbirds on April 3rd at DePere High School. The Redbirds were the first to score in the game but Oneida quickly answered with a score of their own. The Thunderhawks never gave up their lead, battling to a three goal advantage. Oneida managed to hold off DePere's late rally for a 7-6 victory. The Thunderhawks next game is Thursday, May 12 at Bay Port High School.

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OSGC Appreciates Support at GTC

Oneida Seven Generations Corporation wants to thank all those who attended the recent GTC meeting to ask questions and voice their support for OSGC's proposed renewable energy project. The facility, to be located on Green Bay's far northwest side will take municipal solid waste (MSW) and, through a Pyrolysis-gasification system, turn it into energy.

"We greatly appreciate the many comments and questions tribal members had about the project," said OSGC Chief Executive Officer, Kevin Cornelius. "It showed the community wanted to learn more, and hear from the experts, about how the system works and the many benefits to the environment as well as the Tribe. We appreci-

ate their support." Among the environmental benefits:

- The facility will be able to process up to 150 tons of MSW daily, reducing the amount of waste going into area landfills. Currently, approximately 500 to 600 tons of MSW is transferred daily at the Brown County Waste Transfer Station.
- The facility will meet all public health and safety rules and requirements of the DOE, WDNR, EPA and OSHA. The facility will not be allowed to be built, or operate, unless it meets all requirements.

In addition to the technology and environmental benefits, various financial aspects of the project were discussed. It was stressed that:

- No money from Oneida Tribal government is invested in the project.
 - The BIA loan guarantee is tied only to the project and NOT the tribe.
- "We've done our due diligence in moving forward with this project," stated Cornelius. "Plus, we are now working with a local government that wants us to be there. Our relationship with, and assistance from, the City of Green Bay has been nothing but positive. This is a good project for everyone involved."

For more information about the OSGC renewable energy facility, go to www.osgc.net or feel free to contact the OSGC office at (920) 347-0500. "Our door is always open to those who are interested in our projects or have questions," said Cornelius.

Remembering Maple Tapping



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

From left to right: Marjorie Broberg with daughters Susan Lemens and Maxine Thomas talk about maple tapping then and now.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

Three generations gathered to hear my Grandmother Marjorie Broberg remember when her grandparents Lavina and Simon Metoxen would tap maple trees on their property when Marjorie was a young girl. My aunt Susan Lemens, my mother Maxine Thomas and myself, Dawn Walschinski, drank tea and listened to her stories.

"I remember my grandparents had a little woods back of their place, and they would cut down trees, but they would leave all the maples up, and they called them

sugar maples. They would tap them in the spring time, and my uncle and grandfather would hang pails on the tapped trees," said Marjorie.

"My grandparents had great big milk cans, and they would pour the sap in there," she explained. "My grandmother had a big black kettle, and they would pour all the sap in there. Then they made a fire, and it had to keep going day and night."

When the syrup was the right thickness, Marjorie's grandmother would put the finished product into pint jars to share with everyone who helped.

"Then they would have

a nice pancake breakfast, and they would put maple syrup on it," she said.

Maxine, an Oneida Culture and Language Teacher at the Oneida Nation School System (ONSS), explained the ONSS students bartered maple syrup with schools up north for wild rice for the annual family feast.

"Someone in the family needed to go up there every year to help with their wild rice, so that they could bring some home," said Marjorie who had an aunt that lived in Odanah, Wisc. "I always thought wild rice tasted so good."

From 1A/Farewell to Potack

Potack's importance in helping shape the youth of the Oneida community was not unnoticed by Sharon Mousseau, the school's Superintendent.

"Language and Culture have always been at the center of our school," said Mousseau. "Culture is who we are and we have to teach it."

Parents were notified of Potack's death in a letter sent home with students on Friday, April 29. The letter advises that students were told of her death and provided counseling services.

Potack's death pushed

the school's crisis plan into action shortly after the school was notified.

"I am glad we have that in place. I was gone and everyone knew what to do," Mousseau said. The plan details the process of handling crisis situations and each staff member knows their role within the plan.

With the loss of Potack, the school will be even more shorthanded in the culture area due to a retirement last year. Currently under cost containment measures that prohibit new hires the school will turn to a sub-

stitute teacher for the rest of the school year. The school also recognizes the challenge of replacing her.

"Carol's position was not tribally funded so we will be able to post her job," Mousseau. "But people don't go to school to teach culture and heritage. You have to know it and have patience with kids like she did."

Potack served in the Oneida Nation School System for 26 years.

"We're going to miss her," said Mousseau. "That's what everyone is saying."

44th Annual Miss Oneida Royalty Pageant

Friday, June 24th 2011
6:00 p.m.
Radisson Hotel & Convention Center
Wolf Room

Come experience the selection of Oneida Nation's New Ambassadors 2011-2012 Miss and Jr. Miss Oneida

Qualifications

<p>Miss Oneida</p> <p>High School Graduate or Enrolled in College</p> <p>Enrolled or in process of enrollment with the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin</p> <p>18-25 years of age (by day of coronation: June 16, 2011)</p>	<p>Jr. Miss Oneida</p> <p>Student</p> <p>Enrolled or in process of enrollment with the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin</p> <p>13-17 years of age (by day of coronation: June 16, 2011)</p>
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Each contestant must agree to perform a traditional Oneida talent. (i.e. Corn husk dolls, beadwork, songs, dance, etc...)

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

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From 6A/Letters & Opinions

overwhelmingly voted to TABLE the Judiciary Act for six (6) months to allow any interested GTC members to work together to clean up the disastrous, confusing and ambiguous Judiciary Act that was presented to the GTC as a final work product of the OBC in January 2011. To allow a petition to UNTABLE before the August 2011 GTC meeting is total disregard for the directive of the Oneida General Tribal Council. To make matters worse, they scheduled it on a Monday night. A reasonable and responsible person would schedule such an important issue for a Saturday to ensure the greatest amount of participation of the membership given the fact the Judiciary Act has the potential to impact every single Oneida Tribal Member. From little bitty babies right up to our elders. It is my understanding Councilman Brandon Yellowbird-Stevens joined in with Loretta Metoxen and Sherole Benton to lead this effort immediately following the Judiciary Act meeting held in January 2011, because "they" did not get what they wanted. The Judiciary Workgroup is trying to work diligently to formulate a Judiciary Act that is reasonable and requires qualifications, competence, responsibility and accountability. But it is difficult to do this when there are so many abusive and inappropriate activities occurring during the meetings. The meetings have actually become a hostile environment. I do not like the inappropriate behaviors that are displayed. We have bulldozers and bulldozers running rampant with no controls. Elders being attacked and put down when they try to express how they feel about a topic. And I do not understand for the life of me why Councilwoman Trish King does not stop the inappropriate and abusive behaviors as they occur. I attend the Judiciary workgroup meeting to work on creating a law that is in the best interest of all our people, not for just a select few and not for certain family members. Our people attend the workgroup meetings to share ideas and give positive input. They do not go to the meetings to get attacked or put down by Sherole Benton. I do not think we should allow a few bullies to disturb a GTC directive. Nor do I think we should allow the Oneida Business Committee to blow our money on a meeting that

is not scheduled to convene until August 2011. Again ... they keep telling us we don't have any money, but they can call a GTC meeting to promote the self interest of a small group of people and violate the directives of the GTC.

Linda Dallas

Unfortunate NIGA Incident

Dear Editor,
An ugly, violent incident occurred at the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) Convention in Phoenix, Arizona against our Tribal Treasurer, Christina Danforth. This incident occurred as a violation of her right to express her freedom of speech. That the attack was condoned and encouraged by other Oneida Tribal members makes it a further violation of human rights. The incident brings dishonor to the group of Oneidas who perpetrated this in their attempt to discredit the Treasurer. It was an Oneida tribal member, the wife of one of our Business Committee members, who purposely followed, and verbally and physically, accosted Ms. Danforth in front of a large number of witnesses at the meeting. There is no justification for this uncouth lack of civility. I believe we all would agree that politics can become ugly and out of control. But, whether it is the larger politics of the United States or our local Oneida people at the NIGA Convention in Phoenix, Arizona, it is completely uncalled for.

The historical and traditional heritage of our Oneida culture, specifically, the Great Law of Peace, put an end to the violence and disrespect of one human being to another. The hatchet of violence was buried long ago. The Great Law of Peace is not some mythical fairytale that our children learn in school, but it is the stronghold system of beliefs that our grandparents, our ancestors, were raised under. The Great Law of Peace is not a story for us to dangle in front of the faces of non-Indians on a world stage, so we can brag about our great government. It is meant to give our families, our children, our neighbors, our community a system of respect (a way of daily life) without violence. The Great Law of Peace begins at home. It is to be practiced in our tribal governmental affairs as the guide of proper, civilized behavior. It is the guide that we, as representatives of Oneida, take with us in the

national arena of politics. The Great Law of Peace seems to have been forgotten and left behind when our Oneida tribal members attended the NIGA convention two weeks ago. They acted in a very disrespectful manner to one of our public officials. Differences of opinions will always exist in our tribal politics. However, respect should also be included with those differing opinions.

Respectfully,
Catherine Webster

Nation within a Nation

Dear Rep Steineke,
I want to let you know I oppose your bill you are working on to introduce regarding the Oneida Tribe and their liquor license.

As you may not know the Oneida Tribe like every other tribe is a Nation within a Nation and the Oneidas have officially existed here, in the Wisconsin territory, since 1821-2 but were established in 1838; 10 years before the state of WI became a state in 1848.

Based on the article from the Seymour Times Press (dated April 18, 2011) it is in my opinion that you do not recognize the Oneida Nation of WI as a government. The Oneidas of WI entered into a treaty with the United States in 1822 for the area where they reside and call home today. Their (Oneidas) agreements should be made and formed between the State or Federal Government; Thus they should be treated similar to a local government but more as a sovereign nation within a nation. As a sovereign nation / government they have the right to govern and license themselves; they should not be required to obtain such permission and permits from a local government.

Your current action and statements made in the Times Press leads me to believe again that you voted in favor of the WI State Budget Bill that you did not read or debate. Your previous response to me was that you voted for the WI Budget because otherwise it meant layoffs; it is evident there are many other items in the bill PASSED by YOU that will have far greater consequences to all Wisconsinites. In conclusion, as a voter I strongly oppose your action to create this bill against their rights to govern themselves as a Sovereign Nation.

Respectfully,
Chris Cornelius

Meeting scheduled for WIS 54 in Outagamie County

WisDOT to discuss preliminary alternatives for the future of the corridor

Green Bay, WI – The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) northeast region office is announcing a public information meeting concerning a traffic operations and corridor study for WIS 54 from French Road to WIS 55 South in Outagamie County.

The meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 10, from 5 p.m. to 7**

p.m. in the cafeteria at Seymour High School, 10 Circle Drive, Seymour. A brief presentation is scheduled to begin at 5:15 p.m.

Several alternatives at the major intersections and various lane configurations are being considered. No construction has been scheduled.

As a convenience to the public, the meeting is being conducted in an open-house format. Persons interested in the project can visit anytime during the posted meeting hours.

The project team is seeking input from the public on the preliminary alternatives for the corri-

dor. Various exhibits and maps will be on display for review with project staff available to answer questions and discuss the study on an individual basis.

Persons who are unable to attend the meeting can make their comments by contacting WisDOT Project Manager Tammy Rabe at 944 Vanderperren Way, Green Bay, WI 54304; (920) 492-5661 or by e-mail at tammy.rabe@dot.wi.gov. Citizens who are hearing-impaired and who require an interpreter may request one by contacting Tammy Rabe at least three working days prior to the meeting.

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Oneida hosts U.S. Department of Education

By Travis Cottrell
Kalihwisaks

The U.S. Department of Education held an urban Indian Listening and Learning session with the Native community, tribal leaders, and Native student-serving representatives at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center on April 26.

The session was intended to provide an opportunity to voice thoughts and engage in dialogue with senior officials from the Department. The session was one of several Listening and Learning sessions held in urban Native communities and is a follow-up to a series of 2010 Tribal leader consultations that were conducted in Anchorage, AK; Santa Clara Pueblo, NM; Shawnee, OK; Pine Ridge, SD; Window Rock, AZ; and Puyallup, WA.

Representatives from a variety of Tribes were in attendance including Oneida, Menominee, Ho-

Chunk, and Potawatomi as well as a handful of Tribes from outside the state of Wisconsin.

During the session representatives had an opportunity to step up to the microphone and voice their concerns, ideas, needs, and opinions in an attempt to improve the state of Native education.

As each representative took their turn on the microphone a few recurring themes began to emerge.

One glaring concern was the need for improved communication between the different education entities. Improved communication would allow not only needs and concerns to be heard in a timely manner, but it would also allow for consistency across the board. Aside from the consistency, areas would also be able to communicate with other areas in order to solve problems they are not used to that other areas may have experi-



Kali photo/Travis Cottrell

American Indian Education Program Coordinator Diane Tigges voices her ideas and concerns with members of the US Department of Education. The Department visited the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center on Tuesday, April 26th as part of their Urban Indian Listening & Learning Sessions.

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Another dominant concern was the notion that teachers do not have the knowledge of the culture in which they are teaching. Some examples were cited by representatives indicating that students were punished or scolded by teachers simply because the teachers did not know that certain mannerisms or actions

are part of the area's culture. The Department did state that there are summer workshops that educate teachers in Native culture, but did acknowledge the fact that this knowledge needs to be learned and used in the classroom.

At the conclusion of the session the Department thanked those who participated

for their honest approach and insightful criticism. The Department is committed to moving forward in Native education and anticipates that interactions among Tribal, State, and Local officials, Indian education stakeholders, and the Department will lead to a more effective education policy.

Judge approves USDA, Indian farmers settlement

By Mary Clare Jalonick

Associated Press
WASHINGTON - A federal judge has approved a \$680 million settlement between the Agriculture Department and American Indian farmers who say they were denied loans because of discrimination.

The two sides agreed on the deal last year subject to court approval. U.S. District Judge Emmet Sullivan approved the terms Thursday.

Individuals who can prove discrimination could receive up to \$250,000 from the government. The agreement also includes \$80 million in farm debt forgiveness for the Indian plaintiffs and a series of initiatives to try and alleviate racism against American Indians and other minorities in rural farm loan offices.

The lawsuit, named after George and Marilyn Keepseagle of Fort Yates, N.D., was filed in 1999 and contends Indian farmers and ranchers lost hundreds of millions of dollars over several decades because they were denied USDA loans that instead went to their white neighbors. The government settled a similar lawsuit filed by black farmers more than a decade ago and has offered to settle other suits brought against USDA by Hispanic and women farmers.

President Barack Obama said the settlement was "yet another important step forward in addressing an unfortunate chapter in USDA's civil rights history."

Obama praised the roles played by Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and Attorney General Eric Holder in reaching the settlement.

"Today's approval of the settlement will help strengthen our nation to nation relationship with Indian Country and reinforce the idea that all citizens have a right to be treated fairly by their government," Obama said.

Due to the terms of the settlement, the American Indian money would not need legislative action to be awarded. Farmers will have until December to file their claims.

"This settlement will help thousands of Native Americans who are still farming and ranching," said Porter Holder of Soper, Okla., a named plaintiff in the suit. "The USDA has some terrific programs, but Native Americans must have equal access to them."

Agriculture Secretary Vilsack said his department is working on improving its civil rights record.

"We are committed to changing the culture that made this settlement necessary, and we believe we are well on the way to doing just that," he said.

Casinos sense opening in online poker indictments

By Oskar Garcia
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS - The indictments that led to three major online poker companies shuttering U.S. operations have provided an opening for American casinos to cash in on an industry worth an untold billions of dollars.

Casinos want to fill the void created by the crackdown to create their own online poker sites should the game become legal in the U.S., giving them tens of thousands of potential consumers who have seen their pastimes and livelihoods eliminated by the prosecutions.

Their argument: Americans are playing poker online despite attempts to stop them, so why not allow legitimate casinos to offer the game? They also argue that governments could clearly use tax revenue from poker games.

The push has gained momentum in the last week after billionaire casino mogul Steve Wynn and his counter-

part at Caesars Entertainment Corp. spoke out in favor of clarifying federal laws to explicitly allow Internet poker.

Their advantage - if lawmakers ultimately see things the same way - is that it's unlikely PokerStars, Full Tilt Poker and Absolute Poker will be allowed back into the U.S. market while their executives face allegations of bank fraud, money laundering and running illegal gambling businesses.

Caesars CEO Gary Loveman told The Associated Press after penning an op-ed on the subject this week that the timing is right for casinos to publicly make their push.

"Our industry has to modernize itself in a way that allows its services to be provided electronically and not in these massively expensive brick-and-mortar facilities," Loveman said. "To speak to a younger audience, this is increasingly necessary."

Internet gambling was effectively banned in 2006 by a federal law that prohibited banks and credit card companies from processing payments from gambling companies to individuals. But it didn't clearly state what kind of gambling was illegal, and many believe it left the door open for states and companies to consider the issue.

"The policy up to now, which is no surprise to anybody, has been murky and arcane. Arcane is a good word from the SATs that means mysterious and unfathomable," said Wynn, the chief executive of Wynn Resorts Ltd. Wynn Resorts had a deal in place with PokerStars to partner in offering online poker to Americans if federal laws changed, but nixed the arrangement the same day the indictments were announced.

"Most everything in Washington is mysterious and unfathomable," Wynn told

investors last week as his company reported its first-quarter earnings. "We're trying to figure out what the hell the public policy is and then we can have a corporate policy."

The Department of Justice has yet to pursue legal actions against anyone for playing poker based on the 2006 law. The recent charges dealt with allegations that the poker sites were creating third-party operations that tricked banks into thinking gambling transactions were legitimate.

"The word 'indictment' is not one that you take lightly. However, what they're indicting was the illegal activity of foreign operators in the United States," said Loveman. "The solution to that problem is not simply to send our law enforcement people out chasing foreign operators. The solution is to take a very simple pastime that's been around this country for hundreds of years, and allow licensed, regulat-

ed providers to provide it."

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, a former Nevada state gambling regulator who supported the 2006 law, shares that sentiment. Reid attempted to push a bill to legalize online poker at the end of last year, but it fell short. He said it's important that online poker is legalized in the next couple years.

"I hope we can get something done," Reid told the AP. "It's something that has to be regulated. The commodity is cash and we have to be very, very careful that we do it the right way when it deals with interstate commerce."

Players have heard that before, and while many have followed legislative developments, others didn't care as long as they could access the gambling sites.

John Pappas, executive director of the Poker Players Alliance, said the indictments served as a wakeup call.

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SEOTS Mission...
Our mission is to strengthen our cultural connection and provide services and programs that enhance the well being of On·yote'a·ka in southeastern Wisconsin.

SEOTS Volunteers Impact Community

By Mark W. Powless

If you are looking for expressions of Oneida's core values in the community, you need look no further than the volunteers of Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services. The individuals that assist SEOTS to provide programs and services display *ka'nikuhliyo* (the openness of the good spirit and mind) regularly for their community. Listed below are just a few of the individuals who donate their time and talents to making a positive difference in the Oneida community.

Susan Brandstetter: Susan helped design and create the newest expression of Oneida culture at SEOTS. The Circle of Life wall at SEOTS is a visual display that pays tribute to the ceremonies

of Oneida culture. It offers images and descriptions that seek to educate the community about these integral events.

Mark R. Powless: For several years Mark has taught the Oneida language classes at SEOTS, while incorporating his own style of humor. Recently, participation in the classes has been amazing. The class is looking forward to doing a welcoming address, in the language, at the upcoming Oneida Community and Culture in Southeastern Wisconsin event being held at Greene Hall on the UWM campus on Saturday, May 21.

Phyllis Popovich: On a weekly basis Phyllis assists with set-up and clean-up for the Tuesday

Elder activities. She is typically the first one in and the last one to leave and is very committed to the group she spends her Tuesday afternoons with. The Elder activities serve approximately 20 people and offer educational and/or fun events such as bingo, exercise, cultural education and more. In addition, a lunch time meal is available.

Richard Jones: SEOTS is regularly in need of drivers and Dick is always available to help. On occasion we have had to call Dick at the last minute and he has been more than happy to assist. SEOTS provides transportation to Oneida for appointments, casino gaming, cultural events, GTC meetings, and more.

Jim Kelly: Jim is a

professional photographer who offers his services, free of charge, for many SEOTS activities. He has also assisted for many activities such as elder activities, craft classes, and driving. Jim is always willing to help in any way that he can. His comfortable demeanor brings a relaxing energy to the events he attends.

These are just a few of the people that commit themselves to helping the Oneida community. Without our volunteers, SEOTS would not be able to have the impact on our community that we do. By opening their good spirits and minds to their friends and neighbors, they truly help to build a stronger and happier Oneida Nation!

Yawáko!

Activities Calendar for the month of June 2011

- 1 Wednesday: Med Pick-up in Oneida**
- 3 Friday: Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up By 4:00pm**
- 4 Saturday: COMMUNITY RUMMAGE SALE**
Clean your attic and garage and sell your rummage! Rent a spot for \$15
Call SEOTS 414-329-4101
- 6 Monday: Oneida Singers, 6:30pm, Bird Room**
- 7 Tuesday: Senior Activity – Special trip!**
Meet at SEOTS for Lunch at 10am
Brown Bag It – Bingo and then we go to Potawatomi for the **Senior American Idol Contest!** Bird Room
- 8 Wednesday: Med Pick-up in Oneida**
- 9 Thursday: Housing Tour to Oneida, –** Departs at 7:30am If you are interested in seeing the Housing options in Oneida call and reserve a spot! There is limited room on the shuttle. Call 414-329-4101
- 10 Friday: Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up By 4:00pm**
- 12 Sunday: First Aid with Essential Oils, 1-3pm**
Learn about the use of Oils for First Aid!
Call to register 414-329-4101
- 13 Monday: Oneida Singers, 6:30pm, Bird Room**
- 14 Tuesday: Senior Activity Day, Music with Movement with Deb, Luncheon \$3.00 Donation - Bingo**
SEOTS Board Meeting, 6pm, Turtle Room
- 15 Wednesday: Van Trip to Oneida, 8pm**
Med Pick-up
- 18 Saturday: Candidate Forum, 1-3pm**
Marian Center, 3211 S. Lake Drive
Call for information 414-329-4101
- 20 Monday: Summer Youth Program, 9am-3pm**
Youth ages 7-11, Room for 14 youth---First come first serve so reserve your spot!
Cultural & fun activities! Call 414-329-4101
School Supply Registration Begins at Ignace Indian Health Center, Call Ignace Indian Health Center for Information 414-383-9526
Oneida Singers, 6:30pm, Bird Room
- 21 Tuesday: Senior Activity Day, 11-2pm, Tai Chi with Jim, Luncheon \$3 Donation - Bingo, Bird Room**
- 22 Wednesday: Summer Youth Program, 9am-3pm**
Youth ages 12-15, Room for 14 youth---First come first serve so reserve your spot!
Cultural & fun activities! Call 414-329-4101
Med Pick-up in Oneida
- 23 Thursday: Strawberry Picking trip to Oneida with Randy Cornelius, 7am Departure**
Explanation of the Strawberry Ceremony and berry picking. Call to sign up 414-329-4101
- 27 Monday: Summer Youth Program, 9am-3pm**
Youth ages 7-11, Room for 14 youth---First come first serve so reserve your spot!
Cultural & fun activities! Call 414-329-4101
Oneida Singers, 6:30pm
- 28 Tuesday: Senior Activity Day, 11-2pm, Sharing of Stories of Gramma and Grandpa, Potluck, Bingo**
SEOTS Board Meeting, 6pm
Turtle Room
- 29 Wednesday: Summer Youth Program, 9am-3pm**
Youth ages 12-15, Room for 14 youth---First come first serve so reserve your spot!

Circle of Life wall



Submitted photo
 The new Circle of Life wall at SEOTS displays Oneida culture and ceremonies.

Community Rummage Sale

Spring cleaning? Clean your attic and garage and sell your rummage at SEOTS! Rent a spot for \$15.

Call SEOTS by Friday, May 27 to reserve your spot.

Oneida Culture and Community Fund Raiser

Join SEOTS for a recognition of Oneida culture and community at **UWM's Greene Hall (3347 N. Downer Ave., Milwaukee)** on **Saturday, May 21st.** Tribal members will share their stories of community and the Longhouse dancers will provide an exhibition of dancing and singing. Corn Soup and Indian Tacos will be available for sale, plus exciting door prizes. 12:30-3:00pm

Do you need a Tribal ID?

Oneida Enrollments will be at SEOTS on Monday, June 6 at 11am to process your Tribal ID. Call for details and to make your appointment.

Cultural & fun activities! Call 414-329-4101
Med Pick-up in Oneida
30 Thursday: Oneida Museum Cultural Festival Trip, 8am Departure, Join in for fun, activities and food at the Oneida Museum!
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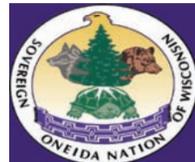
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SEOTS Library

Have you visited the SEOTS library lately?

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Paid Summer Internship

SEOTS is seeking a college student with a background in education, project management, or human services. The applicant must be comfortable working with children, have competency using the internet and MS Office, display above average communication skills, and exhibit good customer service skills. A good understanding of Oneida culture is a plus.

Contact the SEOTS office for more information.

SEOTS Candidate Forum

Join us **Saturday, June 18** to learn more about the candidates in the upcoming Tribal elections! The forum will be conducted at the **Marian Center, 3211 South Lake Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53207 at 1pm.** Call SEOTS to submit a question for the candidates or to reserve your seat.

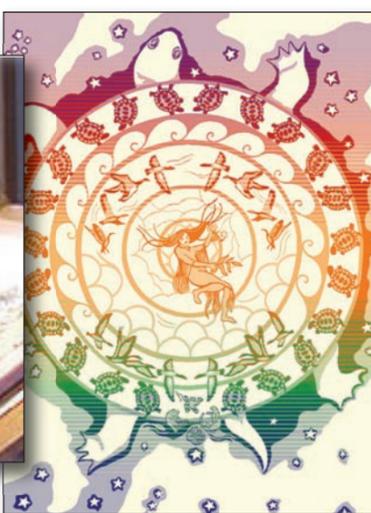
Oneida artist finds success in new medium

By Travis Cottrell

Kalihwisaks
Watercolor painter Dawn Dark Mountain has been creating works of art for some time. But recently her original designs have crossed over to Pendleton blankets, opening doors that will lift her work to new heights.

Dark Mountain has been working in watercolor and printmaking for 22 years, drawing inspiration from Iroquois stories, designs and culture. But having her art applied to Pendleton blankets was something she had not envisioned. Dark Mountain recalls, "As a watercolor painter I do not normally design blankets. My first experience working with blankets was with the Oneida tribal blanket in 2006."

Dark Mountain entered a watercolor sketch into the 2006 competition intended to create an official Pendleton blanket specifically for the Oneida Nation, Pendleton Woolen Mills then produced the design. This experience is what introduced her to blanket design.



Submitted photos

Left: Dawn Dark Mountain works on a watercolor painting. Right: Dark Mountain's "Sky Woman" design that has been worked into a blanket for Pendleton's regular line of blankets.

Recently the Pendleton Company contacted Dark Mountain expressing interest in using an image from Dark Mountain to create a blanket for their regular line. "Robert Christnacht, the Division Manager of "Home at Pendleton Woolen Mills" contacted me. He told me that after working with me on the custom design for Oneida, they had wanted to create a design for their regular line using one of my images," says Dark Mountain.

"This recent blanket, "Sky Woman" was creat-

ed entirely based on my painting of the same name. They created several color designs using the image. After consulting with me, we chose a design and they sent me a prototype. After comparing it to the original image, I suggested a few changes that had to do with how the image was translated into a blanket design." The Sky Woman blanket can be viewed and purchased on the Pendleton website.

As for the future Dark Mountain will continue to create work and exhib-

it at art shows, fairs and Native art shows, markets and festivals.

The possibility to continue to create blanket designs remains open. "They (Pendleton) have expressed an interest in doing additional designs. I imagine that it would depend on how well the "Sky Woman" muchacho (baby) blanket sells. I understand that the first run, which came out in March, has sold out. The next run will be available soon."

NWTC Art Gallery features 'Contemporary Portraiture'

Green Bay - Albert Einstein, Marilyn Monroe, and Mother Teresa are just a few of the famous faces depicted in the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College Art Gallery's latest exhibit. "Contemporary Portraiture" by Green Bay artist Sherri Baierl is on view now through Monday, May 30.

To create the 17-piece collection, Baierl used acrylic, mixed media or digital graphics. Bearing titles such as "Honor," "Sincerity," and "Grace," the portraits are all based on words connoting values, according to Baierl.

"What am I learning from my art? That people want something true," Baierl said. "They are drawn in and captivated by people who share things that unveil that truth. No matter your background, point of view or anything else, if you respect one another enough to hear/see/experience those true things, then you will be changed."

Also part of Baierl's exhibit is a series of religious drawings, "The 14 Stations of the Cross."

Located in the Library on the second floor of the Student Center on the Green Bay campus, the gallery is open to the public during regular Library hours: Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; Friday, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For summer hours, go to www.nwtc.edu/library. Admission is free.

About the artist: Sherri Baierl is a certified art teacher, an adjunct instructor for NWTC, and a freelance graphics designer. Baierl often works with mixed media and collage with embedded graphics. She is also well-versed in working with multiple media, such as ceramics, print-making, drawing, painting, textiles, collage, photography, and graphics. Baierl enjoys the aspect of storytelling that can come from artwork or the discussion that it can prompt. For more information, visit the artist's web site at www.sherribaierl.com.

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Going with the flow: Restoring Oneida's Waters

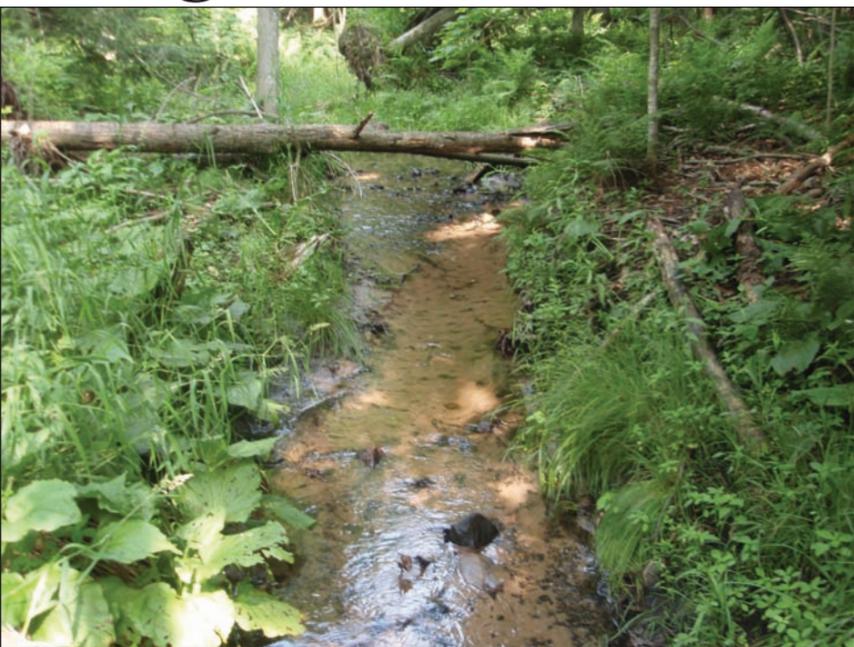


Photo courtesy of Jim Snitgen

Thornberry Creek is a Class I Trout Stream and tributary to Lancaster Brook.

By Jim Snitgen

EH&SD
The Oneida Environmental Health & Safety Division's (EH&SD) water resources program is active in monitoring and restoring the surface waters of the Oneida

Reservation. Restoration projects and water quality monitoring go hand-in-hand as projects to restore the aquatic health of streams should gradually show results in the data collected during monitoring. The first stream restoration project

was initiated in 2003 on a headwater tributary to Trout Creek. Since then, several projects have been successfully imple-

mented in the Trout Creek and Silver Creek watersheds. Partnerships with other agencies are critical for implementing stream restoration projects. These include cooperative relationships with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Natural Resource Conservation Service, the BIA, and the Fox River NRDA Trustee Council.

Oneida is currently taking advantage of stimulus funding for water quality programs, applying successfully for external grant funding through the BIA from the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. One project will be Trout Creek stream channel restoration, which will enhance in-stream habitat by meandering the stream, planting a wooded corri-

dor, grassed waterways, and using best management land-use practices to promote cool ground-water recharge. This and other efforts in the Trout Creek system will have major impacts on reestablishing fish passage and improving habitat.

Another project on Lancaster Brook will restore fish passage by removing and replacing failing culverts with bottomless arched box culverts. This initiative builds on previous habitat work and will allow trout to move up and downstream for better breeding and winter habitat. Lancaster Brook is classified as a Class II Trout Stream and has a Class I Trout Stream as a tributary (Thornberry Creek). Other projects in the planning and imple-

mentation stages include improvements to the South Branch of the Suamico River system and work in the Duck Creek watershed to improve northern pike habitat and water quality monitoring.

The EH&SD staff will continue the work of identifying funding sources for projects and coordinating with external agencies. Restoring Oneida's natural landscape and providing enhanced opportunities for tribal members to enjoy natural resources are our main goals. The EH&SD will continue cooperative, best management practices to improve the water quality essential to a beneficial quality of life on the Oneida Nation Reservation.

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2011 Earth Day Tree Giveaway

GUIDELINES:

- Six (6) seedlings per household.
- No more than three (3) of any single species.
- Bring your own box/container(s) to aid in transporting seedlings.
- Trees will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- All elders age 55 and over, those who participate in Earth Day Clean Up activities will be given first priority to select two seedlings.

• Please bring Tribal ID •

Where: Osnuhsa Lake
(Located behind the Cultural Heritage Department)

When: Saturday, May 14, 2011

Time: 11:00am - 2:00pm
Or while supplies last

Questions? Please contact the Oneida Conservation Department at (920) 869-1450

Trees:

<p>American & Technito Arborvitae</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 ft American • 8 ft Technito • Can shear to size 	<p>Serviceberry & Prince Charles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 ft • Orange • Fall White Flower 	<p>White Pine & Scotch Pine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40-80 ft • Orange Bark on Scotch Pine • Wind Break Trees 	<p>White Spruce & Norway Spruce</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40-60 ft • Drooping foliage • Wind break or screen trees
<p>Paper & Yellow Birch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 ft • Yellow Fall Leaf • Borer Resistant 	<p>Beauty of Moscow Lilac</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12-15 ft • Double flower • Fragrant • Dense Flowering • Pink White 	<p>MME Lemoine Lilac</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8-12 ft • Double Petal • Very Fragrant • White 	<p>TinkerBelle Lilac</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 ft dwarf • Pink • Fragrant • Med Growth

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Saturday May 14, 2011

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Rain or Shine!

Food, Games & Prizes

Please bring your Tribal I.D.

Bring your fishing poles!
Bait will be provided

Presented by
Oneida Environmental, Health & Safety Division

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June 4 Graduation includes 'Firsts' for CMN

CEO of American Indian College Fund is Guest Speaker

Keshena, WI – During commencement ceremonies on Saturday, June 4, the College of Menominee Nation will introduce its newest group of alumni and observe a number of "firsts."

Approximately 140 individuals are candidates for graduation this year, making this the largest class in CMN history and bringing the number of CMN alumni to 700. Those receiving academic degrees, technical diplomas and certificates of mastery include students who completed studies in December 2010 and May 2011.

The graduation also finds CMN awarding its first four-year degrees and moving ceremonies

to a new site. Six students will be receiving CMN Bachelor of Science degrees in the Early Childhood/Elementary Education. Location is another first. In a departure from previous years when ceremonies were held on CMN's main campus, this year's program will be in the Five Clans Ballroom in the new Menominee Casino Resort conference center in Keshena. Ceremonies begin at 10 A.M.

Guest speaker for the 2011 graduation is Richard B. "Rick" Williams. He serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of the American Indian College Fund, a national nonprofit organization based in Denver, Colorado, that



Richard B. "Rick" Williams

secures private support for scholarships, endowments and programs for tribal colleges.

Williams has a long career in programs and organizations targeting Indian youth and education. He has held directorships in student services programs at the University of Colorado and in Upward Bound, and is well known as an educator, speaker, advocate and historian committed to increasing awareness of American Indian issues. A member of the Oglala Lakota Tribe with Northern Cheyenne heritage, he was the first American Indian student to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Nebraska – Lincoln. He earned a

Master of Arts in Education from the University of Wyoming. He has been recognized by the University of Nebraska as an outstanding alumnus and presented with the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters by Roger Williams University.

This year's graduating class members represent a number of American Indian tribes and come from 28 Wisconsin communities: Antigo, Appleton, Birnamwood, Bowler, Cecil, Clintonville, De Pere, Forestville, Green Bay, Gresham, Hobart, Kaukauna, Keshena, Lac du Flambeau, Marion, Menasha, Neopit, New London, Oconto Falls, Oneida, Oshkosh, Scandinavia, Seymour, Shawano, Sturgeon Bay, Suamico, Suring and Wittenberg.

Pulaski Announces Administrator Appointments

The Pulaski Community School District Board of Education has approved administrator appointments for the 2011-2012 school year.

Kurtis Sufka, currently the principal at Farragut Elementary School in Joliet Illinois, will become the principal at Glenbrook Elementary.

Mr. Sufka has also been a third and fifth grade teacher, a parent school coordinator and an assistant junior high school principal. He holds a Masters Degree in Educational Administration from Governors State University and a Bachelors of Science Degree in Elementary

Education from Bemidji State University.

Marc Klawiter, currently the Associate Principal at Pulaski Community Middle School, will assume the principalship at Lannoye Elementary School. Klawiter holds a Bachelors Degree from University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire in K-8 education and a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from Viterbo. He has been the Associate Principal at Pulaski Community Middle School for three years after serving as a teacher in the West De Pere School District.

Replacing Klawiter at Pulaski Community Middle School as Associate Principal will be Bec Kane who currently is a Learning Support Teacher and Reading Teacher at

Pulaski High School. She will receive a Mater's Degree in Educational Leadership from National Louis University and has a Bachelor's Degree in Broadfield Social Studies from St. Norbert. Kane is a native of Oconto Falls where she is a member of the Board of Education.

A new principal for Sunnyside Elementary School is still being sought.

According to Pulaski Community School District Superintendent of Schools Dr. Mel Lightner, "We are excited about the qualities that our new principals possess. They are child centered and will be able to develop positive relationships with parents, staff and students."

Oneida Nation Middle School

Academic Honors, Term 3rd

GPA 3.800 – 4.00

7th grade

Danforth, Yohnehtote, 3.934
Smith, Synala, 3.868

8th grade

Muscavitch, Akacia, 3.934

GPA 3.500 – 3.799

8th grade

Doxtator, Briana, 3.734
Halona, Byran, 3.668

6th grade

Miranda, Mariah, 3.666
Torres-Mejia, Sandra, 3.536
Escamea, Aleena, 3.534
Tate, Yakira, 3.534

7th grade

Mehojah, Louisa, 3.583
Hill, Brittney, 3.534

GPA 3.00 – 3.499

6th grade

Frederick, Taliah, 3.466
Metoxen, Saquoia, 3.418
Denny, Clara, 3.083
Smith, Kwnwazhta, 3.000

8th grade

John, Ruby, 3.402
Barton, Ayashe, 3.332
Dick, Jeanette, 3.083
Schuyler, Angelica, 3.068

7th grade

Doxtator, Makayla, 3.332
Doxtator-Hill, David, 3.268
Peters, Michaela, 3.250
Cornelius-Daubon, Jade, 3.200
Smith, Tiger, 3.200

Scholarships... & Internships...

The Oneida Higher Education Department is excited to announce the:

2011 Summer Internship Program

To be eligible you must:

1. Be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
2. Must be attending an accredited post secondary institution
3. Must be in good standing based on the guidelines of the Higher Education Grant Program

The Summer Internship is:

1. A paid eight week internship experience running from June 6, 2011 – July 29, 2011
2. Intended to provide an opportunity for a balanced exchange of skills and ideas between the host department and the intern
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For application materials and to learn more about the internship program, visit our website at

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Oneida Nation Elementary School Perfect Attendance, Term 3

Kindergarten
Moore, Aiden

1st grade
Barber, Mariah
Lewis, Anthony
Ortega-Stevens, Vicente
Smith, Naomi

2nd grade
Cornelius, Thunder
Longcore, Richard
Torres-Mejia, Yanet

3rd grade
Skenandore, Brandon
Smith, Joseph
Smith, Carlos

4th grade
Barber, Tiara
John, Emerson
Tate, Nathaniel
Torres-Mejia, Iselena

Oneida Nation Middle School

6th grade
Frederick, Taliah
Torres-Mejia, Sandra G

7th grade
Doxtater, Makayla

Oneida Nation Elementary School Academic Honors, Term 3rd

GPA 3.800 – 4.00

5th grade

Stevens, Lexus, 4.000

3rd grade

Smith, Vienna, 3.918
Doxtater, Summer, 3.835
Jacobs, Malia, 3.835

GPA 3.500 – 3.799

5th grade

Hill, Kain, 3.753
Red Hail, Shienne, 3.668

3rd grade

Danforth, Eleciah, 3.750

4th grade

Hill, Justin, 3.750
Tate, Nathaniel, 3.668
Torres-Mejia, Iselena, 3.668
Barber, Tiara, 3.583
Fish, Morgun, 3.500

GPA 3.00 – 3.499

5th grade

Cornelius-Daubon, Jenna, 3.477
Running Bear, Jermaine, 3.333
Sitting Bear, Jada, 3.333
Cornelius, Joseff, 3.250
Metoxen, Seneca, 3.250
Metoxen, Lexandria, 3.168
Wilbanks, Zhaida, 3.168

4th grade

Rodriguez, Leida, 3.418
Christjohn, Fox, 3.333
Schabow, Stephani, 3.113
Mehojah, Jack, 3.085
Smith, Qualayou, 3.000

3rd grade

Schuman, Sadie, 3.418
Skenandore, Brandon, 3.253
Hill, Lah sakayutetha, 3.168
House, Bōwe, 3.003

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Application review will begin on May 9, 2011 and continue until position is filled.

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Project Description:
 IHS/EPA project BE-10-G24 septic system replacement on existing site located on Van Bostel Rd, T 23N, R19E, Sec 18, Town of Oneida, Outagamie Co, Parcel # 17015330.

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Project Description:
 WISDOT project 9200-04-00, 9200-06-00, STH 20 Freeway Conversion. New overpass, relocation of old 29, new diamond interchange at CTHV and STH29, Relocation of Milltown Road, New roadway and overpass structure extending N. Pine Tree Road from Sunlite Drive to Milltown Road, Closure of Woodland Road/Sunlite Drive intersection with STH 29 including curve to connect Sunlite Drive and Forest road, New diamond interchange at CTHFF and STH 29 and Relocation of Golden Pond Park Road.

T23N, R19#^h, Section 29, Town of Oneida, Outagamie County, Skylark Drive, De Pere, IHS/EPA project BE-10-G24, Residential to replace septic tank.

Request for Bids

The Oneida Department of Public Works

The **Oneida Department of Public Works** is requesting sealed bids for the reconstruction of the existing roadway in the Rolling Hills Subdivision in 2011. The work shall consist of removal, grading and repaving the existing roadway.

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

Plans and Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Mr. John Thousand from Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises at phone number (608) 243-6473. Instructions will be given at the time of contact as to the different formats that are available for acquiring the Plans and Specifications. The bid documents will become available beginning **April 25, 2011 until May 12, 2011** between the hours of **8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.**

Bids based on these documents will be accepted until **2:00 p.m., May 13, 2011** at:

**Oneida Engineering Department
 Little Bear Development Center
 N7332 Water Circle Place
 Oneida, WI 54155**

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

The Oneida Department of Public Works

The **Oneida Department of Public Works** is requesting sealed bids for the paving of Water Circle Place in 2011. The work shall consist of paving the existing gravel roadway at Water Circle Place.

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Notice

Vicki Wiese, Outagamie County director of USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds producers that June 1, 2011, is the deadline for the 2011 Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) Program or the traditional Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP). Annual contracts are required to be signed to receive program benefits.

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

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

For more information about the DCP and ACRE programs please visit your local FSA county office or visit <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

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\$10.00 will provide you with the following seeds and bedding plants

Seeds			
1.) Green Beans	6.) Beets	11.) Snap Pea	16.) Wax Bean
2.) Butternut Squash	7.) Pickling Cucumber	12.) Red Potato	17.) Cauliflower
3.) Crookneck Squash	8.) Slicing Cucumber	13.) White Potato	
4.) Zucchini Summer Squash	9.) Muskmelon	14.) Radishes	
5.) Sweet Corn	10.) Onion Sets	15.) Spinach	
Bedding Plants			
Tomatoes	Peppers	Brassica	
Slicer- Beef Steak Canning- Roma Cherry- Sweetie	Green Bell Jalapeno	Green Cabbage Broccoli	

Marigolds will also be available
 You may also return after May 31st to pick up additional seeds and plants, Donations will be accepted at this time.
 Seed and Plant Distribution will run from **1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.** Monday thru Friday after May 7th


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New Arrivals

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Happy Birthday

Happy Golden Birthday to our little lady, **Yokalasha Yotsistokwa** 7 years old on May 7th



Love, Dad, Mom and the rest of the Danforth girls

Congratulations

Lisa Rauschenbach for getting your Masters in Human Resources Management. I am so proud of you. I am blessed that you're my daughter.



I love you. Mom

World War II Re-enactment and U.S.O. Swing Dance July 9 & 10

National Railroad Museum's annual summer event offers education for the entire family, and more this year

Green Bay, WI – Step back in time at the National Railroad Museum's fourth annual World War II Reenactment on July 9 – 10, 2011. Visitors will have the opportunity to explore WWII history through battles, encampments, lectures and other engaging events throughout the weekend. A special U.S.O.-style swing dance will cap the evening of Saturday, July 9, 2011 from 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. inside the Lenfestey Center on Museum grounds.

The daytime reenactment will feature German and American encampments and two daily battles that are only accessible by the Museum's train. Patrons are encouraged to interact with the reenactors as they recreate scenarios from history throughout each day. Special appear-

ances by Eleanor Roosevelt (played by Jessica Michna) will be held on Saturday and Sunday; WIXX's John Maino will speak about his newest book "The European Campaign" on Saturday, July 9th at 2:00 p.m. The Museum's educator, Bob Lettenberger, will speak about the use of trains in American wars on Sunday, July 10th. The Gen. Eisenhower command coaches will be open for guided tours throughout the weekend.

In 1941 the United Service Organization (U.S.O.) was established to meet the request of Franklin D. Roosevelt for private organizations to provide for the needs of on-leave U.S. armed forces on American soil and abroad. Six organizations met the President's call, forming the U.S.O. with other organizations, such as the Red Cross, providing a similar function as well. Over 3,000 U.S.O. clubs were in existence in 1944, often run by volunteers in small towns. Saturday, July 9th's U.S.O.-style Dance will highlight live

music from Bay Area Big Band. Come and enjoy what a WWII soldier might have experienced - hometown food, dancing, a cash bar and U.S.O. girls and reenactors in WWII-era uniform. Funds from the special dance tickets will help fund the Museum's Children's Discovery Depot.

"World War II was a significant period in American history," stated Jacqueline Frank, museum executive director. "As more veterans are passing, it is important to keep alive their memory, and how this event influenced American life and culture then - as well as today. This event will allow patrons to immerse themselves in history and learn about the event in a really fun, meaningful way."

The Museum grounds will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. both reenactment days. Reenactment activities will take place throughout both days. Admission, which includes all regular exhibits and all reenactment events, is \$9.00 – Adults; \$8.00 –Senior Citizens; and \$6.50 – Children (ages 4 – 12).

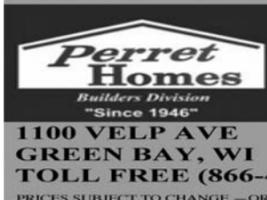
The U.S.O. Dance will take place on Saturday, July 9, 2011. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Admission is \$25.00 in advance; \$30.00 at the door; \$15.00 for Museum members and veterans. Corporate tables and sponsorships are available. Contact Jacqueline Frank, executive director at (920) 437-7623 x-17 or Deanna Novak, director of sales and marketing at (920) 437-7623 x-12 for more information.

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A Crowning Achievement

By Denis Gullickson
Thunderhawk Times

Ululani Nunies was crowned Queen at the 2011 ONHS Prom on April 16, but, really, it was another in a long line of achievements that have distinguished her senior year and—in fact—all of her years as a student at ONHS.

In the process, Ulu has earned lots of fans, including many of her instructors and other staff members at the high school.

Here are just a few of the things ONHS staff members have to say about Ulu:

“Ululani is a pleasant young woman and an awesome student. She values her education and is respectful to her peers and staff. She also possesses leadership skills like no other student I have seen. She has been an asset to Oneida Nation High School and I know that she will have a successful life.”—Social Studies Teacher Carol Johnson.

“Ulu represents the 110% student here at ONHS. She is culturally-active, academically sound, and represents herself, her family, and her community with class. It has been my pleasure to have her as a member of the T-Hawk Science Research team.”—Science Teacher Becky Nutt.

“Ulu showed great leadership on the basketball court. I was very impressed how she led by example, hard work, being vocal to encourage her teammates, and being dedicated to the team doing well. I see similar strengths in the classroom. She has set the achievement bar in trigonometry class high to the benefit of the entire class.”—Math Teacher Mike Hanke.

“Ulu is one of our students that is most respectful to the staff, usually has a smile or a friendly comment to



Ululani Nunies

address you with. She has concerns about the students in our school and their behaviors. Ulu is a role model to the students also. I heard her tell some younger students when they were looking at the GPA list hanging, that she should have worked a lot harder in 9th and 10th grades so her GPA would be a lot higher now as a Senior. She is a great athlete and is in many sports. Ulu has been involved with the BIG APPLE and did an excellent job in her role. What I can also say Ululani is a great asset to our school and we are happy she is here.”—High School Office Manager Carol Martin.

“Ulu has been a positive influence in our school since she transferred [here from Seymour High School]. She is well grounded, has a good sense of direction in her life, and sets a good example for

others to follow.”—Principal Bob Ganka.

Ulu is president of the ONHS student council. She is also an active member of the ONHS sports teams, including this year’s very successful girl’s basketball team. Her 2011 Science Fair project earned her national recognition. She is consistently on the ONHS Honor Roll.

Ulu is the daughter of Sterling and Monica Nunies and the granddaughter of the late Purcell and Angeline Powless.

Her future plans include attending college to major in Native American studies and becoming a teacher of Native American history.

She has participated in the Unity group and in the National Unity Conferences in Reno and San Diego among many other extra-curricular activities.

Being crowned Queen was a pretty special recognition for a pretty special young lady.

My Scoop

Biodiesel Project is Moving Along

By Jason Skenadore
Thunderhawk Times

This last week was a big one for our biodiesel project. On Wednesday, we ran the biodiesel we made though a generator and it worked. We even used our own biodiesel to make more biodiesel!

We’d like to try it in other diesel equipment in the near future. We are hoping to go far with this.

The workers are all from ONHS. Students and staff are working hard so they can make it to Washington, D.C. as winners of this national competition.

We are still taking samples of the biodiesel to make sure that it’s good. We will have our samples analyzed at NWTC and Argonne National Labs in Illinois.

Some people that are supporting us came to see the biodiesel project in action.

This is a big thing for Becky Nutt, our science teacher, because we have been working on this for awhile and Becky has been working very hard herself. Her husband, Kirk, has also been helping a lot.

Becky said, “We’d like to thank Greg Matson from housing for his support, as well. We also need to thank Seven Generations Corp for the use of the Tower Foods building as a work space.”

ONHS Track Team Running For It

By Thunderhawk Times staff

With two runners—Junior Anthony Cornelius and Freshman Denver Dean—the ONHS track team is small in numbers, but big in heart.

The two left the school for their first meet in Lena on Monday, May 2.

Denver was set to run in the 100 meters and Anthony in the 400 meters, high and low hurdles, and other events.

At the Lena meet, Denver took third in his event. Anthony said he “didn’t want to talk about it.” Knowing Anthony, that means that he intends to work hard at improving for the next meet.

Meet Muriel!

By Billie John
Thunderhawk Times

This month’s featured freshman is Muriel King, who transferred to ONHS from Seymour at the semester.

What is your grade in school? Freshman

How long have you attended Oneida Nation Schools? Whole Life

What other schools have you attended? Seymour

What grades? Half of 7th and 9th

Who is in your family? Five People

If you could interview any person in the planter for an article, who would it be? Eddie Spears

Do you do creative writing (poetry, poems, short stories, etc.)? No

What are your favorite classes? Math & Science

What are your hobbies? Basketball, volleyball, hangout with friends.

What kind of music do you listen to? Lots

What radio station(s) do you listen to? 95.9

What kind of grades do you get in school? A’s & B’s

What is your favorite color? Purple

What is your favorite Food? Trail Mix

What is your favorite Store? Rue 21

What is your favorite sport? Basketball

Who is your favorite team? Miami Heat

What is your favorite animal? A puppy

Who is your hero or role model? Why? My uncle because he graduated college and he lives a good life

What are your words or motto to live by? “Nothing’s Impossible”

What are your plans after high school? Go to college

Packers or Bears? Packers!

Biodiesel Project



Photos by Becky Nutt or members of the Biodiesel Project Team

Top Right: Senior Jason Skenadore at work in the biodiesel lab in the former Tower Foods building.

Bottom Right: ONHS Instructor David Santee visually examines a biodiesel mixture.

Bottom Left: Members of the ONHS biodiesel project team at work. (L to R) Teacher David Santee and Seniors Brandon White, Danny McKinney, and Jade Doxtater.

Top Left: Science Teacher Becky Nutt's latest achievement: overseeing the ONHS Biodiesel Project.

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Seed Ceremony begins

By Rachel Ninham
Thunderhawk Times

The way the Seed Ceremony starts is the people gather in the Longhouse.

The Kanehelatuksla (The Thanksgiving Address) words will be said, and instructions on how to play the Kayátowaná (Peach Stone Game).

One man will be selected to collect seeds from the women. And one man will be selected to collect seeds from a man. One

woman is selected to hold the beans. The same thing is done for the men. Seeds are matched up.

After the game of Kayátowaná is won (men to women), the speaker will announce the winner and give the introduction for Ohstowa?ko (the Great Feather Dance). Once the Ohstowa?ko is over and done with, the story of the Three Sisters is told. The Old Women’s songs are next. And then is fol-

lowed with The Bean Dance.

The final thing that is done is the closing and is followed with a feast.



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Project Phases:	Phase Titles:	Phase Description:	% of Project:
CIP - 1	CIP Package assembly phase	The Project Team assembles the specific project information into a package for approval of project.	0 to 25%
CIP - 2	Project Approval phase	The CIP Package is routed to review entities for comment and finally presented to OBC for approval.	26 to 35%
CIP - 3	Design phase	The Architect designs building and prepares documents defining the scope of work for contractors to bid on.	36 to 65%
CIP - 4	Construction phase	The project is bid and constructed.	66 to 100%
CIP - N	Non-CIP Project	This project is not funded by CIP dollars. It is funded by other sources. However, it is being Project Managed by the Engineering Department.	

* on report means value to be determined.

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05-005	0/00/00	Health Center Miscellaneous Projects	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 DSKENANI@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N	* %	*	*
Description: The project consists of several small scale minor remodel projects in various portions of the building.							
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.							
Project Status: Installing security cameras in the facility.							
05-013	3/02/05	Elder Services/Apartment Improvements	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 DSKENANI@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- II	33%	\$2,405,000	*
Description: The project would include adding garages for the apartment residents, minor remodeling to office area, enhancing the landscaping, connecting two northern buildings to main building and adding a generator.							
Community Mtgs: To be determined. Communication plan included in CIP Package.							
Project Status: Project on hold due to budget restrictions.							

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06-004	7/26/06	Duck Creek Trail	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- IV	85%	\$1,795,000	*
Description: The project will develop the former railroad easement through the reservation into a multi-use paved and unpaved trail for walking, jogging, biking, X-Country skiing, snow shoeing, and will include educational signage.							
Community Mtgs: To be determined. Communication plan included in CIP Package.							
Project Status: Researching funding sources for completing the remainder of trail. Project Team developing concept for trail hub in central Oneida - see #10-012.							
06-006	6/28/06	Oneida Fishery Restoration Project	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 DSKENANI@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- III	65%	*	*
Description: The project would create a sustainable 40 acre fishery on the reservation in a former sand pit located near the corner of Crook Road and County U.							
Community Mtgs: Some meetings held. Future meeting to be determined.							
Project Status: Project permits near completion, excavation may start this summer.							
07-008	5/16/07	Oneida Community Trails	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- III	36%	*	*
Description: The project will coordinate the development of pedestrian trails in the central Oneida area and accommodate future trail connections to other areas of the reservation. Individual trails will be managed as separate projects under this project's approval.							
Community Mtgs: Some meetings have been held, additional meeting will be planned.							
Project Status: Definition of various trails are being developed and will be given separate project numbers as they are defined.							
08-005	10/01/08	NHC Remodeling - Phase VII	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- IV	100%	\$2,890,000	2/01/2010
Description: The project is a continuation of the upgrading of the building to current building codes and creating operating efficiencies of building systems. The scope of Phase VII includes: replacement of heating and cooling system in the majority of the remainder of the building.							
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.							
Project Status: Cannery ventilation upgrades scheduled to be completed mid-April.							
08-009	9/15/08	Archiquette Canopy Reconstruction	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N	99%	\$93,000	9/30/2010
Description: The project will remove the existing canopy on the south side of building and repair the wall as required by removal.							
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.							
Project Status: Construction complete. Working on project close-out.							
09-009	6/03/09	Green Valley Housing Infrastructure - Phase I	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 DSKENANI@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- IV	70%	\$1,000,000	7/27/2011
Description: This project falls under the approval of CIP #23-005 Residential Home Sites. It will develop the infrastructure on the south end of the former Smit Farm f or a subdivision with approximately twenty lots for OHA and HBO homes.							
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.							
Project Status: Construction Documents have been released for bidding. Bids due April 26, 2011.							
09-011	8/24/09	OCHC Expansion & Consolidation	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 DSKENANI@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- I	1%	*	*
Description: This project will consolidate the various business units under the Comprehensive Health Division at the existing Health Center site and expand t he building as required.							
Community Mtgs: To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package.							
Project Status: Project Team developing the project Concept Paper.							
09-012	9/02/09	ONES Re-Roofing	Paul Witek 920-869-4543 PWITEK@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N	100%	\$1,969,730	8/25/2010
Description: This project will replace the existing roof on the building. Funding for the project is from a ARRA grant.							
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.							
Project Status: Construction complete. Working on project close-out.							
09-013	10/07/08	Oneida Community Trails: Site 1 - NHC	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N	36%	\$326,500	11/03/2011
Description: This project is to provide a safe route (path) from the Site 1 residential area to the existing path from NHC to the elementary school. The project is funded by a Safe Routes to Schools grant. Authorization for this project falls under CIP #07-008 Oneida Community Trails approvals.							
Community Mtgs: Meetings will be scheduled.							
Project Status: Team coordinating design with Hwy 54 improvements which are scheduled to start fall 2011.							
10-002	10/14/09	OCHC Dental Reception Remodel	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N	75%	\$77,000	7/01/2011
Description: This project will create a new reception counter for Dental. It will allow the separation of Optical and Dental reception areas and increase patient intake efficiencies.							
Community Mtgs: No community meeting are planned.							
Project Status: Project has been bid and construction contract is in approval process.							
10-003	10/14/09	South Branch Suamico River Restoration	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N	50%	*	10/24/2011
Description: The goal of the project is to redesign stream channels from their intensively ditched and straightened form to a natural, meandering state with improved habitat and the presence of northern pike.							
Community Mtgs: To be determined.							
Project Status: Project design nearing completion. Project Team to review.							
10-004	1/12/10	Central Oneida Roadway Improvement	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N	10%	*	*
Description: The project is to develop a comprehensive storm water treatment system, street scaping and pathways between upper and lower Oneida. The project will act as a catalyst for redevelopment of Central Oneida; while enhancing and protecting the Duck Creek water quality and allowing pedestrian traffic in a safe and effective manner.							
Community Mtgs: Meetings will be scheduled.							
Project Status: Preliminary study completed. Project Team evaluating design and funding options and coordinating with other roadway improvement projects in central Oneida.							
10-007	2/02/10	Oneida Printing / Mail Center	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- II	30%	\$3,550,000	11/29/2012
Description: The project will identify options for addressing the functional and operational needs of the Print/Mail Center. Options will include: remodel, addition, or new location.							

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Community Mtgs: To be determined.						
Project Status: CIP Package routing is complete. Project Team drafting responses to comments received before forwarding for approval.						
10-008	2/05/10	Casino Master Plan	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- II 30%	\$27,900,000	1/02/2014
Description: The project will define the scope and cost of potential options for enhancing revenue at our gaming/hospitality/retail facilities. The scope will be used in creating a CIP Package for project approval.						
Community Mtgs: To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package.						
Project Status: CIP Package routing is complete. Project Team drafting responses to comments received before forwarding for approval.						
10-009	6/06/07	Hwy 54 Bridge Replacement	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 55%	*	*
Description: This is a Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation project to replace the existing HWY 54 bridge crossing Duck Creek in central Oneida. WI-DOT is working with Oneida representatives to coordinate community input and provide design ideas.						
Community Mtgs: Some meetings held. WisDOT coordinating dates.						
Project Status: Construction documents being finalized. Anticipated construction start spring 2012.						
10-010	3/09/10	Community Events Area	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 DSKENANI@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- I 10%	\$2,068,000	*
Description: The project is to develop a multi-use community events area on the property west of Seminary Road and north of the elementary school. The events area is to include: sports fields, outdoor theater and restrooms / concessions.						
Community Mtgs: Community meetings will be held. Project Team will coordinate.						
Project Status: Project Team working on CIP Package.						
10-012	4/01/08	Trail Hub Parkway	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- I 5%	*	*
Description: The project is to develop the Duck Creek Trail parkway and Trail Hub in central Oneida. The project would include parkway landscaping and a multiuse building for storage, bathrooms, and historical displays. The area will be developed to be attractive, support cultural and historical pride, and create a sense of place.						

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Community Mtgs: To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package.						
Project Status: Project Team working on CIP Package. Indian Community Development Block Grant was not awarded to project. Team investigating other grant funding potentials.						
10-014	10/01/10	Hwy 54 - Hwy 172 Intersection	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 70%	*	11/30/2011
Description: This is a Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation project to upgrade the intersection to a roundabout. WI-DOT is working with Oneida representatives to coordinate community input and provide design ideas.						
Community Mtgs: Meetings have been held. No additional meetings planned.						
Project Status: Project was been bid and contract awarded by WI-DOT. Casino roundabout will start early mid-April and Hwy 54 - 172 roundabout will start summer 2011. All work is scheduled to be completed by fall 2011.						
10-015	10/01/10	Hwy 54 - Seminary Road Intersection	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 40%	*	*
Description: This is a Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation project to upgrade the intersection to a roundabout. WI-DOT is working with Oneida representatives to coordinate community input and provide design ideas.						
Community Mtgs: Meetings have been held and additional will be scheduled.						
Project Status: WI-DOT working on design. Anticipated construction fall 2012.						
10-016	3/01/10	Casino HRU Replacement	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 100%	\$2,400,000	11/30/2010
Description: This is a maintenance project which will replace the existing Heat Recovery Units (HRU) on the Casino roof and construct a small building addition to house new boilers serving the new units.						
Community Mtgs: No meeting are planned.						
Project Status: Construction complete. Working on project close-out.						
10-017	4/16/10	Elder Apartments Roof Replacement	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 85%	\$108,000	7/01/2011
Description: This is a maintenance project to replace the shingled roofs on the Elder Apartments located in the Lee McLeister Complex.						

Project No.	CIP Request Date	Project Title	Project Manager	Current % of Project Phase completed	Total Project Budget	Scheduled Completion
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.						
Project Status: Construction will restart in May.						
10-018	4/19/10	NHC BCCR Upgrade	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 10%	*	*
Description: This project will include various technological and physical upgrades to the Business Committee Conference Room at the Norbert Hill Center.						
Community Mtgs: To be determined.						
Project Status: Project may be integrated into next phase of Norbert Hill Center Remodel.						
10-019	5/17/10	Duck Creek Fish Passage	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 5%	*	*
Description: This project proposes to open fish passage and increase accessible fishing areas in Duck Creek by removing deteriorating dams in Pamperin Park, removing impoundment, and restoring in-stream and streambank habitat. In addition it will modify the structure immediately upstream in the OG&CC to restrict invasive species passage while allowing more desirable fish species to pass.						
Community Mtgs: To be determined.						
Project Status: Team working on agreements between the various parties involved to define scope and responsibilities. If agreements cannot be reached, project will be cancelled.						
10-020	4/16/10	One Stops - Counter Upgrades	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- I 20%	\$60,000	*
Description: The project will upgrade the sales counters in several One Stop and Smoke Shop locations to comply with new regulations.						
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.						
Project Status: CIP Package being finalized.						
10-021	8/12/10	Duck Creek Trail - Service Rd. Branch	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- I 1%	*	*
Description: The project will develop a trail connection for bicycles from the Duck Creek Trail to the trails to be developed along Hwy 54 at the bridge.						
Community Mtgs: To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package.						

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Project Status: Project Team is developing design concepts for trail route and will be creating a CIP Package for the project.						
11-002	10/01/10	SEOTS - Community Center	Paul Witek 920-869-4543 PWITEK@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- III 36%	\$2,000,000	6/19/2012
Description: The project will develop a new office / community building for SEOTS in Milwaukee. The selected location is geographically located in a central point of the population served.						
Community Mtgs: To be determined.						
Project Status: Negotiating build-to-suit agreement with OTIE/Smet Construction. Completing due diligence on proposed property.						
11-003	11/17/10	Ridgeview Plaza Renovation	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- II 30%	\$1,300,000	11/08/2011
Description: The project will locate various independent hearing bodies into the Ridgeview Plaza building. The project will renovate the building into a judicial center. Efficiencies will be gained by sharing of hearing rooms, conference space, and recording equipment. Having the various hearing bodies in one location will be more convenient for tribal members to access.						
Community Mtgs: To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package.						
Project Status: CIP Package routing is complete. Project Team drafting responses to comments received before forwarding for approval.						
11-004	11/29/10	HWY 29 Corridor Improvements	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 1%	*	*
Description: This is a Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation project to upgrade crossings of Hwy 29 from CTH J to Hwy 32. WisDOT is working with Oneida representatives to coordinate community input.						
Community Mtgs: To be determined. WisDOT will coordinate dates.						
Project Status: County Hwy J and Hwy 29 intersection work underway, will eliminate direct access from Hwy J to Hwy 29. County Hwy FF and Hwy 29 intersection will be changed to diamond interchange in 2013-2014.						
11-005	12/17/11	OGE Fire Suppression Expansion	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 TPARR@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- N 70%	*	6/15/2011
Description: The project will upgrade and expand the fire suppression system at the Thornberry clubhouse so that the entire building is sprinklered.						
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.						

Project No.	CIP Request Date	Project Title	Project Manager	Current % of Project Phase completed	Total Project Budget	Scheduled Completion
Date: 4/12/11 TIME: 9:07:32						
Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin ACTIVE CIP PROJECTS - COMMUNICATION PLANS Submitted by: Engineering Department						
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Project Status: The project has been bid and contract awarded. The design is complete and installation has begun.						
11-006	3/28/11	Westwind Petroleum Equipment Upgrade/Remodel	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 WMETOXEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- I 5%	\$2,600,000	*
Description: The project will replace the existing underground storage tanks and make improvements to the site and building to create a more consistent appearance with other One Stop locations and improve customer flow.						
Community Mtgs: No meetings are planned.						
Project Status: Project Team assembling CIP Package for project approval.						
98-005	6/09/04	Resident Centered Care Community	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 DSKENANI@ONEIDANATION.ORG	CIP- III 40%	\$22,910,000	12/27/2012
Description: The facility will provide another option in the continuum of care for tribal members. Assisted Living facilities offer a home-like atmosphere with trained professionals who are available to help residents with their daily routines. Nursing homes offer 24-hour a day care for those who can no longer live independently and/or may need specialized care for severe illness or injuries. The proposed facility will also include the congregate meals program which will share kitchen and dining space with the other programs in the building.						
Community Mtgs: Community meetings were held on Dec. 15, 2005 and July 6, 2007. Additional meetings to be determined.						
Project Status: Project Team working on design revisions and conducting value engineering to align project with revised construction budget.						

US Supreme Court won't hear Wis. judge's case

By Dinesh Ramde

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE (AP) ~ The U.S. Supreme Court has declined to hear the case of a Wisconsin judge who wants judicial candidates to be allowed to raise money on their own behalf.

The Monday decision keeps in place a lower court's ruling that forces candidates to raise money through committees to prevent conflicts of interest, real or perceived.

The Wisconsin Code of Judicial Conduct previously prevented Wisconsin

judges from joining political parties, endorsing partisan candidates or soliciting campaign donations, either for themselves or for candidates for other offices.

Milwaukee County Circuit Court Judge John Siefert filed a lawsuit challenging those three rules

on free-speech grounds. The 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago ruled in his favor last year on letting judges join political parties but ruled against him on the other two issues.

The nation's high court said Monday it wouldn't hear arguments on those two issues.

Siefert said Tuesday that he wasn't entirely disappointed because he won on the issue he considers the most important.

"The key political right is the right to be part of a political party," he told The Associated Press. "I realize the other two issues were more minor. I can understand why a busy Supreme Court would decide not to take them up."

The lower court ruled that judges couldn't solicit money on their own because doing so carries "a greater potential for a quid pro quo and a greater appearance of a quid pro quo than a contribution given to the judge's campaign committee."

It also said the state had an obligation to regulate the behavior of judges who were speaking out in their

professional capacities as a means to advance a political end.

Siefert's lawsuit named as a defendant James Alexander, the executive director of the Wisconsin Judicial Commission, which enforces the state's code of conduct. Alexander said he was pleased with the decision and glad the case was over.

"If at any time in history the need for impartiality and integrity has been evident in the state of Wisconsin it should be now," he said.

Judicial politics in Wisconsin have been on clear display in recent weeks. State Supreme Court Justice David Prosser survived a bitter challenge last month from assistant Attorney General JoAnne Kloppenburg. Prosser won by a margin of roughly 0.5 percent and Kloppenburg requested a recount, which is ongoing.

A government watchdog group said outside groups combined to spend \$4.5 million in the two months leading up to their spring election.

Siefert said the figure showed how important it

was for candidates to raise and spend their own money rather than let third parties hijack the races with high spending.

"If candidates are allowed to ask for campaign contributions directly, they'll have more control over their own message," he said.

Mike McCabe, of the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign, disagreed. He said the public is better served when judges are independent of political influences.

McCabe, whose group pushes for campaign-finance reform, said Siefert had correctly identified a significant problem but was suggesting the wrong way to solve it.

"I think ultimately the solution is to give candidates public financing so they don't have to engage in private fundraising to remain relevant," he said. "Otherwise they undermine their own impartiality and subject themselves to claims of conflict of interest every time a major donor appears in their courtroom."



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ONEIDA Challenge



The Oneida Communications Department, in cooperation with Oneida Enterprises and programs issues a challenge to all enrolled Oneida and Oneida employees to "Explore Oneida." Grand prize for adult category is valued at \$1500 and grand prize in student category is valued at \$700.

This challenge is created to educate and promote a stronger sense of the Oneida culture and economy within the Oneida Community and to increase our reservation economy.

The Challenge:

Participants are challenged to complete the "Explore Oneida Challenge" form completely and correctly. The challenge form is comprised of a # questions about the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

Eligibility:

All enrolled Oneida and employees of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, with an employee identification number are eligible to participate. NO PURCHASE NECESSARY.

How to enter:

Participants may take the entry form from the Kalihwisaks or go online to www.oneidation.org and print off the form entitled, Explore Oneida Challenge. No online entries are available.

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

Oneida Communications will not be responsible for mail or entries that are lost, stolen, late, incomplete, damaged, altered or with postage due.

Rules:

Participants must complete the entire entry and provide all necessary contact and verification information voluntarily.

Participants are subject to publicity via news releases and photographs in

public and social media, through Oneida Communications Department.

By participating in the Explore Oneida Challenge, participants agree to be bound by these official rules and the decision of the Oneida Communications Department shall be final in all respects.

- Adult participants must be 18 years and older on or before July 4, 2011.
- Student participants must be under the age of 18 on or before July 4, 2011.
- All participants must be able to read and complete their own entry forms.

All participants must be enrolled or employed on the day of drawing, July 4, 2011.

How the winners will be selected:

The winners will be selected by a random drawing of all qualified entries placed in one of two drawing bins.

Oneida Communications Department staff will review all entries and reserve all correct entries for deposit into the drawing bin. Incorrect or incomplete entries will be saved in the Oneida Communications Department for 14 days. All entries will be destroyed after 14 days.

The categories are student and adult. Each category will yield one grand prize winner and four subsequent prize winners for a total of 5 in each category. The grand prize winner in each category will be selected first, followed by four consolation winners. A total of 10 prizes will be randomly selected.

When winners will be selected:

The drawing will take place before the Semi Annual General Tribal Council meeting on July 4, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. Winners need not be present to win. If the winner(s) are not present, Oneida Communications will notify them by phone or certified mail. Winners will be announced in the Kalihwisaks. Winners have 90 days to claim their prizes.

Condition of Entry:

By participating in the Explore Oneida Challenge the participant agrees to release the Oneida Tribe of Indians and its agents, from any and all actions, claims, injury, loss or damage arising in any manner, directly or indirectly from participation in this challenge, and or acceptance or use of the prizes.

Participating Oneida Businesses

Oneida Casino
Oneida Retail
Thornberry Creek at Oneida
Oneida Nation Museum
Tsyuhekwa
Oneida Nation Farms and Orchard
Bay Bank
Radisson Hotel and Conference Center
Oneida Seven Generations Corporation

EXPLORE ONEIDA Challenge

Prize Structure • Student Prizes

Grand Prize - Value \$700

- \$250 - Oneida Gift Card
- \$200 - (4) \$50 Grow Certificates from Bay Bank
- \$200 - Visa Gift Card from Bay Bank
- \$ 50 - Oneida Travel Case with blanket and other prizes inside

1st Prize - \$250 Value

- \$100 - Oneida Gift Card
- \$100 - (2) \$50 Grow Certificates from Bay Bank
- \$ 50 - Oneida Travel Case with blanket and other prizes inside

2nd Prize - \$200 Value

- \$100 - (2) \$50 Grow Certificates from Bay Bank
- \$ 50 - Oneida Gift Card
- \$ 50 - Oneida Travel Case with blanket and other prizes inside

3rd Prize - \$175 Value

- \$100 - (2) \$50 Grow Certificates from Bay Bank
- \$ 25 - Oneida Gift Card
- \$ 50 - Oneida Travel Case with blanket and other prizes inside

Prize Structure • Adult Prizes

Grand Prize - Value \$1500

- \$650 - A Three Night Stay at the Radisson in a Jacuzzi Suite
- \$500 - Gaming Credit at Oneida Casino
- \$150 - Oneida Gift Card
- \$ 50 - Dinner for two at Thornberry Creek
- \$ 50 - Dinner for two at Standing Stone Buffet
- \$ 50 - 18 Holes of Golf for two and a cart at Thornberry Creek
- \$ 50 - Oneida Travel Case with blanket and other prizes inside

1st Prize - \$300 Value

- \$150 - Oneida Gift Card
- \$100 - Visa Gift Card from Bay Bank
- \$ 50 - Oneida Travel Case with blanket and other prizes inside

2nd Prize - \$200 Value

- \$100 - Oneida Gift Card
- \$ 50 - Visa Gift Card from Bay Bank
- \$ 50 - Oneida Travel Case with blanket and other prizes inside

3rd Prize - \$125 Value

- \$ 50 - Oneida Gift Card
- \$ 50 - Oneida Travel Case with blanket and other prizes inside
- \$ 25 - Visa Gift Card from Bay Bank

National Railroad Museum marks Wisconsin Museums Week on May 21

The National Railroad Museum celebrates Wisconsin Museums Week as it welcomes the community with behind the scenes tours and free admission.

Ashwaubenon (Green Bay, Wis.) – Wisconsin Museums Week (May 14

– 22, 2011) highlights the importance of museums as they educate, entertain, inspire and acts as community gathering places.

As part of this week, the National Railroad Museum (www.national-railroadmuseum.org) will hold a special day to celebrate Museums and how their contribution to a higher quality of life for everyone in the community on Saturday, May 21, 2011.

Free admission and train rides will be offered throughout the day as well as four behind-the-scenes tours led by the Museum’s curator. Tours will feature little seen areas of the Museum, including the restoration shop, archives and collections storage, and a chance to walk inside General Eisenhower’s WWII command train.

Tours will take place on May 21, 2011 at:

- ⌚ 9:00 a.m.
- ⌚ 11:00 a.m.
- ⌚ 1:00 p.m.
- ⌚ 3:00 p.m.

As an organization based in supporting education, the Museum seeks to provide for an audience with a wide variety of needs such as autism spectrum disorder, English as a second language, learning and physical disabilities. “Museums are important to the quality of life in

the community,” commented Jacqueline Frank, National Railroad Museum executive director. “The National Railroad Museum strives to provide a place that everyone can enjoy.”

The National Railroad Museum has extended a special invitation to the special needs facilities and community to discover the Museum’s accessible resources and how it can contribute to

their quality of life on May 21, 2011.

Founded in 1956, the National Railroad Museum is one of the oldest institutions of its kind in the U.S. View Gen. Eisenhower’s World War II command train. Sit in the cab of the Union Pacific’s Big Boy #4017 the largest steam locomotive. Examine the future of railroading in the sleek 1955 General Motors Aerotrain.



Challenge Questions for Students:

1. How many gas pumps are at the Travel Center One Stop location? _____
2. What is the name of the restaurant located in the Travel Center One Stop? _____
3. What animal is mounted on the wall by the ATM machine in the Travel Center? _____
4. How many coolers of soda are available at the E/EE One Stop locations? _____
5. What sodas are available on the soda machine at the Packerland One Stop? _____
6. What restaurant is located in the Westwind One Stop? _____
7. What is written on the glass sign hanging in the fireplace area in the lobby? _____
8. What are the food themes at the Standing Stone Buffet? _____
9. How many soups are available at the Standing Stone Buffet each day? _____
10. What is the 1st cuisine station when you walk in at the Standing Stone Buffet? _____
11. How many floors are in Tower One at the Radisson? _____
12. What is the first word on the plaque on the stone in front of the Radisson? _____
13. What is the opening exhibit at the museum? _____
14. What are the hours of the museum? _____
15. Which war is featured in one of the museums newest exhibits? _____
16. What branch of the military has the most tribal members listed at the museum? _____
17. When was the museum constructed? _____
18. What is hanging from the longhouse ceiling in the hands on exhibit? _____
19. What is one of the wampum belts in the museum? _____
20. What is featured in the largest painting in the museum? _____
21. What hangs in Pine Tree Grill of Thornberry Creek at Oneida from front to back? _____
22. What animal is seated at both sides of the doors at Thornberry Creek at Oneida? _____
23. What type of oven is the pizza cooked in at Thornberry Creek at Oneida? _____
24. Name the 9 Business Committee members and their positions? _____
25. How many mini-murals make up the turtle in the BC conference room? _____
26. How many portraits of former chairpersons adorn the BC conference room? _____
27. What color are the chairs in the BC conference room? _____
28. How many monuments are in the Oneida Nation Walk of Legends? _____
29. What animal can be found at the Oneida Nation Gate? _____
30. What is the last sentence on the Johnny “Blood” McNally monument above the Oneida Nation Walk of Legends? _____
31. What years are highlighted in the “Talent” monument? _____
32. What number sits atop the Tony Canadeo monument? _____
33. How many granite panels make up the Oneida Nation Veterans Memorial? _____
34. What statue is at the memorial? _____
35. How many log homes are on Salt Pork Avenue, around the corner from the Veterans Memorial? _____

Challenge Questions for Adults:

1. How many Oneida One Stops are there and what are there locations? _____
2. How many gas pumps are at the Travel Center One Stop location? _____
3. What brand of coffee is available at Oneida One Stops? _____

4. What animal is mounted by the ATM machine in the Travel Center? _____
5. What newspapers are available at the E/EE one Stop? _____
6. How many classic sandwiches are available at the Westwind One Stop restaurant? _____
7. How many types of breads are available at the Westwind One Stop restaurant? _____
8. What brand of coffee is sold in the gift shop at the Radisson? _____
9. What is the name of the outdoor deck by Purcell’s Lounge? _____
10. What is the favorite burger at Pine Tree Grill at the Radisson? _____
11. What are 4 of the cuisines at the Standing Stone Buffet? _____
12. How many soups are available at the Standing Stone Buffet each day? _____
13. What is on the glass sign in the Fireside bar in the Radisson lobby? _____
14. How many rooms can the Iroquois Ballroom divide into? _____
15. What dolls decorate the Three Clans ballroom exterior? _____
16. What year did the Oneida Nation (ON) Museum open? _____
17. Which war is featured in the ON Museum’s newest exhibit? _____
18. What speaker is highlighted in the ON Museum’s language exhibit? _____
19. What seamstress’ items are shown in the lace exhibit at the ON Museum? _____
20. What is hanging from “hands on” exhibit of the longhouse in the ON Museum? _____
21. Where is the ON Museum located? _____
22. What game can you learn to play at the ON Museum? _____
23. What tribal business is closest to the ON Museum and Anna John Nursing Home? _____
24. What coffee is featured at Thornberry Creek at Oneida? _____
25. What is the most expensive appetizer at Thornberry Creek at Oneida? _____
26. How many yards is the entire championship course from the blue tees? _____
27. What type of oven is the pizza cooked in at Thornberry Creek at Oneida? _____
28. Name the 9 Business Committee members and their positions? _____
29. How many portraits of former chairpersons adorn the BC conference room? _____
30. What is the mural depicted in the Business Committee Conference Room at the Norbert Hill Center? _____
31. When are regularly scheduled Business Committee meetings held? _____
32. How many monuments are in the Oneida Nation Walk of Legends? _____
33. How many steps does it take to get to the top of the Oneida Nation Gate? _____
34. What is inscribed in the Pride Monument about the Oneida Nation? _____
35. What number sits on the Vince Lombardi monument? _____
36. What business hosts the Don Hutson monument? _____
37. What years are highlighted on the “Tradition” monument? _____
38. What number sits atop the Fuzzy Thurston monument? _____
39. Which granite panel of the memorial covers the longest amount of time? _____
40. How many flag poles are present at the new VFW in Oneida? _____
41. How many granite panels make up the Oneida Nation Veterans Memorial? _____
42. What statue is at the memorial? _____
43. How many log homes are on Salt Pork Avenue, around the corner from the Veterans Memorial? _____
44. Name three products sold at Tsyuhekwa in the cooler. _____
45. What is the price of Oneida dehydrated corn at Tsyuhekwa? _____
46. Name two products carried at Tsyuhekwa made in the Oneida Cannery. _____
47. What is the Oneida Apple Orchard floor made of? _____
48. Name three products produced by the Tribe sold at the Oneida Apple Orchard. _____
49. What does OCIFS stand for? _____
50. What was your favorite thing to visit during this challenge? _____

Supermarket of Veterans Benefits

TO: Oneida Nation Veterans and their families

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to participate in a Supermarket of Veterans Benefits to be held from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 3, 2011 and from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 4, 2011, at the National Guard Armory in Green Bay, Wisconsin located at 800 N. Military Ave, Green Bay, WI 54303.

This event is part of a broader marketing campaign by the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs to increase Wisconsin veterans' awareness of their eligibility for federal and state veteran's benefits programs.

Similar events around the state have attracted thousands of veterans and their family members. At these one-stop shop events, attendees received information and counseling on a variety of benefits and services



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Manager of the Oneida Veterans Office Kerry Metoxen and Veterans Benefit Specialist Carolyn Miller stand outside the new offices for the Oneida Nation Veterans Department located in the cabins behind Social Services. The department moved from the VFW because it needed more storage space.

to include VA health care, VA disability compensation and pension, veterans loans and grants, state veterans' homes, burial benefits, employment and job training, education, and social security among

others. I hope you will join us for this important event. Any questions call Wis. Tribal Veteran Coordinator, Nate Nez at 715-762-5667 or Oneida Nation Veteran Dept. at 920-490-3988/3989

Help feed the hungry

Postal Employees Help Stamp Out Hunger

ONEIDA, WI — Every second Saturday in May letter carriers in more than 10,000 cities and towns across America deliver much more than mail when they walk and drive along their postal routes. They also collect the goodness and compassion of their postal customers who participate in the NALC Stamp Out Hunger National Food Drive — the largest one-day food drive in the nation and probably the world. Oneida carriers will be participating in this event.

Led by letter carriers represented by the National Association of Letter Carriers (AFL-CIO), with the help of rural letter carriers, other postal employees and numerous other volunteers, the drive has resulted in delivery of more than one billion pounds of donations to community food banks and pantries over the past 18 years.

On Saturday, May 14, carriers will collect non-perishable food donations left by mailboxes and in post offices and deliver them to local community food banks, pantries and shelters.

The U.S. Postal Service and Campbell

Soup Company are major supporters of the drive. Campbell Soup also earmarked an additional 1 million pound canned food donation to the drive. Other supporters are Cox Target Media and its Valpak Direct Marketing Systems, the nationwide direct mail marketing firm, which promotes the drive on 40 million packets delivered to postal customers.

The drive also relies on the backing of the National Rural Letter Carriers Association, the Feeding America food bank network; the United Way of America and its local United Ways, the AFL-CIO Community Services network, and countless local sponsors.

All citizens need do is to place the food next to their mailbox before their letter carrier delivers mail on Saturday, May 14. The carrier will do all the rest. The food is taken back to a postal station, sorted, and then delivered to various Brown County pantries. There it is available for needy families. Oneida Postmaster said, "With many men, women and children living at risk of hunger, please join me and many other residents of the Oneida Area by placing a non-perishable food donation next to your mailbox to help Stamp Out Hunger."

Some 35.5 million people face hunger every day in America, including 13 million children. This drive is one way people can help those right in their own city or town who need help.

The NALC food drive has received a number of accolades over the years, including two Presidential Certificates of Achievement.

Help the U.S. Postal Service Stamp Out Hunger!

A self-supporting government enterprise, the U.S. Postal Service is the only delivery service that reaches every address in the nation, 150 million residences, businesses and Post Office Boxes. The Postal Service receives no tax dollars. With 36,000 retail locations and the most frequently visited website in the federal government, the Postal Service relies on the sale of postage, products and services to pay for operating expenses. Named the Most Trusted Government Agency five consecutive years and the sixth Most Trusted Business in the nation by the Ponemon Institute, the Postal Service has an annual revenue of more than \$68 billion and delivers nearly half the world's mail.

Oneida Blood Drive

Coordinated by the Oneida Employee Health Nursing Department

When: Friday, May 20, 2011
Hours: 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
Where: Oneida Family Fitness Gym

To schedule an appointment call 920-490-3730 or go to www.redcrossblood.org.

Give blood this summer, help save lives and have a chance to win a trip for four to Orlando & other great prizes!

You must be at least 16 years old to donate. Please bring a photo ID or your blood donor card. Please eat a good meal about 1-2 hours prior to donating. Check on the Intranet for further American Red Cross guidelines, the approval letter which are also posted 2-3 weeks before each drive. The approval letter states: "any employee that is pre-registered and pre-screened and/or passes the screening process on the day of the drive will be authorized by their department supervisor for a complimentary one hour of paid time off."

When you donate blood you help 2-3 people with each donation. Please Help Save Lives!

GIVE BLOOD, GIVE LIFE!

Workshops Offered to Prepare for a Career in the Meat Industry

MADISON — The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) encourages those interested in entering the meat industry to attend one of three planned workshops. Preparing for a Career in the Meat Industry workshops will be held across Wisconsin in June.

Presenters for all three workshops will be: Livestock and Meat Specialist Jeff Swenson, DATCP; Dr. Jeff Sindelar, UW-Madison;

and Dr. Kurt Vogel, UW-River Falls. Topics for the workshops include, but are not limited to: food safety, understanding meat quality, meat cookery, and resume development.

"This workshop is a unique opportunity to learn basic information on meat production and job skills from experts in the field," said Swenson. "By attending this workshop, individuals will be prepared to compete competitively for positions and contribute to our state's meat industry."

Each workshop will be held from 8:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Dates and locations are:

- Tuesday, June 7, 2011: UW-Madison: Animal Science Building, 1675 Observatory Drive, Madison
- Thursday, June 9, 2011: UW-Extension: Eau Claire County, 227 First Street West, Altoona

• Friday, June 10, 2011: UW-Green Bay, 2420 Nicolet Drive, Green Bay

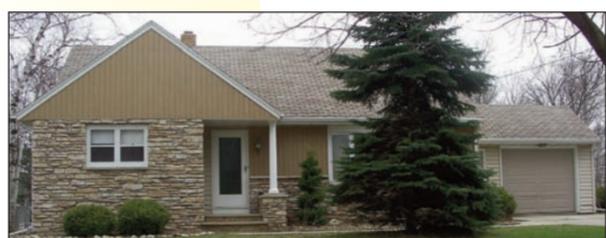
"The Wisconsin meat industry has a \$12.3 billion economic impact on our state and provides 88,000 jobs," explained Swenson. "There is currently an increased demand for artisan products produced locally creating many job opportunities in the meat industry."

Space is limited. To register, contact Jeff Swenson at 608-224-5082 or jeff.swenson@wisconsin.gov. Cost of registration is being covered by a grant from the Wisconsin Agricultural Education & Workforce Development Council. The mission of the Council is to attract, develop, and retain the premium workforce required to Grow Wisconsin's agricultural industry, food, and natural resource systems.

Division Of Land Management Dream Home Open House

Application Deadline: Monday, May 16, 2011 • 4:30PM

Open House Dates:
Tuesday • May 10, 2011
11:30AM-1:30PM
and
Wednesday • May 11, 2011
4:00PM-6:00PM



2943 Packerland Drive • Green Bay, WI



Mortgage Amount: \$96,000.00
 Purchaser will be buying home for \$85,000 and receive a THRIL loan for \$11,000 for a new roof and new windows.

Est. Monthly Mortgage Pymt: (Ø down @ 6% for 30 yrs.): \$ 575.57
 Est. Monthly Real Estate Tax Pymt: \$ 135.15
 Est. Total Monthly Payment: \$ 710.72

Directions to home: From Highway 172 West, take a left on Packerland Drive. Follow Packerland for about a mile. Home is on the left side of the road. Applicants who have a minimum monthly gross income of \$2,538.00 are encouraged to apply.

- ➔ 50 years old
- ➔ 1,750 sq. ft.
- ➔ 4 Bedrooms
- ➔ 2 Bathrooms
- ➔ 1-Stall Attached Garage
- ➔ 2-Stall Detached Garage

For further information, contact the Finance Department at:

Local: (920) 869-1690 • Toll Free: (800) 684-1697

470 Airport Drive • Oneida, WI 54155 or go to... <http://land.oneidanation.org>

Fundraiser by Holy Apostles Vacation Bible School

All-U-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner

All proceeds will benefit the Oneida Community Vacation Bible School... being held for free at the Oneida Methodist Church July 5th to July 8th!

Thursday, May 12th

Menu: Spaghetti (w/meat or marinara), Salad, Bread, Dessert, Beverage

Parish Hall

4:00pm to 6:00pm
\$8.00 Adults
\$4.00 Kids 10 & under

DONATIONS NEEDED!! Please contact church at 869-2565 or drop-off donations to Holy Apostles Church office.

9th Annual Oneida Culture Days

**JUNE 24 - JULY 3
2011**

TOBACCO BURNING AND FLAG RAISING

Friday June 24
8:00 AM
Norbert Hill Center by flag poles

DIVISION OF LAND MANAGEMENT

16th Annual Open House
June 24, 2011
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Games, Bake Sale, Raffles Food, Information Booths, and Cash Cart
Come and see what Land Management has accomplished in the past years.
A FUN time for all.
Contact: 920-869-1690

MISS ONEIDA PAGEANT

June 24, 2011
6:00 PM
Radisson Hotel Wolf Room
Contact: Rich Figueroa 920-496-5026 or rfigueroa@oneidation.org

10TH ANNUAL ONEIDA FARMERS MARKET

Thursday, June 30, 2011
Noon – 6:00 PM
HWY 54 ONEIDA ONE STOP
Contact: Bill Ver Voort 920-496-7423, Wvervoort@oneidation.org

ONEIDA MUSEUM'S 13TH ANNUAL CULTURAL FESTIVAL

Thursday, June 30, 2011
10:30 AM – 3:30 PM
"Music, Demonstrations, Food, Raffles, and MORE"
MUSEUM GROUNDS – W892 County RD EE
Contact: Sue Peterson
920-869-6539
FAX 920-869-2959
SPETERSO@ONEIDANATION.ORG

ANNUAL WOODLAND INDIAN ART SHOW & MARKET

July 1 – 3, 2011
Contact: Loretta Webster at Bear Paw Keepsakes
920-499-7875 or info@bearpawartgallery.com

39TH ANNUAL ONEIDA POWWOW

JUNE 30 – JULY 3
NHC GROUNDS
ONEIDA POWWOW COMMITTEE
920-496-5311 or 920-490-3624
ADMISSION:
WEEKEND PASS - \$10, DAILY PASS - \$5
60 & OVER & 10 AND UNDER – FREE
ADVANCE WEEKEND PASSES AVAILABLE AT
ONEIDA ONE STOPS AND THE ONEIDA CASINO TRAVEL CENTER – \$8

TRADITIONAL LACROSSE GAME(S)

Contact: Kilabrew Vandyke 920-562-2164

ANNUAL ONEIDA PARADE

THEMES: Green Bay Packers & 50's, 60's, or 70's
Judging in 3 Categories: Float • Vehicle • Individual
JULY 2 at 10:30 AM
Contact: Tonya 920-496-5311 or Teresa 920-496-3624

ECUMENICAL CHURCH SERVICES AT THE POWWOW

NHC Powwow Grounds
July 3, 2011
Ecumenical Service
7:30AM – 8:00AM Oneida Singers
8:00AM – 9:00AM Service
Contact Becky Nichols 920-869-2342

FOR ADDITIONAL INFO CONTACT:

LLOYD E POWLESS, JR.
920-494-3244

Skenandore Awarded Environmental Honor



Kali photo/Travis Cottrell

Ted Skenandore holds the 2011 Environmental Hero Award, which he received because of his efforts as Tsyunhehkwá Agricultural Supervisor.

By Travis Cottrell
Kalihwisaks

On Saturday, April 30th the Helfenstein Soup Council presented Ted Skenandore, Tsyunhehkwá Agricultural Supervisor, with the 2011 Environmental Hero Award.

Skenandore was given the award for the work that he does to preserve Oneida culture by helping to provide a sustainable food system for his people and also for his talents and skills as an artist, musician, and storyteller. He and the team of people that work at Tsyunhehkwá farm are growing healthy food while teaching and preserving culture, their seeds, and their heritage for future generations of their community.

Although Skenandore is thrilled and honored

that his efforts were recognized and appreciated he reiterates that the work that has been is only possible because of a team effort. "This isn't really about me because it takes teamwork to make all of this happen. Whether it's the agricultural area here at Tsyunhehkwá or with my bands. It all takes a team of people to do," says Skenandore.

The Helfenstein Soup Council is a local non-profit organization committed to promoting sustainable living. They have been recognizing local community members for their work in educating people and living their lives in manner that preserves the Earth for future generations. Skenandore is the 18th individual that has been recognized in this manner.

Mailbox Vandalism isn't a joke

*Help protect
your
neighborhood
from this crime*

ONEIDA, WI — Taking a bat to a mailbox, hitting it with a brick, or setting off a firecracker or pipe bomb inside may seem like fun to some rambunctious teens. However, it's not a rite of passage - it's a criminal act that hurts our neighbors and our community.

"Mailbox vandalism increases during the summer months, and we need to encourage everyone to be aware of any misconduct that may occur in their neighborhoods", said Oneida Postmaster Cheryl Koenig. Mailboxes are protected by federal law, and crimes against them and the mail they contain are considered a federal offense. Violators can be fined up to \$250,000 or imprisoned for up to three years for each act of vandalism.

Damaged mailboxes have to be replaced, costing the owner time, money and inconvenience. Meanwhile, the mail cannot be delivered. Many people depend on receiving monthly checks and other financial support through the mail, so doing without their mail negatively

affects their lives. And some damaged mail cannot be replaced - family photos, letters from sons and daughters serving in the military overseas, and other priceless keepsakes that mean so much to the recipient.

Mailbox vandalism affects all of us. We don't feel as secure in our neighborhoods and communities. Property values can drop as a result of vandalism and other crimes. And prospective new residents may think twice about moving here knowing that our young people have such callous disregard for the property of others.

"If you have teenagers at home, talk with them about the downside of damaging mailboxes, and vandalism in general," added Koenig. "Remind them of the penalties, the impact on the victims, and that they can get hurt or killed in the process. The Postal Service doesn't take these crimes lightly because of the severity of the potential consequences."

If you discover someone tampering with your or your neighbor's mailbox, get a description of the person(s), a description and license plate number of any vehicle, then immediately report this information to the police.

SD school ends contracts with all employees

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) ~ All employees at the Crazy Horse School in Wanblee have been notified they will be out of a job at the end of the school year.

The school board recently decided not to

renew contracts with the more than 90 employees, from the superintendent to bus drivers. The entire staff will have to re-apply for their jobs on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota.

School board chair-

man John Haas tells the Rapid City Journal that the school board's decision does not target any person or group. He says the board is trying to create a school that meets students' needs by teaching reading, writing and

math. The school has struggled for years to meet the requirements of the federal school improvement law known as No Child Left Behind.

Arizona court rules for tribe on annexation issue

PHOENIX (AP) ~ A state appeals court has overturned the city of Glendale's annexation of land that includes part of the site of a casino resort planned in the Phoenix area by a southern Arizona Indian tribe, the Tohono O'odham Nation.

A trial judge had ruled in favor of Glendale, upholding the city's position that the annexation of the property in 2001 automatically took effect

30 days after it was approved.

But a Court of Appeals panel ruled that the annexation never became official because a challenge was filed against it and then the city itself repealed the annexation before the case went to court.

The annexation question matters because tribal casinos are now allowed inside incorporated municipalities.

Native Hawaiian self-government bill passed

HONOLULU (AP) ~ Legislation that starts the process for Native Hawaiians to form their own government is heading to Gov. Neil Abercrombie for his approval.

The Hawaii House and Senate voted Tuesday to approve the bill, which recognizes Native Hawaiians as the indigenous people of the state.

The measure is meant to support a related proposal pending in Congress that would protect Native Hawaiian programs and allow them to create a

self-governing entity.

Native Hawaiians are the last remaining indigenous group in the United States who haven't been allowed to establish their own government, a right already extended to many Alaska Natives and Native American tribes.

The bill calls for a five-member commission responsible for creating a roll of qualified Native Hawaiians interested in participating in their government.

Online: SB1520: <http://capitol.hawaii.gov/>

Committee sends voter ID bill to Wis. Assembly

MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ Voters will be required to show a photo ID at the polls under a bill approved by an Assembly committee Tuesday despite concerns from Democrats and the nonpartisan board that monitors Wisconsin elections that the measure was moving too quickly.

The proposal, which has the backing of Gov. Scott Walker, is on course to pass the full Legislature next week.

Democrats had successfully blocked the photo ID requirement for years, arguing that it would disenfranchise voters, especially the elderly, poor and students. But it got new life this year with Republicans in control of the Legislature. They say the photo requirement and other changes are reasonable ways to improve voter confidence and reduce the risk of fraud.

"What we're trying to do is make the system

better," said Rep. Gary Tauchen, R-Bonduel, chairman of the Assembly's committee on election and campaign reform.

The head of the nonpartisan Government Accountability Board, which oversees Wisconsin elections, sent the committee members a letter urging them to make a number of changes and complaining that there had not been enough time to carefully evaluate the latest version, which was just made public late Friday.

GAB head Kevin Kennedy urged the committee to seek additional input from the public and local election officials before moving ahead.

While Republicans on the committee, including bill sponsor Rep. Jeff Stone, R-Greendale, said they were open to changes, the bill remained on course to be voted on in a week. It passed Tuesday on a partisan 5-3 vote.

Send your email to Kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org



ONEIDA NATION EMPLOYEE BINGO NIGHT

Thursday, May 26, 2011

10:30PM • All 6 packs \$10 each

Must show employee badge to participate.

- 1. Crazy Bingo \$100
- 2. Crazy Six Pack \$100
- 3. Any Outside Line \$100
- 4. Double Bingo \$200
- 5. Crazy Nine Pack \$200
- 6. Dual Dab (\$1) *\$500
- 7. Double Triple Game (\$2) \$300, \$600

* INTERMISSION * INTERMISSION *

TABLE IDOL ~ Enter your table buddies into the "Table Idol" contest (limit 6). You will be judged on the performance of your chosen song as a group. All winners will receive \$99 each!

- 8. Crazy T (\$2) \$300, \$600
- 9. Bonanza (\$1) *\$500
- 10. Crazy Bingo \$500
- 11. Letter X \$500
- 12. Hardway Bingo \$500
- 13. Double Bingo \$500
- 14. Blackout (\$3) \$5,000

SURPRISE PAYOUTS! Valid on ALL games.

BINGO ON B and your payout **DOUBLES**

BINGO ON I and your payout **TRIPLES**

BINGO ON N and win the payout, plus you and your table buddies receive a \$25 Bingo Pass.

Bingo on G and win a **GRAND!** (\$1,000)

Bingo on O and win the payout, PLUS you and your table buddies receive \$99 cash!

Each employee is allowed to invite one guest.

*Jackpots that are posted for the games regularly played during public sessions will not apply to this session. Bold games are NOT included in the pack and may be purchased separately.



GOP proposal would cap interest on payday loans

MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ Interest rates on payday loans would be capped at 36 percent under a proposal Republicans are circulating in the Wisconsin Legislature.

New regulations on the payday lending industry took effect in December, but the previous Legislature controlled by Democrats rejected a cap on interest. Consumer advocates who supported tighter regulations on the industry had pushed for the

interest rate cap, saying it was needed to prevent borrowers from getting socked with interest as high as 500 percent or more.

The new law limits the size of the loans and bars auto title loans.

Rep. Evan Wynn of Whitewater and Sen. Glenn Grothman of West Bend are proposing the interest rate cap. They are seeking co-sponsors of the proposal until May 12.

V.F.W. Fish Fry

Veterans of Foreign Wars

Every Friday in May
11:00AM – 7:00PM

Lunch & Dinner – Perch...\$11

Shrimp Plate...\$8 – Seafood Platter...\$11

Smelt Baked or Fried...\$8 – Walleye Dinner...\$11

All You Can Eat Cod, Baked or Fried...\$8

Served with... French Fries, Cole Slaw, Dessert and Rye bread with raw onion

Location... Oneida V.F.W. POST 7784
2980 East Service Rd. • Oneida, WI

For carry-outs call Mike Hill at:
• 1.920.246.6722

PUBLIC WELCOME

ONEIDA RECREATION SUMMER PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Birds chirping can only mean one thing; the Oneida Recreation Summer Program is closely upon us.

SAVE THE DATE***SAVE THE DATE***SAVE THE DATE

Don't let your child miss out!

Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2011
Location: Civic Center
Time: 9 a.m. until filled (phone registration is not allowed)
Fees: \$5.00 Recreation membership
\$10.00 Summer Program Fee

All Summer Program participants must be members of Oneida Recreation, membership forms can be picked up at the Civic Center or County H.

This year's programs consist of sessions for the following age groups:

- 5 & 6 Year Old
- 7 & 8 Year Old
- 9 & 10 Year Old
- 11-12, 13-16 Year Old

Session I June 13th – July 1st
Session II July 11th – July 29th
Session III August 1st – 19th



Contact Fawne Teller • Bingo/Off-Track Betting Director
Ext. 3413 or email: FTeller@oneidanation.org
IMAC Casino/Bingo Hall
Across from Austin Straubel Airport • Green Bay
1-800-238-4263 • 920-494-4500
OneidaCasino.net

Landscaping workshop offered

NWTC wants to introduce area women to careers in landscaping with a free hands-on workshop

GREEN BAY ~ Northeast Wisconsin women are invited to spend a day at Northeast Wisconsin Technical College this month to learn about landscaping-related careers.

The one-day Landscaping Boot Camp for Women will introduce participants to the knowledge and skills used by landscapers. Discussions, demonstrations and hands-on activities will be combined to help participants understand related careers and industries.

The workshop includes basic information about:

- discovering dwarf conifers
- something new in the garden
- creating hypertufa

troughs

- new and old container gardening
- pruning basics for small trees and shrubs

Women who are unemployed or underemployed, and those who might enjoy problem-solving and working independently are especially encouraged to attend.

Date: Saturday, May 21, 2011

Time: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (With a one-hour lunch break)

Fee: None.

Registration is required. For more information or to register, call Betsy Baier, (920) 498-6996 or email elizabeth.baier@nwtc.edu.

The workshop is being funded through the Carl D. Perkins III Reserve Funds Nontraditional Occupations grant.

Community plants roots with First Down for Trees

Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

Community members from the Tall Feather Way neighborhood helped plant trees donated by First Down for Trees and Meacham Nursery in celebration of Earth Day Friday, April 22.

Right: Oneida Community Conservation Forrester Manager Dan Brooks shows how deep to plant the sapling.

Below: Community members got their hands dirty planting trees near the County H Recreation Center.



LUCKY U'S FREE SPRING CLOTHING EXCHANGE

MAY 9 Through 14, 2011

9:00 am-12:00 pm & 5:30 pm-7:00 p.m. Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday

N7372 WATER CIRCLE PLACE
(Formerly "The Tower Foods Grocery")
ONEIDA WISCONSIN

DONATE YOUR CLEAN, GENTLY USED CLOTHING, SHOES, BEDDING, SMALL APPLIANCES (Sorry no microwaves or TV's unless they work properly), KNICK-KNACKS, ETC.

Any Questions Contact Diane Jourdan
920-562-2252/ djordan5@new.rr.com

REMEMBER - IF YOU GOT IT, GIVE IT. IF YOU NEED IT, TAKE IT

Senate official objects to bin Laden-Geronimo link

By Matthew Daly
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) ~ The staff director for the Senate Indian Affairs Committee is objecting to the U.S. military's use of the code name "Geronimo" for Osama Bin Laden during the raid that killed the al-Qaida leader.

Geronimo was an Apache Indian leader in the 19th century who spent many years fighting the Mexican and U.S. armies until his capture in 1886.

The staff director and chief counsel for the Senate Indian Affairs Committee, Loretta Tuell, says it is inappropriate to link whom she calls "one of the greatest Native American heroes" with one of the most hated enemies of the United States.

Tuell is a member of the Nez Perce tribe and grew on the tribe's reservation in Idaho. The Indian Affairs panel has scheduled a hearing Thursday on racial stereotypes of native people.

39th ANNUAL Oneida POW-WOW

June 30- July 4, 2011 • Norbert Hill Center
5 Miles West of Green Bay on Hwy. 54

Join us in song and dance at the 39TH ANNUAL ONEIDA CONTEST POW-WOW! OVER \$80,000 IN PRIZE MONEY WILL BE AWARDED!

MC: Vince Beyl, Ojibwe, Bemidji, MN
MC: Wallace Coffey, Commanche, Lawton, OK
Arena Director: Charlie Hindsley, Ho Chunk/Menominee, WI Dells
Arena Director: Wanbli Charging Eagle, Lakota/Chippewa, Green Bay, WI
Host Drum: Meskwaki Nation, Tama, Iowa
Head Male Dance Judge: Royce Kingbird, Ojibwe, Ponemah, MN
Head Female Dance Judge: Irene Oakes, Cree, Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, Canada
Head Drum Judge: Billy Runs Above, Cheyenne/Oglala Lakota, Frazer, MT
Smoke Dance Coordinator: Cam Hill Sr., Six Nations Grand River Cayuga Nation

Golden age men's 65 & over Traditional Special sponsored by Stan Webster.

Jr. girls Smoke Dance Special sponsored by Lil' Miss Oneida Yew-niyositha-Larissa Shawanokasic. Trophy - 1st, 2nd & 3rd.

5k Family Fun Run on Saturday, July 2. For more information, contact Teresa Schuman at 920-490-3624.

Be sure to check out the Woodland Indian Art Market. For more information, call 920-713-8030.

Proud Sponsors:

The Public is Welcome!

Admission	Grand Entries	Registration
Weekend Pass \$10.00	Friday, July 1 7pm	Thursday, June 30 6pm-7pm
Daily Pass \$5.00	Saturday, July 2 1pm & 7pm	Friday, July 1 4pm - 7pm
60 yrs. & older FREE	Sunday, July 3 12 Noon	Saturday, July 2 11am-1pm
10 yrs. & younger FREE		

THURSDAY, JUNE 30 IS ONEIDA DAY
• • • FREE ADMISSION • • •

• • • ATTENTION DANCERS AND SINGERS • • •
Point System competition will begin Friday, July 1.
Singers please bring your own chairs.

NO CANOPIES ALLOWED. For more information, call the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee at 920-496-5311 or 920-490-3624. Reserve your room now at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, Green Bay by calling 920-494-7300. Rates based on availability. Also, when you reserve your room, ask about the Thornberry Creek at Oneida golf specials.

<http://oneida-nasn.gov>