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Ground broken for Elder Resident Facility

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

After nearly two decades in the making, Oneida citizens broke ground for the construction of a new Elder Resident Facility on Wednesday morning, June 29.

"This facility took so long, actually, I turned into an elder" quipped Oneida Business Committee (OBC) Chairman Rick Hill.

The Elder Resident Facility was called for in 1993 after a study of reservation housing needs, but a series of budget constraints along with debate on how to best care for elders kept pushing construction down the road. Hill

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Ground Breaking



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Members of the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging (ONCOA) broke ground for construction of the new Elder Resident Facility which will connect to the Elderly Services Building at 2907 S. Overland Road.

New Royalty crowned at Miss Oneida Pageant



Kali photos/Travis Cottrell

The 44th Annual Miss & Jr. Miss Oneida Pageant was held June 24th at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center and has produced two new members to the Oneida Royalty family.

The Miss Oneida crown went to Ululani Nunies and the Jr. Miss Oneida title was awarded to Katy Bermke.

Above: The new members of the Oneida Royalty family; 2011-2012 Miss Oneida Ululani Nunies (right) and 2011-2012 Jr. Miss Oneida Katy Bermke (left).

Top Right: Former Miss Oneida Delores Skenandore passes on the crown.

Right: Former Jr. Miss Oneida Olivia Webster places the sash around Bermke.



GTC meetings to alter seating process

As the Semi- Annual General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting draws near on July 4, 2011, the Oneida Business Committee has approved of implementing temporary measures to ensure the full participation of each enrolled eligible voter.

The participation of all eligible voters is a priority. We recognize the importance of allowing our future eligible voters to be educated on the fundamentals of our government however we must also ensure our present eligible voters are not hindered in the process. We strongly urge you to find child care for your smaller children for this meeting.

It is critical for members to be present in meetings at all times in order to make informed decisions. In our efforts to afford all eligible voters their rights, the following procedure is being introduced to afford all eligible voters their full right to participation.

Three Clans Ballroom is the main meeting room. The additional overflow will be accommodated in the Iroquois Ballroom.

Eligible voters who are elderly or in need of special assistance should make every effort to be in the company of another eligible voter.

All eligible voters will be provided the first opportunity to sit in the Three Clans Ball Room.

In the event we meet the limit specified by safety codes in the Three Clans Ballroom, additional accommodations will be provided in the Iroquois Ballroom as space allows.

We plan to provide the Iroquois Ballroom for overflow and it will be

• See 11A,
GTC Changes

Tribe offers severance packages to offset labor costs

By Nate Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

A budget already sliced thin and the rising labor costs led to a unique opportunity for some tribal employees.

The Oneida Tribe's severance packages were made available after the Oneida Business Committee (OBC) passed an emergency law on March 23, 2011. The purpose of the offer was to reduce the cost of the tribe's payroll with voluntary resignations.

"The package was offered in order to provide an incentive to employees to end their employment relationship with the tribe," said Debbie Thundercloud, the tribe's General Manager. "Our workforce size was no longer sustainable and we

needed to offer incentives to bring our labor costs down."

The package is calculated by offering two weeks of pay for every continuous year of service with a maximum of 30 weeks of pay. Regular status employees were eligible pending the elimination of their position or another within their department. An employee must wait until after the number of eligible weeks paid severance has lapsed before applying for another position within the tribe.

The move was made as the tribe prioritized job security and services over cuts.

"Since the downturn in the economy Oneida made a

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Lloyd Powless cuts his retirement cake on his last day of work. Powless accepted the severance package offered by the tribe.

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From 1A/Ground breaking

praised Pearl McLester for aggressively advocating for the facility. “I just admire Pearl, she championed this, and her vision would not be denied,” he said. “When we all together, there’s nothing we can’t do,” said McLester. The Oneida Commission on Aging (ONCOA) created an ad hoc committee in 1996 to oversee the proposed project, which eventually was taken up by the Oneida Comprehensive Health Division in 2005. Eventually, Oneida

began selling bonds to raise funds for construction of the Elder Resident Facility. According to the Oneida Comprehensive Health Division Director Debra Danforth, the facility will see to the needs of elders as well as those in need of assisted living due to a handicap. “That ad hoc committee recognized that this project was going to address not only the needs of elders, but also medical concerns and rehab issues,” said Danforth.

The Elder Resident Facility will be 77,000 square feet and will have 48 resident apartments, a senior meal site, physical therapy, activity spaces and staff offices. The new facility will connect to the Elderly Services Building at 2907 S. Overland Road. Engberg Anderson, Standing Stone Architectural Design, and Kraus-Anderson Construction are the firms that will build the project. Construction is expected to be completed in spring of 2013

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

BUSINESS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON Choose one (1)	BUSINESS COMMITTEE COUNCIL MEMBER Choose up to five (5)
RON "TEHASSI" HILL ED DELGADO	DAVID P. JORDAN "FLEET" JENNIFER WEBSTER GARY L. JORDAN PAUL NINHAM BEN VIEAU BRANDON STEVENS MELINDA J. DANFORTH ELAINE REED-DOXTATOR JOHN E. POWLESS, III CATHY BACHHUBER VINCE DELA ROSA JENNIFER M. STEVENS PEARL B. WEBSTER CATHY L. METOXEN LINDA "BUFFY" DALLAS
BUSINESS COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIRPERSON Choose one (1)	
GREG MATSON DENNIS "DJ" DANFORTH, JR.	
BUSINESS COMMITTEE TREASURER Choose one (1)	
KATHY HUGHES CRISTINA "TINA" DANFORTH	ELECTION BOARD Choose up to three (3)
BUSINESS COMMITTEE SECRETARY Choose one (1)	PAMELA F. NINHAM TONYA ALICEA-BOUCHER ROSA MELCHERT CONSTANCE DANFORTH "CONNIE"
PATTY NINHAM HOEFT PAT LASSILA	TRUST/ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE Choose up to two (2)
	LOIS METOXEN STRONG RITA REITER DEBRA J. DANFORTH
THIS IS A SAMPLE BALLOT ONLY	
ONEIDA TRIBAL JUDICIAL SYSTEM Choose up to eight (8)	ONEIDA COMMISSION ON AGING (ONCOA) Choose up to three (3)
JANICE SKENANDORE-MCLESTER WINNIFRED L. THOMAS "WINNIE" MARY ADAMS SANDRA L. SKENADORE LEE NINHAM LOIS POWLESS "STAN" WEBSTER CHRIS J. CORNELIUS MANUEL JESSE TORRES, JR. MICHAEL DEBRASKA FLOYD HILL, II ROCHELLE A. POWLESS JEAN M. WEBSTER JOHN ORIE DOROTHY A. SKENANDORE JULIE KING CLIFFORD DANFORTH GLADYS DALLAS AMY STEVENS	SHIRLEY BARBER CLIFFORD G. DOXTATOR LANEVA "KAYO" HILL BEVERLY J. ANDERSON MARLENE R. SUMMERS DONALD D. MCLESTER KAREN COFFEY
REFERENDUM QUESTIONS	LAND COMMISSION Choose up to two (2)
Should the Chief of Police be elected?	TED HAWK MICHAEL L. HILL "BLUTO" PAT CORNELIUS TOM OUDENHOVEN "ODDIE" DONALD D. MCLESTER LLOYD E. POWLESS, JR.
YES NO	TRIBAL SCHOOL BOARD PARENT POSITION Choose up to two (2)
Should absentee ballots be accepted, for tribal members that live out of state, that are home bound, or in any other way incapacitated, to attend any type of election?	VICTORIA "VICKY" MATSON MELINDA K. DANFORTH DEBRA J. DANFORTH RHIANNON "RC" METOXEN
YES NO	LAND CLAIMS COMMISSION Choose one (1)
Should the Oneida Business Committee disallow employees of the tribe, who are required to be at the GTC in the capacity of their job, from the stipend?	RITA M. SUMMERS
YES NO	THIS IS A SAMPLE BALLOT ONLY

CLARIFICATION

James Overman's name was inadvertently omitted from the list of Oneida veterans that took part in a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in the June 16 issue.

ATTENTION

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) northeast region office in Green Bay is announcing the dual-lane roundabout being built at the entrance to Austin Straubel Airport and Oneida Casino/Radisson Hotel will be open by 6 p.m. on Friday, July 1, 2011. These entrances have been closed since April 18. Stage two of the project is in two parts and begins Tuesday, July 5 with construction of the WIS 54/172 dual-lane roundabout.

Notice of
2011 General Election
Saturday • July 16, 2011
7:00AM to 7:00PM

Oneida Health Center & SEOTS Building
525 Aiport Drive 6811 West Morgan Avenue
Oneida, Wisconsin Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Picture Identification is **REQUIRED** for Voting
Children will not be allowed in the voting area

Candidate **FORUM** Invitation

Great Lakes Complex – Oneida Radisson
Monday • July 11, 2011 • 4:30PM – 8:30PM

AGENDA

- 4:00 PM – Each Candidate will be provided 1 table for campaign materials. Candidates may set up their table between 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM
- 4:30 PM – The community is invited to visit with each candidate
- 5:30 PM – Opening Prayer
- 5:35 PM – Council Member Forum. Each candidate for Oneida Business Committee Council position will be given 1 minute to introduce themselves and 3 additional minutes to answer two (2) questions.
- 6:35 PM – Secretary Forum. Each candidate for Oneida Business Committee Secretary Position will be given 1 minute to introduce themselves and 3 additional minutes to answer two (2) questions.
- 6:45 PM – Treasurer Forum. Each candidate for Oneida Business Committee Treasurer Position will be given 1 minute to introduce themselves and 3 additional minutes to answer two (2) questions.
- 6:55 PM – Vice Chair Forum. Each candidate for Oneida Business Committee Vice Chair position will be given 1 minute to introduce themselves and 3 additional minutes to answer two (2) questions.
- 7:05 PM – Break
- 7:20 PM – Chairperson Debate. Each candidate for Chairperson will be provided 1 minute to introduce themselves. The volunteer committee has developed a number of questions for the debate.
- 8:30 PM – End

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Court rules OPD to continue emergency responder role in Hobart areas

By Nate Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

A Wisconsin Court of Appeals ruled that the Oneida Police Department (OPD) will continue to be the primary responding police department to 9-1-1 calls in portions of the Village of Hobart.

In October of 2008 a Brown County Circuit Court judge ruled Brown County can dispatch OPD in a 1,700-acre area around Hwy 172, Hwy 54 and County Road E in a hearing over a temporary injunction filed by Village of Hobart. The village sued Brown County in May 2008 stemming from a service agreement signed between the county and tribe granting 9-1-1 primary coverage of the disputed area to OPD.

According to the village's Director of Community Development and Tribal Affairs Elaine Willman, an appeal appears to be in the works.

"The Village Board is likely to appeal the ruling to the Wisconsin State Supreme Court, however, they will discuss their options at the upcoming

Board meeting of July 5th," she said.

Oneida Chief of Staff Bill Gollnick expects the village to appeal though state law supports the agreement reached between the county and tribe.

"To oppose the terms of the tribe (and) Brown County service agreement, Hobart sued and lost. Hobart moved for reconsideration and was denied. Hobart then filed this appeal, which they lost," said Gollnick. "Despite the fact that the court's decision made it clear that what the tribe has been able to do with every other local law enforcement agency is exactly supported by state law, every issue is an opportunity for another suit."

In the village's position, Willman expresses concern over the erosion of village control and decision-making.

"The 1,700 acre area designated in the service agreement is an arbitrary line that can be expanded," Willman said. "The Village argues that such a boundary causing a change in primary law enforcement response is

a violation of its Home Rule and duty to provide public safety service, a precedent that can continuously erode the primary service area of municipal public safety and law enforcement and a technology detriment in terms of communicating 9-1-1 dispatch services timely, safely and efficiently."

Gollnick also addresses safety but from a different viewpoint.

"The Oneida Police Department has provided law enforcement for over 25 years to all people of this area at no cost to local taxpayers. OPD officers are well equipped, well trained, and have experience. They are authorized under Tribal law, federal law and state law to enforce within the reservation and by deputization by the Brown County Sheriff, they also have enforcement authority anywhere in the county. This decision recognized these facts," he said.

He then addressed response time.

"The issue of import to most local residents, however, is the anticipated reduction in response time. Hobart has said they don't want the minimum of four OPD officers that we have on each shift 24/7 to be dispatched until its been determined that the Hobart officer isn't available and that there isn't county sheriff available as a back up," he added.

"So if something happens in northern Hobart and the Hobart-Lawrence officer on duty is in Lawrence, then that officer would have to go lights and siren across two townships to engage. If the county officers are not readily available the response times can be long. This agreement simply allows dispatch to bring our officers into an event in a timely and professional manner. Hobart's position that OPD should not be dispatched to an emergency at the Civic Center will not prevail."

The Village of Hobart has 24-hour seven days a week service. They have a full-time Police Chief, four full-time police officers and two part-time officers. OPD has 20 officers cross-deputized with Brown County.

Diocese ready for litigation against Hobart

By Nate Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

The Village of Hobart Board of Trustees was officially served notice of a potential lawsuit if their stance on the Holy Apostles cemetery tax doesn't change.

Matthew Payne, Lay Cannon for the Administration Dioceses for Fond du Lac, notified the board of the Trustees of the Diocese of Fond du Lac intentions to move forward with legal action if the board's decision to allow the taxation

of the church's cemetery holds.

In April of this year the board upheld a decision to keep 2.3 acres of cemetery land taxable though the land use or ownership did not change, which is required to change the tax status. Wisconsin law legally establishes a cemetery as burial plots and land adjoining burial plots with a cemetery purpose and equipment used to care for it as tax exempt.

During the June 21 board meeting Payne

outlined the dioceses position regarding the Village's April decision to allow the cemetery tax.

"Your decision appears to have been made without directly addressing those grounds listed in (our) claim," said Payne. "Your legal counsel found to simply present a generic overview of the processes (and it) read like a template and failed to specifically respond to the legal issues raised."

"Will legal action be pursued," asked Payne. "The Trustees have decided to do so since the Episcopal Church's baptismal covenant promises we will strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being."

Since the June 21 meeting Payne has yet to hear from the Village. Legal action must be taken before the July 18 to meet statute of limitations.

As a taxpayer Payne asked the village to reverse their decision to avoid already mounting legal lines in the village's budget.

"Reconsidering is designed to permit correction of hasty, ill-advised, or erroneous action, or to take into account additional information or a change situation that had developed since taking the vote," said Payne. "I think you have such information."

After a lengthy agreement to disagree, Payne acknowledges that frustration is setting in.

"The assessor and members of the board appear to blind to be the law even though it's clear. Land that was exempt before continues to be unless some change occurs to make it taxable," he said. "Taxing only a portion of the parcel has no legal support and feels patronizing."

Payne fears what precedent may be set if the village fails to overturn their decision.


"It would allow other municipalities to tax other cemeteries' open land," Payne said. "The liability from failing to reconsider, failing to allow the claim or failing to refund the taxes is much, much more the liability of doing nothing."


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Oneida Cannery shows off new digs



Kali photos/Nate Wisneski & Sadie Wilson

Above: Oneida Community Cannery Supervisor Vicki Cornelius shows Carol Martin (center) and Rosa John (left) new food dehydrators in the recently upgraded facility. Community members were welcomed to tour cannery and sample food along with learning about the other tsyunhehkwa components during an open house on Monday, June 20.

Right: Community members sign up for raffles and test food during the cannery’s open house.



From 1A/Severance packages

conscientious decision to maintain jobs and services as our priorities,” said the tribe’s Chief of Staff Bill Gollnick. “As we look to the future, we determined that to mitigate a need for layoffs, we would offer a severance package as an incentive for people to voluntarily leave their positions. Savings from those choosing severance will help make it possible to continue to achieve our priorities in more efficient ways.”

For Lloyd Powless, the tribe’s former Assistant General Manager, timing of the severance offer could not have been better. Powless served in multiple positions over 29 years before his last day in May.

“I have been thinking about retirement, I turned 66 in March, since I turned 65. I was worried about health insurance for my wife but then this came along. Financially it seemed to work,” said Powless.

“I do miss the people that I worked with,” he said. “It really is a big adjustment. I got up at a certain time and went to work and that isn’t there anymore.”

Future severance package offers are unknown at this time, but the law adopted by the Legislative Operating Committee grants authority to the OBC to extend packages if conditions warrant.

To date 177 employees have accepted severance packages with two pending acceptance.

With more tenured employees choosing to leave their positions the loss of experience and leadership is acknowledged.

“The loss of experience is always difficult for operations,” said Thundercloud. “Many years on the job and knowing the history of the department and the

rationale for decisions that have been made cannot be compensated for. In this case, the choice to apply is voluntary and there is often a good relationship with the employee departing, thereby allowing for continued communication should the need arise.”



Cliff G. Doxtator

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Elect David “Fleet” Jordan for COUNCILMAN



Work Experience

- Label Products & Design (Image Assembly Printing 31/2 years)
- Mary Morgan (Image Assembly Printing 31/2 years)
- Oneida Casino (Started as a Blackjack Dealer, worked my way up to Floor Supervisor, and Interim Pit Manager in a total of 7 years)
- Fleet & Alice Gas Light Inn, LLC. (Owned and Operated Successful small business for 11 years)

“I am concerned about the direction our Tribe is heading.”

Some of my platform issues are listed below:

Elders: We need to provide a proper level of services. I see elders out shoveling snow and cutting their own grass. We need to ensure that we take care of the elders because they built our Tribe.

Employees: In my business I talk to a lot of employees, morale is low. Employees feel like there is no one looking out for their interests. Employees want to be respected with good wages and healthy working conditions, this is what I support.

Housing: I support a plan to build more homes and limit the amount of rent we charge for these homes.

I ask for your support on July 16th, I want to make a difference in this election.

I will be a Councilman you can rely on to make decisions for the people of our great Nation.

Family

Wife: Alice M. Jordan
Parents: Doyle & Grace Jordan
Grandparents: Ben & Amelia Jordan

Education

- West DePere High School, 1986
- Fox Valley Technical College for Printing, 1987

Authorized and paid for by David P. Jordan “Fleet”



Calendar

2011

June 28

Tsyunhéhkwa Free Range Chickens

WHEN: Starting Tuesday, June 28

TIME: 8:00am - 4:30pm

PLACE: Tsyunhéhkwa

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July 5th – 8th

Oneida Community Vacation Bible School

WHEN: Tuesday, July 5 thru Friday, July 8

TIME: 9:00AM – 12:00PM, *Parents*

Program Friday 12 Noon – 1:00PM

PLACE: Oneida Methodist Church, N6037 Cty Rd E, De Pere, WI 54115

Come enjoy the fun at Vacation Bible School (VBS) VBS is for children who have completed K-5 grade. (Ages 5-12 years old) During VBS, children will learn through every activity; making their own special memories in crafts, singing fun tunes during worship, participating in recreational activities games and enjoying tasty, nutritious snacks.

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Oneida Assembly of God Church

Oneida Methodist Church

Holy Apostles Episcopal Church

For more information please contact: Emily at **920-869-2325** OR Edi at **715-524-3194**.

July 29-30

Annual Relay for Life of Oneida

WHEN: Friday, July 29 - Saturday, July 30

TIME: 6:00pm Friday to 8:00am Saturday

PLACE: Norbert Hill Center, N7210 Seminary Road, Oneida

The American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life is a unique celebration of life in honor and in memory of those whose lives have been touched by cancer. Teams of 8 to 15 people take turns walking or running around a track throughout the event. A special ceremony at 9:30pm pays tribute to those who have been affected by cancer. For more information contact Dayna at **920-321-1368** or visit www.relayfor-life.org/oneidawi

August 13

Pfc. Ryan Jerabek, USMC Memorial Challenge

WHEN: Saturday, August 13

TIME: 6:30am - 11:00am

PLACE: Four Seasons Park, 471 Four Seasons Dr. off N. Overland Rd.

Ryan Jerabek, an 18-year old Hobart native, served our nation in the United States Marine Corps with honor, courage and commitment. He gave his life for the cause of freedom on April 6, 2004 in Ramadi Iraq. This event takes place on the roads that Ryan ran to prepare himself for his service in the Marine Corp. Registration through July is \$20 for adults, \$13 for children. Proceeds donated to Marine Semper Fi Fund. Go to www.jerabekchallenge.us for registration forms and more information.

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.

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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Recreation Summer Program: “Safety & Being Green”

By John Powless III

This summer’s theme is a combination of all 6 Character Development Pillars: Respect, Citizenship, Trust, Fairness, Caring and Responsibility. Each character will be implemented in each session. Caring is the focus for Session 1. We are teaching the message that there is Power in all we do, therefore, “Character is Power!”

Top: Caring for Mother Earth, by picking up trash! Kids were yelling “Recycle! Recycle!”

Bottom: Caring for birds and our Environment.



Indigenous athletes raise money for games



Kali photo/Travis Cottrell
Oneida athletes that will be participating in the 2011 Indigenous Games put on a fundraising car wash at the Oneida Family Fitness Center on June 17, 2011. The car wash cost five dollars, however, purchase of a car wash earned the customer a five-dollar Match Play to the Oneida Casino. The athletes were also selling food items such as gilled bratwursts, snacks, and drinks. The Indigenous Games will take place on July 10 through July 14 in Milwaukee, WI.

Running to bring health back to the Oneida community



Kali file photo

A 1986 photo with John Powless III fourth from left of the 1985-86 Oneida Tribal School Runners. Powless and Sid White want to create more running opportunities in Oneida.

By Dawn Walschinski

Kalihwisaks

Life-long friends Sid White and John Powless III were reminiscing about community running events when they were in middle school.

“We used to have all these fall running series, used to bring in well known, notable runners who would come in and do running camps, clinics, and then top it off with a race,” said Powless.

“I actually was talking to a guy at the Green Bay Downtown farmers market and he was talking to my Mom about the Oneida Running Club and the running series they had back in the 80s. It was nice because he met a lot of people from Oneida and remembers a lot of the ‘old schoolers’ with fond memories,” stated White in an email. “I think about all the kids

I remember running with in Oneida that have kids of their own now.”

“We thought, well, why can’t we do that?” said Powless.

The duo plan to kick off their running series with the Oneida Family 5K Run/Walk on July 2 at 8:00am. The 3.1 mile route will start near the Oneida One Stop on Highway 54 and Seminary Road and will follow the trail on the old railroad track. There will be a \$5 suggested donation.

“All the funds will be used towards ... a fall running series we’re looking at doing,” said Powless. The funds will help pay for fruit and water along the fall series routes, which Powless and White want to hold for free.

“We want families to come out and run, and not think, well, I can’t run because it’s going to cost too much for me and

my kids,” said Powless. “We don’t want the fee to discourage anyone from running.”

Powless has taken up running half-marathons in recent years.

“For me, running is an inexpensive way to get out there and be physically fit,” he said. “I’ve run four half-marathons, and each time it’s gotten a little bit better.”

Powless sees physical activity as a way to fight a disease that’s plaguing the Oneida community – diabetes. Holding the run/walks is a way to encourage healthy lifestyles.

“It’s not about being competitive, it’s about coming out and having a good time, exercising with your families and enjoying each other’s company,” he said.

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Re-Elect

LEE NINHAM

to the
ONEIDA TRIBAL JUDICIAL SYSTEM



EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

- Judicial Officer, 1999-present
- Bachelor of Arts, Management/Communication U.W. Concordia, 2000
- East Green Bay High School, 1961
- Served three years on the Oneida Environmental Resource Board
- Served six years Oneida Trust/Enrollment Board
- Worked at Green Bay Packaging for 25 years
- Special Deputy for Brown County in 1960’s
- Worked for Oneida Tribe in 1995-2003
- Served as Chief Judicial Officer for the Oneida Judicial System
- President of Wisconsin Tribal Judge’s Association from 2003-present
- Certified Peacemaker 1995-Certified Mediator 1997
- Member of Wisconsin Mediators Association 2008-present
- Faculty-Essential Skills For Tribal Judges, National Judicial College, Reno NV

FAMILY

My parents are; Rebecca Schyyler & Nelson Ninham-Grandparents are; Samuel Schyler, Oscar Archiquette, & Esther House- Abraham Ninham & Maryjane Duxtator- I am married to Rebecca Wigg-Ninham. We have seven children & six grandchildren.

Authorized and paid for by Lee Ninham

OBC Forum...

This is my final Business Committee Forum message as Councilman. It’s been fun, and I’ve been honored and humbled to serve. If any of my work is to have meaning for the future, I would hope that the following message regarding “Freedom of Choice” would be that work. The message is not anti-tradition or anti-anything. I believe the message to be pro-youth and pro-freedom of parents to choose how their children will grow into adulthood. It seems like only yesterday that I made that choice as a parent. I enrolled all my children at Oneida Tribal School. I wanted them to learn about our tradi-

tions, our songs and our ceremonies. And they learned and as adults today, I think they’ve benefited. But along with learning about traditions, songs and ceremonies, life holds more. I believe all leaders who truly serve their people, should always recognize that children, along with learning about the history and the ways of their own people, should be allowed and encouraged to follow the dictates of their own hearts and minds as long as those dictates are not harmful to others. The following is that message I wrote almost six years ago:

FREEDOM of CHOICE
“I wrote about a young

Indian leader from the Northwest who brought up an interesting topic of discussion. He proudly told of his tribe’s new policy of mandating that their youth in order to become full members of their tribe, would have to demonstrate that they were competent in their understanding and exercise of their traditional ceremonies. If the youth did not comply, they were punished by not being allowed to become adult members of the Tribe. I questioned the fairness of their practice.



Ed Delgado Councilman

I asked him, ‘What happened to those youth who had other interests, like music, like pursuing careers, or exploring other religious practices.’ I was promptly told that what his tribe did was not my business. He was right, it was not my business.

Over the years, I’ve often thought about that short discussion. I’ve often wondered how that worked out for those tribal youth who were more inclined to think for themselves and to make decisions regarding their own lives based

upon their own values. I have often wondered about their more free-thinking Indian youth. Were they punished, were those wonderful free thinking minds destroyed by having to bow down to the dictates of authoritarian leaders who would punish their own people for actions that should never be punishable?

THANKS FRANK
A few weeks ago, some on the Business Committee were promoting the posting of a Commerce Director-Manager position at an E-12 level (an E-612 is a wage of between \$116,000 and \$189,000 annually with a 30% fringe tacked on). Tribal

member Frank Cornelius, former U.S. Marine, wrote a strong letter in the Kalihwisaks. To say he cautioned us to watch our spending would be putting it mildly. Two days ago, the Business Committee voted to deny the posting of the very expensive position. I made the motion to deny.

Frank Cornelius has also expressed concerns about the Seven Generations Corporation owned by the Tribe. He expressed concerns about the Corporation’s financial accountability and the Biomass project which is not proven anywhere to be either profitable or environmentally sound. Thanks, Frank.

Letters & Opinions...

Increasing Bureaucracy

Reading the Kalihwisaks issued May 19, 2011 gave me a bird’s-eye view of what is to come if GTC votes in the Judicial System. Look at the story by Dawn Walchinski. It will make you laugh, then cry. The bureaucrats and all our high paid help.

Gerald Doxtator had a simple question, “Why does it take 3 months to get an appointment?” Bureaucrat No. 1 Kathy Hughes said, “Ask management to look at case management.” Bureaucrat No. 2 Mr. Doxtator was asked to work with Behavioral Health No. 3. Bureaucrat No. 4 Debbie Thundercloud suggests another person, Bureaucrat No. 5. New Ombudsperson to gather customer input and report to Bureaucrat No. 6. Why couldn’t the BC ask the Director in the Behavioral Health Program why it took so long (3 months) for an appointment? Would anyone of you want to wait 3 months to see a Doctor? Could not the doctor give a referral? Could not Contract Health send him to outside service in 3 days—NOT 3 months? Why are we paying out the big bucks for a Bi Bureaucracy?

We elected the BC to help us. They hire a General Manager to do their work, she gives the work to another person to get the facts. You would think common sense would tell you if you want to get a direct answer go to the source.

I believe the Tribal Judicial System would create another step to go through before you get to appear in front of the BC. right now, under our Constitution, we can be heard in front of the GTC who is supreme authority on all Tribal matters. Let’s cut out the middle Bureaucratic man. Go right to the source.

Franklin L. Cornelius

Corrections to Previous Letter

Corrections in Bullying Letter in June 16 Issue. The first mistake was in the Kalihwisaks typing on the case number. It should read case number 2008CM001452. The second error was mine.

It should read that Merlin J. Cornelius Sr. was ordered to pay Isaac Jordan \$60.00 restitution. There was not a \$60 fine. The rest of the letter was true and correct.

My apologies.
Madelyn Genskow

Facing the Issues

Dear Editor,
I want to thank Councilman Tehassi Hill for his candor and willingness to address the tough issues facing our Nation in his last BC Forum in the Kalihwisaks. Councilman Hill stands firm on the Tribe’s sovereignty and directly addresses the issues we need to resolve in order to ensure a brighter future for our children. In the last BC forum, Councilman Hill discussed the Tribe’s conflicts with Hobart surrounding the liquor license at Thornberry Creek. Essentially, Hobart has treated the Oneida Golf Enterprise Corporation (OGE) differently than any other liquor license applicant. First, Hobart conditioned OGE’s licenses on the Tribe paying charges levied against land owned by the United States. Hobart has never required any other business to pay someone else’s taxes as a condition of obtaining a liquor license. Second, Hobart claimed that it could require the Tribe to pay charges even if they are not owed in order for Hobart to grant OGE a liquor license. Simply put, this doesn’t make any sense.

I applaud Councilman Hill’s straightforward position addressing the reality of this dysfunctional relationship between the Tribe and Hobart. He supports the Tribe and defends our sovereignty. We stayed on the high road long enough. It is time to stand up to the bullying and get our community educated and involved.

Paul Ninham

Support Ed Delgado For Chairperson

I support Ed Delgado as the next Chairperson of the Oneida Business Committee because he too, has a good mind, and a good friendly heart, plus he is a veteran, has a

Masters Degree, and is a senior member of the Oneida Business Committee. Also its very important to note that Ed has proven that he listens to and works for the people as many people know, and for which he has great support from our elders, veterans, employees, students, and members of the General Tribal Council. Though my good friend Ed and I disagree sometimes, and I do not necessarily endorse a lot of the travel the Business Committee spends on themselves and authorizes for each other, I believe Ed has questioned the spending the most and is the best choice to lead our nation and works towards the betterment of all tribal members, and hopefully will not be such a rubber stamp for the spending and authorization of millions and millions of our dollars—your dollars, which we entrust our leaders with. I do not agree with this culture of spending our nations money to the tune of millions of our dollars, nor do I agree with exorbitant salaries to the same people year in an year out, while Oneida Tribal Members can’t get the most measly jobs through HRD Policies and Procedures. Others get fired for the slightest reasons, and others make 60, 70, 80, 90, 100 K plus year in and year out, decade after decade. I’m all for Tribal member prosperity, but I do not believe it should be of the chosen few in the cushiest job you can imagine, while others qualify. I know Ed is for openness and accountability.

John Orie

Need for unity

First I would like to say, I’m a proud member of Oneida Nation Tribe. I’m currently incarcerated at Oshkosh Correctional Institute. The reason I’m writing this is because when I first got here I began noticing that some of the brothers in here have taken up sides and being branded as gang members. It pains me to have to see my brothers being divided like this. When in actuality we as brothers should be looking out for one another, but instead we’re looking at each other differently cause one is this and the

other is that.

This has been an issue since day one. I’ve talked to some of the brothers that aren’t even affiliated with gangs and they too feel the same way. I can’t help but feel sorry for the people what I call “Fallen Brothers”, majority of our brothers have fallen to the sway of prison politics, which has huge influences on our younger generation. We are trying our hardest to stick together and show unity, and not represent something that has no means to us. How I feel about the situation is just because they have been representing something that doesn’t apply to us, that I still will help and guide these brothers in the right direction. So what I’m telling to my people of all nations, that even though there are some bad apples in the state of Wisconsin, there are good people on the inside trying to do good. If some of you people feel differently or would like to tell me your thoughts, or just like to write someone, write me. I will answer. I would love to read your thoughts about this depressing dilemma that we inmates face everyday.

Chris Worden
Oshkosh Correctional Institute
P.O. Box 3310
Oshkosh, WI 54903

Response to Dallas Letter

Oneida General Tribal Council:

In the last issue of the Kalihwisaks a letter was published from Judicial Officer Linda Dallas to the Oneida General Tribal Council. Confidentiality requirements prevent us from fully addressing Judicial Officer Dallas’ allegations. Please know that we are addressing the issue internally. When a decision is reached, it will be forwarded to the Kalihwisaks for publication. We respectfully ask the General Tribal Council to be patient as our internal process runs its course.

Oneida Tribal Judicial System

Per Capita Petition

I would like to ask you a question: Are you hurting financially right now?

If you answer the

above question with yes, I would like all Oneida people to know that I have two (2) petitions that are nearly ready to be turned into the Tribal Secretary’s office.

One petition is for a per capita proposal and the other prevents all boards, committees and commissions within the tribe from hiring high-paying individuals without GTC knowledge, consent, and approval. The reason I drafted these two petitions is because I believe the tribe can greatly benefit from both of them.

Under my per capita petition, Oneida elders 62+ would receive their current respective per capita PLUS \$500.00 per GTC meeting with six (6) GTC meetings being held per year. Two of those six (6) GTC meetings would be held in accordance with the Oneida constitution. This \$500.00 GTC meeting payment would act as a social security plan that GTC ordered management to develop over 13 years ago but somehow morphed into the Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus. That would mean an additional \$3,000 per year for each elder 62+ PLUS their regular per capita. Minors would still receive their current \$1,200.00 per year. All enrolled Oneidas between the ages of 21-61 would no longer receive per capita payments but instead would receive \$500.00 for each of the six (6) GTC meetings held each year. Two of those meetings would be considered constitutional as required. That means ages 21-61 would no longer get \$1,200.00 per capita but would increase to \$3,000.00 for each enrolled member between ages 21-61 if they attended all six (6) GTC meetings. What is all of this going to cost the tribe you now ask? Well, despite increasing enrolled Oneida members pay, I am still saving over \$1.4 million a year from the Tribe’s current yearly distribution of approximately \$25 million. Under this proposal, I allow for 3,000 enrolled members to attend each GTC meeting. If fewer than 3,000 enrolled members attend, the tribe would be saving more money. If more than 3,000 enrolled members attend the GTC

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meetings, then there would be no increase up to the \$1.4 million already saved. The GTC meetings could be held in a nearby facility large enough to hold 3,000+ enrolled members plus voting could be done electronically instead of by hand.

This is just a brief overview of my per capita proposal but will share my entire plan and information once I come before GTC. I believe this to be a plan that will benefit all Oneidas, especially those hurting financially right now.

The second petition will prevent all Oneida boards, committees, and commissions from creating any jobs that pay over \$55,000/year without GTC knowledge, consent and approval. They must provide GTC with a full job description and to whom the position would report. This will help prevent the BC, management, and other boards, committees or commissions from creating high paying jobs for family or friends.

Michael Debraska

• See 7A for more Letters & Opinions

Board Vacancies

To submit an application by **e-mail** send to: TribalSecretary@oneidanation.org
To submit an application by **mail** send to: Tribal Secretary's Office
PO Box 365 Oneida, WI 54155
To submit an application **in person**: The Tribal Secretary's Office is located on the 2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center
If you have any questions please contact the
Tribal Secretary's Office at 920-869-4364

Oneida Environmental Resource Board:

One (1) Vacancy

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 pm, July 15, 2011

Anna John Nursing Home Commission

Three (3) Vacancies

Qualifications:

- Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe or up to two health professional persons or licensed health professional persons may serve on the commission.
- May not be employed by the Anna John Nursing Home.
- Shall serve a full term of 2 years.

Deadline: 4:30pm, July 15, 2011

Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Advisory 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: 4:30pm, July 15, 2011

Election Spotlight

Creating a System of Checks and Balances

Dear Editor,

The Oneida General Election, this year, has less candidates running for the Business Committee (BC), thanks to passage of the Primary Election amendment. We have 23 candidates for BC, selected by voters in the Primary Election, to be on the ballot for General Election, July 16th.

In order to have a well balanced tribal government, we also need to look at the candidates running for the Oneida Appeals Commission (OAC). Because the GTC is trying to pass the Judiciary Law, which will officially create a new tribal court, we need to vote for people who truly know and respect the "separation of powers," concept.

When we separate the powers of government into branches, like an Executive (BC and GMs), Legislative (GTC) and Judicial (tribal court), we create a system of checks and balances on each branch. They each have different responsibilities, and they oversee each other. The "separation of powers," in a government ensures that we won't have

any dictator or one group of people holding all the power. We need this in order to protect the tribe and tribal member's rights and property.

So, choose Appeals Commission candidates who will be independent of the BC, and truly understand what their role and purpose is in that office. There are 20 candidates for the OAC, this year for 8 seats.

The red flag for me is that some of the candidates for both BC and OAC are associated with the 040 and the former Investigative Task Force. Time and again these folks have shown themselves to be disgruntled, disorganized, implausible, carrying sour grapes, and lay blame on others.

We need to be careful about who we vote for in these offices. We need BC and OAC officials who will respect the separation of powers.

I prefer candidates for BC and OAC who are professional, understand their roles, pro-active, and are trustworthy. Also, Oneida people want to see qualified leaders in office, not winners of a "popularity contest," or the results of big family voter blocks. Let's evaluate candidates

on their respective merits and visions for our nation. Take time to evaluate all of the candidates running for BC and the OAC this year. If you don't know them, from living and working with them in the community, it's hard to decide who are best qualified. In fact, some of the candidates shouldn't have been nominated because of their lack of education, experience, skills, professional demeanor, and mental stability.

The most important qualities our elected BC and OAC officials need are knowledge of our laws, Federal Indian Laws, Oneida History & Culture, Sovereignty, and the Oneida Treaties with the United States.

BC candidates also need to understand the concepts of economic development, job creation and revenue generation for the tribe. BC candidates must also have a high standard of ethics and good political skills.

Candidates for OAC need to be professional, objective, and educated in our laws and other legal systems.

Vote wisely.

Sincerely,
Sherrole Benton

Editorial

In the Great Law of the Iroquois Confederacy, it states that the chiefs shall have seven spans of thickness to their skins. This means they should not be easily moved to anger by criticism and offensive acts. Because our Oneida Business Committee (OBC) is made up of elected leaders, I expect at least six spans. I usually aim for five for myself. WHO SAID I WAS -I? COME HERE AND SAY THAT YOU ... wait, wait, deep breaths, ok, all better.

In this age of electronic media, verbal slings and arrows seem to fly faster and spread further than before. People can create email lists or make up fake accounts on social websites, (what's it

called, bettybook?) and put out all sorts of skin-scraping rumors.

You have to admire leaders who shrug it off, even if they have to expend some energy countering what's being spread. Moreover, there's respect for a leader who listens to others and takes what they say seriously, even when that person is spewing venom and/or utter nonsense.

Some might like people who seem passionate about the issues, and that's fine. However, passionate speech generates passionate response. The real test is how those people respond to people who disagree with them. If they can argue calmly and rationally, then good for them. If they see people

disagreeing with them as a personal attack, they may not be the best candidate. Moreover, there are people who seem to go looking for insults so they can cry to anyone who will hear them "they're picking on me!"

When our Oneida citizens head to the polls this summer, I hope they keep the seven spans philosophy in mind when selecting a candidate. Choose people who are open to the opinions of others, who can take constructive criticism and ignore destructive criticism, and also can tell the two apart.

If you disagree with me, nanananabooboo.

Dawn Walschinski,
Kalihwisaks
Managing Editor

Guest Editorials

Response to Tehassi Hill's OBC Forum

Councilman Ron Tehassi Hill submitted a Kalihwisaks article published on June 16, 2011 that screams for rebuttal. In that article, Councilman Hill either knows nothing about what he writes or is not being truthful despite knowing the facts. There's no third option. Regardless of your belief, disbelief, agreement, or disagreement, here are the facts.

I, and we as a Village Board, have publicly stated time and again that we'll do whatever it takes to help make Thornberry Creek golf course a thriving enterprise. To do anything else would harm the village of Hobart's tax base. The surrounding neighborhood and the golf course itself are without equal in their beauty and developed assets. Any thinking individual would understand this, even if they knew nothing of the history or underlying legal issues between the Tribe and the Village.

To underscore this point, the village of Hobart unconditionally issued a "bridge" or temporary liquor license to the Tribe in March, 2009

with the sole intent of getting Thornberry's course and club house up and running immediately upon acquisition.

Three months later the Village issued a regular liquor license even though we disagreed with the Tribe's view regarding payment of storm water utility fees. It was the Village's proposal – not the Tribe's – to suspend payment of the contested fees, deposit them in an escrow account, and issue the regular liquor license in order to again support Thornberry.

The Village has provided the use of its water pump rest room facility near the 5th tee to Thornberry's golfers in exchange for a contracted maintenance fee, the intent of which is for the Village to simply break even.

We have within the last month officially resolved to issue yet another liquor license to Thornberry upon submittal of proper application and fee. We anticipate no problems and always stand ready to assist in countless other ways to partner with the Tribe in providing the most successful regional golf course.

The clincher is when Councilman Hill claims that the Village "has not

treated our liquor license application as it would any other, and the conditions it has placed on the granting of that license are unreasonable and unlawful." Any and all conditions for a liquor license are the same for any and all applicants and that's the simple truth, Mr. Hill. To be perfectly blunt, Mr. Hill the Village of Hobart does not see "tribe" or "race" or any other institutionalized distinction between people or groups when it comes to dispatching the Village's responsibilities or exercising its authority. If only that could be so claimed by every government entity!

The Tribe is heading down a very dark road if it elects a leader who cannot or will not speak the truth to its own members and neighboring government officials. Falsehoods are financially costly, redirecting Tribal funds away from productive needs and goals. Falsehoods also go beyond levels of inter-governmental relations - they pierce interpersonal relations we have with each other as fellow villagers, fellow Americans, and fellow humans.

Richard R. Heidell
Village President
Hobart, Wisconsin

Response from OGEC President

Dear Friends,

As President of the Oneida Golf Enterprise Corporation I hope to provide you with some insight in regard to the progress we have made since we opened, despite many challenges. Oneida Golf Enterprise Corporation (OGEC) is a separate entity of the Oneida Tribe that operates Thornberry Creek at Oneida. We are a tribally chartered corporation wholly owned by the tribe. It is not our desire to be in the middle of Oneida and Hobart's ongoing challenges. Because we are a separate entity from the Oneida Tribe, we simply want to operate a successful business that isn't constantly used as fodder.

We have hosted meetings at our clubhouse to address concerns from our community, we attended home owner association meetings to open the lines of communication and assure them we planned to keep the business open. We also sent letters to members of our course and informed them of our desire to keep the course in operation. At these meetings we were treated warmly and the community welcomed us as owners and operators of Thornberry Creek at Oneida.

- The obstacles that OGEC has faced included a liquor license denial, which placed weddings and events that were booked prior to our taking over the course in jeopardy.
- Furthermore, early in our first year of operation, without notice,

customers were denied access to a bathroom they had been using for years previous to our ownership. We were notified that use would require an agreement and payment. We met those terms and continue to do so annually.

- Additionally, the Village Board decided to paint the water tower on our course during our prime season, forcing closure of our routed course, which caused major imposition to our clientele. We apologized to our customers and continued business as best we could.
- Obstructed access to Thornberry Creek at Oneida has also been a challenge. The roads in front of the course and access roads have been an obstruction as well as weight limits that have been imposed. Weight limits deter our delivery trucks and cause our vendors to utilize alternative vehicles for some major deliveries.

As you can see, there have been many challenges that we have been subject to as we strive to make our business successful. As a sign of good faith OGEC has applied for a liquor license from the Village of Hobart based upon a Hobart Village Board resolution that resolve to issue a license to Thornberry Creek at Oneida.

It is our desire to work cooperatively with our neighbors, within the State of Wisconsin as a business of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of

Wisconsin. The future success of Thornberry Creek at Oneida depends upon our ability to operate without hindrance. We are in a very competitive business. Northeast Wisconsin has many fine golf courses and dining establishments that prompt our business to go the extra mile in our highly competitive market. We are "Best of the Bay", an honor we recaptured this year. We are voted the best because we strive for the best and settle for nothing less. Most recent and notable accomplishment is that we have become certified by Audubon International for our environmental planning for creating a golf course that is eco-friendly.

These challenges between Oneida and Hobart should remain between Oneida and Hobart and Thornberry Creek at Oneida should be left out. OGEC is a separate entity from the Oneida Tribe and we should be treated on our merits. We pay our taxes and provide 100 jobs in this community. We should be valued for our ability to operate a successful operation in these challenging economic times. It is our sincere desire to move forward with a vision of growth, prosperity and success for Thornberry Creek at Oneida.

I welcome any inquiries or concerns that I might address on behalf of the OGEC. You may call me at 920-869-4270 or email me at bwebst@oneidanation.org.

Sincerely,
Bobbi Webster,
President
Oneida Golf Enterprise Corporation

Elect Tehassi HILL

for Oneida Tribal Chairman

Dear Oneida Community Members:

I write this letter on behalf of Ron "Tehassi" Hill, and to express my support in his desire and commitment to serve as Chairman for the Oneida Indian Nation of Wisconsin.

Tehassi is a humble man, and, a man of... "principle" - principles based on thorough research and grounded in "what is right" for the betterment of the Oneida community as a whole. During my tenure as the Oneida Chairman I had the opportunity to see firsthand, the positive impact Tehassi made in his service on boards and commissions.

A graduate of the Oneida Nation School system, Tehassi dedicated himself to bringing forward ideals and perspectives from a student's view - recommendations, many of which have improved the quality of education for all students.

Tehassi's dedication and his leadership on the Oneida Land Commission have resulted in astounding improvements in the environment, and have restored and preserved many of the natural resources in and around the Oneida Reservation, for the benefit of all.

In recent years, I have observed Tehassi as he expressed views on matters important to Oneida, before hundreds of tribal leaders of the National Congress of American Indians, and the National Indian Gaming Association. In every instance, Tehassi was prepared with factual based remarks. Equally important, the manner in which he delivered his message was convincing and well received - it made me feel proud to be Oneida.

Ron "Tehassi" Hill is a gentleman who treats everyone with respect and dignity - he has the highest level of integrity, and he is a man of "principle".

*Respectfully,
Gerald L Danforth*

Dear Oneida Community Members:

Tehassi Hill is qualified to be the next Chairman of the Oneida Tribe. Tehassi's character stands out because he is intelligent, experienced and totally dedicated to the Oneida people.

During his tenure as a member of the Oneida Tribal Council, OBC, he has demonstrated a willingness to listen to the views of others. When he addresses colleagues of members of the Oneida General Tribal Council publically and personally he is courteous, patient and informative. I have never observed Tehassi lose his temper, panic in frustration or to react irrationally in challenging circumstances.

Tehassi is a dignified and well respected young man who will carry the responsibility of leadership as Chairman of the Oneida Tribe with honor and humility.

With his Longhouse background, I know Tehassi to be devoted to the Oneida culture and language. I have observed his development into maturity by his willing acceptance of responsibility in the Longhouse traditions and participation in the different ceremonies throughout the year. Tehassi also is dedicated fostering and improving relations with our Oneida relatives in Canada and New York. Tehassi is a dignified and well respected young man who will carry the responsibility of leadership as Chairman of the Oneida Tribe with honor and humility.

It is without any hesitation that I support the election of Tehassi Hill as the next Chairman of the Oneida Tribe. He is the right man, in the right place, at the right time.

Jerry L. Hill (aka Gerald L)
Retired and 1st Chief Counsel of the Oneida Tribe
Attorney at Law, Emeritus

Tehassi Hill is a hard-working and honest person who loves his people and his community. He is a husband, father and family man who has the dedication to serve his Oneida people and their families. He is a young man with an old soul that ...possesses the wisdom to be a good Chairman and lead the Oneida people with a strong heart and good mind. His common sense allows him to bring a good attitude towards those issues that require thoughtful deliberation, while having the ability to learn from and listen carefully to what others have to say, which are some of the main attributes of strong leadership.

Tehassi is a student of the Oneida language, and understands our Oneida history, culture and customs and how that defines who we are as Oneida people today. His strong cultural values will help to guide his leadership as Oneida continues to address those issues that affect and impact our Oneida Reservation and membership for today and the next seven generations. He has the ability to understand governmental and business issues, and how to work well with others both inside and outside the Tribe to address those issues with respect and integrity.


Through his strong leadership based upon his cultural and family values, Tehassi Hill will serve the Oneida people with a good heart and good mind as Oneida continues to become a stronger nation today and tomorrow. A man of Tehassi Hill's caliber is our future.

Chairman Richard G. Hill
Oneida Nation of Wisconsin

**HONORING OUR PAST,
WORKING FOR OUR FUTURE**

WITH

**TRUTH, TRUST, INTEGRITY,
TO BUILD A STRONGER
COMMUNITY**



Tehassi Hill

Vote

**Saturday,
July 16,
2011**

Authorized and paid for by Tehassi Hill

From 8A/Ethics complaint

misconduct and may include, but not be limited to:

- removal
- suspension for a period of time not exceed (1) year
- limitation on the performance of judicial duties;
- counseling

IV Decision

Trial Court final rule on Complaint 10-Ethics-003:

Respondent Honorable Linda Dallas shall comply with the following trial court order;

- attend counseling/training/seminars etc., concerning Oneida Tribal Laws, Rules and Regulations provide evidence to the Clerk of Courts to be reviewed by the Chief Judicial Officer of the Oneida Tribal Judicial System to be completed within one (1) year of receipt of this trial court order based on the date of receipt .

- Respondent is suspended from participating in/on any hearing, investigative panel or attending internal meetings of the Oneida Judicial System until she is compliant as described above in item (a).

- Respondent's access shall be limited to training materials and public records/information concerning the Oneida Tribal Judicial System until she is compliant with this order.

- Failure of the Respondent to comply with the trial court ordered requirements within the prescribed time frame of one (1) year shall result in removal. Oneida Code of Ethics Chapter 3, 3.6.1. Enforcement. This Code shall be enforced according to the following: (a)

Government Officials may be subject to either removal, if elected, or termination, if appointed, for any violation of any portion of this ethics code as it applies to them.

By the Authority vested in the Oneida Tribal Judicial System pursuant to Resolution 8-19-91-A of the General Tribal Council it is so held this 7th day of June 2011 in the matter of Winnifred L. Thomas v. Linda S. Dallas. Docket 10-Ethics-003.

James Van Stippen,
Lead Judicial Officer
(Pro Tem)

David Webster,
Judicial Officer (Pro Tem)

Richard Ackley,
Judicial Officer (Pro Tem)

Oneida Treaty History Panel



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Left to right: Bill Gollnick and Gordon McLester, at far left, answer questions from community members during a panel on the history of Oneida treaties held Thursday, June 23.

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Land Claims Commission (OLCC) attempted to consolidate over 500 years of history into two hours with an Oneida Treaty History Panel held Thursday evening, June 2 at the Norbert Hill Center.

Panelists Oneida Chief of Staff Bill Gollnick

and author of two Oneida history books Gordon McLester led discussion on the roots of treaty making going back before colonization of the Americas.

According to Gollnick, Native Americans have been creating treaties between each other which were maintained through oral tradition, which has a reputation of being less reliable than the written word. However, Gollnick argues written documents can be just as malleable.


"We're still interpreting things that were written down every day," said Gollnick.

Treaties between the Iroquois nations of which Oneida is a part and the United States of America go back to before the US Constitution was ratified. Major treaties include Fort Stanwix, Fort Schuyler, Fort Herkimer, and Fort Harmar. Post-Constitution documents

include the 1793 Non-intercourse Act which forbids states or individuals from acquiring tribal land without federal consent, and the 1794 Canandaigua Treaty which confirmed Oneida's rights to their land.

Discussion turned to the issue of sovereignty and how it can be defined.

"These treaties also provide us with the ability to maintain and help strive and push forward what has been set in motion by our past elders, to keep our sovereignty, because that sovereignty is inherent, it's ours," said McLester. "The only reason we exist today in this room, in this territory is that we believe in who we are. We believe in what the Creator gave us, and if we have to use treaties to help as a tool to continue keeping that inherent sovereignty alive, we'll do that."



Gary L. JORDAN


for COUNCILMAN

Thank you for your support in the Primary!
Your continued support in the final election is appreciated!

- My promise to you is that I shall work diligently on a daily basis to implement well thought out economic development strategies to raise our operating income and help retire the approximate \$100 million debt that is waiting in the wings for our children to pay back.

I have both education and proven experience that will benefit the Oneida People for generations

Authorized and paid for by Gary Jordan



Zachary, Wife Barbara, of 21 years, & Jacob



Pat Lassila

for

Tribal Secretary



Family History:

Parents-John & Lois Powless
Grandparents-Simon & Irene Moore and Mark & Margaret Powless
Spouse-Tom Lassila
Children-Jada, Nicole, Dionne, Thomas
Clan-Turtle

Tribal Accomplishments:

Three Fires and Four Fires, LLC:

Tribal representative regarding hotel development for Marriot Residence projects in Washington, D.C. and Sacramento, CA.

Oneida Commerce Planning Committee

Oneida Joint Marketing Team

National Indian Gaming Association:

Implemented hospitality network program.

Green Bay Community

Involvement:

- Green Bay Visitor and Convention Bureau: (Board of Directors)
- Green Bay Room Tax Commission
- Green Bay Rotary Club International

Platforms:

- Elderly – Re-evaluate needs of elderly-growth & impacts
- Per Capita – Develop a long term sustainable plan.
- Long Term Planning
- Communication
- Upper Management Accountability
- Business Development
- Mentorship Program for college graduates.

Pat Lassila

for

Tribal Secretary

Education:

- American Hotel Motel Administration - Certified Hotel Administrator
- Cornell University-Hoteliers Executive Development Program
- Washington High School - Milwaukee, WI - Graduate

Work History:

Current – Asst. Food & Beverage Director-Radisson, responsible for overseeing food & beverage outlets.

July 2009-December 2010 – Restaurant Manager-Radisson: responsible for overseeing renovation and grand opening of Standing Stone Buffet.

October 2005-April 2009 – Owned & Managed Asaderos Restaurant (Puerto Vallarta, Mexico)

October 1994-September 2005 – President of Oneida Hotel Corp.: Implemented and completed transition of hotel from the management company to Oneida Airport & Hotel Corp.; Project Mgr. for two major expansion projects: Implemented hospitality training program. During hotel tenure, Radisson received eight President Awards for Service Excellence.

It is my goal...

...to reach out to my Oneida membership in the next several weeks to hear your concerns and thoughts about how our government should move forward. It is my hope that most of this community will share the same concerns that I have in regard to a responsible government. I am concerned about honest and open government, fiscal responsibility, planning for the future, and better communication. As a candidate, I pledge to enter this campaign with honesty and professionalism. I invite anyone who would like to know my official positions to contact me.

Several people have encouraged me to run for Tribal Secretary. The main reason I have declared my candidacy is because I have the best interest of the Oneida Tribe in my heart. I have a very good position in management at the Radisson, so I am not running because I need a job. I am running because I care and I can make a difference. I am someone who knows what it's like to be a bingo worker, a waitress, a blackjack dealer, and a receptionist. I value our front line workers for the work they do and I know they have a hard time making ends meet. Our front line workers need to make better wages. We don't need another wage study that explains what we already know. We need to utilize the many studies that have already been done, as there is no need to reinvent the wheel.

As we approach the upcoming election, I will continue to utilize social media as one of my forms of communication to share my thoughts, my concerns, and my goals for the Oneida Nation.

I am asking for your support and encourage you to be involved in the upcoming election by exercising your right to vote. Together, we can and will make a difference.

Authorized and paid for by Pat Lassila

Oneida Business Committee Wrap: *June 22, 2011*

By **Nate Wisneski**
Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Business Committee (OBC) took action to address the growing concerns about seating at General Tribal Council (GTC) meetings during June 22 OBC regular meeting.

With GTC meeting attendance averaging 1500 strong, open seats for voting members have become harder to find. OBC action will limit access to the July 4 GTC meeting to tribal members who are 21 years-old or older. The action will be considered a short-term fix to ensure all voting GTC members will have seating.

Present: Kathy Hughes - Vice-Chairwoman, Patty Hoeft - Secretary, Ed Delgado - Councilmember, Trish King - Councilmember, Melinda Dan forth - Councilmember

Excused: Rick Hill - Chairman, Tina Danforth - Treasurer, Tehassi Hill - C o u n c i l m e m b e r , Brandon Stevens - Councilmember

Oaths of office were administered to Lisa Skenandore and Eric Boulanger for their terms on the Oneida Public Safety Pension Board.

OBC minutes from the June 8 regular meeting were approved.

Resolutions

Support was given to the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center Indian Health

Service grant application. The application assists the center's ability to address Indian health issues.

A resolution transferring the right-of-way to the Green Valley Subdivision was approved.

The Tribal Energy and Mineral Development Program Grant Bureau of Indian Affairs/Division of Energy and Mineral Development application was approved. The application will examine the feasibility of using reservation resources for energy purposes.

A procedure set out by the Oneida Election Board to issue fines for the illegal placement of campaign signs was deferred to the Law Office to offer clarification and bring back to the OBC at a future meeting. The law outlines a fine process for campaign signs placed in illegal places.

A resolution supporting the re-classification of Highway 41 to U.S. Interstate 55 was approved.

Recognition by resolution for the newly created Oneida Chamber of Commerce was given by the OBC. The chamber is open to all businesses but focuses those owned by tribal members.

A resolution supporting the United League of Indigenous Nations was approved. The group is a political and economic alliance of tribes further-

ing the efforts of Indian nations.

Standing Committees

Legislative Operating Committee meeting minutes were approved from their June 1 meeting.

Resolutions amending domestic animals laws, hunting, fishing and trapping laws, child custody, placement and visitation laws, paternity laws, and child support laws were approved.

Finance Committee

Minutes from the June 17 Finance Committee meeting were approved.

Travel

Melinda Danforth, Region 5 Technical Operations Committee Meeting, July 18-19, Chicago, IL. The request was approved and not funded by tribal dollars.

General Tribal Council The OBC moved to set a GTC meeting for Monday, August 29 to hear the proposed fiscal year 2012 budget along with four resolutions regarding the tribe's beef herd, restoring medical specialists at the Health Center, along with a funding request for handheld voting devices at future GTC meetings.

Follow Up/OBC

Directives

A report from the Ombudsperson assessing Oneida Behavioral Health's operations was approved along with the content of the report being referred to the Quality of Life committee for recommendation in 60 days.

A plan to allow a dining room with a capacity of 154 at the Oneida Resident Community Centered Care facility was approved. The dining room capacity was tentatively cut to reduce costs, but was met with push back from the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging.

The Commerce/Enterprise General Manager or Director position was rejected as no funds were identified in upcoming budgets.

New

Business/Requests

A request to increase the proposed raise to employees from 1.8 percent to 2.5 percent was deferred to budget consolidation meetings.

A proposal to change status of Oneida boards, committee, commission members to employees instead of contractors was referred to the Chief Counsel and Chief Financial Officer to bring back to the OBC. Tax ramifications triggered the request.

A plan outlining the transition to the newly elected OBC was approved.

A memorandum of understanding between the Oneida Tribe and Big Brothers Big Sisters was approved.

A tribal member request for audio and video of GTC meetings were approved. The information will be used in a dissertation and be

held in confidentiality. The request was approved as long as the dissertation was shared with the OBC prior to publish.

Added Items

A video expressing concern over the New York Oneida's leadership was shared with the OBC. It was accepted as informational.

Executive Session

Executive Managers reports from the Chief of Staff and Chief Financial Officer were accepted. The OBC directed the Law Office to request a waiver regarding issue of qualifications to be an eligible voter, and directed the office to communicate with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to request both absentee ballot and polling sites.

Reports on the wampum belt and New York Oneida relations and online gaming were approved. The financial report from the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation was accepted.

The business plan for the Oneida One-Stop Larsen Road location was approved along with the transition of treasury management services to

M&I Bank.

A pardon recommendation for Michelle Foote Four Souls was approved.

The next OBC meeting is scheduled for July 13 at the Norbert Hill Center.

OBC Meetings

are held every
**2nd and 4th
Wednesday**
each month

**July Meetings:
Wednesday,
July, 13, 2011
&
Wednesday,
July 27, 2011**



☆ **ELECT** ☆

Cathy
BACHHUBER

Oneida Business Committee

cathyb4obc@gmail.com

Facebook: "Cathy Bachhuber" – Politician category

I chose this time to run for the Oneida Business Committee because I feel I can be a valuable asset to the Oneida Tribe due to my legislative experience and legal training. I have always had a passion for the legal field and truly enjoy reviewing and analyzing the Tribe's legislation, which includes incorporating laws and policies, with our history and culture. The ability to make good and fair policy decisions will be a vital component of being an OBC member and I feel I have the right skills and desire to be actively involved through a whole term.

Improving community outreach is essential to a productive term. Much progress has already been made however I'd like to promote utilizing the time before GTC meetings for informational purposes and obtaining feedback in order to maximize input on important topics.

An important part of making well-rounded sound decisions includes obtaining sound facts from those knowledgeable and trained but balancing that information with the best interest of the Nation as a whole along with the interests of those who will be ultimately affected.

I do believe in and fully support change-but not at the expense of improving what already works. Change cannot be made for the sake of change but should rather be done in order to improve, correct or address a specific issue. I believe in **getting to the root of a problem** not just making a temporary fix to address again later on.

There are many issues the new Oneida Business Committee will need to tackle following the elections and I look forward to the challenge!

Education Background

- ✓ **NWTC – Paralegal Associates Degree**
- ✓ **UWGB (Attending) – Bachelor's in Interdisciplinary Studies & Business Administration.**

Employment Background

- ✓ **7+ years experience in Tribal legislation. Experience researching, drafting and analyzing laws and policies.**
- ✓ **3+ years experience in accounting. Experience in reconciling accounts, researching and problem solving.**
- ✓ **Over 15 years experience working for Oneida**

Please **VOTE** July 16th!

Authorized and paid for by Cathy Bachhuber

Re-Elect

Sandra Skenadore

for

Oneida Appeals
Commission



EXPERIENCE

- Appointed to 1st Oneida Appeals Commission
- Current Appeals Commissioner–elected in 2007
- Trial Court Experience – Child Support/Child Custody, Worker's Compensation, Tribal Debt, Garnishments
- Decision Writing
- Peacemaker
- Certified Mediator
- Objective and fair decisions based on Tribal Laws
- Knowledge of Oneida Tribal and Federal Indian Laws
- Former Oneida Family Services Director
- 5+ Years of Indian Child Welfare Experience

EDUCATION

- UWGB - Bachelor of Science in Social Change & Development
- UWGB - 2 Yrs Graduate School in Community Human Services
- University of New Mexico & University of Minnesota – Indian Studies and Federal Indian Law Classes
- National Judicial College – Tribal Judicial Skills. Completed:
 - Logic and Opinion Writing, Civil Mediation, Administrative
 - Law/Fair Hearing, Essential Skills for Tribal Court Judges,
 - Enhancing Judicial Bench Skills, and Current Issues in the Law
- Oneida Appeals Commission continuous training

COMMUNITY / VOLUNTEER

- Oneida Tribal School Board, Oneida Police Commission, Oneida
- Child Protective Board, and Sexual Assault Center

FAMILY

Grandparents: Anderson & Electa (Hill) Skenadore – deceased
Parents: Warren & Josefa Skenadore
Children: Sid (Emma) White and Fawn (Louis) Cottrell
Grandchildren: Gavin, Elise, Josalyn, Deja and Cade
Sisters: Christine Klimmek, and Kathe (Randy) Cornelius

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve our Nation, and respectfully request your vote on July 16th

Authorized and paid for by Sandra Skenadore

Sharon House surprised by “Proven Leaders” award

By Brent Truttmann

For the past six years, “Casino Enterprise Management” magazine picks ten women for their “Great Women of Gaming” award, and this year Oneida’s Attorney at Law Sharon House won in the category “Proven Leaders”. The award came as a shock not necessarily from House’s natural humble attitude, but that she was unaware that she was nominated. “I thought it was a joke,” said House as she was notified of her achievement during a meeting in California, but if she did not know of her nomination, who did? House suspects one of her friends or clients, but is not entirely sure.

The award came with strict qualifications such as a ten year dedication to her position in the gaming industry, have a director or higher standing, and demonstrate exception achievement in at least three of five areas: ability to go above and beyond job responsibilities; commitment to company and co-workers, contributions to the industry as a whole, commitment to mentoring,

and strong overall life balance.

House will receive a crystal, an article about her in the “Casino Enterprise Management” magazine, and a chance to be featured in a CEM Audio Edge podcast.

While House’s nominator remains a mystery, House remains humble throughout the entire experience. “Other women are more worthy or just as worthy,” said House, “I just happened to be there at the right time.” She also believes that “Nobody wins an award by themselves,” and would like to thank her mentors as she grew up in gaming: Purcell Powless, Mark Powless, Francis Skenandore, Jerry Hill, Rick Hill, Louise Cornelius, Dawn Reiter, and all other individuals that have worked in Oneida Gaming for the past thirty years. House would also like to thank especially her family, “for the supporting me all these years,” and the Oneida Tribe because “I learned everything from the Tribe.”

Casino Enterprise Management magazine, the leading gaming

industry trade publication and training event producer, and the “Official Publication” of the Association of Gaming Equipment Manufacturers (AGEM), is pleased to announce the winners of its 2010 Great Women of Gaming Awards, now in its sixth year.

For the second time in the awards’ history, the judging panel was unable to break a tie in one of the categories. Due to a deadlock decision, this year there are 11 winners rather than 10. The awards are broken down into two categories: Proven Leaders and Rising Stars.

The 2010 Great Women of Gaming Proven Leader Award Winners are:

- Patricia Becker, Executive Director, International Gaming Institute, UNLV, and Compliance Committee Chairwoman, Bally Technologies
- Janie Dillard, Executive Director of Gaming, Choctaw Casinos
- Cynthia Hays, Senior Director, Networked Gaming Technical Operations, WMS Gaming

- Sharon House, Attorney at Law, Oneida Nation of Wisconsin
- Darlyne Sullivan, General Manager and Executive Vice President, Atlantis Casino Resort Spa

To qualify as a Rising Star, candidates must have worked in the gaming industry for a minimum of three years and have been in their current position for at least one year. They must also work for a gaming industry company and hold a position of manager or higher, having demonstrated exceptional achievement in at least three of the following areas: 1) ability to go above and beyond job responsibilities; 2) commitment to company and co-workers; 3) contributions to the industry as a whole; 4) commitment to mentoring; and 5) strong overall life balance.

The 2010 Great Women of Gaming Rising Star Award

Winners are:

- Jennifer Bighorse, Marketing Director, Osage Million Dollar Elm Casino
- Colleen Birch, Director of Revenue Management & Distribution, The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas
- Audrey Damonte, Director Government Relations & Legal Affairs, IGT
- Christine Gabaldon, Player Development Manager, Buffalo Thunder Resort and Casino and Cities of Gold Casino
- Candace Lucas, Executive Director of Marketing Operations, WMS Gaming
- Georgia Noble, Chairwoman, Sac & Fox Business Enterprises Board

The judging committee was made up of former Great Women of Gaming award winners and other industry leaders. They included: Tracey Chernay, Executive VP of Sales and Marketing, TransAct Technologies; Linda Devine, Senior VP of Marketing, Barona Resort & Casino; Christie Eickelman, Senior Director of Worldwide Marketing, Gaming Laboratories International; Tina Kilmer, VP of Product Compliance, Bally Technologies; Debra Nutton, Senior VP of Casino Operations, MGM Grand Hotel and Casino; Mary Lynn Palenik, Director, Development, Research and Analysis,

PricewaterhouseCoopers; Valerie Red-Horse, President, Red-Horse Financial Group; Linda J. Roe, VP of Business Development and Client Relations, Thalden • Boyd • Emery Architects; Lynn “Nay” Valbuena, Vice Chairwoman, San Manuel Band of Mission Indians; and Claudia Winkler, Senior VP of Professional Services, NEWave.

“The fact that there was a tie among our judges’ votes goes to show just how accomplished the group of nominees was,” said Peter Mead, publisher of Casino Enterprise Management magazine. “All of these women have much to be proud of, and Casino Enterprise Management is extremely honored to award them this recognition and share their stories with our audience. Our judges had a difficult decision, and I believe they did an excellent job selecting the top 11. It’s been a pleasure of ours to continue to honor these women as they continue to strive for personal and professional excellence.”

An in-depth article featuring profiles of this year’s 11 award winners will be featured in the August 2011 issue of Casino Enterprise Management. The winners will also receive a prestigious crystal Great Women of Gaming Award and the chance to be featured in a CEM Audio Edge podcast. For more information about the Great Women of Gaming Awards, visit www.great-womenofgaming.com.


From 1A/GTC Changes

equipped with video and audio from the main meeting room. The Iroquois Ballroom will also include additional staff to assist in facilitating information during the meeting.

Please bear with us during this time as we continue to look at alternative solutions. We hope you can support and understand our request to refrain from bringing children and we welcome alternative solutions from all GTC participants.


If you have questions or concerns, please visit our website at: www.oneida-nsn.gov or contact Patty Hoeft, Secretary at phoeft@oneidanation.org or call (800) 236-2214 and ask for the secretary’s office.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our Tribal members a great July 4th weekend and safe travels to all.



Lloyd E. Powless Jr. *for*

ONEIDA LAND COMMISSION



Experience


- 11 years Oneida Business Committee
- 18 years Oneida Senior Manager
- Treasurer AMVETS
- Oneida Powwow Committee

Fill the Void with Lloyd

I Support Ron “Tehassi” Hill for ONEIDA TRIBAL CHAIRMAN

I THANK YOU for your support and see you on Election Day July 16th

Authorized and paid for by Lloyd E. Powless Jr.



for... Michael Debraska

Oneida Appeals Commission

EXPERIENCE:


- Knowledge of and experience working with the laws, customs and traditional practices that govern the Oneida Tribal structures
- Knowledge and experience working with Tribal, State, and Federal and Indian laws and processes
- Knowledge and experience working with employment and family law matters
- Knowledge and experience handling civil and appellate matters and processes
- 20 years as an advocate for the Oneida people in *Oneida and Milwaukee*; includes filing suits on behalf of individual(s) in the Oneida Appeals Commission to protect their rights
- Founding member of the SEOTS Board
- Prior Oneida Election Board Member
- Insured U.S. Veterans received their proper benefits as a past VA Employee
- Grant writing experience as a former Assistant-Director of a non-profit agency that serviced Native Americans and their needs in the greater Green Bay area
- Thorough knowledge of the tribe’s policies and procedures

EDUCATION:

- Bachelor’s Degree – UW Milwaukee
- Completed 1 year of Law School at the Univ. of North Dakota – Grand Forks
- Pursuing Master’s Degree in Business Administration

I will serve the Oneida people to the best of my ability and promise to protect your constitutional rights to insure justice and equality for all.

Authorized and paid for by Michael Debraska



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on
Facebook**

**Stay
Connected!**

Culture Days kick off with flag raising



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Oneida veterans raised the colors and performed a tobacco burning ceremony to start off Oneida Days on Friday morning, June 24. Lloyd Powless Jr. donated his father Lloyd E. Powless Sr.'s American flag to be raised in front of the Norbert Hill Center. For a complete listing of Culture Days events see page 16B.

DOLM holds annual open house



Kali photo/Brent Truttmann

Division of Land Management held their 16th annual open house Friday, June 24. The open house also had a bake sale, games, and raffle prizes. Leanne Duxtater (right), of the Planning Department, points and describes the framework of the Land-Use Policy to Mrs. Mendolla (left).

DOLM acquired property update

This is a service provided by the Division of Land Management to inform the community of acquired property.

- 2041 Red Oak Dr., Green Bay**
- Original Allottees: Angeline Baird
 - Purchased: 3/4/11
 - .192 acres
- 2943 Packerland Dr., Green Bay**
- Original Allottees: George Buttons Duxtator

- Purchased: 3/24/11
 - .47 acres
- N5903 County Rd E, Oneida**
- Original Allottees: Pete Smith, Hendrix Skenandoah, Joseph Smith
 - Purchased: 03/11/11
 - 52.21 acres
- 2642 Forestville Dr. GB – OHA**
- Original Allottees: Phoebe Baird
 - Purchased: 04/30/11
 - .3 acres

- N6159 Lambie Rd., De Pere**
- Original Allottees: Dennison Wheelock
 - Purchased: 05/05/11
 - 5.066 acres
- County Road U, Oneida**
- Original Allottees: Hyson Duxtator, Adam Sheriff, Chauncey Duxtator, Peter Wheelock, Mary Hill, James Skenandore, Jacob Skenadore
 - Purchased: 05/10/11
 - 167.36 acres

Culture Camp 2011



Kali photos/Travis Cottrell

Above: Oneida Cultural Language Archivist Randy Cornelius shows the camp participants how to make salve out of local plants.



Left: A camper adds olive oil to the mix of crushed plants.

The Oneida Cultural Heritage department hosted Cultural Camp 2011 on June 19 through June22 for Oneida youth. The camp consisted of mostly Milwaukee youth who spent their time camping out on the grounds around the Cultural Heritage building and *Osnúhsa? Kanya'tála* (Finger Lake). Campers were shown various areas of the Oneida Reservation and performed traditional tasks such as Medicine Picking with Sylvia Cornelius. The medicines were then dried with dryers rented from the Oneida Cannery and crushed to make salve that can be used as treatment of burns, rashes, mosquito bites, and skin irritation. Camper Reina Garcia of Milwaukee said of the camp, "I don't get to come up here (Oneida) a lot so its good to see how things are here than in the city. I learned a lot more about the whole culture and the history and about the creator story and all that stuff. It's pretty cool."

Please Vote on Saturday • July 16, 2011 Jennifer Webster OBC Council Member



- Preserve our Past, Protect our Future**
- EXPERIENCE**
- 8 consecutive years as Oneida Appeals Commissioner (3 terms)
 - 9 Years successful Business Owner
 - Experience in developing By-laws, Policies and Procedures
 - Knowledge of Oneida Tribe Judicial System and Tribal Laws
 - 27 Years Oneida Tribal Employee
- EDUCATION**
- University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh - Certificate Program - Essentials of Management Oneida Tribal Management Program
 - National Judicial College - Logic & Opinion Writing
 - National Indian Justice Center – Judiciary Development
 - Graduate of Seymour High School 1983
- BACKGROUND**
- **Family:** Husband Don Webster, Marcus, Zack & Olivia
 - **Parents:** Lee Gordon and Betty McLester
 - **Grandparents:** Lee (deceased) and Pearl McLester, Ted and Mamie Benson (deceased)
- Authorized and paid for by Jennifer Webster for OBC*

For the Best
in Native
American
Music

Kalihwiyose
WPNE 89.3
Thursdays
10:00PM - midnight

Lois
Metoxen-Strong

Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee

- Trust/Enrollment Committee for 12 years
- Business Management for 17 years
- Masters Degree, MSW

Authorized and paid for by Lois Metoxen-Strong

JANICE SKENANDORE - MCLESTER

FOR

ONEIDA TRIBAL

JUDICIAL SYSTEM

EDUCATION & TRAINING:

- FEDERAL INDIAN LAW
- CERTIFIED MEDIATOR / PEACEMAKER
- INDIAN CIVIL RIGHTS ACT
- REAL PROPERTY LAW

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 10 YEARS EXPERIENCE ON JUDICIARY
- 8 YEARS LEAD JUDICIAL OFFICER
- 30 YEARS IN SUPERVISORY MGMT

Nygren challenges decision to leave him off ballot

By Dinesh Ramde
Associated Press
MILWAUKEE (AP) ~ A Republican state lawmaker filed a lawsuit Tuesday demanding that his name be placed on the ballot in an upcoming recall election against a Democratic state senator. Rep. John Nygren of Marinette accused state elections officials of acting in haste Monday when they ruled him

ineligible to run against Sen. Dave Hansen, of Green Bay. Nygren argued that he wasn't given a fair chance to defend his eligibility. Nygren was one of six Republicans who filed paperwork to run in recall elections targeting three Democratic senators. All six candidates had to submit paperwork, including 400 signatures from voters in the relevant district, last week. Any challenges to the submissions had to be filed by Friday with the state Government Accountability Board. Late Friday afternoon, the accountability board said Nygren was one of four Republicans whose paperwork had been challenged. The challenges, most of which alleged that signatures came from voters who

didn't live in the proper districts, sought to have the questionable signatures tossed. Nygren and the three other challengers had until Monday at 8 a.m. to address the challenges. A few hours after the deadline the board said the other three challengers would be listed on their respective ballots. However, it said several dozen of the 424 signatures that Nygren submitted had been disqualified, leaving him two short of the required minimum. In his lawsuit, Nygren argued that he wasn't given enough time to address the challenges. He said it was unrealistic to expect that he meet a deadline of early Monday when he was only informed of the challenges late Friday. If he'd been given more time, he said, he could have explained why some of the disputed signatures were indeed valid. Nygren's lawyer listed a few of those explanations in a letter to the board. In one case, the letter said, a Green Bay

man who lives in the proper Senate district had his signature improperly tossed because he listed his work address that fell outside the district. The voter "should not be disenfranchised simply because he listed his business address on the nomination paper," the lawsuit said. Board spokesman Reid Magney declined to comment on the substance of the lawsuit. He said election officials would proceed as planned unless a judge ordered them stop. The Democratic Party of Wisconsin said Nygren was trying to deflect criticism onto the accountability board when instead he should accept the blame for his own "blunder." "Rep. Nygren's meek attempt to blame the process and the rules that everyone must follow for his failure to collect 400 valid nomination signatures is embarrassing and just plain pitiful," party chairman Mike Tate said in a statement. Nine state senators are being targeted for recall, following Republican

Gov. Scott Walker's efforts earlier this year to strip collective-bargaining rights from most state employees. The efforts target six Republicans who supported the measure and three Democrats who fled the state to stall it. The board approved the nomination paperwork of Hansen's other challenger, David VanderLeest of Green Bay. If Nygren's efforts to get on the ballot are successful, he'll face VanderLeest in a Republican primary July 19 with the winner taking on Hansen on Aug. 16. If VanderLeest is the only Republican on the ballot, the July 19 election will be the general election against Hansen. On the other side, the six incumbent Republican senators will face general elections on Aug. 9, following Democratic primaries set for July 12.

Dinesh Ramde can be reached at dramde@ap.org.

Re-Elect Patty Ninham Hoeft as Tribal Secretary on July 16

Education & Experience

- Tribal Secretary, 2005-present
- Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, St. Norbert College, 2003
- West De Pere High School grad, 1980
- Served two terms on the Brown County Board, representing the district that includes part of the Oneida reservation
- Division Administrator, Board Services, WI Dept. of Regulation and Licensing, 2003-2005
- Assistant Director of Alumni Relations, St. Norbert College, 2002-2003
- Various positions with the Oneida Tribe from 1992-2000 including administrative assistant to Business Committee officers, Oneida Land Claims Coordinator, Legislative Reference Office Manager, Oneida Gaming Commission
- Reporter, Green Bay Press-Gazette, 1988-1992
- Member of Native Nations International Advisory Council, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- Grassroots organizer to get out the Native vote
- Appointed by Gov. Doyle to Wisconsin Coastal Management Council
- St. Norbert College Board of Trustees member
- Wisconsin Energy Conservation Corporation board member



Why I'm running for re-election as Tribal Secretary

I am running for re-election as our Tribal Secretary to continue bringing as much openness, responsiveness and accessibility as possible to our Tribal government. You can count on me to work hard, to do my homework and be present when it's time to vote, time to listen and time to work together to find solutions to our Tribe's difficult and complex problems.

Family

...My parents are Leland Wigg-Ninham and Sandra Doxtator Brehmer... Grandparents are Betty and the late Leo "Chicken" Doxtator, and the late Rebecca and Nelson Ninham...My siblings are Tim, Pamela, Steve and Matt Ninham...I am married to Mike Hoeft. We have two daughters, Lauren and Olivia.

Authorized and paid for by Patty Ninham Hoeft

Judge approves settlement over US Indian royalties

By Matthew Daly
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) ~ A federal judge on Monday approved a \$3.4 billion settlement over mismanaged American Indian royalties in a case that represents the largest class-action settlement ever approved against the U.S. government. Elouise Cobell of Browning, Montana, claimed in the 15-year-old suit that for more than a century, U.S. officials systematically stole or squandered billions in royalties intended for American Indians in exchange for oil, gas, grazing and other leases. U.S. District Judge Thomas Hogan, in approving the settlement after a daylong hearing, said the legitimacy of

Cobell's claims could not be questioned. "The government mismanaged these resources on a staggering scale," Hogan said. The settlement does not make up for the losses Indian tribes suffered for more than a century, Hogan added, but "at least it provides some certainty" to hundreds of thousands of individual Indians who will now receive payments of at least \$1,000 each from the government. Many will receive substantially more money. Cobell, a member of the Blackfeet Tribe, will receive \$2 million, and three other named plaintiffs will receive payments ranging from \$150,000 to \$200,000 each. The government and lawyers representing Cobell settled the lawsuit in December 2009 after years of court battles and appeals. Congress approved the settlement at the end of last year, and President Barack Obama signed it into law. But the case still needed Hogan's approval, which he provided late Monday after a daylong hearing on the merits of the case and legal fees to be assessed.

In a statement, Obama said the decision "marks another important step forward in the relationship between the federal government and Indian Country." Resolving the dispute was a priority for his administration, Obama said. He promised to engage in "government-to-government consultations with tribal nations" regarding the land consolidation aspect of the settlement to ensure that it moves quickly and fairly. Under the settlement approved Monday, \$1.5 billion will go to at least 300,000 Indian account holders. Another \$1.9 billion will be used to buy back and consolidate tribal land that has become subdivided and difficult to manage over the years. An additional \$60 million will go to a scholarship fund for Indian students.

Associated Press writer Mary Clare Jalonick contributed to this report. Online: Follow Matthew Daly at <http://twitter.com/MatthewDalyWDC> Information on Cobell case: <http://www.cobellsettlement.com/>


Re-Elect

Winnie Thomas

Oneida Tribal Judicial System

16 Years Experience

It has been my honor to serve my community within the Oneida Judicial branch of our government for the past sixteen years.



Greetings once again from Winnie Thomas and Clan here...

Daughter of: Pearl (Schuyler) and Lee McLester Jr.
Grand Parents: Jim and Hattie (Moore) Schuyler Lee and Blanch (King) McLester

Authorized and paid for by Winnifred Thomas

Your trust in me has been a gift; one which I will work very hard to maintain. If we have children we have been blessed; if we have grandchildren the blessing is doubled. Can anyone think of a better reason to provide a future that they may live in peace and work with assurance of fairness? Democracy is the Clan Mother for our children. The rule of law is the Clan Mother to Democracy.


The Oneida Appeals Commission/Oneida Tribal Judicial System is charged to assure the members of all clans that our blessings are always at the center of a Right and Just Democracy as long as the Creator watches over us.

- **EXPERIENCE:** Retired from the U.S. Postal Service with 31 years of service. This position required continual training geared to State and Federal regulations pertaining to various employee contracts, mediation and dispute resolution.
- **EXTENSIVE TRAINING IN:**
 - ✓ Logic and Legal Reasoning
 - ✓ Decision/Opinion Writing
 - ✓ Appellate/Bench Skills
 - ✓ Real Property Law
 - ✓ Certified State of Wisconsin Mediator
 - ✓ Peacemaking
- **PERSONAL:** I support small business entrepreneurs and ventures. Having been in business, the realization that small business on our reservation has a long way to go within the world of Tribal politics.

No Matter Who you Support, Please get to a voting site near you...

ONEIDA GENERAL ELECTIONS

JULY 16, 2011



After heated debate, Wis. union law takes effect

By Todd Richmond
Associated Press
MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ After months of heated debate, ear-splitting protests and legal maneuvering, Gov. Scott Walker's divisive collective bargaining law is finally set to take effect.

Secretary of State Doug LaFollette published the law in the Wisconsin State Journal newspaper on Tuesday. The measure goes into effect Wednesday, capping an ugly four months in Madison that saw state senators flee the state and massive protests at the state Capitol.

"I think our Legislature could have done it better," said Platteville City Manager Larry Bierke, who must negotiate new contracts with the city's police dispatchers, water workers and public works workers under Walker's law. "It was messy and it really doesn't make Wisconsin look all that great. But in the end, this is what we were given from the state of Wisconsin and we will do everything we can to follow the state's guidance."

The law requires almost all public employees on all levels of government - from teachers to librarians to state Capitol janitors - to contribute more to their health care and pensions. The changes amount to an average 8 percent pay cut. The bill also strips them of almost all their collective bargaining rights, allowing them to negotiate only on wages. Jodi Jensen, a spokeswoman for the state Department of Administration, said agency computer techs are busy reprogramming the state's payroll system to reflect the changes. State workers should see the first reductions on their Aug. 25 paychecks, she said.

The picture for local governments and school districts looks a bit murkier.

Some districts and municipalities reached new contracts with different union chapters this spring ahead of the law, in some cases shielding workers from some of the law's effects. At least 105 of the state's 424

school districts, for example, had reached new deals with teachers between the bill's introduction and February and Tuesday, according to the Wisconsin Association of School Boards.

But when those contracts expire, those unions will have to abide by Walker's law. Other unions across the state that didn't reach deals before Wednesday will have to do the same.

Walker ignited a national debate over labor rights when he introduced the plan in February. The Republican governor insisted the plan would generate savings to help plug the state's \$3.6 billion deficit and give local governments the flexibility they'd need to deal with deep cuts in state aid.

But Democrats saw the proposal as an attempt to weaken unions, one of their key constituencies. The 14 minority Democrats in the Senate fled the state in a futile attempt to block a vote. Teachers stayed away from school. And tens of thousands of demonstrators converged on the state Capitol to protest the bill, turning the building into an around-the-clock campground for weeks.

The Republican-controlled Legislature ultimately passed the proposal with the Senate Democrats. Dane County District Attorney Ismael Ozanne filed a lawsuit in hopes of blocking the proposal, alleging Republican legislative leaders violated the state's open meetings law during deliberations. Ozanne's lawsuit threw the law into limbo until earlier this month, when the state Supreme Court's conservative majority issued a ruling upholding the law and clearing the way for publication.

The fight isn't over yet. Small bands of protesters still pack the Capitol rotunda daily during the noon hour, singing solidarity songs and chanting "Recall Walker!" Six Republicans and three Democratic senators face recall elections this summer over their positions on the plan. Meanwhile, a coalition of unions,

including the Wisconsin Education Association Council, the state's largest teachers union, have filed a federal lawsuit in Madison alleging the law violates the U.S. Constitution by taking away union rights to bargain, organize and associate. The lawsuit seeks to block language erasing union rights but allows the higher pension and health care contributions.

"We were clear from early in that we believed we could reach concessions ... without losing collective bargaining rights," WEAC President Mary Bell said. "The chaos introduced in moving to a different system was unnecessary."

Phil Neuenfeldt, president of the Wisconsin AFL-CIO, didn't immediately return messages.

But for now, at least, the plan is the law of the land.

"Now that Wisconsin has a balanced budget and these important reforms are going to be formally implemented, we are going to focus on moving forward together to get Wisconsin working again," Walker spokesman Cullen Werwie said.

The city of Appleton is working on contracts with nearly a dozen union chapters covering park workers and clerical staff, among other positions. Sandy Neisen, the city's human resources director, said Mayor Tim Hanna has appointed a transition team to help determine what the city will offer those workers under Walker's law. The unions will no longer have any say in that process.

Neisen insisted city leaders don't want to strip workers of all their benefits, but the law does provide an opportunity to standardize benefit plans that varied across the union chapters, such as implementing a single dental plan for all the workers.

"There is potential for ease of administration," she said. "(City workers are) very, very fearful. The only way we can demonstrate to our employees is by our actions and show them. That's what's finally going to give them some comfort."

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Wisconsin Brief

Ho-Chunk Legislature puts Rep. Pettibone on leave

BLACK RIVER FALLS, Wis. (AP) ~ The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature has placed a representative on administrative leave until federal bribery charges against him are resolved.

Clarence Pettibone of Black River Falls was among three people charged in a 14-count indictment this week with bribery in connection with contracts awarded by the Ho-Chunk Nation.

Pettibone's term in the Ho-Chunk Legislature ends July 5, and he did not seek re-election. His leave is expected to last until his legislative term expires.

Ho-Chunk Nation Vice President Daniel Brown says the Legislature wanted to move "swiftly and fairly to protect and ensure the integrity" of the tribal government and businesses.

Pettibone's home phone was not answered Friday. His attorney, Marcus Jens Berghahn of Madison, says Pettibone intends to plead not guilty and "looks forward to vindicating his name in court."

State doesn't act to renew jobless benefits

MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ Extended federal unemployment benefits ran out in April, even though the state could have acted to renew them.

All but a few states have chosen to accept 13 additional weeks of unemployment coverage picked up by the federal government as part of the 2009 stimulus bill. The extended benefits are worth up to \$363 a week.

The Journal Sentinel (<http://bit.ly/1ZLHZI>) says that as a result, more than 10,000 unemployed Wisconsinites are no longer receiving an estimated \$89 million in extended unemployment.

Rep. Robin Vos, the co-chairman of the Joint Finance Committee, is among legislators who think extending unemployment benefits give those without a job a reason not to take low-paying work.

The issue could come before the state Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council on Thursday.

Information from: Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, <http://www.jsonline.com>

Tribe exploring Catskill casino options

THOMPSON, N.Y. (AP) ~ The Stockbridge Munsee of Wisconsin say they're exploring their options now that the Obama administration has rescinded a rule that blocked Indian tribes from building casinos far from their reservations.

The Wisconsin tribe has been working for more than a decade to build a casino within day-tripping distance of the lucrative New York City market.

But the Stockbridge Munsee's proposal was derailed by the federal Department of the Interior in 2008 when it ruled that casinos should not be built beyond a reasonable commuting distance from a tribe's reservation. Officials feared that reservation residents would move to follow the new jobs.

The Obama administration rescinded the rule Tuesday, removing one roadblock for faraway tribes that want to build Catskill casinos.

Stan WEBSTER

Oneida Appeals Commission

EXPERIENCE

- Over 20 years with the Oneida Appeals Commission
- Adjunct Professor, National Judicial College NJC – Five years of service to Judicial Education

EDUCATION

Associate Degree UW-Stevens Point

Authorized and paid for by Stan Webster

Certificates from National Judicial College

- Indian Housing Law (1992)
- Peacemaking (1995)
- Special Court Trial Skills (1998)
- Dispute Resolution Skills (2002)
- Tribal Judicial Skills (2004)
- Advanced Mediation Skills (2007)
- Administrative Law Adjudication Skills (2009)

General Tribal Council Semi-Annual Meeting

10 a.m. Monday, July 4, 2011

Agenda

- Oneida Veterans post colors
- Opening
- Announcements
- Call meeting to order
- Adoption of agenda
- GTC minutes to be approved
 - Aug. 21, 2010 Tribal Constitution Amendments
 - Sept. 18, 2010 FY11 Budget
 - Jan. 3, 2011 Annual meeting
 - Feb. 5, 2011 Proposed Judiciary Law and Legislative Procedures Act
 - April 11, 2011 Personnel Policies and Madelyn Genskow Petition
- Tribal Treasurer's FY2011 semi-annual report

- Oneida Casino proposed FY12 expansion project report
- New business
 - Petitioner Yvonne Metivier: Provide a 75-cent wage increase in FY12 to employees earning less than \$60,000
 - Tribal Constitution update
Presentation provided at meeting
 - Oakridge Plaza lease report
Presentation provided at meeting
 - New York land claims negotiation and settlement verbal presentation/report
Presentation provided at meeting
- Oneida 2011 semi-annual report
- Adjournment

Crews try to identify bones near blown-up levee

CHARLESTON, Mo. (AP) ~ Missouri state archaeologists and natural-resource specialists are trying to identify possibly ancient bone fragments unearthed last month when a southeast Missouri levee was intentionally breached to relieve flooding along the Mississippi River near its confluence with the Ohio River.

It's not clear if the discovery of the bones — possibly from ancient tribal communities — could delay plans to rebuild the Birds Point levee that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers blew up May 2. The agency breached the levee in Mississippi County to relieve pressure on the floodwall in Cairo, Ill., sparing that Ohio River town from being flooded but inundating about 130,000 acres of Missouri farmland in the process.

The Southeast

Missourian of Cape Girardeau reported Tuesday that more than 143 bone fragments were found near the levee's north end range from chips to jaw parts and a nearly complete femur.

“These were some very old bones, with very dark colors. That means that they’ve probably been there for quite some time,” said Mark Seesing, an area funeral director and embalmer who is part of the Missouri Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association's disaster response team.

Seesing said his research found there was no cemetery near the site, leading to speculation that the fragments either were from an early Missouri homesteading family or from a native burial mound.

Mississippi County Coroner Terry Parker said some pottery and other relics were found at

the site, indicating the bone fragments came from a native tribal community.

It’s likely the force of the corps’ explosions disinterred the bones, Seesing said.

The Mississippi valleys around southeast Missouri are replete with burial mounds, from ancient civilizations to early white explorers to family plots. The Oklahoma-based Osage Nation American Indian tribe had deep roots in Missouri, Kentucky, Arkansas, Kansas and Oklahoma by the mid-17th century. Victims of the Civil War also had been buried in the floodway.

It could take months to identify the remains and properly bury them, particularly if there are federal and tribal guidelines that must be followed.

Gov. Jay Nixon announced earlier this month that the corps was

mobilizing its Memphis district to rebuild the three breach points in the levee to 51 feet, which is nearly a foot lower than it was when the corps blew parts of it up.

Jim Pogue, a regional Army Corps spokesman, could not say if the discovery of the bone fragments would slow the corps' efforts to rebuild the levee.

“There are certainly mitigation efforts that will need to take place, but as to whether or not they can be done parallel with the work, I honestly don’t know,” Pogue said.

Judith Deel, archaeologist with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources’ State Historic Preservation Office, is heading the effort to identify the bones, with help from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the corps and other state officials.

Challenger in Okla Indian chief race seeks recount

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) ~ A Tahlequah businessman says he’ll seek a recount after the Cherokee Election Commission overturned his victory in the race for principal chief and declared the incumbent the winner.

Bill John Baker said in a statement that he's “obviously shocked” that an unofficial tally that had him winning by 11 votes was reversed on Monday.

Commission clerk Joyce Gourd didn’t know why the unofficial results

were overturned. The final count was 7,609 votes for Chief Chad Smith and 7,602 votes for Baker.

Before the reversal, Smith said he would seek a recount.

The Cherokee Nation is Oklahoma's largest Native American tribe and one of the nation’s biggest, with a membership approaching 300,000 people.

Baker says he’ll address the specifics of his recount request in the next two days.

Wildfire shuts Los Alamos lab, forces evacuations

By Susan Montoya Bryan

Associated Press

LOS ALAMOS, NM ~ Thousands of residents calmly fled from the town that's home to the Los Alamos nuclear laboratory, ahead of an approaching wildfire that sent up towering plumes of smoke, rained down ash and sparked a spot fire on lab property where scientists 50 years ago conducted underground tests of radioactive explosives.

Los Alamos National Laboratory officials said Monday that the spot fire was soon contained and no contamination was released. They also assured that radioactive materials stored in various spots elsewhere on the sprawling lab were safe from flames.

The wildfire, which began Sunday, had destroyed 30 structures south and west of Los Alamos by early Monday and forced the closure of the lab while stirring memories of a devastating blaze in May 2000 that destroyed hundreds of homes and buildings.

“The hair on the back of your neck goes up,” Los Alamos County fire chief Doug Tucker said of first seeing the fire in the Santa Fe National Forest on Sunday. “I saw that plume and I thought, ‘Oh my god here we go again.’”

Tucker said the current blaze - which grew Monday to roughly 44,000 acres (17,800), or 68 square miles (176 square kilometers) - was the most active fire he had seen in his career. By midafternoon, it had jumped a highway and burned an acre (0.4 hectares) of land on the outskirts of the lab’s 36-square-mile (93-square-kilometers) complex.

The fire scorched about an acre (0.4 hectares) in the area known as the Tech Area, 49, which was used in the early 1960s for a series of underground tests with high explosives and radioactive materials. Lab officials said the fire was safely extinguished.

Lab spokesman Kevin Roark said environmental specialists from the lab were mobilized and monitoring air quality on Monday, but that the main concern was smoke.

The anti-nuclear watchdog group Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety, however, said the fire appeared to be about 3.5 miles (5.6 kilometers) from a dumpsite where as many as 30,000 55-gallon (208-liter) drums of plutonium-contaminated waste were stored in fabric tents above ground. The group said the drums were awaiting transport to a low-level radiation dump site in southern New Mexico.

Lab spokesman Steve Sandoval declined to confirm that there were any such drums currently on the property. He acknowledged that low-level waste is at times put in drums and regularly taken from the lab to the Waste Isolation Pilot Project site in Carlsbad.

Sandoval said the fire was “quite a bit away” from that storage area. But he could not say what would happen if drums containing such waste were to burn.

“Unfortunately, I cannot answer that question other than to say that the material is well protected. And the lab - knowing that it works with hazardous and nuclear materials - takes great pains to make sure it is protected and locked in concrete steel vaults. And the fire poses very little threat to them.”

U.S. Sen. Tom Udall of New Mexico, who was visiting evacuees at the Santa Claran Hotel Casino in Espanola, said “there’s no doubt” the lab stores a variety of hazardous and radioactive materials that “you don't want to escape in the atmosphere.” But he said he was confident lab and state environmental officials had monitoring systems in place to “evaluate exactly what we’re seeing here.”

Traffic on Trinity Drive, one of the main roads out of Los Alamos, was bumper-to-bumper Monday afternoon as residents followed orders to leave. Authorities said about 2,500 of the town's roughly 12,000 residents left under an earlier voluntary evacuation.

“We’re just hoping for the best,” Vivian Levy, a resident since the 1970s said as she packed her car and her animals - again.

“Last time, I just walked out of my house and said goodbye, and that it was going to be OK,” she said before breaking down in tears. “I’m doing the same thing this time. It’s going to be OK. I’m prepared to say goodbye.”

Please

SUPPORT & VOTE

BUSINESS COMMITTEE CANDIDATES

from left to right:

Jenny Webster for Councilmember

Ed Delgado for Chairman

Patty Ninham Hoeft for Secretary

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South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services News

Serving Milwaukee and the counties of southeastern Wisconsin

SEOTS Office Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 8-4:30PM
CLOSED NOON TO 1:00PM
Call for available weekend hours, (414) 329-4101

Activities Calendar

for the month of August 2011

- 1 Monday:
Oneida Singers, 6:30pm, Bird Room
- 2 Tuesday:
Senior Activity Day, 11am, Horse Race Day!
Luncheon \$3.00 Donation - Bingo
- 3 Wednesday
Med Pick-up in Oneida
- 5 Friday
Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up
By 4:00pm
- 7 Sunday
SEOTS Annual Picnic, Wilson Park Pavilion
(1601 W. Howard Ave.) 11:30am-2:30pm
- 8 Monday
Oneida Singers, 6:30pm - Bird Room
- 9 Tuesday
Senior Activity Day, 11am, Name that
Tune! Luncheon \$3.00 Donation - Bingo
SEOTS Board Meeting, 6pm - Turtle
Room
- 10 Wednesday
Med Pick-up
- 12 Friday
Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up
By 4:00pm
- 15 Monday
Oneida Singers, 6:30pm - Bird Room
- 16 Tuesday
Senior Activity Day, 11am, Tai Chi with
Jim/Potluck, Bingo - Bird Room
- 17 Wednesday
Van Trip & Med Pick-up in Oneida,
8am Departure
- 19 Friday:
Call in meds for next Wednesday
pick-up By 4:00pm
- 22 Monday:
Oneida Singers, 6:30pm
- 23 Tuesday:
Senior Activity Day, 11am, Craft Day
/Brown Bag - Bingo
SEOTS Board Meeting, 6pm - Turtle
Room
- 24 Wednesday:
Med Pick-up in Oneida
- 26 Friday
Call in meds for next Wednesday
pick-up By 4:00pm
- 29 Monday:
Oneida Bingo Trip, 7am Departure
Oneida Singers, Oneida Singers
- 30 Tuesday:
Senior Activity Day, 11am, Cultural
Day/Luncheon TBD - Bingo
- 31 Wednesday:
Med Pick-up

SEOTS Mission...

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

SEOTS: One Location, Two Addresses

By Mark W. Powless

Have you noticed different addresses provided for Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services in mailings or other notices? Perhaps you considered it an error or possibly a move to a new location. The fact of the matter is that SEOTS does have two different addresses. SEOTS is located in the Morgan Office Park at the intersection of Morgan Avenue and South 68th Street in Milwaukee. It is a unique property because the building is bound by three streets; Morgan Avenue to the north, 68th Street to the east, and Wedgewood Drive to the south. Due to the configuration of the office park, there are businesses and organizations facing each of the streets that surround the building. The space for SEOTS is a combination of two of the suites within the office park. Together, these suites run the entire length of the office park, from front to back. As a result, we have one address for the front of the building, and a different address for the back of the building. When SEOTS was established, one of the addresses had to be selected as the mailing address. The result was the back address as that is the area where the SEOTS administrative offices are located. Thus, the mailing address and



Submitted photo

The entrances to the SEOTS offices. One of the entrances is shared with a local church. The unusual layout of the building requires the office to have a pair of addresses.

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the entrance during normal business hours is 6820 West Wedgewood Drive, Milwaukee, 53220. The front entrance is used only for special occasion, such as community events. When mailers and flyers are sent out and posted, the

front address of 6811 West Morgan Avenue is used. In the future, if you have any questions regarding the proper entrance for your visit, feel free to contact the SEOTS office at 414-329-4101.

Yawá'ko

Thank you to all the candidates, volunteers, and guests at the SEOTS Candidate Forum. Good luck to all the candidates in the upcoming Tribal elections.

July Shawl Making Class

Stop by SEOTS every Tuesday evening at 5pm to make your own pow-wow shawl, just in time for Indian Summer. The cost of the supplies will be the responsibilities of the participants. Call SEOTS today to reserve your spot.



SEOTS Library

Have you visited the SEOTS library lately? We have a wide selection of Native American books that you can check out. Our latest addition is *A Nation within a Nation, Voices of the Oneidas in Wisconsin* edited by L. Gordon Mclester III and Laurence M. Hauptman. Stop in today!

VOTE!

The General Elections for the Oneida Tribe will be held on **Saturday, July 16**. For your convenience, **SEOTS (6811 West Morgan Avenue, Milwaukee)** is a polling location.



SEOTS

is now on

Facebook

Get Connected!

Are you interested in singing with the Oneida Singers, or contacting them for an event? Call John House at 414-443-0301

Indian Council of the Elderly Weekly Meals

Visit the meal site at **631 North 19th Street** every **Monday and Friday** (5pm the first Monday and Friday of each month, 11:30am all other Mondays & Fridays). Enjoy a tasty meal, visit with friends, and play Bingo. **Eligibility:** Native American (plus spouse) must be 45+, Non-Native must be 60+.

Lifestyles

Native Strength Fashion Show

Milwaukee, WI ~ The stage is set for a fantastic display of Native American themed contemporary fashion and traditional regalia. The American Indian Task Force on Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Vulnerable Populations is having a fundraising event titled NATIVE STRENGTH.

The event will be held at the Potawatomi Bingo Casino - Woodland Dreams Ballroom in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on Wednesday, July 13th 2011 from 7pm to 10pm.

The event will feature a contemporary fashion show, traditional native American dance regalia presentation and a silent auction for which the proceeds will help the task force continue to provide services to it's clients.

The fashions showcased will be from Virgil

Ortiz, Luci Womens' Boutique, White Star Mens' Boutique and accessories by Jaxie. Virgil Ortiz is a Cochiti Pueblo Native and his designs are heavily sought out by celebrities, royalty, rock stars, and collectors alike. In August of 2006, Ortiz launched his stunning collection of luxury handbags, outerwear and jewelry. Earth colored suede and leather jackets and handbags bear the VO Signature Marks. Water, Sun, Wild Spinach and Secret Writing are just some of the unique and symbolic elements that create the high demand for his pieces.

The fashions selected from Milwaukee's Luci Boutique and White Star Boutique will have a native flavor and demonstrate the ease in which anyone can integrate

native style into their wardrobe. Jaxie will debut a new line of native inspired accessories at Native Strength.

Jaxie was started in 2009 by accident! Owner/designer Jackie Barutha found herself getting multiple compliments on her handmade hairpieces while walking the streets of LA. One person said "you HAVE to start your own line!" ... so she did! A couple hours and a couple hundred dollars later, Jaxie was born in LA's Fashion District.

In addition to a contemporary fashion show, there will be a segment featuring Native American traditional regalia. Various styles of traditional regalia will be showcased and the different styles will be described in detail as they are presented on the runway. The silent auction will include area business services and goods, as well as local and national items from Native American artists and vendors. For more information, go to our Facebook page NATIVE STRENGTH 2011. This event is sponsored by the Forest County Potawatomi Foundation.

Put safety first with fireworks

MADISON – America's birthday celebration involves parades, backyard barbecues and, of course, fireworks. State officials encourage everyone to enjoy fireworks in a safe and responsible manner.

"Fireworks are fun, but they can be very dangerous if used incorrectly," said Dr. Henry Anderson, State Health Officer. "Each year, there are many serious injuries such as burns, vision and hearing loss. These injuries are easily preventable by proper and safe use of fireworks."

In 2009, 11 Wisconsin residents were hospitalized and 69 made emergency department visits because of fireworks-related injuries.

"Children are especially vulnerable to these injuries," said Sandy Chalmers, Administrator of the state Division of Trade and Consumer Protection. "Never give fireworks – even sparklers – to young children. Sparklers can burn at temperatures up to 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit. That is hot enough to cause third-degree burns."

Wisconsin law regu-

lates the use of fireworks. Fireworks such as roman candles, firecrackers, bottle rockets, mortars – anything that explodes or leaves the ground – can only be purchased and used with a permit issued by your local government.

Non-explosive devices such as sparklers and cones do not require a permit, but that does not mean they can be used safely by children. A U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission report shows children are more likely to be injured by fireworks during the month surrounding the Fourth of July. Nearly half of the victims are under age 15.

When using fireworks, state officials urge people to follow these important safety tips:

- Never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks.
- Read and follow all warnings and instructions.
- A responsible adult should closely supervise all fireworks activities.
- Be sure other people are out of range before lighting fireworks.
- Never point or throw

fireworks at another person.

- Light fireworks on a smooth, flat surface away from the house, dry leaves, and flammable materials.
- Light one item at a time, and then move back quickly.
- Never carry fireworks in a pocket or shoot them in metal or glass containers.
- Keep a bucket of water or a hose handy in case of a malfunction or fire.
- Most importantly, if fireworks fizzle and don't go off, douse them with water and do not relight them.

"The safest way to prevent fireworks-related injuries is to leave fireworks displays to trained professionals," Anderson said.

For more information on fireworks safety, visit: <http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/InjuryPrevention/Fireworks.htm> Wisconsin Bureau of Consumer Protection's website at datep.wisconsin.gov; via e-mail at datcpHotline@wisconsin.gov; or call toll-free at 1-800-422-7128.

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- **J.D. MCPHERSON**
August 14 - 16 • 7:30pm
- **THE DEL MOROCCOS**
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August 21 - 23 • 7:30pm
- **WHITEY MORGAN & The 78's**
August 21 - 23 • 9:30pm

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Sandhill Cranes on the Oneida Reservation

By Bill Koonz

Environmental Specialist

The sandhill crane is a population recovery success story for this area. Once nearly eliminated from Wisconsin, sandhill cranes have made a comeback and have become one of the state's most popular watchable wildlife species.

The sandhill is one of 15 crane species in the world of which only two are native to North America. They are 4-5 feet tall, with long necks and legs. They weigh from 9-12 pounds and have wing spans of nearly seven feet. Six subspecies are recognized, the greater sub species that breeds here is about the largest. The sexes look alike, males being slightly larger than females on average. Crane chicks are termed colts.

Sandhill cranes can sometimes be mistaken for great-blue herons that are slightly smaller and fly with their necks tucked back to their shoulders. Cranes fly with their necks and feet



Photos by Travis Dessart, EHSD
Sandhill Cranes along Olson Road.

out-stretched. Cranes have a rapid wing upbeat, unlike the slow upbeat of a heron and their call is loud and trumpet like while the heron utters hoarse croaks. Great-blue herons nest in colonies in trees while individual pairs of sandhill cranes nest on the ground in wetlands.

The Canadian subspecies (breeds in aspen parklands of central Canada), and the lesser sandhill subspecies (breeds north of the tree line in the Canadian Arctic), are the most numerous and provide hunting opportunities for sportsmen in the central Canadian Provinces and many Great Plains states.

Cranes are opportunis-

tic omnivores. They occasionally eat fish but their normal diet is a wide variety of both plants and animals. They take advantage of food sources and will scavenge waste grain in the spring and will sometimes take young corn shoots if the seed is not treated. Cranes benefit farmers by consuming weed seeds and harmful insects from farm fields. Their traditional food includes snails, crayfish, worms, mice, birds, frogs, snakes and many types of insects. They also browse plants and devour acorns, roots,



seeds, and fruits. They are especially fond of harvested grain such as corn, wheat, and barley.

Cranes mate for life, arriving in Oneida as early as late February. Families lay two eggs but generally produce only one offspring per year. The family stays together through the fall and winter, returning as a unit in the spring. But, last year's offspring are soon driven out of the nesting area as crane pairs are extremely territorial, not tolerating other cranes on their defended territories of 10-200 acres. Youngsters spend several

years roaming together in flocks before finding partners and establishing breeding territories.

Sandhill cranes are indicators of the environmental health of wetlands. They require stable water levels and ample food for nesting and rearing their young. There is a day each spring established for a Wisconsin Crane Count. Volunteers are provided with forms for recording cranes and are provided locations to count from. Oneida Conservation is interested in establishing a crane count on reservation lands in cooperation

with the Wisconsin Crane Count. Would you like to volunteer?

Sandhill cranes are protected under the Migratory Birds Treaty between Mexico, Canada, and the United States. Watch for more information on sandhill cranes in future issues.

For more information on Oneida's cranes, other wildlife questions, or if you would like to volunteer for a future crane count, contact Bill Koonz at Little Bear Development Center, 920-869-4569, or bkoonz@oneidanation.org

New Hope for the Fish of Duck and Trout Creeks

By Sean Powless

GM Communications Intern

It's already that time of the year where fisherman gear up and head to one of their favorite spots to seek out that next big bass, walleye, or trout. Many people who fish at Pamperin Park know already that Duck Creek is home to these types of fish and others. They will also notice that the amount of fish isn't quite what it used to be, and that's due to the dam's infrastructure, which is hindering the movement of the fish from and to the larger water sources.

An agreement is close to being completed that would remove both dam's at Pamperin Park and alter one on the part of the creek that runs adjacent to Oneida Golf and Country Club in Green Pamperin Park. The dam at the golf course isn't expected to be removed, but will be altered to allow the fish to swim easily downstream while preventing any endangered species from getting upstream. By removing the dams, and also installing reef areas at the location of removed structures, will help improve the fish habitat back to natural conditions. Once the impoundment is removed and the stream channel is rerouted, habitat within the stream will vastly improve. It will also allow the lowering of temperature levels, normal dissolved oxygen levels and fish passage will be restored. The dam at the golf course isn't expected to be removed either, but will also be altered to allow the fish to swim easily downstream while preventing any endangered species from getting upstream.

Pamperin Park is the largest developed park in the county. With that being said some may be wondering just how the dam removal will affect the fish. The removal of the dams are more beneficial than anything they



Submitted photo

Removal of a dam in Pamperin Park will help create a more trout friendly habitat in Oneida area waters.

allow: The restoring of the riverine natural habitat, restoring natural season flow variations, eliminating siltation of spawning and feeding habitat above the dam, eliminating unnatural temperature variations below the dam, and also allowing debris small rocks, and nutrients to pass below the dam, once again creating a more healthy habitat.

Also, the Environmental Health and Safety Division had their annual electrofishing, which takes place through various water passages and streams. Some may wonder what exactly "Electrofishing" is, it's a battery operated device that's submerged in the water and produces and electric shock to the fish, simply stunning them for a couple of seconds allowing them to be captured. It's a very common scientific technique used to sample fish populations. In no way does the electrofishing harm the fish, as they return to normal after a few seconds. With Trout was on the day's agenda, I had the opportunity to observe the trout's life prognoses which ranged from 1-3 years old. "The trout are in perfect health, and developing as planned," said Jim Snitgen, Water Resource

Supervisor at Environmental Health and Safety. "Our creeks are providing the best habitat for the fish to

continue to progress the way they have." There was also the Red Side Dace, which is an endangered fish and very rare

in this area.

The prognosis of the fish in these creeks is evidence that the fish habitats are improving. Winter survival is up, and numbers and sizes are increasing. Overall, it is clear that our creeks are cleaner and thriving with life more so than ever before, and that is all thanks to the work that our people over at Environmental Health Safety have been doing for years...and will do for years to come.

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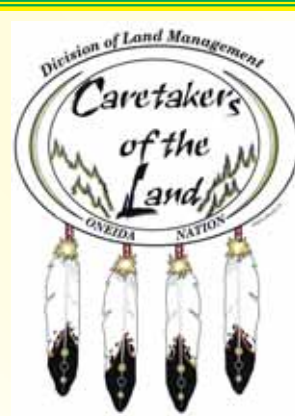
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She-kú from the Oneida Higher Education department! Whether you are looking to start college or a new career, or even if you are already receiving higher education or are employed in the career of your dreams, we want to help you! In the coming weeks, the Kaliwhsaks will be running a series of articles authored by our staff that will cover topics related to higher education and career planning. Through these articles, our goal is to share a little bit about ourselves and to assist you in making informed decisions in choosing an educational/career path before, during, and after your college experience. Topics will include:

- Beginning Career Exploration and Planning (Nicole Stroobants, Advisor)
- Preparing for College (Jeremiah Powless, Advisor)
- The College Experience (Misty Herzog, Senior Advisor)
- What to do After College (Mitch Metoxen, Assistant Manager)
- Conclusion; Tying it All Together (Nicole Stroobants, Advisor)

Our first article of the series regarding “Beginning Career Exploration and Planning” will be in the next issue of the Kaliwhsaks. If you are interested in learning more about the topics

featured in each upcoming article, simply visit our website, www.oneidanation.org/highered to read the full length article. These articles will also include great hyperlinks (internet links) to useful websites and sources to further assist you in your educational/career journey. We hope you find the articles fun, informative, and helpful! For more information feel free to contact the Oneida Higher Education department by phone (920-869-4033), or email (highered@oneidanation.org). We look forward to hearing feedback and sharing our views and plans with you!

The Oneida Higher Education Department

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2011 SUMMER TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE

The College of Menominee Nation is currently seeking applicants for the annual Summer Transportation Institute. The program is a three-week program designed to explore the variety of career opportunities, qualifications, necessary education, and safety issues related to occupations in the transportation industry. The program combines math/ science classroom lessons along with field trips.

Students who are currently going into grades 6, 7 and 8 will be eligible to apply for the 2011 Summer Transportation Institute. Keshena Campus will be held on Aug. 8-Aug. 24 and Green Bay Campus July 18-Aug. 4. Free transportation will be provided along with snacks and lunch. It will be on Monday – Thursday. 15 spots are still open. If you have any questions, or would like an application package, please call

Department of Continuing Education at 715-799-6226 x3255.

All application packages must be submitted to the College of Menominee Nation.

Drop off at Keshena Campus-Cultural Building or Green Bay-Front Desk or send to:

P.O. Box 1179 Keshena, WI 54135, Attention STI

Application Package includes: the application, one page essay and current report card.

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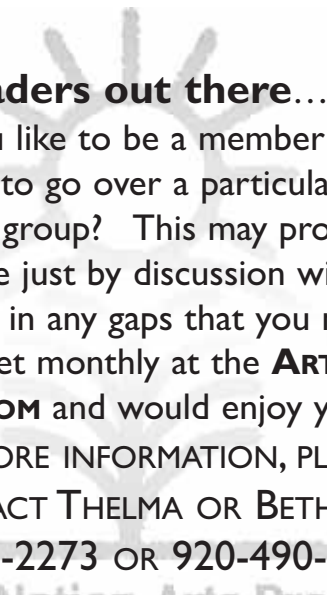
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OneidaNation Arts Program



ONSS Elementary School 2010 – 2011 4th Quarter Honor Roll Lists		
Highest Honors 3.8 -4.00	Sadie Schuman, 3rd grade - 3.668	Kain Hill, 5th grade - 3.250
Summer Doxtater, 3rd grade - 4.00	Qualayou Smith, 4th grade - 3.668	Seneca Metoxen, 5th grade - 3.250
Eleciah Danforth, 3rd grade, 3.918	Lexus Stevens, 5th grade - 3.668	Leida Rodriguez, 4th grade - 3.250
Malia Jacobs, 3rd grade - 3.918	Maya Cruz, 4th grade - 3.667	Vaniecia Smith, 5th grade - 3.250
Shienne Red Hail, 5th grade - 3.835	Tiara Barber, 4th grade - 3.583	Cameron Hill, 5th grade - 3.248
Vianna Smith, 3rd grade - 3.835	Jenna Cornelius-Daubon, 5th grade - 3.500	Tekaluhiyaks Danforth, 5th grade - 3.168
High Honors 3.5-3.799	Morgun Fish, 4th grade - 3.500	Jack Mehojah Jr., 4th grade - 3.168
Justin P. Hill, 4th grade - 3.750	Brandon Skenandore, 3rd grade - 3.500	Jada Sitting Bear, 5th grade - 3.165
Lexandria Metoxen, 5th grade - 3.750		Noemi Ramirez-Gilsoul, 3rd grade - 3.110
Nathaniel Tate, 4th grade - 3.750	Honors – 3.00-3.499	Zhaida Wilbanks, 5th grade - 3.083
Iselena Torres-Mejia, 4th grade - 3.750	Jermaine Running Bear, 5th grade - 3.333	Hailey Metoxen, 3rd grade - 3.000
Joseff Cornelius, 5th grade - 3.668	Clifford Bodway, 4th grade - 3.250	Xavior Saldaña, 3rd grade - 3.000
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Highest Honors 3.8 -4.00	Chad Manthei, 7th grade - 3.585	grade - 3.334
Akacia Muscavitch, 8th grade - 4.00	Mariah Miranda, 6th grade - 3.534	Nicholas Metoxen, 8th grade - 3.334
Yohnehtote Danforth, 7th grade - 3.868	Synala Smith, 7th grade - 3.534	Lillian Stands, 7th grade - 3.250
Briana Doxtator, 8th grade - 3.868	Makayla Doxtater, 7th grade - 3.500	Michaela Peters, 7th grade - 3.168
Taliah Frederick, 6th grade - 3.868	Louisa Mehojah, 7th grade - 3.500	Colleen Johnson, 7th grade - 3.083
High Honors 3.5-3.799	Honors – 3.00-3.499	Sandra Torres-Mejia, 6th grade - 3.068
Brittney Hill, 7th grade - 3.750	Yakira Tate, 6th grade - 3.400	Angelica Schuyler, 8th grade - 3.002
Ruby John, 8th grade - 3.668	Ayashe Barton, 8th grade - 3.334	Aleena Escamea, 6th grade -3.000
Saquoia Metoxen, 6th grade - 3.668	Brianna Bissonette, 7th grade - 3.334	Florence John, 6th grade - 3.000
	Byran Halona, 8th grade - 3.000	Kwnwahta Smith, 6th grade - 3.000

ONSS High School 2010 – 2011 4th Quarter Honor Roll Lists		
Highest Honors 3.8 -4.00	Schuyler Metoxen, grd. 12 - 3.667	3.476
Noelle Metoxen, grd. 10 - 4.000	Eva Powless, grd. 12 - 3.619	Jasmin Webster, grd. 12 - 3.429 Honors
Edward Santiago, grd. 12 - 4.000	Carl Tepiew, grd. 12 - 3.534	Kanani Nunies, grd. 11 - 3.381 Honors
Megan Polar, grd. 12 - 4.00	Fredrick Miller, grd. 10 - 3.524	Matthew Powless, grd. 9 - 3.286
Devonte Pointer, grd. 10 - 3.906	Kaylynn Powless, grd. 10 - 3.523	Shane Skenandore, grd. 12 - 3.278
Kylene Welch, grd. 9 - 3.809	Honors – 3.00-3.499	Natasha Stevens, grd. 9 - 3.239
High Honors 3.5-3.799	Mason Powless, grd. 11 - 3.476 Honors	Heather Stevens, grd. 10 - 3.112
Ululani Nunies, grd. 12 - 3.714	Jessica House, grd. 10 - 3.476	Allie Spruce, grd. 11 - 3.049
	Muriel King, grd. 9 -	

ONSS 2010 – 2011 4th Quarter Perfect Attendance		
Elementary School	grade	Lorenzo Pacheco, 4th grade
Damario Torres, KG	Evan Danforth, 3rd grade	
Guillermo Acosta, 1st grade	Elysia Doxtater, 3rd grade	Middle School
Anthony Lewis, 1st grade	Brandon Skenandore, 3rd grade	Taliah Frederick, 6th grade
Naomi Smith, 1st grade	Joseph Smith, 3rd grade	Seneca Rose, 6th grade
Trinity Andre, 2nd grade	Carlos Smith III, 3rd grade	Skenandore, 6th grade
Ava Belisle, 2nd grade	Rasean Torres, 3rd grade	Sandra Torres-Mejia, 6th grade
William Rides Horse, 2nd grade	Tiara Barber, 4th grade	Makayla Doxtater, 7th grade
Yanet Torres-Mejia, 2nd grade	Kamey Counard, 4th grade	Nicholas Metoxen, 8th grade
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Project Description: Replacing existing Septic system. IHS/Oneida Wells and Septic funding project. Legal Description T24N, R19E, Section 23.IHS project BE-08-F63, Residential. 3973 Hidden Trail, Oneida, Brown Co, Parcel # HB-702-0.

Replacing existing Septic system. IHS/Oneida Wells and Septic funding project. Legal Description NE of NE,T23N, R18E, Section 24.IHS project BE-08-F63, Waste Water Improvement residential. N6017 Co. Rd H De Pere Wi, Oneida, Outagamie Co, Parcel # 170111700

Project Description: Proposed project at N6062 County H. Remove Asphalt driveway and install concrete driveway and attached garage. Legal Description: Lot 3, T23N, R19E, Section 19.Parcel number 170155400. Outagamie Co.

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Hearing Notice

NOTICE OF HEARING
 NOTICE IS HEREBY
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 Section 67.16-2(c)(2) of
 Oneida Real Property
 Law, the Land
 Commission will “[h]ear
 and decide, as the origi-
 nal hearing body, con-
 tested cases that may
 arise from this law.”

**SUMMONS TO
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Place: the Conference
 Room at the Division of
 Land Management, 470
 Airport Road, Oneida,
 WI 54155.

Date: July 11, 2011
Docket Number: Docket
 # 2 0 1 1 - L C C V - 0 0 3 ,
 Division of Land
 Management v. LaFleur
Name: Shirley LaFleur
Time of Hearing:
 4:00 p.m.

You are hereby noticed
 to appear at the Pre-
 Hearing scheduled for
 July 11, 2011, 4:00 p.m.,
 Land Management
 Conference Room, 470
 Airport Drive. You have
 until July 1, 2011 to file
 one original and 5 copies
 of a written Answer to
 this Complaint with the
 Receptionist at Land
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 is to determine if there
 are issues that must be
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*All creditor claims must be
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**Ronald Ray Skenandore
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 DOB 10/25/1970
 DOD - 5/22/2011
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 DOD 6/30/2003

Send all creditors' claims
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Tina L. Figueroa,
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Happy Birthday

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Congratulations

to our granddaughters

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Love Grandpa & Grandma Gaetz

Happy Birthday

Maria Hinton

101 and still going strong as she addresses the
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Pictured: NCAI President Jefferson Keel,
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From Ernie Stevens, Jr. & Family

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Trying to understand credit can feel intimidating and confusing. Oneida Housing Authority has put together a workshop in effort to help Oneida members better understand credit. Participating in this kind of information workshop will provide members with the information necessary to have more money available for other aspects of their lives.

To sign up for the next workshop Understanding Credit please contact Rosie at 920-869-6181.



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GET OUT THE VOTE

About a Recall

Recall gives voters the right to reconsider their choice of an elected official; however, it does not automatically result in removal of an official from office. It provides an opportunity for voters to require an elected official to run for office again before the expiration of his or her term.

New Photo ID Law

The law will require poll workers to start asking voters for photo IDs for the July 12 state Senate recall elections, but the voters will not be required to present them until next year's presidential primary.

Identification to Bring

A valid :


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- Identification card issued by DOT
- Military ID card
- U.S. passport.
- A certificate of U.S. naturalization
- Driving receipt issued by DOT
- Identification card receipt issued by DOT
- Tribal ID
- Wisconsin university or college ID


Voting Hours: 7:00AM to 8:00PM

July 12, 2011 State Recall Election for the
2nd Senate District

2nd Senate District Candidates

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Oneida youth in the Indian Child Welfare System need you to become a foster family

We need community members to step up to the challenge of keeping the youth in our community close to their family and keeping their cultural ties strong. We are looking for homes in the Milwaukee, Brown and Outagamie County areas. Other areas would be considered as well. We are specifically recruiting for families that could handle placement of younger kids part of a sibling group of two or more children and children ages seven and older with behavioral and emotional issues. The Oneida Child Protective Board is seeking an adoptive placement for a sibling group of three Oneida children ages 8, 9 and 11. To further the interests of the Wisconsin Indian Child Welfare Act, the Board seeks to have these children placed together in the home of an Oneida individual or family.

Honoring our Past - Protecting our Future

Please contact Kathleen at **920-490-3707** to leave your contact information for follow-up purposes. If you're ready for a rewarding challenge please call Jen Kruse at **920-490-3717** for further questions, or please call to register for:

- Informational Meeting** on Tuesday, July 12 from 5:00-7:00pm at Oneida Social Services.

Frequently Asked Questions about Becoming a Foster Parent

1. Do I need to be married and have children to be qualified to be a foster home for Oneida?
NO. If you are married one of the spouses must be a descendant within a state or federally recognized tribe in the United States or Canada. However, you may also be licensed if you are any of the following: a single person, in a domestic partner relationship and gay/lesbian couples. The licensing process takes the relationship into account, along with many other factors. It is encouraged you have some experience in caring for children, however, this is not a requirement.

2. What standards do you use to license my home by?
The code that is used to license your home is the Wisconsin Administrative Code HFS 56 "Foster Home Care for Children". This code details the exact requirements needed for the coordinator to make a decision about approval or denial of a foster care license.

3. How do children come into the foster care system?
Kids come into the foster care system through the county system of child abuse and neglect reporting. A report is made to the county and the county investigates the report and decides what action to take on the incident. Some situations require very little intervention on behalf of the county while others require immediate removal of the children. At that time, the county is required to contact the Oneida Tribe if there is suspicion the child might fall under the ICWA guidelines. The County contacts the Oneida Tribe; the tribe contacts the Enrollment Department to make a determination whether or not the child is eligible

for Oneida services. If so, there is an Indian Child Welfare Worker assigned to the case. If there is a need for a foster home, the Child Placement Coordinator contacts the prospective foster home and sets up the placement with that home.

4. Do I get paid to care for these children?
Yes, you will get a monthly reimbursement to care for each and every child court ordered into your foster home. This depends on the needs of the child which increases the amount per child, as the needs increase with each child. This amount is approved by the County placing the child, and is reviewed every six months, in case the needs of the child change. However, you must show financial stability as part of the licensing process. In most cases, you will end up using some of your own money at times in order to care for the kids placed in your home.

5. What will I be responsible for as a foster parent?
You will be responsible to care for each and every foster child as if he/she was your own child. Outside of those basic needs such as food, shelter, education and health

care, you will also be responsible to transport the child(ren) to visits with their birth families and/or siblings. You will be responsible for meeting with the social workers (Foster Care Coordinator, Indian Child Welfare Worker and County Social Worker) in order to help make sure the case plan is being followed to ensure the kids will be returning home. The #1 goal in foster care is always **reunification** which means the return of the children back home with either of their parents or placement with a fit and willing relative.

6. What kinds of children will I be responsible to care for?
Every child that enters the foster care system has been abused or neglected in some way or another. This could be as simple as the children were missing too much school and as extreme as repeated sexual abuse. You can be assured the majority of these children will have some behavioral or emotional problems that continue even after they are placed with you. They will most likely have no understanding of a schedule, discipline, bedtimes, good hygiene practices, the importance of school, or healthy relationships.

These children have most likely been exposed to violence, sex, vulgar language and very little structure or routine throughout most of their lives. You will be responsible to care for these children in a loving, nurturing, yet structured way. They may have outbursts after visiting with their families every week which will require some flexibility and understanding on your part, not only for the child but also for their birth family. You will be responsible for parenting this child in a manner that ensures the birthparents' rights are respected.

7. Will I be able to adopt an Oneida child if I become a licensed foster home?
Not in most cases. You will be expected to work with the case plan which is to return the children home when the parent completes the court order. In certain circumstances when some children are not able to be returned home, relatives are searched out to be an adoptive resource. If no relative is found, then as a foster parent you could be considered an adoptive resource for that child after you are approved for adoption through a home study.

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Wednesday, August 31, 2011
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When: Tuesday, July 12, 2011
Time: 5:00—6:00 pm
Where: Main Conference Room

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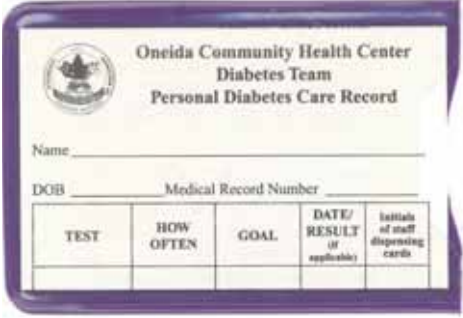
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ONEIDA Diabetes Team Special Diabetes Program for Indian Grant Personal Diabetes Care Record Incentive Program

The Personal Diabetes Care Record (PDCR) Incentive Program allows patients to earn five dollar gift cards for getting their diabetes checked. Any Native American who receives diabetes care at the Oneida Community Health Center is able to participate.

How can incentives be earned? First, request a wallet size PCDR from the Diabetes Team at the Oneida Community Health Center. Second, bring



the card with you whenever you see your health care provider. Third,

every time one or more of the items listed on the card has been completed, ask your staff member to record the date, results, and initials. Lastly, submit the card to the Diabetes Team, at any time, even multiple times, to receive your five dollar gift cards.

As of April 1, 2011, the following changes will go into effect for the PCRD Incentive Program:

- Lost care records will not be replaced
- Patient will receive only one care record per fiscal year, which is April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012
- Care records will only be kept by the patient

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Krueger, LPN of the Diabetes Team at (920) 869-4864.



ONEIDA

Behavioral Health Services
Is Sponsoring an 8 week Smoking Cessation Group

Begins July 12, 2011
To be held Tuesday Afternoons
From 3:30PM to 5:30 PM

Social Services Building
2nd Floor Conference Room
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These group meetings are FREE and Open to the Public

For further information, please call:
Jeanette Pieper at (920) 490-3762
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DRUMS Across ONEIDA

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Awáhihte? Wáhní'tale?

Strawberry moon

June, 2011

Oneida Elder Services Unacceptable Behavior by a Customer

Standard Operating Procedure - Approved January 2011

1. PURPOSE: Elder Services is committed to providing a high standard of service for all customers fairly and impartially. As part of our service we do not normally limit the contact customers have with us. However we do not expect our staff to tolerate behavior by the customer which is clearly unacceptable (e.g. abusive, offensive or threatening) and will take action to protect our staff from that type of behavior.

2. DEFINITIONS:

2.1.1 Unacceptable behavior: abusive, offensive or threatening

2.1.2 Verbal abuse: Verbal abuse includes bullying, slander, harassing, interrogating, accusing, blaming, insulting, lying, severely scolding, taunting, putting down, threatening, name-calling, swearing, yelling and raging over the phone and hanging up on staff.

2.1.3 Unacceptable behavior has many forms including physical aggression: hitting, kicking, biting, shoving, restraining, throwing objects, or threats also sexual abuse; emotional abuse; controlling or domineering; intimidation; stalking.

3. WORK STANDARDS

3.1 No individual may engage in inappropriate conduct on, at or in the facilities of Elder Services. Elder Services established this behavior policy to promote the safety and comfort of the clients and to protect Elder Services facilities and employees to assure a safe, welcoming environment.

3.2 Elder Services reserves the right to deny services and entry onto the Nation's property to anyone who is physically and/or verbally abusive, disruptive of tribal services and government operations

3.3 Elder Services reserves the right to deny entry onto Tribal properties or access to services to anyone who may be under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances and/or illegal drugs

4. PROCEDURE:

4.1 When we consider a customer's behavior is unacceptable we will tell them why the behavior is unacceptable and will ask them to correct the behavior. If the unacceptable behavior continues, action will be taken.

4.1.1 First Instance: Verbal warning, staff reports to supervisor; supervisor gives verbal warning and documents the incident.

4.1.2 Second Instance; A written letter will be initiated by the supervisor of the decision to sign an agreement or restrict access to Elder Services and/or contact with staff.

4.1.3 The decision to (restrict access or contact) to Elder Services will be taken at the Director level. Any restrictions imposed will be appropriate and fair. The options we are most likely to consider are:

4.1.3.1 Requesting contact in a particular form (for example letters only)

4.1.3.2 Requiring contact to take place with a named police officer

4.1.3.3 Asking the customer to enter into an agreement about their conduct

4.2 The customer will receive a written letter which will state why their behavior is unacceptable and what action Elder Services is taking and the duration of that action.

4.3 When a customer continues to behave in a way which is unacceptable, Elder Services may decide to terminate contact with that customer.

4.4 When the behavior is so extreme that it threatens the immediate safety and welfare of the program's staff, Elder Services will consider other options, for example reporting the matter to the police or taking legal action. In such cases, Elder Services may not give the customer prior warning of that action.

Additional inquiries contact: Florence Petri, Program Director, **920-869-2448 – 800-867-1551**



Volunteers Wanted Oneida Elder Services

- Volunteer must be 55 years or older
- Various services volunteer(s) will work in are:
 - Minor home repairs, moving, grass cutting, snow removal
 - In-home chores - general house keeping and organizing
 - Spending time with the elder, reading or visiting
 - Activities with elders - games, cards or cooking
 - Meal site assistance in the kitchen, customer check in, delivering Meals on Wheels (MOW=meals delivered to homebound elders)
 - Administrative work filing, inventory, computer projects and general office work
- Volunteers may assist in Elder Services special events as requested
- Volunteers may assist in recruitment of new volunteers and promoting the volunteer program
- Volunteers are not approved to handle any money transactions

Supervisor receiving request will:

- Meet with volunteer to discuss if the duties and responsibilities are the best fit for both the supervisor and the volunteer. If supervisor and volunteer agree on responsibilities, a Background Information Disclosure (BID) form will be completed and sent for approval.
- Supervisor will complete with the volunteer the remaining Volunteer Program forms and the applicable forms from an Elder Services new employee packet.

If you would like to volunteer please contact:

Cheryl Ault:

cault2@oneidanation.org
(920) 869-2448 or 800-867-1551

Cheryl will complete an ICF and forward to the appropriate Supervisor, taking into account any special skills and interests the volunteer might have.



DRUMS CONTACT Linda F. Douglas

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ldouglas@oneidanation.org



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Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems

Farmers Market Season is Open

By OCIFS Coordinator

We are pleased to announce it is Farmers Market time again. What a great way to spend a nice summer day; buying fresh produce right from the farmer, having a brat or a burger and taking a little time to socialize with the people around you. The Farmers Market starts on Thursday, June 30 and runs every Thursday throughout the summer. It starts at noon and goes to 6:00pm. This will give those people that have to work a chance to visit the market right after work. Although it continues to grow, the Oneida Farmers Market will once again be in the Highway 54 Oneida One Stop parking lot.

The 2011 Oneida Farmers Market runs every Thursday from June 30 through October 13 from Noon – 6:00PM

The Oneida Farmers Market has about 30 - 35 vendors selling fresh produce, hand made arts & crafts, Native American jewelry, flowers, pet supplies, and much more.

There is an information/demonstration portion to the Market that goes from 3:00pm – 5:00pm where people can learn to make rain barrels, raised garden beds, composting and vermiculture, learn about medicinal oils & herbs, learn how to plant a garden, etc. A schedule of the demonstrations can

be found at www.oneidanation.org/ocifs or call Bill at 920-496-7423.

The Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H

The Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H brat booth is always open for the Farmers Market. Serving delicious Oneida Black Angus beef burgers and brats from 11:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. We realize these are difficult times

and that is why the 4-H Board has decided to not raise the prices. You can still get a delicious 1/3 lbs. Oneida Black Angus burger for only \$2.50.

Oneida Farmers Market Bash

Each year we have two bashes, the first will be on July 14th and the second is on August 11th and consists of the following:

- ¥ Live Music by 'Big & Tasty'
- ¥ Free wagon ride to park your car at Tower Foods and ride to the Market
- ¥ Prizes
- ¥ Raffle
- ¥ Youth Planting contest
- ¥ For adults: Big Wheel races, Plinko, Market Bingo and Washer Toss
- ¥ For youth: Balloon animals, Face paint-

ing, Plinko and Veggie Bean Bag Toss
So be sure to bring the family on down to the Oneida Farmers Market. If you would like to subscribe to the weekly Farmers' Market Customer newsletter please send Bill an email at wvvervoor@oneidanation.org or check us out on facebook.



Oneida Farmer's Market BASH '11

Thursday, JULY 14

Farmer's Market runs from **NOON–6 pm** at Hwy. 54 Oneida One Stop, Oneida
Come and enjoy food, music, contests, games and give-aways!

Food

11:00 am–5:30 pm

Falling Leaves 4-H Brat/Burger Cookout
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ADULTS
Big Wheel Races **3–5:30 pm**
Market Bingo
Plinko
Washer Toss
YOUTH
Plinko
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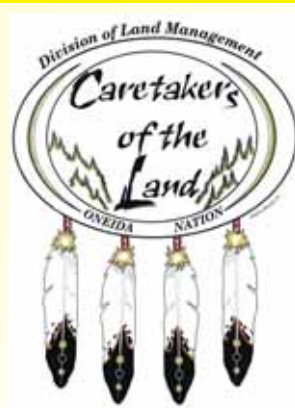
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12–6pm

2011 Tsyunhehkwá

Activity Calendar

DATE	TIME	EVENT
June: 30	2PM – 6PM	Farmers Market Demo Booth
July: 7	2PM – 6PM	Farmers Market Demo Booth
12	9AM – 12PM	*Wildcrafting Number 6
14	2PM – 6PM	Farmers Market Demo Booth
28	5:00PM	*Making Dill Pickles
Aug. 11	5:00PM	*Making Red Salsa
18	5PM – 7PM	Green Corn Festival & Ag Open House
Sep. 1	5:00PM	*Making Oneida Juice (Tomato)
27 – 29	10AM – 2PM	Seed Selection for White Corn
Oct. 6	5:00PM	*Making Dried Fruit
8 – 14	9AM – 5PM	Annual Harvest and Husking Bee
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Linda S. Dallas

Oneida Business Committee Council

Saturday, July 16, 2011

Oneida Health Center

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I humbly and respectfully request your support and vote for a position on the Oneida Business Committee.



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Knowledge & Experience:

- In depth, detailed knowledge of the structure, processes & practices of the Oneida Tribe
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- 25 years experience as an Advocate for employees and community members
- Currently a Full-Time Paralegal Studies Student

I Support:

- Reasonable, responsible and accountable spending of each and every Oneida tribal dollar earned and spent.
- Ripping off and burning the “Veil of Secrecy”
- Competence and Transparency as a Practice, Not a Theory
- Legal Assistance & Representation for Tribal Members
- Development of Housing for Membership
- An Open, Honest & Fair Government that Properly Informs and Includes the GTC in Decision Making

I support the following for

Oneida Business Committee:

Chairman: Ed Delgado
 Vice-Chair: Dennis “DJ” Danforth
 Secretary: Patty Ninham Hoeft
 Treasurer: Tina Danforth
 Council: Linda S. Dallas
 Cathy L. Metoxen
 Elaine Reed Doxtator
 Pearl Webster
 Vince Dela Rosa
 David P. Jordan ‘Fleet’
 Cathy Bachhuber
 Jennifer Stevens

I support the following for

Oneida Appeals Commission:

Dorothy A. Skenandore
 Mike Debraska
 Rochelle A. Powless
 Julie King
 Leland Wigg-Ninham
 Floyd Hill II
 Amy Stevens
 Gladys Dallas
 Clifford Danforth
 Sandra L. Skenadore
 Wesley Martin
 Chris J. Cornelius
 John Orie
 Manuel ‘Jesse’ Torres Jr.

I support the following for

Oneida Nation Commission On Aging – ONCOA:

Laneva ‘Kayo’ Hill

Whole NEW Competent & Trustworthy Oneida Appeals Commission NEEDED!

I cannot in good conscience support the RE-Election of Winnifred “Winnie” McLester-Thomas, her sister-in-law Janice McLester, her niece Jennifer McLester-Webster, her family members Lois Powless and Jean Webster, and her colleagues Stanley Webster and Mary Adams to the Oneida Appeals Commission. I strongly encourage you to NOT re-elect any of these individuals. It would be completely thoughtless and negligent on my part if I did not strongly encourage you to look to a fresh, new, upright, educated and trustworthy Oneida Appeals Commission that can truly be fair, objective and independent in all matters that come before them. GTC has to wake up and address serious matters such as two sister-in-laws and their niece sit together and deciding approximately 87% or more Appellate Cases.

On September 3, 2010, I filed a 67 page formal ethics complaint that contained 48 + separate instances that had occurred from October 14, 2009, to September 3, 2010, involving Winnifred “Winnie” McLester-Thomas, her sister-in-law Janice McLester, her niece Jennifer McLester-Webster, her family members Lois Powless and Jean Webster, her colleagues Stanley Webster and Mary Adams, Interim Administrator June Cornelius, Trial Clerk Leyne Orosco and Deputy Clerk Tober Bryszinski and Attorney Paul Stenzel. I filed several independent complaints after filing the 67 page complaint due to the retaliation and conflicts of interest involving Winnifred Thomas and Mary Adams, and for gross negligence and obstructing of justice by Stanley Webster, Jean Webster, Lois Powless and Janice McLester. I have approximately 27 more documented incidents that need to be converted into ethics complaints. I am discouraged though due to the investigations being tainted by bodies that have been incompetent and/or filled with conflicts of interest and no corrective action ever occurring. I also cannot support RE-Election of current Oneida Appeals Commissioners because I believe our innocent children and their parent(s) need and deserve to have their rights not only protected, but also ensured at all times and through every step of the process. At this point in time, I do not believe the current Oneida Appeals Commission affords and ensures those basic rights. It took “three outside judges” to reach the findings that Winnifred Thomas did in fact act outside her scope of authority, acted alone, violated my due process rights, inappropriately and without authority disciplined and sanctioned me without following the appropriate process denied my education and training, lied to the remainder of the Oneida Appeals Commission by stating that she “had received a formal complaint” that she never received, etc. For these reasons and more, I am filing a lawsuit against the Judicial Officers involved, the employees involved and possibly the OAC attorney. The 67 page complaint can be distributed after the lawsuit is filed as it will then be public record. Through the whole mess, Leland Wigg-Ninham and Sandra L. Skenandore have consistently worked to afford me due process and justice. I support these two for Re-election. For all these reasons and much, much more, I strongly discourage you from re-electing the individuals involved in the inappropriate, unethical, illegal and unprofessional conduct that includes their actions, as well as their failures to act. For more detailed information, contact me at lsdallas3@yahoo.com

Authorized and paid for by Linda S. Dallas

Governor Walker approves WIS 32/County B roundabout in Pulaski

Work in Brown County beginning June 27


(Green Bay) As part of his efforts to create jobs and make sure Wisconsin is open for business, Governor Scott Walker recently signed a \$ 1.03 million contract to build a single-lane roundabout at the intersection of WIS 32 and County B in Pulaski, Brown County. Construction is scheduled to begin Monday, June 27 and be completed by September 2. Peters Concrete Company, Green Bay, is

the prime contractor. This work is needed to improve safety and traffic flow at this intersection. Motorists should be aware that this project will impact traffic. Beginning Monday, July 5, County B will be closed from approximately 300 feet west of Mountain Bay Drive to WIS 32 (west of the WIS 32/County B intersection) and from Arthur Blvd to WIS 32 (east of the WIS 32/County B intersection.) Beginning Monday, July 25, WIS 32 will be closed approximately

1,000 ft north and south of County B. There are no cross roads affected by this closure and a marked detour will be in place. This detour route is WIS 29 to WIS 160 to WIS 32. Please note that local access will be maintained to all businesses throughout the project. WisDOT is installing a temporary driveway for access to the businesses located in the mall area to the southwest of the intersection. Additionally, downtown Pulaski can be accessed from the detour route.

ONEIDA DIABETES TEAM

Special Diabetes Program for Indian Grant



PERSONAL DIABETES CARE RECORD INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The Personal Diabetes Care Record (PDCR) Incentive Program allows patients to earn five dollar gift cards for getting their diabetes checked. Any Native American who receives diabetes care at the Oneida Community Health Center is able to participate.

How can incentives be earned? First, request a wallet size PCDR from the Diabetes Team at the Oneida Community Health Center. Second, bring the card with you whenever you see your health care provider. Third, every time one or more of the items listed on the card has been completed, ask your staff member to record the date, results, and initials. Lastly, submit the card to the Diabetes Team, at any time, even multiple times, to receive your five dollar gift cards.

As of April 1, 2011, the following changes will go into effect for the PCRD Incentive Program:

- **Lost care records will not be replaced**
- **Patient will receive only one care record per fiscal year, which is April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012**
- **Care records will only be kept by the patient**

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Krueger, LPN of the Diabetes Team at (920) 869-4864.

“RIDE to the POLLS”

Oneida General Elections

Saturday • July 16, 2011

7AM to 7 PM

Do you need a ride to the Oneida or Milwaukee Polling Sites?

OPTION #1:

Call (920) 496-6052 (Oneida) or (414) 795-2827 (Milwaukee) **PRIOR TO election day** and schedule a “Ride to the Polls”.

OPTION #2:

Call (920) 496-6052 (Oneida) or (414) 795-2827 (Milwaukee) **the day of the election** to arrange a “Ride to the Polls”.

OPTION #3:

Call any of the volunteers listed below **the day of the election** for a “Ride to the Polls”.

We encourage voters to call and schedule their “Ride to the Polls” ahead of time. Voters who call the day of the elections will receive a “Ride to the Polls” in the order the call is received and based upon availability.

Oneida drivers will pick up within a 30 mile radius of Oneida.

Milwaukee drivers will pick up in and near the City of Milwaukee.

To Oneida Polling Site:

Ed Delgado (920) 562-1750

Dorothy A. Skenandore (920) 366-3953

Patty Hoeft (920) 362-1718

Tina Danforth (920) 621-5336

Rochelle A. Powless (920) 412-8788

Linda S. Dallas (920) 362-7622

Floyd Hill II (920) 869-3388

Cathy L. Metoxen (920) 362-7622

Julie King (920) 412-0494

Elaine Reed-Doxtator (920) 327-1021

Gladys Dallas (920) 857-4228

Pearl Webster (920) 883-1557

Laneva (Kayo) Hill (920) 227-5570

David P. Jordan “Fleet” (920) 362-0271

Vince Delarosa oneida2011@yahoo.com

Cathy Bachhuber (920) 360-5478

Jennifer Stevens (920) 366-3281

To Milwaukee Polling Site:

Michael Debraska (414) 795-2827

Gregory John (920) 615-2385

Patrice John (920) 366-2463

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Anyone interested in volunteering to provide a “Ride to the Polls”, please call (920) 496-6052 (for Oneida) and (414) 795-2827 (for Milwaukee) and let the dispatcher know ASAP

Please stop in to socialize and enjoy refreshments at the Parish Hall on Freedom Road across from the Holy Apostles Church the day of the elections from 7AM to 7PM

# Savour Green Bay Call for Volunteers

GREEN BAY, WIS.~ Savour Green Bay, a new festival featuring a taste of local food and culture, will be held downtown Green Bay on July 22 and 23, 2011. It is the outstanding dedication of volunteers that will make the event a great success. Volunteers are asked to sign up to work at least one (1) four-hour shift. They will receive a free event t-shirt. Volunteers are needed for the Children’s Area and the Savour Green Bay Pub (must be 18 or older). Without the involvement of volunteers Savour Green Bay would not be possible. Savour Green Bay provides an excellent snapshot of the rich culinary and cultural offerings of the area. Music performances, a culinary marketplace, and interactive activities for the entire family compliment local restaurants, breweries, wineries and attractions featured at the event. Savour Green Bay is a project of Arts Events Inc., a subsidiary corporation of the Northeastern Wisconsin Arts Council. Proceeds from the event support many important cultural, educational, and community arts projects. Savour Green Bay is a designated project approved by the Green Bay Public Schools for service learning. To sign up to become a volunteer please contact us at (920) 435-5220 or info@art-sevencsinc.com.

••• INVITATION •••

MEET & GREET THE CANDIDATES

“Light Refreshments Will Be Served”

| DATE          | TIME            | LOCATION                            | WHO                     |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| July 6, 2011  | 6 PM to 8 PM    | Parish Hall                         | Oneida Community        |
| July 7, 2011  | 5 PM to 8 PM    | Red Stone                           | Elderly                 |
| July 8, 2011  | 5 PM to 8 PM    | Site II                             | Elderly                 |
| July 10, 2011 | 1 PM to 3 PM    | Marian Center (Milwaukee)           | Milwaukee Community     |
| July 11, 2011 | 1 PM to 3 PM    | Oneida Elderly Services             | Elderly                 |
| July 13, 2011 | 2 PM to 7 PM    | Trinity Lutheran Church (Green Bay) | Urban Community Members |
| July 13, 2011 | 6:30 PM to 9 PM | Harmony Café (Alternative Site)     | Urban Community Members |

## Incinerator Free Brown County (IFBC) Update

Incinerator Free Brown County ("IFBC") would like to provide an update on the status of Oneida Nation Seven Generation Corporation's ("OSGC") controversial incinerator on Hurlbut Street in Green Bay. In April, the United States Department of Energy ("DOE") held a hearing as required by the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA"). The DOE must investigate and answer all questions submitted to it. Incinerator Free Brown County and its members submitted over 400 scoping issues to the DOE in addition to hundreds more submitted by concerned environmental groups such as the Sierra Club, Midwest Environmental Advocates, Physicians for Social Responsibility, and the Waukesha County Environmental Action League. The next day's headlines to EVERYONE in Brown County noted OSGC's biomass plant plan came under fire again.

Recently, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources issued a Notice of Incompleteness to OSGC because it filed incomplete or irrelevant information pertaining to unrelated technologies. In response, OSGC avoided speaking to the media and instead issued written statements claiming DNR's notice was expected and an anticipated part of the approval and permitting process. If OSGC did actually expect DNR's response, then either: OSGC lacked the minimum technical knowledge to file accurate and relevant information, or it knowingly filed a deficient project plan. The corresponding media headlines proclaimed OSGC's incinerator may not be viable and prompted significant regulator concerns because no successful pyrolysis plant exists on a commercial scale.

OSGC continued to generate ill will and bad press by bungling public relations with a neighborhood association near the incinerator site when OSGC refused to meet with that association and its members to answer their questions or concerns. You read that last sentence correctly, OSGC outright refused to meet with concerned neighbors. Imagine what such refusal by a prominent Oneida corporation did for public perception and opinion, especially when they learned the incinerator is also 'ready' to burn medical and hazardous waste (according to OSGC's filing with the DNR).

We're pretty sure OSGC hasn't figured out how to turn lead into gold any more than how to make matter completely disappear by merely heating and incinerating it into a more dangerous form of matter. In fact, OSGC cannot save any landfill space by incinerating otherwise recyclable material that is already illegal to put into landfills. Why not help create up to 500 jobs by joining with local governments in an effort to recycle 100% of the county's trash instead of simply proposing to make toxic ash out of it? As we move forward together through this summer, please keep in mind OSGC's previous accomplishments and ask whether it's worth enduring more of the same.

**This is a paid advertisement from IFBC**





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## Chairman Candidates

### Ed Delgado

- Master of Arts - Political Science & Public Policy
- Bachelor of Arts - Education
- Twenty Years Employment - Education
- Four Years - Legislative Analyst for Oneida Tribe
- Two Terms as Business Committee Councilman
- US Army Vietnam-ERA Veteran

Dear General Tribal Council:

We came from New York. The conquering armies of George Washington and unscrupulous land speculators had left us destitute even though our warriors had fought and died in support of Washington's Revolution. This land, when we got here was wild and we had very little as we



Ed Delgado

faced that first winter. Yet, we endured, we survived, and we prospered. We succeeded because we worked together against the elements and against those who would move us further west into Kansas and Oklahoma because we were Indians. I say "we" because we are children of those who came here long-ago.

The late Wilma Mankiller, of the Cherokee Nation, once said "I think the most important issue we face as a people is what we started, and that is to begin to trust our own thinking again and believe in ourselves enough to think we can articulate our vision of the future and then work to make sure that that vision becomes a reality." We as Oneidas, have a proud history. When I think about the blood and the history that runs through our people, I know we will survive and prosper forever. It will take hard work, but our people are used to that. It will require sharing and caring for each other, and our people are used to that too. And it will require we trust in our own thinking and believe in ourselves as our people have always done.

There are problems. There are challenges to our very existence from some of our neighbors. And because of today's economy and Federal cut-backs, there's less money for services. Yet, our people continue to need educational opportunities; affordable housing; employment; fair wages; quality health care; our elders need assistance as their bodies grow older and they can no longer do the things they once did so well; and our veterans deserve the support and respect they earned while protecting our country. As

Councilman for two terms, I stand by my record of support for the Oneida people and the issues that affect Oneida lives.

If elected Tribal Chairman, I will continue to address the issues of our people by listening to the people, thorough research, and timely action, and will always consider our proud history and the profound effect it should have on us as we face our future together as Oneidas.

Regarding Hobart: Chief Joseph, of the Nez-Perce, in leading his people's flight-for-freedom in 1877, warned those who would stop him by saying, "We are going by you without fighting you if you will let us, but we are going by you!" To the people of Hobart, Oneidas will survive and prosper. You can join us, but you will not stop us.

Ed Delgado

### Ron "Tehassi" Hill

#### Shekoli,

My name is Tehassi Hill, I am a current councilman on the Oneida Business Committee, and running for the Chairman position for the Oneida Nation. A big YAWAKO to the Kalihwisaks for this opportunity to express myself.

I was born and raised on the Oneida reservation. I graduated from the Oneida Nation High School class of 1999. I went on to own and operate a successful industrial, commercial, and residential painting business for 6 years.

I have held seats on the Oneida Nation School Board, the Oneida Election Board and the Oneida Land Commission. I also worked on the Constitutional Review Task Force. I also worked for Oneida Department of Public Works as an electrician for 2 1/2 years.

As Councilman I have worked on and presented the GTC approved, 2033 Land Acquisition Plan. I currently chair of the Community Development Planning Committee, I also sit on the Natural Resources Damage Assessment Trustee Council (+\$1,000,000 granted to Oneida while on NRDATC). As a part of the Legislative Operating Committee I have worked on promulgating over 30 Laws and policies for the Oneida Nation. I am designee to EPA's Regional Tribal Operating Committee. I work with the EPA program official to clearly communicate the needs of our Nation. I am designee for our region to EPA's National Tribal Operating Committee. I

work together with other Indian Nations and top EPA officials from across the country to address the needs related to our environment.

I have delivered testimony in hearing at both the state and federal levels that could affect our Oneida Nation.

I have developed networks with local, state, federal, and other Tribal leaders from across the country; this allows me to keep up with what's going on around us so Oneida does not get left out of grant opportunities, legislation that could help or hurt Oneida. Networking with other tribes and officials creates opportunities to partner with people, organizations, governments, and other Native Nations.

The question is "What do you see as the greatest problem and/or opportunity facing Oneida?" there are many problems facing our nation. The one that comes to mind first is the constant attack on Tribal Sovereignty. There are many groups across the country that want nothing but for native governments to disappear. Groups like Citizens for Equal Rights Alliance (CERA) and North Eastern Wisconsin Citizens for Equal Rights (NEW CER) are trying to destroy tribes.

The people who start these types of groups many times have ties to the anti-indian fishing rights movement that was in full force 20 years ago here in Wisconsin. The larger national groups have a long history of name changes that trace back to western states like Montana. These groups attempt to change Federal Indian Law through the court systems; they have had limited success. Not only do we have to keep an eye on and combat these groups, but also we need to keep our eye on proposed federal legislation.

We are a sovereign Nation, we must never forget.

Tehassi Hill

## Vice-Chairman Candidate

### Greg Matson

Segoli to the members of the Oneida Tribe,

As a candidate for Vice Chair I have been asked to address what I see is the biggest problem the Oneida tribe faces. I would say in one word that would be "balance." We need to balance our concerns about our tribal government, our corporate interests, and our family and community interests.

Having checks and balances on our government and corporations are good things, but becoming overbearing when checking on them can lead to interference and less productivity.

I believe we as a people, a community, a business and a government, need to "separate" the community from the corporation. We can all agree that we need the corporate side of the tribe in order to continue the growth and prosperity of our nation in this modern day

In short, the corporation side is designed to make money. In order to do this it needs to be able to run on a timely, uninterrupted and profit driven course, and monitored to insure the best business practice is being followed.

We often refer to this as "Accountability." We have the trained and knowledgeable staff to do this, if they are allowed. But, what continues to happen is that the "corporate side" is tightly monitored by some on the community side which leads to delays, which leads to frustration, which leads to non-production of services and goods.

The economic stability of our reservation community depends upon the success of our government, businesses, and corporations. So, our themes of: "We are a business" and "We are a

Community," are tough things to balance.

I often say that we all have 24 hours in a day: 8 to sleep, 8 to work and 8 to play. So during your 8 hours of work, do your job. If you can't do that then, you may need to change your priorities, because the Oneida People are counting on each other to do what's best for the membership as a whole.

On the community side, I believe we all can agree that there can be improvements. I think "community" is a group of people that have the same goals and ambitions and come together to fulfill these needs.

The problem begins when we don't consider the "needs" that are in best interest of all those involved. For example, I see this in the lack of dedication to the youth. Just think how they must feel when they hear all the negativity going on in our community.

On the subject of opportunity, listen to your elders and you will see what I see everyday, jobs in agriculture, home building, retail, arts and culture, manufacturing. I think it is limitless. We have the resources, we have the people, we have the desire; and if we all come together as a community we can do anything. A- Ho!

P.S. To the young men: women are a "gift" from the "Creator." Treat them as such. Visit gregmatson4obcvicechairman.info

YawA'ko  
Sincerely,  
Greg Matson



Greg Matson

## Kalihwiyose

WPNE 89.3

Thursdays  
10:00PM to  
midnight



Notice of

## 2011 General Election Saturday • July 16, 2011

Polls Open from:

**7:00AM to 7:00PM**

It Doesn't Matter Who You Support...

What Does Matter Is That You Please

**Exercise Your Right to Vote!**

**There are two Voting Locations to choose from:**

**Oneida Health Center  
525 Aiport Drive  
Oneida, Wisconsin**



**SEOTS Building  
6811 West Morgan Avenue  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

**Picture Identification is REQUIRED for Voting  
Children will not be allowed in the voting area**

## Secretary Candidate

### Pat Lassila

My experience is primarily in the hospitality industry as President of the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation. I have served on the Oneida Commerce Committee and Joint Marketing Committee. I have a great deal of other experience in business, both within the tribe and as an individual entrepreneur.



Pat Lassila

Perhaps most notably, I have been successful as project manager of two major expansions of the Radisson totaling \$38.8 million. In addition, created and implemented the transition plan for the hotel from Richfield Management Company to the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation and created Management Training Program for Tribal Members.

### Challenge: Unifying our Government

I believe there are too many challenges facing the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin to choose just one, but I will pick one that is important and I hope I can incorporate a broad spectrum of issues. Unifying the Oneida Nation must begin at the core of government. The Oneida Business Committee must work as a unified government in order for the entire tribal structure to follow the same path. There will always be two sides to every issue and since the Oneida Business Committee must represent all enrolled Oneida there may be disagreements on issues, but I think there can be unity and consensus building within the OBC.

If we are to be good leaders we must all make the same decision, by that I mean we must all make decisions in the best interest of our people and the next seven generations. Since all 9 OBC represent a broad constituency, we will represent many different opinions and needs, we should debate the issues with respect and honesty.

The OBC must communicate the goals of the Tribe in a clear and simple manner. The Tribe has some excellent management tools and they have done many studies that cost us millions over the years. I believe these all have some value to the tribe, but we seem to get ourselves too involved in creating complex models that confuse and frustrate most of our employees. Many of these high priced studies boil down to common sense. I believe as we utilize our skilled employees more efficiently, a team of our top professionals have the same knowledge and

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can implement existing models of management to make the tribe run more effectively and efficiently. In turn, I believe our efficiencies will create a model to unify our

government to be more effective and productive.

Yawáko,  
Pat Lassila

Treasurer Candidates

Tina Danforth

Sheku, Greetings, It is with great sincerity and obligation that I am running for re-election as the Tribal Treasurer. These past three years have sped by with accomplishments in improving cash management as well as diligently updating and implementing new fiscal procedures. So much remains to be done to keep Oneida fiscally sound during this economic downturn felt nationwide. I've witnessed with great pride, an overwhelming participation by the General



Tina Danforth

Tribal Council when in session and realize that many new faces don't know the history I've had serving in different capacities as your government official. From 1996-2005, I've served three consecutive terms as Council member, Vice-Chairwoman, and Chairwoman. Currently, I am honored to be your Treasurer.

During this twelve year tenure, I've gained personal and professional experience working on the development and implementation of tribal, state and federal policy. Cumulatively, I've developed strong negotiation skills in government and business forums (Oneida Gaming Compact, Oneida New York Land Claims settlement, Small Business loans, and Municipal Service agreements).

I've also served in the capacity as liaison or board member to Native American Bancorporation, Bay Bancorporation, Wisconsin Governor's Council on Tourism, Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes and Native American Finance Officers Association (NAFO). Other professional attributes gained are lobbying experience, business acumen, budget development, policy analysis, capital raising and governmental fiduciary oversight.

My proudest accomplishment while serving as your Chairwoman was the ability to negotiate perpetuity for our gaming compact with the State of Wisconsin. I realized only two beneficial negotiating factors would be worthy for Oneida, the term of the compact (time) and fees. Oneida now boasts a 4% gaming compact fee compared to other tribal compact fees which

range as much as 25%-30%.

At times it has been difficult when trying to overcome internal and external factors in adhering to your community concerns for more transparent responsible governance. I still feel strongly today as I did the first day I served as your council member, that I owe it to Oneida to assist in moving this nation forward toward fiscal prosperity.

If re-elected, I will continue to serve the Oneida community to the betterment of every Tribal citizen. Cooperation and collaboration are the future keys to building a stronger nation. Please show your support at the polls on July 16th. Yawáko.

Tina Danforth

Kathy Hughes

My name is Kathy Hughes and I am asking for your support for Treasurer.

I began working for the Tribe in 1976 as a clerk in the accounting department.

Over the next six years I worked in several accounting positions for the Tribe prior to running for Treasurer. In 1982 I began my first term as Treasurer and served five terms (15 years) overall. I am completing my third term (9 years) as Vice Chairwoman.

With almost 24 years as an elected official of the Oneida Tribe, I feel very qualified to return to the job of Treasurer. During my terms as Treasurer I was always mindful of the need to plan for the future.

As a very experienced Oneida politician, I can provide a high level of support and assistance to our incoming Chairman and Vice Chairman. Working together and setting aside personal opinions and needs are what is required for the success of this Tribe.

I make no campaign promises other than I will continue to do the best I can to address the needs of the Oneida People. I can't promise you a job or a new house; I can't tell you that specific personnel will be eliminated; or that our per capita will continue to grow. I can only promise to be forward thinking and as fair as possible to all Oneida.

The Oneida Tribe has experienced tremendous growth and success while

I served on the Oneida Business Committee, but I do not take credit for any accomplishment alone, I take credit on behalf of the many hard working Oneida people I served with over the past 24 years.

I am a part of our government. I have no authority without the support of my fellow Committee Members. It takes 9 votes and a majority of those votes determines the decisions supported by the Oneida Business Committee. I may disagree with them at times but they will give me the time to voice my opinion and once the decision is made, regardless of the difference I may personally feel, it is my responsibility to carry out that decision in the best way possible.

Family:

Deacon Edmund Powless was my father and Blanche (Hill) Powless is my Mother. Maternal grandparents were Dennison and Sadie Hill. Paternal grandparents were Benjamin and Philomene Powless. I have one son, three grandsons and one granddaughter.

I was born and raised on the reservation, attending school in Green Bay. I am a Viet Nam era veteran. I have an Associate Degree in Accounting from Fox Valley Technical College.

I believe my 24 years of service to the Tribe demonstrates my personality. Integrity, honesty and fairness are words that can be used to describe how I do my job.

Kathy Hughes

Cathy Bachhuber

Thank you to the voters who came out and voted in the primaries, it's an important new part of our election process.

Experience & Education

I have been working for Oneida for over 15 years and am currently employed with Oneida. I have 7+ years in tribal legislation, primarily analyzing tribal laws and policies. I have 3+ years of experience in accounting, primarily reconciling accounts, researching and problem solving issues. I also have additional experience working in compliance and MIS.

In 2002, I graduated from NWTC with a Paralegal Associates Degree. Currently, I am a student at UW-Green Bay and am working towards a Bachelor's in Interdisciplinary Studies (Liberal Arts) & Business Administration. I have two classes left.

“What do you see as the greatest problem and/or opportunity facing Oneida?”

There will continue to be many issues facing

Oneida this term from elderly services and job opportunities for the tribal members to improving community outreach and community involvement. However, several pertinent issues will stem directly from the economy. The health of the global, national, state, and local economies will continue to affect Oneida's economy. Consumers need to have enough resources to meet basic needs in order to have a comfortable discretionary income level. One of the greatest challenges will be maintaining and growing our consumer base so consumers will spend their discretionary income here in Oneida at both Tribal businesses and our member owned small businesses in order to stimulate our Oneida economy.

Tightening spending and cutting unnecessary expenditures will only carry us forward for so long. We need to combine restructuring efforts and delete duplicate services while taking advantage of growth opportunities in Gaming, Retail and our other enterprises. We also need to balance the need to maintain, grow and find new sources of revenues with our obligation to our other priorities such as elders, education, land acquisition, health care, membership employment and relations with other governments. In particular, our commitment to improving the facilities in which we take care of our elders needs to be prioritized alongside with having competitive destination Gaming facilities which will in turn reinforce our customer's experience at all of our casinos, retail outlets, and agricultural outlets. These enterprises have been our historical strengths and we need to continue to develop them in the future to keep them fresh and exciting to remain competitive to bring in the financial resources to grow our Oneida economy.

There are many issues the new Oneida Business Committee will need to tackle following the elections and I look forward to the challenge.

Thank you to Kalihwisaks for posing another question to all of the candidates and giving us an opportunity to voice our positions. Yawáko, Cathy Bachhuber

Cathy Bachhuber

Linda Dallas

The greatest opportunity facing Oneida at this time is for eligible voters to get up off their couch, chair, bed, or whatever else they may be sitting on and get to the polls and VOTE on Saturday, July 16, 2011 between the hours of 7 AM and 7 PM at either the Oneida Health Center in Oneida, OR at the SEOTS Office in Milwaukee. The great opportunities include, but are not limited to the follow: The ability of our people to realize the elections are NOT a popularity contest. The elections

are not personal, they are business. To select and vote for people who actually know what they are doing and not afraid to go against the "status quo". To vote for people who understand the problems and what needs to be done. To vote for people who are not afraid to fire General Managers and/or their staff if they don't perform their jobs, but also can praise and encourage the General Managers and/or their staff when they do their jobs and keep us moving forward in a positive and productive manner.

To vote for people who are familiar with the laws that govern our nation. People who understand how to run our operations like a "BUSINESS", not a kindergarten playground. To vote for people who show respect and courtesy to the GTC. To vote for people who "want to" and "will" communicate with our membership and will let the GTC be the deciding body as active participants regarding matters that concern our children, our elders, our people at large, health needs, education, enrollments, purchases that involve land, building, investments, etc. That will schedule and conduct meetings to make GTC fully informed and then make a decision. For our people to weed out the unqualified, incompetent, the self-servers, and the abusers. For the voters to go to the polls and vote for the people who have served ALL of GTC in the meetings and outside the meetings. To recognize and honor the men and women who have worked so hard for GTC through the years (even when the money wasn't here). To NOT reelect the people who have served themselves, their families, their friends and each other ... instead of those who rightful deserve their service ... our people. A great opportunity exists to NOT elect candidates who abuse, harass, intimidate, bully, threaten and coerce our people and employees. To stop the dysfunction and chaos. To clean out and restore the governmental institutions (the Business Committee & Appeals Commission) that are designed to serve our people and replace old with fresh, new, qualified, competent, prudent, and fair elected officials that believe in and support equality for ALL Oneida Tribal Members. Full-Time positions on the Business Committee pay a minimum of \$45,000 with benefits. Full-Time Appeals Commissioners receive \$58,800 plus benefits. Take the opportunity to clean up both the Oneida Business Committee and the Oneida Appeals Commission and make them governmental entities that make us proud again, not ashamed!

Linda Dallas

Melinda Danforth

Education

- Masters Degree classes w/ the University of Phoenix
- Bachelors in Business Administration (National American University)
- Associates in Business Administration (National American University)

Experience:

- 12 years with the Oneida Business Committee (Councilwoman & Legislative Staff)
- 4 years with Oneida Retail
- 2 years in Human Resources
- Inter-Tribal Monitoring Association Board of Directors – 5 years
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regional Tribal Operations Committee Co-Chairwoman
- State of Wisconsin Appointments
  - o Religious Practices Advisory Committee
  - o Special Committee on State-Tribal Relations
  - o Governor's Council on Offender Re-entry Council
- Liaison to:
  - o Oneida Commission on Aging
  - o Oneida Gaming Commission
  - o Oneida School Board
- Delegate to:
  - o National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA)
  - o National Congress of American Indian (NCAI)

One of the greatest opportunities I see for Oneida is our capability to determine our future as a people. We have the ability to accept and embrace that as an indigenous Nation, we create our own path. As tribal leaders, it is imperative we continuously ask ourselves “what will we do today, to ensure we provide a better path for the next 7 generations” and I believe the time has come in our history when we must all take responsibility to ask this question of ourselves.

One way I see us accomplishing this vision, is to recognize and support our elders' wisdom. Elders have spoken about ensuring we have the necessary tools (i.e. education, housing, health care, employment) to survive in “modern” society, yet predicted we must return to our history, cultural roots and ceremonies to continue existing as a people. I recognize there are efforts being made to try and accomplish better balance; however, we must remember to continue looking 5 – 10+ years and beyond in order to stay focused on common goals - self-termination is not an option.



Melinda Danforth



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Striving to achieve holistic balance is a positive vision we can all strive for and getting started will require responsible, strategic spending and long-term planning from the very young to elderly. The days of "in the now" decision-making need to be placed aside; prudence must prevail and I am prepared to accept this challenge and work toward finding solutions to our common goals.

Melinda Danforth

Vince DelaRosa

As the last three years comes to an end, this reminds me that the hopes of a nation sometimes will never be realized unless good people do something to alter that nations course. Today, we are a people full of potential but we have yet to realize our best days. One look at our budget and we can see that a majority of Oneida's yearly wealth is evaporating into thin air. Whether that's through patronage jobs, inside business dealings, or special privileges, where is our money going? Today, big wages are kept secret and vital



Vince DelaRosa

tribal services to the people are eliminated. Here is just a few of the eliminations: pay raises, Honor the Elder, Breakfast with the Bunny, Employee's Christmas Party, Elders Driveways, Allergy and Asthma services, field trips for our kids. Similarly, the people are paying more at the Oneida Fitness Center, Oneida Utilities and for plumbing services. But through all of this, management continues to grow! What is clear today is our resources are being squandered. There was disclosure (at the September 2010 budget meeting) that we're facing a projected two-year deficit of - \$47,581,587.00, this should be a wake-up call to all of us! Think about this, we have a budget this year of \$479,172,033.00 and we had a projected two-year deficit of - \$47,581,587.00 at the start of the 2011 budget year. Why is this happening?

- Here are a few things I support addressing:
- I support fair wages and employment protections. It's getting harder for Oneida employees to live in an environment where all the cost (gas, food, electricity) are rising, except for their wages. I also support people have reasonable job protections.
  - I support a good long-term per-capita solution. I have a draft per-capita plan, go to my website (Oneida1.com) to see the plan
  - I support better housing options. We need more affordable

housing. Even here on the reservation we have over 153 families on various housing waiting list; we need to address this issue. I support building 300 new homes over the next five (5) years. I also support only charging limited rents, people need money in their pockets, why are we charging 30% for rents? It is time for the Oneida people to build a movement to change this nation. The honest Oneida people want the dignity of a good job, a safe home, and the knowledge that the tribe is going in the right direction. This is what leadership needs to offer. We need leaders that will stand with the people and for the people. In the past when I've witnessed policies that needed challenging, I've challenged them. When I've seen incompetency, I've questioned it. And when I've seen unfairness, I've stood against it! If elected, I'll only serve the Oneida people's interest. My commitment is to stand with the people and for the people! I'd be honored to have your support this July 16th.

Respectfully,  
Vince DelaRosa  
Website: Oneida1.com

Elaine Reed-Doxtator

Accomplishments: Graduated from Pulaski High School, Pulaski, WI Continually attends Oneida General Tribal Council meetings, Business Committee meetings, In 1991, was a Dealer in Table Games, a Floor Supervisor, and a Pit Manager for a total of 13 years of gaming experience In 2008, established the Oneida\_Grapevine, an on-line communication tool, that helps disclose information to Tribal members/Tribal employees, that wish to know more about the politics of the Oneida Tribe In 2008, began tutoring to work as an advocate for the Oneida people In 2009, became a Pro-Activist FOR the Tribal front-line employees and the Tribal members



Elaine Reed-Doxtator

In 2011, trained and became certified, as a Guardian Ad Litem If I am elected to the Oneida Business Committee, I plan to make things more transparent for the people in areas, such as the budget; finances, auditing, legal, and to insure compliance and to demand and enforce MORE ACCOUNTABILITY throughout the Tribe. For too long, the Tribal members' welfare, has been overlooked, ignored or lost. Too many programs and services that assist the Tribal mem-

bers, have either had too much red tape; OR the programs/services themselves, have been significantly trimmed down due to cost containment; OR they do not work effectively enough, to aid the membership. This is an on-going issue that needs to be seriously addressed, with some type of action taken. It is my position, that we should be able to aid those that need assistance, but aren't receiving it or can't receive it. YOU are Oneida. YOU should receive assistance from your Tribe, if you need it, without being made to go through hoops. The Tribal government needs to prioritize its list, making the needs of the people, its first priority. The Tribal members, Elders, children, front-line employees and middle-management, should be considered first, during the budgeting process. I also believe when voting on the budget, managers submitting their budgets should not be voting on these budgets, as it is then, creating a conflict of interest. All policies and procedures, within the Tribal structure, should be reviewed, to determine if they are effective, weak or non-essential. The General Tribal Council should be involved in ALL important issues, that involve our Tribal dollars. Regarding: "WHEREAS, the Oneida Business Committee has been delegated the authority of Article IV of the Oneida Tribal Constitution by the Oneida General Tribal Council"..... It is my belief, this authority should be in the hands of the General Tribal Council, thus ensuring the people have total authority in decision making....or permanently put a spending cap on the Business Committee. By saying, "We made that decision for you, because the GTC was not "in session",.....doesn't mean it was done in your best interest. Take Your Voice Back, It Belongs To YOU! I thank you for your time and attention in reading my material. It would be an honor and pleasure to serve you, in the best interest of the Oneida Tribe. Thank you, General Tribal Council!! ELAINE REED-DOXTATOR

Elaine Reed-Doxtator

David "Fleet" P. Jordan

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I am a strong believer that for us to be a strong nation, we need to get membership to believe in and trust our leaders. Right now that trust is being tested. At almost every Business Committee meeting and GTC meeting our Business Committee members are challenged. We need to solve this problem. We need to trust that the individuals we elect into those positions are making the best possible recommendations or decisions for our nation. How do we do

this? Listen, I mean LISTEN when they present information, READ the mail outs or agendas that you receive before a BC Mtg or a GTC Mtg. ASK questions. Take ownership of our tribe



David Jordan

and meet with the BC members before a proposed law, resolution or proposal is brought before the membership to avoid a slow down in the process. I am running for the Business Committee position because I feel I can help. I have ideas of bringing change, improving current policies. Taking care of our elders by improving their quality of life building the assisted living facility that has been in the process for over 17 years and continually gets pushed back on the list of priorities. Land Acquisition and Hobart's continuous attacks on our nation. We need to show a strong hand when dealing Hobart, show them that we are here and not going away. Employee concerns and management accountability in ensuring membership will have jobs. Not just a position to have a position, a job that will add value to our nation. I will have an open door policy that will allow membership to present their opinions, requests, and solutions. I have a successful business. A business that has shown my abilities to listen to our employees who currently feel no one is looking out for their interest, this is creating low morale. We depend on our employees to keep this nation running. They need to know they are valued and respected and not taken for granted. Our employees need a good wage and healthy working conditions. My wife is Alice Jordan, my parents are Doyle & Grace Jordan, grandparents Ben & Amelia Jordan. My previous work experience includes Labe Products & Design, Image Assembly Printing, Oneida Casino as a Blackjack Dealer, Floor Supervisor and Interium Pit Manager before starting my own business of Fleet & Alice Gas Light Inn. I want to make a difference but I'll need your support the support of your parents, brothers, sisters, niece, nephews, aunts, uncles and extended family members to advise me on what you think are the important issues that can make our Nation strong, and I will in turn promise you that I be a Councilman you can rely on to make decisions for the people of our great nation. I look for your support on July 16th, and I will do my very best to ensure our Nation continues to be strong and grow.

David "Fleet" Jordan

Gary L. Jordan

Present challenges for the Oneida Tribe as well as opportunities:

I Gary L. Jordan, am running for Councilman to give something back to the tribe for the years that the Oneida people allowed me to be their OBC Councilman and Vice Chairman. Since holding several elected positions with the Tribe I have grown both professionally and personally. I have lived on the reservation for 50 years and I have seen many changes, some good and some bad. We have a lot more to be thankful for than the 20% of the "bad" things that some people feel are interfering with our seven generations philosophy. It takes a strong leadership to deal with the unethical, immoral and unjust acts of a few that consistently increase the level of apathy and distrust among GTC. I feel I have the backbone, financial acumen, and business background from fortune 500 companies, as well as our own Tribe, to get us back on the right track. We need frugal decision makers to pay off our debt of over \$100 million and growing. The future of our Oneida children is leveraged upon their backs by the decisions we make today. We need to stop giving millions away to others and stay focused on growing Oneida to compete in a global marketplace. "Good" doesn't get it any more; we need the "best" decisions from experienced and wise leaders!



Gary L. Jordan

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Cathy L. Metoxen

A vote for Cathy L. Metoxen is a Vote for General Tribal Council.

I believe that General Tribal Council (G.T.C.) has a right to know where all our money is being spent. I believe G.T.C. has a right to know where all our money is coming from. I believe that all people should be treated fairly, respectfully and with honesty.

When G.T.C. asks, "Where's the money?" I will do my best to get the answers out in a format that is easy to read and understand.

When G.T.C. is in session, if I am elected, I will do my best to ensure all those who speak up will be treated fairly.

When General Tribal Council members have come to me to ask those hard questions, and make those hard statements, I spoke for and stood up for them. I have spoken up and stood up for those who couldn't. I have spoken up and stood up for those who were afraid to stand up.

If I'm elected for Business Committee Council, I will continue to speak up and stand up for General Tribal Council members with

fairness, respectfulness and honesty.

I was employed as a front line employee within the Gaming Custodial Department; Business Committee Chambers Housekeeping; Gaming Slots Department; Blackjack Dealer and Floor Supervisor Gaming Blackjack Department; and as a Paralegal Advocate in the Compliance Department, for about 10 years until 1997 and have continued to be an advocate for all walks of life, including other Nations across Turtle Island, since then.

I received my High School Diploma for West DePere in 1972. I attended NWTC, first for Business Administration, Communication, and finally Paralegal Studies. I also spent 2 years at the American Institution of Paralegal Studies of Chicago, at St. Norbert College. I intend to continue my education at NWTC.

The biggest problem and the greatest opportunity facing Oneida, to me will always have to be in my opinion involving Family. As Family we will always be growing in numbers and yet can we serve all equally and fairly in raising the Oneida spirit up to positive, respectful, and confident unity. Is this our Fiduciary responsibility, in reinforcement of our self-esteem as a Nation? I believe it is now more than ever.



Cathy L. Metoxen

Cathy Metoxen

Paul Ninham

Greetings to the Electorate of the Oneida Tribe of Indians,

I would like to thank the Kalihwisaks for providing this forum to the candidates seeking the nine positions for the Oneida Business Committee in the upcoming General Election on Saturday, July 16. I have previously successfully run for the Council position on three occasions (1999-2008) and was proud and honored to represent our 17,000 member Tribe for nine years. As a member of the Oneida Business Committee, my first and foremost responsibility was serving on the Legislative Operating Committee where the five Council Members promulgated Tribe Laws, Codes and Ordinances. Also, I was fortunate to represent the Oneida Tribe as Vice-Chairman



Paul Ninham

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of the Native American Rights Fund, Executive Board Member for the Haskell Indian Nations Board of Regents, Midwest Representative for the Tribal Leaders/Department of Interior Trust Reform Task Force, Representative of the Oneida Tribe as Trustee for the Natural Resources Damage Assessment for the Lower Fox River, Vice-Chairman for the Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council, Midwest Representative for Region 5 of the EPA/National Tribal Caucus, Board Member for the Inter-Tribal Monitoring Association, Charter Member of the Oneida Gang Prevention Task Force, Member of the Oneida Trust and Enrollment Committee, Member of the state legislature's Tribal/State Relations Special Committee and numerous liaison duties within the Tribal Structure.

Aside from earning my bachelor's degree from Arizona State University and working with Native youth in numerous capacities in Santa Fe, New Mexico and Durango, Colorado, I have been a life-long resident of the Oneida Reservation. Our Tribe and our people are fortunate enough to relay the many successes of our people. Our Tribe has an excellent track record with government-to-government relations with most of our neighbors, with fulfilling our responsibility to take care of our children and our elders, and with reacquiring land on the Reservation. With this in mind, we need to identify and address threats to our future.

One such threat to our future comes from the Village of Hobart, who repeatedly challenges the Tribe's sovereignty in courts and in the media. I spent many of my years living on the portion of the Reservation that overlaps with the Village of Hobart. As a community member and Elected Official I have witnessed the escalating tensions and deteriorating government-to-government relations between the Tribe and Hobart since Hobart hired the former Chairperson (and current board member) of Citizen's Equal Right's Alliance (CERA), a group dedicated to destroying tribal sovereignty.

If elected to the Business Committee, I hope to be a part of the solution that will bring the Tribe and Hobart together. We need to sit down and determine the best way possible to move forward. We cannot work out our differences in the courtroom or through newspapers. We are all a part of this community and neither the Tribe nor Hobart is going away any time soon. The bottom line is we need to come to the table. If you are not at the table, you are on the menu.

Paul Ninham

John Powless III

**Accomplishment:** I firmly believe one of our biggest accomplishments to date is Re-establishing the Spirit of our Nation. I believe everything starts with community. This accomplishment is a direct result of concerned members of the community.

There is currently a coordinated effort by community members to take back Oneida, through re-establishing a sense of community. This is a very electrifying time, community members are not taking no for an answer, but instead, seizing the challenge of Reigniting the spirit in each of us! Reigniting the spirit of our communities! Reigniting the spirit of our Nation!

As a community member and candidate for the Oneida Business Committee, I strongly support, and take an active role in the re-kindling of our community and Nations spirit. Within the past year, along with others, I have organized a Men's 3 on 3 traveling basketball league in Oneida. Our focus was to offer a safe event, in which the entire family could participate in, promoting physical fitness, healthy lifestyles and the Oneida Parks. The event was very successful; there was truly an awakening of spirit going on in each housing site we visited.

I also worked jointly with many community members in organizing "Countdown to Hoyan", a New Year's Eve celebration at the Civic Center, which once again, focused on offering a safe, fun, family event to the community. The night consisted of a social dance, games, such as a hula hoop contest, corn soup, Hoyan doughnuts, and party favors, bringing the New Year in safe, as a family. Approximately 350 community members attended "Countdown to Hoyan".

Physical Fitness is a big part of my life; I extend an invitation to Oneida to participate in "ONEIDA FAMILY 5K RUN/WALK". This is a run, I am organizing, it will take place Saturday, July 2, 2011, start time 8 a.m. at 54 Oneida One Stop.

**Biggest Challenge:** One of our current challenges is generating additional revenue. As Councilman, I will creatively work towards exploring revenue generating ideas, focusing on what is in the best interest of the Oneida People. Some possible examples include wind energy and organic farming. It is vital that we continue to support existing tribal businesses, during this economic downturn, until they can once again, regain stability. At this time I would like to highlight the Radisson, this is one example of a tribal business venture that has



John Powless III

been successful, winning numerous Presidential Customer Service awards.

In conclusion, I believe in Oneida. I believe our biggest asset, is the Oneida People. This is a very exciting time; we are contributing to a Stronger Oneida! I am very optimistic, and continue to look forward to strengthening our community, and our Nation!

VOTE FOR A STRONGER ONEIDA!  
VOTE JOHN E. POWLESS III FOR OBC!

John E. Powless III

Jennifer Stevens

Dear Oneida Tribal Members,

My name is Jennifer Marie Stevens, of the Wolf Clan and my Oneida name is Wakohsi•yó, which means Peacock, given to me by my grandmother. I'm the youngest daughter of Ernest L. Stevens Sr. and the late Patricia A. (Brewer) Stevens, and the granddaughter of Maria Hinton. Proud to be the third generation in my family that believes in carrying on the family tradition of supporting and striving for the preservation of our Oneida traditions, values, culture, family, community, tribal sovereignty, job security, higher education opportunities, and a thriving economy for our Oneida people nationwide.

My experience stems from 20 years as an employee of the tribe and a professional singer, artist, Oneida pottery Master Instructor and small business owner of 11 years. I worked in an array of departments within our Oneida Nation such as; Retail, Gaming, Sales & Marketing, Recreation, and Government. The past 10 years I have worked in tribal government as an Executive Assistant and liaison for the Oneida Land Claims Commission, Business Committee, Chief of Staff, General Tribal Council, Tribal Attorneys, and other tribal officials. Through this experience I've growing into specializing in Upstate New York Land Claims History and New York Homeland Historical sites.

In the past 10 years have gained vast experience in a board/commission advisement capacity such as; Oneida Land Claims Commission Executive Assistant/Liaison, First Nation Composer Initiative Advisory Board Member, Green Bay Press - Gazette Community Conversation Advisement Panelist, and Green Bay Art Colony Member. In the past 20 years I have been able to hone my skills in; public relations, project management, teamwork, and written/verbal communication skills, and received the Customer



Jennifer Stevens

Service Award: Oneida Tribe 1999. Education is also important to me; I graduated from West De Pere High School in 1991 and graduating from St. Norbert College this fall of 2011.

As a community member and tribal employee, I have experienced, witnessed, and made note of our challenges and resources for opportunity. Although we are putting forth effort I have made observation of areas that I think are at great risk and made as my focal points for my platform, such as; our Oneida identity building (language, culture, and traditions. "Our Ways.), community building (Family-youth, adults, and elders), sovereignty preservation(Tribal Rights - Self Governance), and economy(Building our economy for job stability). I am very interested in looking at various creative ways to foster the success of our Oneida Nation-our Oneida community. With the use of our creativity, ingenuity, determination, and direction from skilled resources including our many diverse voices in our community, I have great faith we can enjoy the benefits of our common goal, through working together, and making a better life for our Oneida community and generations to come.

Help support my goal in community development, while striving and maintaining mutual respect, justice, and equality based on a "code of ethics," and "collective" effort towards a better life for our Oneida people. Yaw^ko for your time-your support is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer M. Stevens  
wakohsiyostudio.com

Jennifer Webster

Hello, my name is Jennifer Webster, candidate for Council Member.

Employed with the Oneida Tribe for over 25 years, started in Gaming at the Civic, Bingo, Gaming Accounting, worked for the Business Committee, currently under Finance Department, Purchasing/Travel. Elected to the Appeals Commission, 3 consecutive terms, 8th year at Oneida Tribal Judicial System. Owner of Web's Kustom Touch Auto Body with my husband Don and have been in business for over 9 years.

Preserve Our Past Preservation of language & culture, this is one area I believe where our budget should be increased, namely Cultural Heritage, as that is what keeps us a sovereign nation, our language and our strong cultural base. By educating our children about their past history and ancestors we are preserving our past. We have quality schools, and an excellent Higher



Jennifer Webster

Education Program. The bulk of our employee base is working middle class, which may require more than one associate degree per person.

Many of our college graduates have earned degrees and returning home for jobs, they want to give back, but have nowhere to go within the Tribal system.

Protect our Future We need to have responsible spending in all our departments, on all levels: government, programs and business. We are spending our money on GTC meetings where we could be creating jobs & putting people to work. We need to hold Managers accountable for their budgets.

We are blessed with our Healthcare services and we need to keep those services and work to improve our quality of life. Let's never let Per Cap replace our Healthcare!

Education, again back to education. We need to teach our children to support themselves, and not to rely on handouts. You've heard the saying "Catch me a fish, feed me for a day, Teach me to fish and you feed me for a lifetime" These are our children, teach them well, they are our future.

Preservation of Language & Culture. This is one area I believe where our budget should be increased, namely Cultural Heritage, as our language and our strong culture base is what keeps us a sovereign nation.

Lack of laws is our current biggest problem. Yes a strong Judiciary is important but it doesn't create laws, the Legislative branch creates the laws. No matter how great they make the Judiciary Act and who serves as judges - if there are no laws, whether it be lay people or higher priced attorneys in the judicial positions, the tribal court created will be exactly as you see it now, except at a higher price, because it is limited to the current jurisdiction. Creating stronger laws will build a stronger government increasing our sovereignty as a nation.

Background: Family, Husband Don Webster, Marcus, Zach & Olivia. Parents: Lee Gordon & Betty McLester Grandparents: Lee (deceased) & Pearl McLester, Ted & Mamie Benson (deceased).

I believe I am a creditable candidate for council, committed to this community, committed to Public Trust, and I ask for your vote July 16, 2011.

Jennifer Webster

Pearl Webster

This is a double-edged question as there are major problems, yet greater potential for opportunities if our leadership proceeds forward in the best interest of the Oneida Nation and its people.

With that said, it is my opinion that our greatest problem is that we do not scrutinize our spending. Through my observa-

tions it was through Gaming revenue that our financial position quickly became very lucrative. Money became easily accessible, therefore easily spent.

I am fully aware that the Oneida Nation does many good things with the increased money flow generated by gaming. But do we really look to the future and consider the many implications should something go awry with Gaming operations. It would have made sense to review per cap options early on, perhaps get an endowment in place, or put money in appropriate funds that could be used in cases when the economy shifts, because we know it will. In addition, have we looked beyond Gaming to consider other fruitful endeavors?

A recent example is that the current Oneida Nation Management is well into a new initiative with the commerce department/staff issue that I would have to question the value of versus getting the proposed elder care facility built. This is not sound reasoning or prioritizing in my opinion. How is it that the commerce issue, which I understand comes with a significant budget, was so quickly decided and acted upon when in fact the Elder/Assisted Living Project is still awaiting ground breaking? A major concern I have is that the commerce concept did not come to the Oneida membership through any communication, except the recent Kali notice, which gives the message that membership will have no decision in final actions.

How our organization is structured plays an important part in how our money is generated, invested, spent, and dealt with on a daily basis. With the amount of money that goes through the Oneida Nation on a daily basis we can no longer afford to not have checks and balances in place. Nor can we continue to exercise spending with the processes we currently use. Accountability and responsibility are severely lacking.

There are many problems within our Nation. However, our desire to take care of our own should be at the forefront, and without the financial fortitude to accomplish this, it is imperative that we become financially intelligent in securing and maintaining a quality financial management system. The Oneida Nation membership is rightfully due to receive a quarterly report, at a minimum, that is understood and clear regarding the financial position of the Oneida Nation.



Pearl Webster

Pearl Webster



## Out-of-State Students Lend a Hand at Tsyunhehkwa and Cannery



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Youth from Texas and Indiana spent four days at Tsyunhehkwa and Cannery assisting with daily activities while taking part in the national program Young Neighbors in Action. According to Young Neighbors in Action website they are a week-long Catholic service-learning program for teams of older adolescents and adults that provides the experiences, skills and learning needed to make change possible. This is the fourth year the program visited Tsyunhehkwa. The youth learned about Oneida culture and how to incorporate organic methods of farming into their processes.

Elizabeth Rebeczek (left), 18, and Brook Rauch (right), 15, of La Grange, Texas husk corn on Thursday, June 23. The group was at the Cannery and Tsyunhehkwa June 20 - 23.

### ENROLLMENT...Reminder

**For members whose payment forms are received by Thursday, September 1, 2011...**

*Your FY-2011 Membership payment will be mailed:*

**Friday, September 30, 2011**

*If you have any concerns, please contact the Oneida*

*Enrollment Department at:*

**(920) 869-6200**

**or**

**Toll Free (800) 571-9902**

**Oneida Enrollment Department**

**P.O. Box 365 • Oneida, WI 54155**

**<http://oneidanation.org/enrollment>**

## Free conference to focus on construction in Indian Country

The Department of Interior, Office of Indian Energy & Economic Development, Dartmouth College, Tuck School of Business, and the American Indian Economic Development Fund/Turtle Island PTAC are hosting a FREE two-day event at Mystic Lake Hotel & Casino on July 20 & 21st.

Day one will include a workshop by Dartmouth

College on "Benefits of Successful Collaboration with Construction Contracts in Indian Country"; day two will feature a presentation by the MN Dept. Of Transportation Business Development and DoD Office of Small Business Programs "American Indian Incentive Program." The Indian Incentive Program (IIP) is a congressionally

sponsored program that provides a 5% rebate back to the prime contractor on the total amount subcontracted to an Indian-Owned Economic Enterprise or Indian Organization.

If you would like to sign up for the one-day or both days please contact Wally Freier at [wfreier@aiedfloans.org](mailto:wfreier@aiedfloans.org) or call 651-917-0819.

## Oneida Legal Resource Center

**By Attorney Charlene Smith**

Oneida Legal Resource Center

The Legal Resource Center (LRC) is an employment advocacy office for tribal employees of the program side who have employment disciplinary issues, and a legal aid service for tribal members who have individual legal issues.

Employees of the program side who have been disciplined may request assistance from the LRC with their appeal to the Personnel Commission. There is no charge for this tribally sponsored service.

The LRC is also a legal service for tribal members who have a legal issue they need answers about may come in or call for a free consultation with our attorney or

one of the paralegals.

Some of the services provided by the LRC for a fee are:

- 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 information and documentation assistance
- legal procedure information and, assistance and/or representation by the LRC attorney, for a fee, for tribal members in criminal matters and family law issues in local state and municipal courts.

The LRC staff, below, is available for a free legal consultation by

appointment.

•Supervising Senior Attorney - Charlene Smith

• Senior Paralegal (certified) - Rena Metoxen

• Paralegal (certified) - Tami Hill

• Administrative Assistant - Donna Richmond

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

The LRC is located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite 7, at 3759 W. Mason St., Oneida, WI 54155

## USDA officials visits Tsyunhehkwa

On Thursday, May 26 we gave a tour of OCIFS to Mr. Dustin Miller, Program Specialist for the Office of Tribal Relations at United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) DC office and Mr. Daniel Cornelius, Intertribal Agricultural Council Specialist. These gentlemen were especially impressed with what the Oneida Nation was doing in the realm of food. They were given a tour and explanation of the Food Distribution Program, the buffalo herd and the Oneida

Nation Farm, the Apple Orchard, the Tsyunhehkwa program of the Organic Ag Farm and Cannery.

After the tour we sat in the Cannery office and these are the observations they shared with us:

- They were extremely impressed with the community aspect of the Oneida food system.
- Educational component
- Resources component
- Processing component
- Other Native Nations they visited are using food as an economic tool, but Oneida was the only one that they

visited that had such high community involvement.

- They had advice as to how to get our products into the Oneida school system.
- They listed numerous grant opportunities and emailed us the links to these grants. The OCIFS Members shared this information with the Oneida Grants Office, and will follow up for any opportunities.

We wanted to share the importance of continuing to develop strong community outreach programs.



Photos courtesy of Bill Vervoort

Above: Intertribal Agriculture Council Specialist Daniel Cornelius talks with Tsyunhehkwa's David "Jonesy" Miller, left, and Jeff Metoxen in the white corn storage area.

Below: From left to right: Don Miller of the Oneida Food Distribution Program, Dustin Miller of the USDA, Bill Vervoort of OCIFS and Jeff Metoxen of Tsyunhehkwa.



*Nori's*

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**Drop off your BUSINESS CARD at NORI'S TRADING POST for chance to win a \$50 Gas Card!**  
One business card will be selected on July 2, 2011 at the Oneida Powwow

### Month of July 2011 Events

**Tuesday – 10% OFF All hats/caps**

**Wednesday – Yard Sale**

**Thursday – 10% OFF Paintings**

**Friday – 10% Discount – Men's items**

**Saturday – Trading Day**

### HOURS:

**Tues – Sat: 10AM – 5PM**

**Sun – Mon: CLOSED**

**Any other time – call for appointment**

### "Grand Opening" Nori's Oneida Trading Post on May 28, 2011

The grand opening reflected the spirit of a gorgeous experience. Well planned and executed by all involved. Our sincere gratitude to everyone that supported us in this endeavor.

The weather was beautiful, the wind calmed down so we could enjoy the inspiring Oneida singers and the opening ceremony by Bob Brown and closing by Bobby Doxtator, Deacon of St. Joseph's and Immaculate Conception Parishes.

Thanks, Oneida Community, for your support in getting this fantastic little shop open. We look forward o serving you. Enjoy the photos.

*OTP & Staff*

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## 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Oneida Culture Days JUNE 30 - JULY 3 2011

### 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@oneidanation.org

ADVANCE WEEKEND PASSES AVAILABLE AT  
ONEIDA ONE STOPS AND THE ONEIDA CASINO TRAVEL CENTER – \$8

### 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

### 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

### ANNUAL WOODLAND INDIAN ART SHOW & MARKET

July 1 – 3, 2011

Contact: Loretta Webster at Bear Paw Keepsakes

920-499-7875 or info@bearpawartgallery.com

### 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

### 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

### FOR ADDITIONAL INFO CONTACT:

LLOYD E POWLESS, JR.

920-494-3244

### NOTAH BEGAY FOUNDATION YOUTH GOLF CLINIC

**Thornberry  
Creek at  
Oneida  
July 5, 6, 7  
8:00 am -  
12:00 noon**

**Includes  
one hour of  
instruction  
&  
9 holes of  
golf each  
day**

**•Ages are  
12- 19 years  
old**

**Space is  
limited to  
first 30 par-  
ticipants**

**Cost: \$15**



# 39th ANNUAL Oneida POW-WOW

**June 30- July 3, 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  
Yewaniyostha-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                                                                       | <b>THURSDAY, JUNE 30 IS ONEIDA DAY</b> |                           |
| • • • FREE ADMISSION • • •                                                                   |                                        |                           |
| • • • ATTENTION DANCERS AND SINGERS • • •                                                    |                                        |                           |
| Point System competition will begin Friday, July 1.<br>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.