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New Adminstration Building – 2A Community members got a first look at the new Adminstration Building located at 909 Packerland Drive.



High School Graduates – 5-8B Our annual roll call of Oneidas graduating from High Schools next door and across the country



Racing Jason –11B Jason Cornelius carries on a family tradition competing on local race tracks.

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By Steven J. Gandy Kalihwisaks

Memorial Day is a national day of remembrance for those who have given the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

Honoring those that have served has become a tradition in Oneida with members of local veterans groups, including the VFW and AmVets, touring area cemeteries on Memorial Day to honor fallen veterans with a remembrance ceremony, a prayer service and a 21gun salute.

As part of this year's proceedings, area veterans and community members gathered at the Oneida VFW Post 7784 for a ground breaking ceremony for a new VFW post building which will also be home to the Oneida Veterans Services office.

The current building is scheduled to be razed

Groundbreaking ceremony caps off day of remembrance in Oneida



Submitted Photo/Kristine Hill

L to R: Brandon Stevens, Lillian King, Ernie Stevens Jr., Patty Hoeft, Paul Ninham, Melinda Danforth, Trish King, Roy Huff, Gerald Danforth and George Greendeer prepare to break ground on the new VFW Post 7784. Construction is slated to be finished later this year.

and a new building will be erected on the current lot.

Oneida VFW member, Ted Christjohn, said, "It's a big event for all the veterans. I wish more of the older veterans could have seen this happen."

The current building

was constructed in the mid 1960's, according to Christjohn. It was built on land donated to the VFW by Pierce Baird and came to fruition with the help of other area veterans.

"A member here, Pierce Baird, donated the whole thing to the VFW post 7784, the property here and another veteran, Melvin Coonan, from up the hill, he helped finance the building in order for it to get built," Christjohn said.

Christjohn has been a member of the Oneida VFW Post 7784 since he returned from six years of service in the US Army in 1971. Christjohn served in Korea and Vietnam during his time in the service.

"It's just going to be something great. Our

• See 2A, VFW 7784



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Brothers perfect match for kidney transplant

By Dawn Walschinski Kalihwisaks

On the day of a fry bread sale for DJ Danforth, a line of people stretched through the Highway 54 Oneida One Stop parking lot. DJ's family and volunteers worked the booth and grill. DJ sat in a van doubled over.

"That's the effects of dialysis, I feel really drained and kind of down and out," he said. "That was probably one of the worst days I've had."

Soon, however, he was up; carrying orders to cars, talking to peo

• See 4A, DJ Danforth



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DJ Danforth (left) at his fundraiser with his brother Gerald Danforth (center) and their nephew Everett Danforth (right).

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New tribal building opens its doors



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Ernest L. Stevens III, Executive Communications Specialist - Administration (far right), leads a group of community members through a conference room of the new tribal administration building during an open house on Saturday, May 30. The open house featured a tabacco burning, tours, and food.

OBC Meeting Wrap May 27, 2009

By Nate Wisneski

Kalihwisaks The Oneida Business Committee (OBC) worked through an interesting agenda during their May 27 meeting held at the Norbert Hill Center.

Attendance: Rick Hill Chairman, Kathy Hughes _ Vice-Chairwoman, Patty Hoeft - Secretary, Tina Danforth - Treasurer, King Trish _ Councilmember, Ed Delgado Councilmember, Melinda Danforth -Councilmember, Brandon Stevens -Councilmember, Tehassi Hill – Councilmember

The OBC approved meeting minutes from May 13.

Travel Reports

Share the Care Conference, May 5-7, Lac du Flambeau, WI, Kathy Hughes. The focus of the conference was the growing cancer concerns in Indian Country. The

Council (GTC) members have the right to call a GTC meeting, but past practice dictates the OBC sets the date for any called GTC meeting. The letter was accepted as informational only by the OBC.

Follow-up Reports/BC Directives

The Oneida Recreation Department updated the committee on its pilot program, aimed at community teenagers, which would have the Civic Center open from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturdays. The program will run from June 13 to August 22 and would require the hiring of four temporary Recreation Specialists. The total cost for the pilot program will be \$89,047.10. The General Manager (GM) has been told to identify available funds in the current budget for the cost of the program.

> New Business Representatives from

approved access for the United Way to solicit tribal employees for donations. The OBC assigned the GM to analyze Native Ways proposal and present a recommendation to the OBC in three months.

The Seminole Tribe of Florida, in partnership with SEED, Inc., presented a proposed purchase card (P-Card) that is similar to a credit card that is designed to replace a paper check to pay vendors for service provided to the tribe. The card also features an annual return back to the tribe based on amount spent on the card. The card will lower costs of handling paper checks. The Seminoles are part of a Memorandum of Understanding in which the Oneida Tribe, Seminoles, and Mashantucket Pequot, Morongo Band of Mission Indians, and Cow Creek of Oregon joined together to collectively spread economic opportunity throughout Indian country. The OBC referred the proposal to the Treasurer's office for review and analysis that will be brought back in 45 days to the committee. The OBC heard a request from the Trust Enrollment and Committee in regards to lifting the moratorium prohibiting burials at the

Tribal Cemetery. The cemetery is located on Adam Drive in Oneida and was plagued by drainage problems. The water problems appear to be solved and the Enrollment Department in charge of maintaining the cemetery triggered the Trust and Enrollment Committee to ask for the termination of the moratorium. The OBC lifted the moratorium effective June 1, 2009. The tribe's gate spon-

sorship at Lambeau Field allows for an allotted amount of tickets for each Green Bay Packer home game. There is no current policy in regards to the dispersal of the tickets. The GM was advised to formulate a ticket dispersion policy that may be used for other tribally sponsored events.

The Oneida Business Committee directed the Joint Executive Team (JET) to research the positives and negatives of hand held voting devices for GTC meetings. JET will report back the OBC in 60 days with their findings.

Timeline of Oneida land lost, recovered

By Ernest L. Stevens Ш

Executive Communications Specialist - Admin.

In a continued effort to recover land lost throughout the years, the Tribe recently purchased a piece of land with historical significance; it recovered land lost by a little girl named Elsie Skenandoah.

Elsie was the child of Solomon and Elizabeth Skenandoah, with 4 sisters and 1 brother. It is not clear what age she received her parcel, but at the age of eight, in 1911, Elsie passed away, relinquishing her land to her parents. Solomon and Elizabeth deeded the land to Elsie's sister Electa, holder of lot #9, who would go on to marry Dr. Josiah Powless, an individual with historic significance himself. In 1912 Electa and Josiah sold that piece of land to Ira Martin, a non-Oneida, and the rest is history.

A Historical Perspective In 1887, the Dawes Allotment Act authored by Henry Dawes, then senator of Massachusetts, was passed by President Benjamin Harrison allotting every tribal member a parcel of land no bigger than 160 acres. There was a petition by Oneida tribal members against this allotment which garnered 800 signatures, but to no avail. As a part of this Act, every Oneida member, no matter what age, received a piece of land for themselves. Did an eight year-old girl live and manage that land all by herself? Obviously not, but she owned the land nonetheless. This was the case for many families, and many having much disconnect with their various parcels. It is arguable that concept was at the heart of this Act; to create a disconnect with these families so that they sell off their children's parcels. One main reason that was supplemented by the previous concept was the taxes levied by the federal government. This made it impossible for many families to keep that

piece of that puzzle various "investment corporations" were formed to come in and acquire this land. These well thought-out plans were executed without remorse for the families affected by them.

Here is the timeline of events pertaining to the recovered property:

1955 Anton Kosmoski later deeded parcels 9 and 10 to the Kosmoski Investment Company

1961 – Originally a part of Hobart, land section was annexed to the City Green Bay

1968 _ Kosmoski Investment Company deeded the new parcel of land to the City of Green Bay, where it was established as the first piece of the "Packerland Subdivision"

1981 – City of Green Bay then deeded the land to Thomas H. Lutsey, partner in Lutsey Enterprises, partnership

1985 Lutsey _ Enterprises, partnership, deeded the land to L & L General Partnership

1989 – L & L General Partnership deeded the land to Gold Bond Ice Cream, owned by the multinational conglomerate Unilever.

April 17, 2009 – Gold Bond NKA Good Humor Corporation deeded the land the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin

Priceless Piece of History

So, nearly a century after Elsie passed away and left lot #10 behind, the Oneida Nation honors her legacy in reacquiring this plot of land, the first in that original allotment section lost over the years. You can see the acquisition as the tribe purchasing a beautiful, long overdue \$8 million building for our administrative needs that happens to include a parcel of land originally owned by a tribal member, all for \$3.2 million, OR, you can see this as the tribe re-acquiring a piece of land lost years ago, one that happens to include a much needed facility that will assist with the tribe in providing services to its people

report was accepted. General Tribal Council Petitions

A letter was received Chairman by Hill expressing concern over the newest per capita petition meeting date set for July 11 by the OBC. The letter submitted with the petition requested the petition be heard July 4. Legal Counsel advised General Tribal that

Native Ways presented the OBC with a workplace donation program. Native Ways is a 501(c)3 foundation that collects donations and distributes them to Native American non-profits across the United States. Native is requesting Ways access to tribal employees to solicit donations. During a prior OBC meeting, the committee

Travel Requests NIHB Health Care

Reform meeting, June 2-3, Manistee, MI, Kathy The travel Hughes. request was approved.

See 10A, Tribal Land

From IA/ W Post 7784

veteran's office is going to be right in Oneida and everything is going to be right here in a central spot. (Veterans) don't have to run to Green Bay, or Appleton anymore they can come right here to Oneida," Christjohn said.

Members of the current Business Committee

and members of past Business Committees were on hand for the groundbreaking along with numerous veterans. There was a traditional booyah served along with other refreshments and music by The Cherry Bounce Band that followed the groundbreaking ceremony.

The Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin is sponsoring the new VFW building and will be locating the Veterans Services Offices in the new building. Currently the Veteran's Services Office is located in Green Bay Just off Packerland Drive in the Social Services Cottages.

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Walschinski at (920) 869-4277 or Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280,

or Steve Gandy at (920) 869-4279. Steve is also the contact to include

information in the classifieds section.







Doxtator, Prudence A. October 15, 1915 – May 21, 2009

Prudence A. Doxtator, 93, of Oneida, passed away Thursday evening, May 21, 2009 at local hospital. The daughter of the late Frederick and Lydia (Doxtator) Bennett was born October 15. 1915 in the Town of Hobart. Prudy attended boarding school in Tomah, WI The Flandreau Indian School in S.D., and UW River Falls. She married Roman "Domey" Doxtator in 1949 and he preceded her in death on May 4, 1971.

Prudy was a long-time dedicated member of the Oneida Indian Singers. She made many trips with the Singers, including the concert appearance at the National Memorial Shrine in Washington and at Ebeneezer Lutheran Church in Chicago.

Prudy was involved in the Elderly Feeding



Soulier, Aurora Joslyn March 12, 2009 - May 22, 2009

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Virginia,

Catherine,

and Dominic.

Aurora Joslyn Soulier, infant daughter of Dawn Kitchenakow and Joseph Soulier passed away unexpectedly on Friday May 22, 2009 in Duluth, MN. Aurora was born on March 12, 2009 in Duluth.

She is survived by: her parents, Dawn and Joseph; brother and sisters, Tarayah, Joseph Jr., Sarah and MaryJane.

Her maternal family includes: grandparents, Anthony & Elena Kitchenakow; aunts, Bridget, Jamie, Ashley, Nicole, Desiree; uncles, Christopher, Tony, Joshua, Rodney Jr.; cousins, Knowledge, Jovan, Cicaly, Kiarah, Autumn, Mariano, Benito, Anastacia, Angelo, Anthony Jr., Sylvester, Kaylee, Kwinton, Dion, Deandre; great aunts, Mary (Randy) Cornelius, Elizabeth John; great uncle, Rethmon (Darlene) John, John Andrews; and a special great great aunt, Noreen Wilbur. Her paternal family includes: great-grandparents, Curtis & Mary Jane Crowe; grandparents, Raymond (Lisa) Soulier, Carmilla Crowe;

Program in Oneida, and worked as librarian for years at the Oneida Library. She had worked at Morgan's Store and Schroeder's Store from where she retired the first time. She was also an active member of Holy Apostles Church in Oneida, and throughout the entire Oneida community.

She is survived by one daughter, Alberta and Gerald L. Metoxen, Oneida, one son. Kenneth House, Connecticut, and two special Grandchildren, Kim House, Sr. and Misty Dawn House, and several Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren and Great-Great Grandchildren and Special Friend Richard Ackley of Mole Lake, WI. She was preceded in death by her husband, one daughter, Diane Thiesen.

aunts, Randi, Shiann.

Katrina; uncles, Richard

Raymond Jr.; great

aunts, Carol, Mary Lu,

Theresa, Teana, Alice,

Mardella; great uncles,

Curtis Jr., Eugene,

Wendell, Wally, Guy;

cousins, Christopher,

Joseph Jr., Jodi, John,

Amber, James, Brianna,

Aliyah, Kiley, Izayah,

William, Ivan, Rachel,

Shaun, Daoma, Tracy,

Dyan, Darrell, Steve,

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Hill, Delores B. 'Honey' February 21, 1932 - May 30, 2009

Mrs. Kenneth (Delores Β. "Honey" Hill, 77, of Oneida, passed away peacefully Saturday evening, May 30, 2009 at a local hospital. The

daughter of the late Harold and Rose (Doxtator) Schuyler was born February 21, 1932 in Milwaukee. On January 31, 1953 she married Kenneth Hill in Oneida, Wisconsin.

Delores was a fulltime homemaker, she loved taking care of her family and playing cards and watching movies and reading. She especially loved to sit and visit with her children and grand-children. Honey also enjoyed bowling, and golfing and fishing with her husband. She loved all sports.

Survivors include her husband of 56 years, Kenneth, five children, Janice (Orville) Cornelius, Lyle Hill, Laurie (Tim) Hill, Celene (Clayton) Elm, Lisa (Mike) Behringer, her brothers, Kenneth (Barb) Schuyler, and Kevin (Jeannie) Doxtator, grandchildren, O-jay, William, Schuyler, Kenneth, Garon, Travis, Isaiah, Raven, Brionne, Jonas, Kylene, Camryn, Ericka, Leticia, twenty-five great-grandchildren, special friend/cousin, Geri (Schuyler) Vilbalobos, as well as

In Loving Memory of ...



cousins. She is preceded in death by her parents, Harold and Rose and her grandparents, and aunts, uncles and cousins.

Friends may call from pm 4:00 to 8:00 Wednesday, June 3. 2009 (tomorrow) at RYAN **FUNERAL** HOME 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere. Oneida Hymn Singing will begin at 6:30 pm with a parish prayer service to follow at 7:00 pm. Visitation will continue after 9am Thursday at the funeral home until the cortege leaves for church.

Celebration of Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 am Thursday at the Holy Episcopal Apostles Church with Mother Kristina Henning, Deacon Edmund Powless, and Deacon Deborah Heckel, officiating. Burial to follow in the church cemetery. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the Hill family.

The family extends a special thank you St. Vincent Hospital ICU Staff and doctors for taking great care of our Wife, Mother, and Grandmother.



Maxine Cottrel

Who passed away on June 16th, 2008

by when we don't think of your smile, laughter and your

soft kiss on our cheek. The years don't seem long when we think about you, it seems like the years have passed quickly and your memory stays as strong as your love in our hearts

So Mom, everyday you share with the spirits, know that you

are loved and missed by your entire family and friends.

Maya Angelou once said, "A great soul serves everyone all the time, A great soul never dies, it brings us together again and again." Your are that great soul that keeps this family

together.

Loved always, remembered with a smile, and missed by Husband, Purcy, Children, Kathy, Richard, Greg, Bobbi, Ralph,

Jamie, Joey and Monica and our families and your family and

friends

We All

Intersection crashes can be prevented by obeying traffic signals

Although they are only a small segment of the U.S. roadway system, intersections frequently are the site of seriousand often deadly-traffic crashes. Nationwide, approximately 20 percent of all traffic deaths each year are the result of crashes at intersections, according to the U.S. Department Transportation.

As with most crashes, collisions at intersections are caused primarily by drivers' irresponsible and negligent actions. All too often, distracted and inattentive drivers don't notice a red light or stop sign until it's too late. Likewise, aggressive drivers race through intersections without hesitation. To protect themselves, safety conscious drivers must always be on the lookout for redlight and stop-sign runners.

"Some drivers think that not coming to a complete stop at a red light or a stop sign at an intersection is a minor infraction. They are absolutely wrong," says Lieutenant Nick Scorcio of the State Patrol post in Fond du Lac. "There are many complicated movements at intersections with

vehicles entering, crossing and exiting at different points. Add the element of drivers who disregard the traffic controls and the dangers are compounded. In crashes at intersections, vehicles often are hit in the side where there is comparatively little protection for drivers and passengers. There's no doubt that intersections whether on rural roads or city streets are some of the most dangerous places drivers encounter."

Failing to obey a red light, stop sign or other traffic control device at an intersection is not only dangerous-it's also expensive. According to state law, a violation for failing to stop completely for a traffic signal, sign or marking costs \$160.80 with three demerit points assessed on the driver's record. Committing a second offense within a year costs \$198.60 with three points.

"The key to preventing crashes at intersections is quite simple," says Lieutenant Scorcio. "Drivers must obey all traffic signals and signs while keeping an alert eye on traffic moving into, through, and out of the intersection."

Tribal leadership gets tour of OCIFS

By Nate Wisneski Kalihwisaks

Tribal leadership got a first hand look at integral food cultivators of the tribe during an Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS) tour on Thursday, May 28.

OCIFS consists of Tsyunhehkwa, Oneida Nation Farm/Orchard,

Council of Kahnawa:ke of Canada.

Ver Voort hoped the tour would foster a better understanding of the units by the tribe's leadership. "When they get paperwork across their desk, it doesn't really give them a picture at all, and they are making decisions based on words on a piece of paper."

Rethmon John; great grandmother, Mary Ella Soulier; great grandpa, Peter St. Germain; grandmother, Barbara John; great aunts, Cheryl Peters, Sarah Andrews; great uncles, Larry John, Steven Crowe, Joseph Redkettle and Sr.; cousins, Mary Madelyn Soulier and Danika Pamaska.

The Funeral Home assisted with the arrangements.



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The long awaited tour took tribal leaders to the cannery, Tsyunhehkwa, apple orchard, buffalo pasture and farm.

"We wanted to get the leadership to see the OCIFS first hand," said Bill Ver Voort, OCIFS Coordinator. "We wanted them to see what OCIFS members are doing individually and as a group and hopefully get support for initiatives that we are trying to implement."

Tribal leadership was joined on the tour by delegates from the Mohawk

According to Ver Voort, food always takes a back seat in communities and OCIFS wants to change that.

"Environmental has the huge, flash headlines such as global warming. Food is always shoved to the back," he said. "If vou had no food how long could you survive," asked Ver Voort. "We want to get the importance of food, especially culturally, back out into the community and to our leadership.'

OCIFS also presents the annual Farmer's Market held in the Oneida One-Stop parking lot on Highway 54. It will run from June 25 to October 8 with food, crafts, and demonstrations from local vendors.



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Tribal leaders listen to a presentation by analyst Floyd Chopin on the farm's history.



Three new sites need your help in finding a new name

The Oneida Nation has purchased the following properties and is seeking your input to name these sites:

909 Packerland Drive, Green Bay – the former Unilever Building

Original allottees: Elise Skenandoah and

Caretakers' Corner

Names sought for newly purchased sites

Electa Skenandoah 249 Valley Drive, Oneida – the former Smits farm

Original allottees: Lewis Elm, William Powless, Peter Hill, Kate Elm, Rachel Elm and Baptist King

Legacy Lane, De Pere – the former Equestrian Estates

Original allottees: Thomas Doxtator and Gilbert Parkhurst

The Division of Land Management is seeking

ideas for names of these three sites. The former Unilever building will be the new Administration Building, the former Smits farm and Equestrian Estates will be residential subdivisions.

All written recommendations will be submitted to the Division of Land Management. Three recommendations will be presented to the Land Commission for final selection. The name selected will be translated into the Oneida Language through Land Commission resolution.

Please submit name recommendations in writing to: Tina Hackett

Real Estate Services Specialist Division of Land Management P.O. Box 365 Oneida, WI. 54155

All submissions are due by June 14th, 2009.



Traditional Medicine Presentation WHEN: Tuesday, June 9

5:00pm - 6:00pm

TIME:

PLACE: Oneida Community Health Center Join Us For a health education presentation on Traditional Medicine with Ana Barton, EHSD. Enjoy a light snack and bring your friend, bring

your neighbor! Please contact Oneida Health Promotion for more information - (920) 490-3927. Update: Tues.

Wome	n's Talking Circle Group
WHEN:	Every other Tuesday starting June
9	
TIME:	6:00 рм – 7:30 рм
PLACE:	Wise Women Gathering Place,
	2483 Babcock Rd.

Wise Women Gathering Place is sponsoring a Women's Talking Circle Group. Come and join us as we discuss a healthy lifestyle, relationships, children, jobs and overall wellness. For more information: Contact Marlene Summers or Bev Scow at Wise Women Gathering Place **920-490-0627**.

June 12-14 Bayfest

BayjestWHEN:Friday, June 12 - Sunday, June 24TIME:VariousPLACE:Leicht Memorial Park, Downtown
Green Bay

Sign up to be a volunteer at Bayfest and receive an official Bayfest volunteer t-shirt. Volunteers are asked to work at least one four-hour shift. Volunteers are needed in the Adventure Zone, Information Tent, Marketplace Set-Up, and children's area. Bayfest is a designated project approved by the Green Bay Public Schools for service learning. Contact **920-435-5220** or **niki@art-seventsinc.com** to sign up.

June 12-14

Wiscons	in American Indian Democratic
	Caucus meeting
WHEN:	Friday, June 12
TIME:	5:00pm
PLACE:	Green Bay Radison Hotel and
	Conference Center
The Indian	Caucus meeting is in the Cayuga
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Room. Looking forward to plotting strategies and hearing your stories! FMI: Carrie **920.205.7905** drumtheheartbeat@gmail.com

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WHEN:	Sunday, June 21
TIME:	10:00AM
PLACE:	Jackson Park, 300 Madison Street.
	Green Bay

Come celebrate Father's Day at the 6th annual Mass on the Grass. Benches will be available, but feel free to grab your comfy lawn chair or a blanket to share. Rain Location appointed at Holy Apostles Church, 2937 Freedom Road, Oneida. We'll have live music and refreshments will be served following the service. This is a Community Event and the public is invited and encouraged to share the events.

The Quality of Life Survey, part 4

Submitted by the Statistics Office

This is the fourth article reporting on the Quality of Life Survey, a survey that gathers data on various social, cultural, health, economic, educational, governmental and other issues. This month, the key finding is: Survey members were asked to express their satisfaction level for a number of economic indicators. Ratings were obtained for: income level, current employment and opportunities, retirement, services and benefits and the overall health of the economy. The majority of Oneida Nation members expressed fairly high levels of satisfaction with their income level.

Once again, keep in mind that Tribal members from all over the U.S. participated in this survey, although, an emphasis was placed on members living on the reservation.

Respondents were asked to rate the income of themselves and their family. 67% were very satisfied or somewhat satisfied (20%; 47%), while 31% were somewhat or very dissatisfied (19%; 12%) with their income level. Respondents were also asked if they felt they would be better off financially a year from now. 66% of respondents either strongly or somewhat agree that they will be better off.

The next topic focuses employment. on Respondents were asked to rate their current job. Overall, 54% of respondents were satisfied with their current job. 31% of respondents chose "not applicable". On and off Reservation responses were similar except in dissatisfaction. On Reservation respondents had a slightly lower dissatisfaction level than off Reservation respondents (14%; 20%). When asked if the Oneida provides good employment opportunities for members, on and off Reservation respondents had different perceptions. 71% of on Reservation respondents either strongly or somewhat agreed with this compared to 53% of off Reservation respondents.

The next topic discussed under this key finding is the economy. 47% of respondents rated the Reservation's economy as good or excellent. 38% rated it as fair or poor. Respondents who live off the Reservation were asked to rate the economy where they 51% of off live. Reservation respondents rated it as excellent or good and 42% rated it as fair or poor.

Respondents were asked to rate the Oneida Reservation as a place to retire. 47% of off Reservation respondents chose "not applicable". Overall, 63% of respondents rated the Reservation as an excellent or good place to retire. When looking at on Reservation responses only, 74% of respondents rated it as excellent or good.

The final two topics under this key finding are fairness of services and benefits offered through Oneida and current housing situation. 70% of respondents strongly or somewhat agreed that Oneida is fair in the amount of services and benefits offered to members. 75% of on Reservation respondents strongly or somewhat agreed. while 25% strongly or somewhat disagreed that Oneida is fair in the amount of services and benefits offered to members. 62% of off Reservation respondents strongly or somewhat agreed and 18% strongly or somewhat disagreed. Finally, 80% of on Reservation respondents rated their current housing situation as excellent or good, while 72% of off Reservation respondents rated it as excellent or good.

The complete 2008 Quality of Life report is available on the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin website, www.oneidanation.org. If you have any questions/concerns about the Quality of Life survey, please contact the Statistics Office at (920) 869-4564 or via e-mail at stats@oneidanation.org.

	Very	Somewhat	Somewhat	Very	N/A
	Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	
Oneida Higher Education Program	33%	35%	7%	4%	21%
Oneida Head Start Program	17	18	3	1	61
Oneida Child Care Centers	10	17	4	3	65
Oneida Nation Elementary School	9	17	10	5	59
Oneida Nation High School	6	15	11	8	60
Oneida Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA)	8	20	7	4	61
Oneida Youth Enrichment Services (YES)	10	22	6	4	58
Oneida Continuing Education Center*	23	29	4	2	42

From 1A/DJ Danforth finds his match

ple in line, smiling and thanking supporters for coming out.

"I'm a fighter," he said. "I was trying to be strong and put my effort into the fund raiser, helping my family, because they were doing all the work, I should be doing some of the work no matter how I'm feeling."

DJ goes to dialysis three days a week from 6:00am to 10:30am.

"I have very strict limitations. If I named everything I couldn't eat, I would be here all day," he said.

In August of 2008, DJ's kidneys failed and he went into end stage renal failure.

"(The doctors) couldn't find a reason for it, but they knew what I needed was a kidney transplant," said DJ.

DJ battled through August and September to be healthy enough for a transplant. When the search for a donor started in October, family members quickly signed up to be tested, though it seemed they knew who would be selected.

"Everybody said Gerald right off the bat," said DJ.

DJ's older sister Melinda Danforth and younger brother Gerald Danforth were perfect matches for DJ. Gerald was selected because he and DJ are male.

"He's my brother, he's my family so I figured you got to do what you can for your family," said Gerald. Though there is a four-year gap between the two, DJ, age 25 and Gerald, age 21, were close growing up.

"I was his tail," said Gerald.

"I spent a lot of time with him when he was younger, and I take a little pride in helping to raise him and being a part of his life," said DJ. "This is the biggest thing that he can do for me ever, and I'm happy that he can do that. I'm so happy, August 8

4th An	nual Pfc. Ryan Jerabek, USMC
	Memorial Challenge
WHEN.	Saturday August 8

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TIME:	6:30an	n – 10:30an	1	
PLACE:	Four	Seasons	Park,	North
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Ryan Jerebek, an 18-year-old Hobart native, served our nation in the United States Marine Corp with honor, courage and commitment. He gave his life for the cause of freedom on April 6th, 2004 in Ramadi, Iraq. The intent of this non-profit event is to honor and thank our veterans, all of our servicemen and women, and to honor and remember our fallen heroes. 4 mile run/2 mile walk, Children's ¼ mile run, Children's ½ mile run. Early registration by June 30: \$15 adults, \$7 under 18. Contact Rita at **920-497-9347** for more information or go to **www.jerabekchallenge.us**

Mondays

Teaching Powwow Drum

WHEN:	Mondays
TIME:	6:30рм
PLACE:	Flying Leaf Community Center in
	Site II
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The Oneida Housing Authority has a powwow drum that meets on Monday nights. We are looking for Boys and Girls to join us, no experience necessary, this is a teaching drum. FMI call Breezy at **920-869-6669**.

Fridays

Women's Support Group

WHEN: Fridays TIME: 12:30PM

PLACE:

12:30рм – 2:30рм

Three Sisters Center

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

To include events in this section please call the kalihrvisaks office at... (920) 869-4280, 4279, 4090 or 4277 Announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.



OC Top 10 Priority list

The LOC has identified the following ten items as priorities for 2009. It is anticipated that most, if not all of the following will either be adopted by the end of this year or will have gone through the public hearing process. For more information on these priorities or on any of the other legislation currently being processed, visit the Active Files List, which can be found on the LOC Homepage on the Oneidanation.org Web site.

Family Law 1. Laws to Provide For **Our Children**

Child Custody, Placement and Visitation Law

A public hearing was held April 28, 2009 for this law whereby the Oneida Tribal courts can exercise jurisdiction over family matters involving child custody, visitation and placement.

Child Support Law and Rules

This law would allow the OAC to hear child support cases and issue child support orders. The LOC and LRO are reviewing comments submitted during the Public Comment has proposed compre-Period which ended March 31st.

Paternity Law

This law would enable Tribal members and some non-members to have their paternity actions heard by the OAC. The LOC and Legislative Reference Office are reviewing comments submitted during the Public Comment Period which ended Division and by other hearing bodies of the Tribe. A public hearing was scheduled for May 12,2009.

4. Legislative **Operating Structure** (100 Day Plan)

The LOC is developing a plan to establish a structure for Standing Committees with oversight responsibilities that would develop and propose legislation and policy changes.

5. Administrative **Procedures Act**

A draft of a new Administrative Procedures Act that will conform with the Judiciary Act is in the process of being reviewed by the LOC.

Finance

6. Indian Preference Law

Possible amendments are being considered to update the process, with the intent of making the procedures for utilizing Indian Preference more effective and efficient.

7. Oneida Nation **Gaming** Ordinance (ONGO)

The ONGO Task force hensive amendments to the current Ordinance, which are being considered by the LOC. A public hearing was scheduled for May 12, 2009.

8. Venture Fund Policy

The LOC is reviewing Venture Fund policies and procedures per the November 15, 2008 GTC motions to transfer \$2.9 million currently allocated in the Venture Fund to the Land Acquisition fund in FY 2009 and to suspend further activity in the Venture Fund until policy and procedures reviewed are and approved by the GTC; and to direct the Tribal Treasurer to add an additional \$2 million to the Land Acquisition fund for FY09

Per Capita Amendment

Per Capita Ordinance Amendments

On April 24th, the Oneida **Business** adopted Committee Resolution BC-04-22-09-A, amending the Per Capita Ordinance. These amendments are intended to clarify, update, and in some cases, expand, provisions relating to attachments, federal income tax withholding, trust accounts, and deadlines. The amendments include:

- Age cut-off dates. The cut-off date by which a person must be eighteen years old has been changed from August 31st to September 1st.
- Attachments (Currently called "garnishments"). The garnishment sections have been renamed "attachments" and now clarifies that until child support arrears are fully satisfied, debt owed to a Tribal entity will not be attached.
- More than one obligation addressed. If a Tribal member owes arrears for more than one child, the per capita payment is equally divided based on the number of children the member owes arrears for. If a Tribal member does not owe child support arrears, but owes debt to more than one Tribal entity, the per capita payment will be equally divided.
- Involuntary Per Cap. The Oneida Appeals Commission (OAC) is authorized to order attachments against per capita payments of Tribal members who do not return a notarized

mandatory federal tax withholding was also added.

- No attachments on Trusts. Attachment of a minor's trust account has been prohibited. A new provision was added to establish legally incompetent adult trust accounts in order to comply with the Tribe's Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP).
- Extension of **Enrollment Deadlines.** The deadline for determining eligibility is extended from February 28th to March 31st.

• High School Diploma Requirement. A High School Diploma requirement was added for a minor's trust fund payment, in order to discourage students from dropping out of school when they receive their disbursement. A person who turns 21 can receive any trust fund monies in his or her name without providing proof of graduation. The requirement would not apply to legally incompetent adults, or to those with a learning disability or other disability, but the person would have to prove that s/he has attended at least 12 years of school. The diploma requirement will go into effect starting with those individuals who are, or should have been, a part of the class of 2010. Those individuals who are, or should have been, part of the class of 2009-meaning 17 or 18 years of age on graduation day - are exempt from the diploma requirement. Unclaimed Per Capita. The amendments require a Tribal member to claim a per capita payment within a year, instead of 7 years, after the payment is originally made. A member will have until one year after his or her 21st birthday (instead of 7 years after their 19th birthday) to claim a minor's trust fund account. Those between 18 and 25 when this provision goes into effect are exempt from this rule-they will have until their 26th birthday to file a claim for funds in their minors trust account.

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Legislative

vations (April 30 -September 7, 2009) the LRO will be temporarily located in Oneida **Social Services.**

For more information, please call Legislative Office Reference Coordinator Peril Huff at (920) 869-4376 or email phuff@oneidanation.org



Purpose: Repeal of the Burial Fund Endowment Policy so that the Burial benefit may be replaced with the Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus (OLIPP) benefit which would provide a \$15,000 life insurance benefit for enrolled Tribal members. This is in accordance with GTC resolution # GTC-1-17-09-B.

When: June 23, 2009

Where: Business Committee Conference Room (BCCR)

Time: 11:30AM

Public Hearing Process

I. Testimony:

A. **Oral:** There will be a 5 minute limit for all oral presentations. Each participant is encouraged to provide a written transcript of his/her oral

March 31st.

2. Marriage **Divorce Law**

and

A new law allowing Oneida Tribal courts to exercise jurisdiction over marital actions including marriages, annulments, divorces and separations, is in the drafting stage, and is expected to go to public hearing later this summer.

Judicial/ Legislative **3. Judiciary Act**

A new Judiciary Act would restructure and strengthen the Tribe's ability to fairly and effectively administer justice on the Oneida Reservation by creating: a Trial Court Division which would include a peacemakers court, administrative court, family court and a court of general jurisdiction, and a Court of Appeals would which hear appeals of decisions issued in the Trial Court

Community Development 9. Housing Law

The LOC is currently awaiting review and recommendation from the Community Planning Standing Committee regarding the implementation of this new law to govern Tribal housing on the Reservation.

10. Zoning Ordinance

Comprehensive draft amendments are in the process of review. Proposed changes would add new zoning districts, and re-evaluate current "uses" for each district.

membership payment form as required; to prevent members from avoiding paying child support arrears, or other debt, by not claiming a per capita payment.

- Deadline change. The OAC must forward any attachment determinations to the Enrollment Department by August 1st, instead of August 31st
- Withholding. A section on voluntary federal tax withholding was added to clarify that when а member requests taxes be withheld from his or her per capita payment, the taxes are withheld before any attachments are made to the payment. A provision for

testimony, to be submitted while present at the public hearing or within ten (10) business days from the date of public hearing to the below named individuals.

- B. Written: For those who cannot attend the scheduled public hearing or do not plan to speak at the hearing, the Oneida Tribe encourages those to submit written testimony. A maximum of ten (10) pages, doubled spaced, can be submitted within ten (10) business days from the date of public hearing to the Tribal Secretary (Patricia Hoeft) or Peril Huff, Legislative Reference Office at the Social Services Building, 3rd floor or mail to PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155.
- If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 920-869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-490-3979. Copies of this law are also available on the LOC Website: www.onloc.oneidanation.org





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OBC Forum

Letters & Opinions...

Response to Norbert Hill, Jr. letter

The Village Board of Trustees politely ignored a Guest Commentary of Norbert Hill, Jr. that was published in the Kalihwisaks tribal newspaper on April 23, 2009 and secondarily published in the Green Bay Gazette on May 6, 2009. We believe, however, that our Hobart residents deserve a response to Mr. Hill's re-publication of the commentary in the Ashwaubenon-Hobart Press on May 15, 2009.

We are concerned on two levels about such multiple publications. First, it is difficult to rationalize any useful purpose served by such demeaning characterization of a wonderful community; second, we are alarmed that someone of the acedemic stature of Norbert Hill, Jr. would repeatedly publish opinion unsubstantiated with fact-checking. Mr. Hill has never made personal inquiry with a village official, and has no basis for such libelous and vacuous opinion to tarnish an entire communi-Hill's comments ty. regarding Hobart law enforcement and position on taxation are also in error.

There is a simple, straight- forward answer to Mr. Hill's opening question: "Why is it that the Oneida Nation can work out agreements with Brown County, Green Bay and other municipalities?" The plain answer is a tribal government enactment on February 20, 2008 of Oneida **Business** Committee Resolution 2-20-08-C, No. "Resolution regarding government-to-government relation with the Village of Hobart." This tribal government action declared that the tribe would no longer conduct government-to-government relations with the Village of Hobart. Resolution No. 2-20-08-C remains in effect so by its very existence, until voluntarily rescindthe Oneida ed by Committee, Business there can be no "mutual recognition of two gov-

working ernments together," as Hill suggests. We simply must acknowledge and respect the aforementioned Resolution as tribal government decision-making.

Disagreement with a tribal government action does not make an individual, much less an entire Village, "anti-indian." One of such a high perch in academic should forego such hateful generalities.

Elected officials of the Village of Hobart Board have never, and would never adopt formal enactments that disparage its neighboring governments of their elected officials and staff. All of our elected officials and staff are open to dialogue and communication with tribal officials at any time, but that opportunity is self-constrained by the Oneida Tribe's Resolution enactment. and not any act of the Village of Hobart.

Mr. Norbert Hill's brother, the current Oneida Business Committee Chairman, Rick Hill, has been entirely gracious with Village Board we may be less tolerant in the future if Norbert Hill Jr., representing himself as Vice-President of the College of Menoninee Nation, continues to impose public harm and unwarranted character assassination upon the Village of Hobart.

Sincerely, Richard R. Heidel, Village President Edward Kazik, Trustee Donna Severson. **Trustee** Dave Dillenburg, **Trustee** Debbie Schumacher, **Trustee**

OBC Forum...

Sakoli

It's that time of year again, when we celebrate our graduates. We celebrate them for their dedication and commitment to learning. What they learn they can teach. We celebrate them for growing their knowledge and skills in ways that will help them survive throughout their life. Their survival brings new life. We celebrate them for their accomplishments. Their success is our future. Congratulations to all the 2009 headstart, 8th grade, technical and college graduates and best wishes for great success in your future!

This is also the time of year where we celebrate our Elders. On May 29, 2009, the Honor the Elder luncheon was held at the Radisson. The festivities of games, prizes, lunch and entertainment served more than 670 elders. This event is to recognize and thank our Elders for their contributions to the Oneida community.

Last week, we cele-

capita is that the most recent group of Oneida's who turned 18 received a decreased per capita payment due to investment policy and the recent financial collapse on Wall Street. There is no mention of how many 18 year olds that benefited with a higher payment in previous years from the same investment strategy.

I don't understand the reason for paying a large sum of money to the adults because the children's trust accounts were affected by the American economic situation. A per capita payment to the adults does not solve the situation for the children. I believe we have an opportunity here to both teach our youth and educate ourselves to be financially literate and avoid the danger of thinking we can spend, spend, and spend with no consequences to our next generations. The "now therefore be it finally resolved" restricts any deductions for unpaid child support. This restriction does not align with our Tribal

brated all the Veterans of all of the armed during the forces Oneida Day Holiday and Memorial Day national holiday, for giving of their hearts, for their dedication and commitment to protect the people, and for their strength and heroisms. We celebrate their remembrance and pray for those continuing in the footsteps of our ancestors. We honor and respect all those Oneida Veterans who kindly give and volunteer their support to the Oneida community. This Memorial weekend, we celebrated with the Oneida Veterans in a ground breaking ceremony for their new Veterans Building. A long time in planning has finally come to fruition.

Moving into the month of June, we plan for additional celebrations such as the Strawberry Thanksgiving, honoring and acknowledging the wild strawberry as well as other berries. A day is set in June as that is around the time the Strawberry ripens. This

value of the responsibility of taking care of our children and I do not support it.

I believe the thinking that went into this petition shows a need for us all to learn more about managing money and the basics of investing. We need to have our next generation well educated in finance so that they can make sound financial decisions that will impact many more generations to come.

As an elected Trust Committee member, I do not agree with this petiday is set to make а strawberry to be used as medicine.

T h e O n e i d a Family Carnival is also celebrated the first week of June. This

Councilwoman event recognizes and supports families with games, prizes, carnival rides and entertainment. And then in July we celebrate Independence Day and the Oneida Pow-wow, recognizing our great nations and cultures.

Trish King

This year the Oneida Casino is celebrating its 15th anniversary in August. This celebration includes a grand opening for the recent renovations at the main casino and the new renovations of the Radisson's food court. Watch for dates and times as this will be another exciting event.

"Oyhohtsch" is the Green Corn Ceremony that celebrates and

broader guidelines for food distribution assistance.

The whole world is being affected by this recession, not just Oneida. How we choose to deal with the effects of this recession today will affect many more Oneida generations that are yet to come.

> Elaine Skenandore-**Cornelius**

Questions article by ONHS student

Dear Editor: Your May 7th edition of Kalihwisaks has a sec

gives honor to the beans. As Iroquois people, our ancestors grew dozens of different types of beans, an important part of their diet. This ceremony is celebrated with a feast of various bean dishes

and soups and "the Great Feather Dance," around the first part of August.

The Green Corn Ceremony is celebrated usually at the end of August when the white corn reaches its "sweet corn" stage of growth. This ceremony celebrates the fact that the corn has once again provided us with its life sustaining spirit.

These celebrations will keep us all very busy for the summer months.

I am truly thankful to our Creator for all that we have to celebrate and to be thankful for.

Yaw^ko

be safe. Some plastic bottles may leach BPA. Bisphenol A can be harmful to health. Water should be stored in glass.

Third: She wrote "shower time less than six minutes". Maybe that would apply to a high school student, where the physical education teacher was demanding it. But it fails to take into account that older bathers may be slower and more thorough. Six minutes or less is not very realistic.

Sincerely,

\$10,000 Per **Capita Payment?** What Were You Thinking?

I read the most recent per capita petition calling for a \$10,000 per capita payment to Oneida adult members who are 21 years of age or older.

The "whereas" section of the petition says the reason for a new per

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tion. Rather, I'd like to see continued services to those members affected by the national economic downturn. There are unlimited possibilities such as helping workers find jobs; creating new jobs through the economic stimulus package; the training and education to get our members ready for those new jobs; opportunity for membership to open small businesses; continued health care and all other services currently offered to our membership; subsidized childcare expenses; affordable housing; and

tion titled Thunderhawk Times. That section had a column titled My Scoop. In it, Leah Pociopa wrote a brief item for Earth Day. Her comments raise a few questions.

First: Why does the Thanksgiving address she refers to thank "the earth and everything on it..."? We should be thanking God for everything. It makes more sense to worship and praise the creator of our earth rather than the creation itself.

Second: Reusing plastic water bottles may not Don Salveson

Red Hail Appologizes

I am writing to the Oneida Community to apologize for a recent video that I had posted about the Miss Indian World pageant. I really had no intentions in upsetting or disappoint anyone from my tribe. It was strictly about my experience down there, nothing more nothing less. I wanted to apologize to everyone that has seen it and that felt different from what I have stated. My experience down there was incredible and I came out with many great memories and life long friends. I do not want this little misunderstanding over shine my reign and what I have done for the Oneida Nation. I truly from the bottom of my heart, am sorry for what I have said. It will never happen again, and I will always be careful on what I say. Please still support me in my last few weeks as Miss Oneida, and know that I have respect for each and every one of you.

Thank You, Tashina Red Hail (Miss Oneida 2008-09)

SATURDAY July 25, 2009 7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M. at **ONEIDA POLICE DEPARTMENT** 2783 FREEDOM ROAD - ONEIDA ** PICTURE IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED & **NO CHILDREN ALLOWED IN VOTING AREA ****

2009 SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE

JUNE OBC Regular Meeting dates 10th & 24th Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month



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As two General Tribal Council meetings approach in July, I want to focus on an important aspect of being involved - preparing for GTC meetings by reviewing the meeting materials. The semi-annual meeting will be July 6 at the Radisson Hotel and a special meeting July 11 will be held at the Elementary "Turtle" School gymnasium. Enrolled tribal members are eligible to attend GTC meetings but to vote you must be at least 21 years old.

Semi-Annual Meeting

This meeting is one of two regular GTC meetings required by our Tribe's constitution to be held on the first Monday in January and July. The January meeting is referred to as our Annual meeting and the July meeting is our semiannual. Meeting materials for the annual and semi-annual meetings are mailed to only those tribal members who returned a card they received in the mail from the Oneida Enrollments Department. This rule is from the Ten Day Notice Policy,



Article V, Section 3. **Special GTC Meeting**

Three items are on July 11 special meeting agenda: a. to consider a petition asking GTC to prohibit the Tribe from partnering with non-tribal service agencies to provide youth recreation programming to our community, b. to consider revisions to the Tribe's election law, and c. to consider a petition asking GTC to approve a onetime \$10,000 per capita payment by December 2009. Materials for special GTC meetings are mailed to tribal members 21 and older who indicated on their enrollment form that they want tribal mailings.

Meeting materials

You can find the agendas for each of these meetings on the Government webpage at oneidanation.org. To ensure that you will receive either meeting's materials, please call the Enrollments Office at (920) 869-6200.

For more information about GTC meetings, please call the Tribal Secretary's Office at (920) 869-4364.

OBC Meeting Results

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

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE **REGULAR MEETING** May 13, 2009 **Business Committee**

Oneida Election Board Rosa Melchert administered by Patty Hoeft on April 30 Michelle Hill administered by Patty Hoeft on April 28





King, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

Regional **Tri bal Operations Committee &** GAP Conference Travel Report

Regional Tribal Action: Operations Committee and GAP conference travel report approved. Motion carried unanimously. Ed Delgado arrived 9:28

a.m. General Tribal Council

Petitions

Petition for \$10,000 per capita distribution by Dec. 1, 2009

Action: Kathy Hughes to accept the petition and place it on the special General Tribal Council meeting agenda for July 11, 2009. Patty Hoeft. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes. Opposed: Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried.

Semi-Annual July 6, 2009 Meeting Preparations

Semi-Annual GTC meeting preparations update Action: Special Business Committee meeting scheduled for 9 a.m. Friday, May 15 to review and approve the business section of the semiannual meeting agenda packet. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Brandon Stevens, Kathy Hughes. Abstained: Trish King, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried. Action: Tribal Secretary's office directed to bring the final draft of the report section of the semi-annual

General Tribal Council meeting packet to the May 27 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Status of GTC Nov. 15, 2008 directives

Action: Status report of the General Tribal Council Nov. 15, 2008 directives accepted and to include it in the semiannual General Tribal Council meeting material. Motion carried unanimously.

LOC semi-annual report Action: Legislative Operating Committee semiannual report accepted and forward to General Tribal Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session poliсу

Action: Update from the Operating Legislative Committee about the executive session policy accepted and directed to provide a final recommendation at the May Special Business 15 Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously. External auditors financial report to GTC Action: Request forwarded to General Tribal Council to authorize McGladery and Associates to attend the General Tribal Council to present the fiscal year 2008 external audit. Motion carried unanimously.

unanimously.

Higher education scholarship cost study results Action: Report regarding the study results about whether to increase higher education scholarship accepted and Councilman Stevens requested to bring back another report at the May 15 Special Business Committee meeting with another recommendation on what to present to General Tribal Council at the semi-annual meeting. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Abstained: Brandon Stevens. Motion carried.

Action: Education recommendations deferred to the Legislative Operating Committee. Motion carried unanimously

Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus and proposed resolutions

Oneida Life Action: Insurance Plan Plus report accepted and proposed resolution forwarded to General Tribal Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Corporate charter specific reporting requirement Action: Tribal corporate charter update accepted and forwarded to General Tribal Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Special GTC Meeting July 11, 2009 Preparations

Petitioners request to add hyperbaric oxygen chamber petition to the GTC meeting on the FY2010 budget

Action: Petition about the hyperbaric oxygen chamber added to the agenda for the General Tribal Council FY 2010 budget meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Resolution Adopting Amendments to the **Election Law**

Action: Resolution adopting amendments to the Election Law report accepted and forwarded to General Tribal Council. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS Requests

Correct fee-to-trust application for the former Donald and Donna Geise property Resolutions

Action: Fee-to-trust resolution dated BC 7-5-06-T former Donald and Donna Geise Property rescinded for incorrect parcel numbers 17-0-0193-00, 17-0-0240-00, 17-

approved for correct parcel numbers 17-0-0214-00, 17-0-0235-00, and correct County Outagamie. Motion carried unanimously.

Support for the Codification of the ICWA into Wisconsin Law Resolution

Action: Resolution 05-13-09-B Support for the Codification of the Indian Child Welfare Act into Wisconsin Law adopted. Motion carried unanimously. Support WI DOT Highway 54 and Duck Creek bridge replacement proposal Resolution

Action: Resolution 05-13-09-C Support WI Department of Transportation Highway 54 and Duck Creek Bridge Replacement Proposal adopted. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Opposed: Brandon Stevens. Motion carried.

School Board U.S. Dept. of the Interior BIA Office Management Laura Cornelius **Construction Resolution** Action: Resolution 05-13-09-D United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Office Management and Construction adopted. Motion carried unanimously. Proposed special election caucus for Gaming **Commission vacancies** Action: Action dealing about the vacancies of the Gaming Commission deferred until the end of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

the Action: Action by Business Committee rescinded that adopted at their regular meeting on Feb. 25, 2009 that approved setting Sat.,

• Continued on pg. 8

Government **Meetings**

June 6, 2009 **Special Election** Caucus for Oneida Gaming Commission vacancy: 1 p.m. – Norbert Hill Center

June 10, 2009

Oneida Business Committee Regular meeting: 9 a.m. -Norbert Hill Center

July 6, 2009

Semi-Annual GTC

Meeting: Radison Hotel

and Conference Center

July 11, 2009 - Special

GTC Meeting: 10 a.m -

Oneida Elementary

School

July 25, 2009

Special Election for all

vacancies of elected

boards, committees and

commissions

July 2, 2009

Planning & Community

Development meeting:

9:00 a.m. – Norbert

Hill Center

Vacancies

Oneida Gaming *Commission* Two (2) Vacancies

1 term ending 2011 1 term ending 2012 Qualifications:

• Must be an enrolled Oneida and at least 21 years of age;

• Must have a minimum of five (5) years of any combination of postsecondary education, gaming training, and/or gaming experience in gaming regulations, gaming operations, gaming licensing, auditing, gaming laws or Indian law, administrative hearings or decision making, background investigations, surveillance, law enforcement, business administration or business management.

Deadline: June 22, 2009 @ 4:30 рм

Oneida Child **Protective Board** Two (2) Vacancies

Purpose: To protect the best interest of Oneida Children and to promote the stability and security of Oneida families by the establishment of minimum standards for the removal of Oneida children from their families. When placements of such children in foster or adoptive homes or facilities are necessary, these homes must reflect the unique values of Indian culture.

Qualifications:

- The board shall consist of (7) members, each serving a (4) year term appointed by the Business Oneida Committee.
- Must be an enrolled Oneida Tribal member.
- Must be eligible to vote in the Oneida elections.

June 4, 2009 • (Tsya[·]ták) 7A

Conference Room Meeting called to order at 9:11 a.m.

Present: Chairman Rick Hill - meeting chair, Vice Chairwoman Kathy Hughes. Tribal Secretary Patty Hoeft, Council members Edward Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Trish King, Brandon Stevens

Oath of Office Oneida Police Commission

Christopher Doxtator present George Skenandore present Bernard John Stevens administered by Patty Hoeft on April 28

REGULAR SESSION Reports Stimulus initiative update Action: Stimulus initiative update accepted. Oneida Golf Enterprise quarterly report Action: Golf Oneida Enterprise quarterly report approved. HHS Tribal Budget & Consultation Policy April 29-30 Washington D.C. Travel Report Human Health Action: Services Tribal Budget and Policy consultation travel report approved. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish

Oneida Housing status report

Action: Oneida Housing status report deferred to the May 27 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried

0-0237-00, 17-0-0236-00 and 17-0-0-2330-00. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Fee-to-trust warranty deed dated 7-24-06 former Donald and Donna Geise property rescinded for incorrect parcel numbers 17-0-0193-00, 17-0-0240-00, 17-0-0237-00, 17-0-0236-00, 17-0-0233-00 and incorrect County Brown. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Correct fee-to-trust resolution BC 05-13-09-A former Donald and Donna Geise property adopted for the correct parcel numbers 17-0-0214-00, 17-0-0235-00. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Corrected fee-to-trust warranty deed former Donald and Donna Geise property

Business Committee Evening **Meeting Sessions** Every 4th Wednesday of each month **Boards • Committees • Commissions June 24th** Quarterly Reports

- Child Protective Board
- Oneida Personnel Commission
- Oneida Gaming Commission
- Oneida Election Board
- Oneida Police Commission
- Oneida Library Board
- Oneida Nation Commission on Aging

• Must reside in Brown County or Outagamie County.

Relevant experience or education considered membership: for employment related to child protection matters; foster parenting experience; Guardian Ad Litem experience; high school diploma or GED (individuals over the age of 50 are exempt from this requirement); kinship or family care experience; and previous Oneida Child Protective Board experience; post secondary training preferred Deadline: July 6, 2009 @ 4:30 PM

To receive a blank application, visit the government webpages of www.oneidanation.org or you may contact the Tribal Secretary's Office at TribalSecretary@onei danation.org or by calling (920) 869-4364.

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

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on the Oneida Gaming Commission to fill the appointment by the Business Committee for a term ending in 2012 approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Patty Hoeft arrived at 1:40 p.m. **Rescind the Management**

& Employment Review Procedures

Action: Request to rescind the management and employment review procedures approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Request legal opinion regarding GTC stipend as tax deductible compared to 501.c3

Action: Request of a legal opinion regarding General Tribal Council stipend as tax deductible compared to 501.c3 approved, due at the June 24 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously

Oneida Golf Enterprise BC liaison

Action: Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. approved as the Oneida Golf Enterprise Business Committee liaison. Motion carried unanimously.

Retro-approve letter of support for grant application by Vicki and Greg Matson, and Caterina Delgado

Action: Request to retroapprove the letter of support for the grant application by Vicki and Greg Matson, and Caterina Delgado approved.

Motion carried unanimously. Request to solicit Oneida vendors for donations and sponsorship of the 2009 graduation banquet

Action: Request to add the Youth Enrichment Service program on the agenda approved. Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously. Action:Request from the General Manager and the Youth Enrichment program to solicit Oneida vendors for donations and sponsorship of the 2009 graduation banquet approved. Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Native American

Finance Conference May 12-13 Las Vegas, NV **Travel Request**

Action: Native American Finance Conference travel request by Treasurer Tina Danforth deferred to the May 27 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Great Plains Indian **Gaming Association**

Conference May 17-20 Prior Lake, MN Travel Request

Action: Great Plains Indian Gaming Association travel request by Chairman Rick Hill approved. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE April 10 Finance Committee minutes

Action: April 10 Finance

Committee minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE **OPERATING COMMITTEE** (LOC)

April 15 LOC minutes Action: April 15 LOC minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously. May 1 LOC minutes Action: May 1 LOC minutes approved. Motion carried unanimously. **Repeal of the Burial** Fund Endowment Policy public hearing June 23, 2009

Action: June 23, 2009 approved as the date for the public hearing regarding Repeal of the Burial Fund Endowment Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Repeal of the Oneida Boxing Ordinance resolution

Action: Resolution 05-13-09-E Repeal of the Oneida Boxing Ordinance adopted. Motion carried unanimously. Amendments to the **Emergency** Management Law resolution

Action: Resolution 05-13-09-F Amendments to the Emergency Management Law adopted. Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

Identifying Quarantine Diseases resolution Action: Resolution 05-13-

Identifying 09-G

Quarantinable Diseases adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS RFP-NEW regional public safety facility feasibility study project #04-Village 006 of Ashwaubenon, Oneida Tribe, Brown Co. Sheriff Dept., NEWTC Action: RFP-NEW regional public safety facility feasibility study project supported. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION New Business

Trish King arrived 2:32 p.m. Chairman Rick Hill was excused at 2:40 p.m.

Pardon recommendations Action: Pardon recommendations deferred to the Special **Business Committee meeting** on Friday May 15. Motion carried unanimously. Tribal member enrollrelinquishment ment request

Relinquishment Action: request accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

Bally's Technologies contract with limited waiver of sovereign immunity

Action: Trish King to adopt the resolution 03-13-09-H Authorizing a Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for a and Software Hardware

Purchase and License Agreement with Bally Gaming, Inc. d/b/a/ Bally Technologies. Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously. Wells Fargo contract amendment with limited waiver of sovereign immunity Action: Ed Delgado to

approve the Wells Fargo amendment with limited waiver of sovereign immunity. Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTORNEY BRIEF **Robert Yoder**

attorney contract Action: Robert Yoder attorney contract approved. Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

M&I documents

Action: M&I documents deferred to the May 27 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Subrogated Claims for Williams vs Rural Insurance Michael P. King

Action: Negotiations of the settlement of the subrogation claim for Williams vs. Rural Insurance Mike King authorized. Motion carried unanimously.

House Smoking Ban Opinion

Action: Smoking ban opinion accepted as FYI. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Work group for the smoking ban in the state of Wisconsin re-activated with a representative from the Legislative Operating Committee to coordinate the work group and include the Chief of Staff, report due June 24. Motion carried unanimously.

WI Supreme Court **Open Administrative** Conference

re: change to rule governing discretionary transfer of cases to Tribal courts Action: Supreme Court memo

as FYI accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIT COMMITTEE March 26 Audit Committee minutes and report

Action: March 26 Audit Committee minutes and report approved. Motion carried unanimously.

New York Land Claims settlement report New York Land Claims settlement update Action: New York Land Claims settlement verbal update accepted. Motion car**Executive Session policy** Report from Action: Legislative Operating Committee about Executive session policy approved to forward to General Tribal Council including the Legislative Operating Committee hand out to accept as FYI. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Abstained: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.

Higher education scholarship cost study results Action: Recommendations

proposed by Councilman Stevens and his study committee that we recommend to General Tribal Council on July 11 that we maintain the status quo up to the budget meeting for 2010 accepted and at that budget meeting the Business Committee will recommend that the scholarship fund be increased according to a tiered funding plan where a Bachelor degree up to \$20,000, Masters degree up to \$25,000 and a Doctorate degree up to \$30,000 and that an endowment for the Higher Education scholarship fund be developed and that a formula be proposed regarding the room and board allowance. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehass" Hill Ed Jr. Abstained: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.

Homeless and disabled Oneida tribal veteran

Action: Waiver to the catastrophic fund for provisions for housing authorized. Brandon Stevens. Motion carried unanimously.

Acton: Main motion amendment to recess today's meeting until 3:30 p.m. and the General Manager come back and report to us on how this individual is going to be helped by Sunday May 17. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Abstained: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.

Action: Accepted and another follow up on this person's status at the May 27 Business Committee meeting in executive session requested. Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Retro-approval to attend the 10th Annual Native American Finance conference May 12-13, 2009 Las Vegas, NV

Action: Retro-travel for Councilwoman Tina Danforth approved. Patty Hoeft. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado. Opposed: Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Tina Danforth, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr.

A Graduation Message from **Governor Jim Doyle:**

Congratulations Graduates!

Today is a day of celebration and accomplishment, and I applaud

your achievement. You've worked hard and shown dedication to your education and in doing so you chose a better future for yourself and your family.

Each of you has tremendous promise to make a lasting contribution to our state, and we need smart, motivated young leaders to seize future opportunities. After all, your dreams are Wisconsin's dreams, and your successes will be Wisconsin's successes. Our future depends on you.



Regardless of whether you are going out into the workforce or furthering your education, there are many possibilities open to you in Wisconsin if you work hard. As Governor, I want each of you to go as far as your hard work and talent can take you, and I have tremendous faith in your future success.

On behalf of the entire State of Wisconsin, I offer



my congratulations and wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors!



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ried unanimously. Meeting adjourned: 4:04 p.m.

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE **REGULAR MEETING** May 15, 2009 **Business Committee Conference Room** Meeting called to order at 9:03 a.m.

Present: Vice Chairwoman Kathy Hughes - meeting Treasurer Tina chair, Danforth, Tribal Secretary Patty Hoeft, Council members Edward Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

Excused: Chairman Rick Hill, Council members Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King

GENERAL TRIBAL COUNCIL Semi-Annual July 6, 2009 Meeting preparations Semi-Annual GTC meeting preparations update

Action: Semi-annual GTC meeting preparations update tabled due to a memo that is needed. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Action to bring back another final draft to the Business Committee at 3:30 p.m. today May 15 approved. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Tina Danforth, Brandon Stevens, Abstained: Ron "Tehassi" Hill. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting called by to order by Chairman Rick Hill at 3:42 p.m.

Present: Rick Hill, Kathy Hughes, Tina Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado

Action: KReport for preparation accepted and authorized to go to print and distribute to General Tribal Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION OLD BUSINESS

Pardo n recommendations

Robintina Dickenson Action: Patty Hoeft to approve Pardon the Screening Committee recommendation to deny the pardon for Robintina Dickenson. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi Hill Jr. Abstained: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.

Suzette Beau

Pardon Screening Action: Committee recommendation to approve a pardon for Suzette Beau approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Richard Laes

Action: Pardon Screening Committee recommendation to approve a pardon for Richard Laes approved. Motion carried unanimously. **Edward Pero**

Pardon Screening Action: Committee recommendation to approve a pardon for Edward Pero approved. Motion carried unanimously. Peril Huff

Pardon Screening Action: Committee recommendation to approve a pardon for Peril Huff approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Samuel Kolosso

Pardon Screening Action: Committee recommendation to approve a pardon for Samuel Kolosso approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Russell Stevens

Pardon Screening Action: Committee recommendation to deny the pardon for Russell Stevens approved. For: Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. Abstained: Tina Danforth. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned: 4 p.m.

Stimulus

Stimulus money arriving faster than expected

By Jennifer Hill-Kelley

Interim Economic Resources Coordinator

Federal stimulus money is coming to the Oneida reservation, and tribal department heads agree it's coming faster than expected.

Oneida Department of Public Works (DPW) Maintenance Supervisor John Brocker compared the usual speed of federal funding for the Oneida Nation School System (ONSS) facilities to the stimulus funding.

"Whenever anything comes up, we enter into this (Facilities Management Information System) program, and it gets OK'd from Minneapolis. Then it goes to ... I don't know where it goes to, someplace. If it gets approved or funded, it could get approved and for years we don't get the money," Brocker explained. "So this was a big surprise because we put it in a few months ago."

The elementary and middle school, shaped like a giant turtle, will celebrate its 15th anniversary this fall,

putting its roof five years past its 10 year warranty. Superintendent ONSS Sharon Mousseau states a new roof is desperately needed.

"We had a shower in the middle (of the school)," said Mousseau.

"The whole room was flooded, I mean leaking all over. Ceiling tiles are dropping, lights were filling up with water," said Brocker.

The cost to replace the roof will cost \$1.3 million, and will be covered by federal stimulus funds.

"If this gets fixed, it will take a lot of headaches off me," said Brocker.

According to Oneida Public Transit Manager Clifford Webster, his department will also get stimulus funds to purchase two 30 passenger busses, one 16 passenger bus, a pick-up truck, tracking system and 12 bus stops.

"This is the first time it's ever happened; otherwise, it's just our 5311 Capital Improvements Grant," he said. He explained the 5311 grant requires a 20% match



from Oneida, however, the stimulus funds do not require any matching funds.

To get the stimulus money, both departments had to work fast and coordinate with their state and national contacts as well as the Oneida Business Committee (OBC) and grant writing staff.

"I didn't even know what he was taking about when he first called me," said Webster of a con-

with Dave verastion from the Lowe Wisconsin Department of Transportation. "He said we got a stimulus grant coming in, can you get me some information by the end of the week? We want to submit it; it should go through Congress pretty quick."

Mousseau had a similar experience, stating they had gotten a letter late on a Monday, and had a day to write a resolution for OBC approval

on Wednesday. "We had to slam a resolution together," said

Mousseau. The funds will create indirect jobs though contractors working on the

roof, and will improve services for Transit riders

"We're getting bigger busses, and we'll be able to save time and manpower," said Webster.

He said we got a stimulus grant coming in, can you get me some information by the end of the week?"

~ Clifford Webster, Public Transit Manager



Stimulating the Oneida Economy

ARRA - American Recovery & Reinvestment Act



ARRA Stimulus Update



Training

Comprehensive Health

Headstart

applications to the applicable federal agency to receive the funding. Grants have also been submitted for ARRA funding totaling \$15,067,154 for the Oneida Police and Department, Oneida Act Nation School System Lunch Program has Equipment, Environmental Stream Restoration, Oneida Arts Program, Oneida Transit Garage and the Domestic Violence Program. We hope to hear whether those programs will be funded soon. the We will continue to Wisconsin feature tribal programs that are receiving ARRA funding on this page as their detailed plans become available. May 27, 2009



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Interim Economic Resources Coordinator

This is a brief update on Oneida's efforts to create jobs and provide services through funding from the American Recovery Reinvestment (ARRA). To date, the Oneida Tribe received stimulus funding formula awards for existing tribal programs such as the Oneida Housing Authority and Oneida Nation School System, totaling approximately \$6,237,972 and an award through a partnership with Northeast Technical College for \$67,268. As the formula funding notices are received, in most cases, the Tribal programs must submit full grant

Contact:

Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Interim Economic Resources Coordinator, jhillkel@oneidanation.org, 920.496.5354

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• White House Recovery website

www.Recovery.gov

National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)

www.indiancountryworks.org

Wisconsin Office of Recovery and Reinvestment

www.recovery.wi.gov/

stimulus@oneidanation.org

Stay tuned to the next issue...

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

June 4th issue.

Peacekeepers for Youth in the Oneida Community

By Alex Lei-Nako Oneida Social Services

In 2002 a group of five began to meet in order to devise a method to intervene for Oneida Youth (step one). Intervention seemed to be happening to late and the means of intervening were not working for a number of youth. We were reminded that the Haudenosaunee had a way to assist those whose fires were out of balance; in the case of some youth, when their fires are raging. That method brings balance to the situation and to the youth. Members of the community would assist the fire of each individual to burn in a good way. With some that would mean readdressing their minds. Those who readdress their minds - sa shakoti nikuhlaslunihe.

We attempted unsuccessfully to secure monies to fund the project in 2004 and 2006. Though unfunded we worked with another program "CAPPS" to identify those in the community who youth looked to for direction and who youth trusted. So, in 2004 (step two), there was a dinner that honored 102 women identified by youth and community members as having these gifts. In 2006 (step three) there was a dinner that honored 79 men for these same gifts.

This year we have received a small grant form the Office of Justice

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and complying with the 20/20 plan of re-acquiring lost land, while also honoring our ancestors. It is difficult to put a

Assistance in Wisconsin (step four). This funding will be used to train the sa shakoti nikuhlasluni-We will first he. approach the 181 identified women and men and then the community at large to recruit 25 individuals to work with youth. Five individuals from other tribes will be asked to join us. From the 25 we will look to keep 15 to 20

Sa shakoti nikuhlaslunihe at all times. These individuals will at first work with youth who are truant, suspended, expelled, have status offenses, or are first entering the juvenile court system.

Becoming a sa shakoti nikuhlaslunihe will include taking part in an interview, background check, and training. The training will last two days and is just being developed. One June 22nd we will be having a meeting from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm at Oneida Social Services Building to introduce the large project and then use consensus building to begin developing the procedures and requirements that will be used in the recruiting and training of the sa shakoti nikuhlaslunihe.

If you are interested in this project or in becoming a sa shakoti nikuhlaslunihe you can call Alex Lei-Nako at **920-490-3774.**

7th Annual Oneida Days

June 26 – July 5 Tobacco Burning and Flag Raising Friday June 26, 8:00am Norbert Hill Center by flag poles

Oneida Elderly Services Annual Rummage

Supports: Roberta Kinzhuma Scholarship Award Friday June 26, 10 am to 3pm Former Tower Foods Rummage, Car Wash, 50/50 Raffle, Food Contact: Claudia Skenandore, **920-869-**

2448 Volunteers are wanted. Contact Hillary 920-869-

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Ridgeview Plasa Open House

Wednesday, July 1 4:00pm - 7:00pm Sale Items, Food, Raffles, Live Music and MORE Contact: Raeann Skenandore, **920-497-582**

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Oneida Museum's 12th Annual Cultural **Festival** 2 Thursday, July 10:30am - 3:30pm Museum Grounds W892 County RD EE Contact: Sue Peterson 920-869-6539 Fax: 920-869-2959 speterso@oneidanation.org

First Nations Golf Association TBD

2nd Woodland Indian Art Show and Market TBD

37th Annual Oneida Powwow

July 3-5, NHC Grounds Oneida Powwow Committee: **920-496-7897** Weekend Pass: \$10 Daily Pass: \$5 60 and Over & 10 and

under: FREE Dancers/Singers: \$5 Advanced weekend passes available at Oneida One Stops and the Oneida Casino Travel center: \$8

Traditional LaCrosse Game(s) Friday July 3 8:00pm

Traditional Game Saturday July 4 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm Chumash Tournament and 8:00 pm Traditional Game Contact Killebrew VanDyke **920-562-2164**

Annual Oneida Parade

Theme: "Wacky World of Sports" July 4 at 10:30 AM Contact: Tonya, 920-496-7897, Fax 920-496-7893

Ecumenical Church Service at the Powwow TBD

Oneida Semi-Annual Meeting Monday July 6 6:00 pm

For additional information, contact Lloyd E. Powless Jr. at **920-869-4517**, fax **920-869-1610**. **lpowless@oneidanation.org**



Consumers living on a federally-recognized tribal land may qualify for assistance programs that discount initial telephone installation and basic monthly residential service. CenturyTel is spreading the word about the programs so tribal residents who participate in federal or state assistance programs may apply for the phone discounts.

The assistance programs, known as Link-Up and Enhanced Tribal Lifeline, are available to qualifying tribal residents and vary from state to state, depending on whether the state has its own Lifeline program. Link-Up support for tribal lands provides a discount on the initial installation of a traditional, wireline telephone for a primary residence. The Enhanced Tribal Lifeline Assistance program enables participants to receive basic monthly telephone service, depending on current rates, at their primary residence for as little as one dollar a month.

Residents of American Indian and Alaskan Native tribal lands may qualify for Enhanced Tribal Lifeline discounts of up to \$35 per month on basic monthly telephone service and up to \$70 of expanded Link-Up support beyond current levels. An individual living on tribal lands may qualify for Enhanced Tribal Lifeline and Link-Up discounts if he or she participates in one of the following programs: Medicaid, food stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance or the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Head Start, Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TTANF), Tribal National School Lunch Program, and Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, or have a household annual gross income at or below 135 percent of the federal poverty level.

price on something like that.

Looking Ahead

On Saturday, May 30th, as a part of an event hosted by the Joint Executive Team to celebrate and unveil this new Oneida Administration Building, a tobacco burning was conducted by Bob Brown on the premises. This has also been a traditional way for the Oneida Tribe to give thanks for the land, and to bring the leadership together to prepare our minds and spirits for this new responsibility. It was also an opportunity to honor Elsie and her family, and it is hopeful that her name is strongly considered in the decision making process of giving the new Oneida Administration Building a permanent name. Yaw a^ko.

Oneida Tribal Members, are you interested in learning the Oneida Hymns?

Come join us. We will begin practicing:

When: Every Sunday starting June 14th

Time: 4:00pm – 5:30pm

Where: Oneida Methodist Church Hall



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

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

Individuals living in a CenturyTel service area should call 800-201-4099 and ask for Tribal Lifeline or visit www.centurytel.com/lifeline to inquire about eligibility. Residents living outside of the Century-Tel service area should contact their local phone company for more information.



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CMN adviser Leeann Schreiber will be there with information on learning opportunities leading to careers in business, nursing, education, sustainable development and other fields, and about CMN's job training for technical/trades work ranging from welding to office skills.

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Tribes, police band together to fight drugs, gangs

By Todd Richmond Associated Press Writer

LAC DU FLAMBEAU, Wis. (AP) ~ The two law officers meeting over breakfast at the Lake of the Torches Casino had not gone there looking for trouble. But they found it when they walked out into the sunshine and saw two teenagers flashing bills in the parking lot.

Quickly, they patted down the teens, then searched their casino hotel room. They netted a pocketful of marijuana, four bottles of vodka and a 17-year-old girl who had told her parents she was visiting a friend in Minnesota.

A small-time bust by any standard, but this one in April represented something larger. The lawmen were Lac du Flambeau tribal Police Capt. Bob Brandenburg and Wisconsin Justice Department Special Agent Tom Sturdivant, and the sight of a state agent working side-by-side with a tribal officer to fight reservation crime symbolized a new kind of teamwork.

And the effort to open communication and cooperation between tribal and state law enforcement agencies has gotten attention far from Wisconsin. While some have raised questions about the potential impact on tribal sovereignty, others point to the effectiveness of the new approach.

Over the past decade, gangs and drugs have run rampant in Indian Country as bad guys realized the lightly policed reservations made ideal playgrounds.

In Wisconsin, the state Justice Department quietly coaxed tribes to band together into a one-of-a-kind task force that could be a template for other states dealing with reservation crime.

The team, branded the Native American Drug and Gang Initiative, or NADGI, has developed a core of Indian undercover officers, enabling them to infiltrate tribal drug rings, given every tribe access to the state's central criminal data-sharing system and set up regular training for tribal drug officers.

"Five white guys driving nice vehicles in a (reservation) subdivision, we stand out like a sore thumb," said Sturdivant, the task force leader. "Now we've got Native American guys. They know the friends and foes." Crime has long been a problem in Indian Country, but the violence has spiked.

According to FBI statistics, homicides and non-negligent manslaughter on reservations increased 14 percent between 2002 and 2006. Robberies jumped 123 percent between 2002 and 2006. Most of that rise is linked to drugs, authorities say.

Reservations offer nearperfect hideouts and lucrative markets. They're often remote, with few businesses and job opportunities. Reservation unemployment was 13.6 percent and almost 1-in-3 residents lived below the federal poverty line, according to the 2000 census. Selling drugs means easy money. Doing them means escape.

"There's nothing for the kids here," said Wanda LaBarge, a 48-year-old Lac Courte Oreilles tribal member who lives on the Lac du Flambeau reservation. "There's no jobs. You see 10-year-old kids in little four to five member gangs walking and breaking windows. Something's going to escalate." Reservations pose myriad problems for police. They're so large police

can't patrol them adequately. Tribal departments often are understaffed and lack training and money. The Lac du Flambeau Police Department has only nine full-time and four part-time officers to cover about 3,000 people spread out over 108 square miles, Chief Elliot Rising Sun said.

Many agencies do not share information with other police departments, choosing instead to keep the data to themselves. As a result, police struggle to connect crimes and criminals.

Arizona Department of Public Safety Detective Michelle Vasey said the 21 tribes in her state didn't share any crime intelligence with anyone, even other tribes. She helped found a task force that meets monthly to share information, but only three tribes use the state's criminal information data collection system, she said.

"Anytime you talk about sovereignty, there's going to be trust issues," said Vasey, who also compared attitudes of some on reservation with



those in small towns. "They don't want anyone to know their small town isn't a safe place to be."

In Alaska, some tribal villages have refused to turn offenders over to state police, said Meg Peters, a spokeswoman for the Alaska State Troopers.

"They want to be sovereign," Peters said. "A tribe might decide to dole out punishment on their own. They'll turn us away and say they'll do it."

Family networks run deep through reservations, too, adding to the challenge for undercover officers, especially whites, to infiltrate drug rings.

Wisconsin is home to 11 tribes, their reservations scattered across the pine forests and lakes in the state's northern third. About 38,250 people live on the eight reservations with tribal police departments. According to state Justice Department data, those agencies made 1,062 drug arrests between 2003 and 2006 one arrest for every 36 peo-

ple. By 2002, the Latin Kings' Milwaukee chapter had so infiltrated the Lac Courte Oreilles reservation the tribe declared a state of emergency, turning to state and federal authorities to help control runaway cocaine trafficking and violence. The resulting investigation landed 47 people in federal prison.

The Lac du Flambeau reservation's idyllic setting in the wilderness about 20 miles from the border with Michigan's Upper Peninsula masks downtrodden subdivisions and drugs changing hands behind closed doors. By 2006 multiple drug rings had sprung up across the reservation. Tribal police, state and area sheriff's departments conducted a joint 18month investigation that resulted in 27 arrests.

That year another investigation involving the state, sheriff's deputies, tribal police and the FBI resulted in six arrests in a cocainemarijuana ring on the Menominee reservation.

Investigators realized dealers were moving from reservation to reservation. State Justice Department officials decided to form a task force to go after largescale rings and dealers. Task forces are common in law enforcement; the FBI has established more than a dozen to deal with reservation crime, but they typically operate with one or two tribes at a time on a case-bycase basis. But Wisconsin's version brought all eight tribal police agencies to the table - unheard of around the rest of the country. The Justice Department won \$461,000 in state and federal grants in 2007 and told Sturdivant to make it happen. The tall, bassvoiced agent had helped some of the tribes before, earning tribal police chiefs' respect and vice versa. "You have to treat (tribal officers) like equals," Sturdivant said. "You have to check your attitude and ego at the door."

get worse before they got better," Van Boxtel said. "By ourselves, independently, we wouldn't have the resources to do anything with that."

In 2008, the NADGI task force made 105 arrests and helped dismantle a major crack ring on the St. Croix Chippewa reservation, resulting in 11 federal indictments, the state Justice Department said. As of mid-April this year, the team had made 59 arrests.

All the tribes now use the state's data-sharing network. The state covers tribal officers' overtime for NADGI operations, outfits the tribal agencies with surveillance equipment and trains tribal officers on everything from establishing informants to writing reports. In return, the tribal officers share what they know.

On a recent morning on the Oneida reservation just Green outside Bay, Sturdivant ran about a dozen tribal officers through a crash course in SWAT tactics moments before they stormed a suspected drug house. He showed them how to cover each other as they burst in, clear the home of threats and quickly handcuff anyone they encountered. The officers followed everything to the letter and the raid went off without incident.

"It's a big, big thing for us," Larry Jordan, an Oneida officer and NADGI task force member, said of having Sturdivant help with training. "It's a motivating factor for everyone here to work as a team."

Minnesota and Wisconsin are using NADGI as a model for the Indian Crime Awareness, Research and Evaluation project, a common communication network for state, federal and tribal law enforcement agencies.

A NADGI subprogram that encourages tribes to share strategies for quickly placing children discovered during drug busts, too, is a model for similar efforts in Washington state and Bureau of Indian Affairs law enforcement training.

Not everyone sings NADGI's praises.

"They've got this big task force. It's not working, said former Lac du Flambeau tribal chairman Tom Maulson. "Today we've got kids drinking and drugging so bad on the reservation." In interviews, half-adozen people on the Lac du Flambeau reservation said they had never heard of the task force. They all complained the tribe needs to get tough on drugs, particularly prescription drugs, or risk losing its youth forever. But none would give their name, illustrating again a distrust of outsiders. People don't want to take responsibility for their community, said Nick Pendergast, another Lac du Flambeau drug investigator. In April, the tribal government held a community meeting to discuss crime. Ten people showed up, he said.

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Raeann Skenandore at 497-5821 Janice McLester at 496-5300 But there were caveats, too.

The Menominee Tribal Legislature, for example, agreed to join if other members understood they would have to abide by Menominee ordinances on that reservation. No task force officers could conduct an investigation or make arrests on the reservation without а Menominee officer's participation, tribal Chairwoman Lisa S. Waukau wrote in a letter authorizing participation.

Still, Oneida Police Chief Rich Van Boxtel said tribes had tried to come together for years. Finally they realized they were overwhelmed.

"Things were going to

"It's sad to say, but I believe it's going to be the same," Pendergast said.

Sturdivant is more optimistic. NADGI's efforts can put dealers in prison and impede the drug trade at least for a while, he said, and he hopes to get enough federal stimulus dollars for NADGI so each tribe can devote at least one officer to full-time drug investigations. But lasting success depends on winning over the people, he said.

"Develop trust," he said. "We're breaking down the communication barriers ... (but) we're a work in a progress."

SEOTS

South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services News

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

The Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS News once a month or go to www.oneidanation.org click on SEOTS for a listing of events. The office is located at:

6820 W. Wedgewood Drive • Ph: (414) 329-4101 (1 Block South of Morgan Avenue)

Activities Calendar for the month of July 2009

2 Thursday:

Special Summer Craft Class,

6:00pm-8:00pm, Shawl Making Class -Materials are at your own cost Or bring your unfinished crafts to work on - Wolf Room

Youth Trip to Oneida Cultural Days, Call for information 414-329-4101.

6 Monday:

Kids Club, 10:00am – 3:00pm, Bird Rm. Oneida Singers, 6:30pm - Bird Room

7 Tuesday:

Senior Day, 11:00am – 2:00pm Luncheon Provided – Buffalo Stew, Bingo & Presentation - Bird Room

Oneida Singers, 6:30pm - Bird Room 8 Wednesday:

Teen Club, 10:00am-3:00pm - Bird Rm. **Oneida Med Pick-up**

9 Thursday:

Special Summer Craft Class, 6:00-

8:00PM, Shawl Making Class – Materials are at your own cost or bring your unfinished crafts to work on, Wolf RM.

0 Friday:

Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up by 4:00pm

Monday:

Kids Club, 10:00am – 3:00pm, Bird Rm. Oneida Singers, 6:30pm - Wolf Room 4 Tuesday:

No Senior Day Activities, Bird Rm. **5** Wednesday:

Teen Club, 10:00am-3:00pm, Bird Rm. Oneida Van Trip & Med Pick-up, Van leaves at 8:00AM.

6 Thursday:

Special Summer Craft Class, 6:00-8:00PM, Shawl Making Class – Materials are at your own cost or bring your unfinished crafts to work on, Wolf RM.

Cultural Class, Turtle Room 7 Friday:

SEOTS Mission...

Our mission is to provide for the well-being of **On** yote? **a ka** in southeastern Wisconsin; Preserving Our Culture and Environment for the next Seven Generations.

Preparing SEOTS for a better future

By Mark W. Powless

For the past six months, the SEOTS staff, SEOTS Board, Oneida Business Committee Council members Ed Delgado and Trish King, and SEOTS community members have worked diligently to set the course for the future of SEOTS. The process started with several community Visioning sessions that brought to light the various concerns of Tribal members in southeastern Wisconsin.

During this process the SEOTS staff had several meetings to discuss the issues that they see Tribal members facing in the community. The staff was able to identify deficiencies in the overall Milwaukee resource network and discuss areas of focus where SEOTS could best make a positive impact.

After the Visioning sessions and staff meetings, the SEOTS Board, Ed Delgado, and the SEOTS Director met Terry with Hetzel (Oneida Continuous Improvement/Mediation Specialist) to develop a new vision statement for SEOTS and set some goals for the department.

The new guiding words for SEOTS are "SEOTS is an Oneida community resource center and gathering place that preserves and embraces our unique cultural identity while meeting the social service needs for the Oneida people in southeastern Wisconsin".

Next, the SEOTS staff worked on a comprehensive five year strategic plan. The plan was reviewed by the SEOTS Board and they provided valuable input. The areas of focus in the plan are retail, Oneida culture, youth (ages 7-18), elders (ages 55+), and the relationship between the Oneida reservation and Tribal members in south-

eastern Wisconsin. The plan also recognizes the importance of families and the enabling factors of data collection, communication, partnerships, participation, and volunteerism.

Several aspects of the strategic plan are already coming to fruition. Weekly elder activities started in April and have been very successful. The purpose of the activities is not only to provide social activities, but also to provide information regarding Tribal benefits, elder health, and cultural awareness. Elder computer classes are also being offered and provide guidance on computer and internet use. The frequency of van trips to Oneida have also increased to include Bingo trips, Museum trips, and trips to other Oneida events. More programs and improvements are currently being planned and will be available throughout the remainder of the year.

As we move forward in the difficult economic climate, we will continue to search for more ways to strengthen the cultural ties and meet the social service needs of Oneida people in southeastern Wisconsin. As always, we continue to look for feedback on our services, so if you ever have concerns, please bring them to our attention!



Ladies Night Out Your Health

Presentation and Information on Breast Health

> Wednesday, June 24th 6:00pm

Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services 6811 W. Morgan

NOTICE **SEOTS will be CLOSED!**

Friday • July 3, 2009 in observance of Independence Day.

Kids Club & Teens Club!

This year the popular SEOTS youth program will be available for two different age groups (7-12,13-17) and expanded to six weeks. Events will included: Oneida cultural activities, mini-golf, horse back riding, and a trip to Oneida Learn the culture and have fun! Kids Club

Call in meds by 4PM for next Wednesday pick-up 20 Monday: Kids Club (ages 7-12), 10:00AM-3:00pm Oneida Singers, 6:30PM, Turtle Rm. **2** Tuesday: **Senior Day,** 11:00am – 2:00pm, Luncheon provided \$3 donation Cultural Day!, Bird Room Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Turtle Room 22 Wednesday: Teen Club, 10:00am-3:00pm, Bird Rm. **Oneida Med Pick-up** 23 Thursday: Special Summer Craft Class, 6:00-8:00PM, Shawl Making Class – Materials are at your own cost or bring your unfinished crafts to work on, Wolf RM. 24 Friday: Call in meds by 4PM for next Wednesday pick-up 27 Monday: Kids Club (ages 7-12), 10:00AM-3:00PM, Bird Rm. Bingo Trip to Oneida, Includes \$10 Bingo Certificate and \$6 Food Certificate Van leaves at 7:00am **Oneida Singers,** 6:30PM, Turtle Rm. 28 Tuesday: Senior Day, 11:00AM-2:00PM Cookout -Bring a dish to pass! **Craft Day!** 29 Wednesday: **Teen Club,** 10:00am-3:00pm, Bird Rm. **No MAIRN Meeting - Next Meeting September Oneida Med Pick-up 30** Thursday: Special Summer Craft Class, 6:00-8:00PM, Shawl Making Class – Materials are at your own cost or bring your unfinished crafts to work on, Wolf RM.

Come and learn, eat and receive a free gift Door Prize Drawing! RSVP 414-324-5610 by June 22nd (Call if childcare is needed)





Are YOU Looking for **Employment?**

SEOTS and Spotted Eagle, Inc. can help you!

SEOTS offers a job board that is updated daily. Also available for use are computers, internet access, fax, copier, and telephones. Spotted Eagle, Inc. provides trained professionals that serve the needs of Native Americans who are seeking entry into the workforce or career advancement.

Contact... Tonya Baier, Michael Alexander, or Ed Werstein at 414-342-0706.

Mondays, starting June 22nd from 10am until 4pm Teens Club

Wednesdays, starting June 24th from 10am until 4pm Space is limited. Call SEOTS today to reserve your spot. (414) 329-4101

Growing Power Food Baskets

Friday July 10th and Friday July 24th SEOTS will be a distribution site for fresh fruit/vegetable baskets. Baskets must be ordered and paid for by the Tuesday before the distribution date. Here are the basket options: **Regular Basket:** 20–25 lbs., 12–15 varieties

of fruits/vegetables - \$16

Senior Basket: 10–12 lbs., 12–15 varieties of fruits/vegetables – \$9

Elders (55+): If you live in the city of Milwaukee area, SEOTS will deliver your food basket to you and pick up your payment! Just call SEOTS to place your order: 414-329-

For your Information...

Housing Information

If you have any questions regarding housing in Oneida, please give the Housing Authority a call. Call 1-800-236-2214 and ask for the Housing Authority and ask to speak with Lisa Vega or Julie Cornelius.

<u>Sweat Lodge</u>

Women's Sweat Lodge in the community is held weekly by a community member. For information call 383-7072 and ask for Dona.

Information Around The City

211 Impact - Simply call 211 for help with life/food/shelter/health/crisis intervention, etc.

Pow Wow AA Group - All Welcome, Thursday's -8:00PM, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th

Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: (414) 383-

9526

- Spotted Eagle Inc (414) 342-0706
- Domestic Violence Milwaukee Women's Center: (414) 272-5132
- Domestic Violence Task Force Contact Person -Bagwajikwe Madosh (414) 345-8688
- Indian Council for the Elderly Meals on Monday and Friday -11:30am, 631 N. 19th St. at Redeemer Lutheran Church - First Friday of the month at 5pm. Phone # (414) 934-8096
- Indian Community School (414) 525-6100
- American Indian Council on Alcoholism (414) **671-2200**.

Would you like to join the SEOTS e-mail list?

You will receive notices and reminders of upcoming special events. Call SEOTS today to have your name and www.kalihwisaks.com

Skenandore captures 'Cover Girl' title at state level

Special to Kalihwisaks town of Oneida girl was r o w n e d С National American Miss Wisconsin Cover Girl at the National American Miss Beauty Pageant.

Nia Skenandore, $6\frac{1}{2}$, earned the Cover Girl title for going out into the community and getting sponsors and businesses to place advertisements in the State Pageant book.

She had set a goal to fill seven pages in the

accomplished that goal. She also placed in the top ten for the title of Wisconsin Princess at the event which was held on May 23, 2009 at the Marriot Hotel in Middleton.

During her reign as Cover girl, Nia will have the opportunity to meet local, State and National officials and participate in community events.

help animals in need by raising funds and supplies to give to

Pageant book and she local animal shelters. her trip are in the plan-According to her parents, Nia's ambition is to become a Police Officer focusing on animal control.

> She plans to compete at the National Pageant in Anaheim, California during Thanksgiving week.

There she will compete for the National Title of Cover Girl and she will also have a special day touring Disneyland, She also wants to Hollywood and Rodeo Drive.

> A fundraising campaign to raise funds for

ning stages.

festyles

Nia is the oldest daughter of proud parents Jeff and Jennifer Skenandore. She has an older brother, Sean and younger sister, Savannah who are also proud of her accomplishment. She is the granddaughter of Roy and Deb Tilleman of Pulaski and Jeff Skenandore Sr. of Oneida. Her uncles are Brian from Pulaski, and R.J (Summer) Tilleman from Suamico.

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Contributed photo

Miss Wisconsin Cover Girl... Above, Nia Skenandore proudly displays trophies she earned at the National American Miss Beauty Pagent that was held in Middleton in May.

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Nia and her family would like to thank the following sponsors, businesses, family and friends for their support: Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin; Jim Dahlstrom Construction; Binsfeld Dairy Farms of Denmark; Grama's Diner; Rico's Family Restaurant; Red-D-Mix Concrete; Heim Auto &Recycling; Stadium View; American-3 Fab,

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Oneida Nation Museum

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

Wednesday, June 10th, 5:30 - 7:30РМ

To honor our fathers, we will host a **Father's day** event, Part I: The Roles and Responsibilities of Iroquois Men, Presenter - Ron Hill. Space is limited to 15 people. Please RSVP to Sue @ 920-869-2768, Free event

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

Oneida Nation Museum W892 CTY TK EE De Pere, WI 54115 (920) 869-2768 www.oneidanation.org/ museum/

Environment

Oneida Nation Wastewater Treatment Plant Strengthens Sovereignty

The Process

Headworks Building

Flow is received in the Headworks Building from two separate lift stations. The Headworks houses the cylindrical fine screen, which removes rags, sticks, and other coarse objects. The screenings are mechanically conveyed up the transport tube by the rotating spiral to the press zone. In the press zone, the solids are washed, compacted and dewatered before being deposited into a continuous bagging device.

Screening is followed by a vortex grit removal system. Grit consists mainly of sand, gravel and cinders. In this process, wastewater enters the grit chamber where grit settles by gravity into the hopper. Settled grit is pumped to a grit washer for removal of organics, which can cause foul odors. Washed grit is dewatered as it moves up an inclined screw conveyor, and discharged into a dumpster.

Screenings and grit removed in the Headworks are disposed of in a landfill.

Splitter Box

Oxidation Ditch The oxidation ditch is responsible for biologically treating the incoming

final clarifiers.

each equipped with mixers.

Raw wastewater leaving the Headworks flows by gravity to a splitter box adjacent to the oxidation ditch. Here, raw wastewater is combined with return activated sludge (RAS) from the clarifiers, and enters the oxidation ditch.



Oxidation Ditch

Final Clarifiers

Two 30-foot diameter final clarifiers, located in the Clarifier Building, consist of a center stilling well for diffusing the incoming flow, a scraper arm for removal of settled sludge, and a skimmer mechanism for removal of grease and floating solids.

The mixed liquor enters the clarifiers, where the sludge is allowed to settle. The settled sludge is returned to the head end of the oxidation ditch by three return activated (RAS) pumps, where it reintroduces microorganisms back into the treatment process. The clarified effluent is suitable for discharge after disinfection and re-aeration.

new Oneida The Nation Wastewater treatment plant, located west of the Oneida car wash, was completed on

December 5th, 2006. This facility was constructed due to the GBMSD (green bay metropolitan sewage district)



refusal to expand the public sewer service area on the reservation at the request of the Tribe, UNLESS, the Tribe



have resulted in signifi-GBMSD a right-a -way cant urban sprawl, not to extend the Duck Creek only from the city of sewer interceptor located Green Bay, but also the on CTY FF, which would village of Hobart.

> Previously, central Oneidas waste was conveyed to the GBMSD for treatment. While under the GBMSD contract, the Tribe did not have the authority to determine its own sewer service area, nor determine our own sewer rates. As a result, the Oneida Tribe built its Wastewater own Treatment Plant at a cost of \$7million which was 100% tribally funded.

> Operating our own treatment plant enables the tribe to determine our own sewer rates, expand the sewer service area as needed, and also prevent urban sprawl, which in turn, helps in land acquisition cost.

In a response letter from the GBMSD dated November 24, 2005, to the Oneida Tribe regarding the sewer service expansion, the GBMSD responded; GBMSD has decided that it will NOT service the Site II area on a temporary basis as requested. GBMSD has also decided NOT to expand the Oneida Service area established the contract under between GBMSD and the Oneida Tribe to include the additional areas along STH 172. Finally, GBMSD has also decided to decline your request to increase your capacity in the Dutchman creek interceptor to 3CFS The new Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) also includes a septage receiving station. The Oneida Utilities Department pumps septic and holding tanks throughout the reservation, and previously disposed of the waste at the GBMSD. Another factor of operating our own WWTP is that the treated waste is contained on the reservation to help recharge the aquifer and receiving streams, where as previously, it was conveyed to the bay of green bay after being treated by the GBMSD.

The wastewater flows by gravity through the ultraviolet (UV) disinfection system discharged. The effluent is discharged through multiple discharge risers into the wetlands located on the north end of the site. The effluent will receive further



Aerated Biosolids Storage

A portion of the settled sludge in the clarifiers is wasted" to one of three aerated biosolids storage tanks. Some sludge must be wasted when there is an excess amount of microorganisms in the mixed liquor. Wasted sludge is stored in tanks which are equipped with a fine bubble aeration system to mix and stabilize the sludge. Three blowers, located in the Blower Room, supply air to the fine bubble aeration system.





The new wastewater treatment facility includes a septage receiving station. The Oneida Utilities Department pumps septic systems and holding tanks throughout the reservation, and currently hauls the septage elsewhere for disposal. The new septage receiving station will be able to store approximately 5 truckloads of septage, which is pumped to the Headworks, and treated along with the other incoming



Main Building

The Main Building includes two offices, a fully equipped laboratory, restroom, shower room, storage space, and a large 2-bay garage. The garage is large enough for parking both of Oneida's septage hauling trucks.

> Department would like to thank the following people who worked together from beginning to end to make this project possible.

- The Oneida Business Committee (at time of construction)
- · Gerald Danforth/chairman
- Paul Ninham/council member
- •Kathy Hughes/ vicechairperson
- Vince Delarosa/council member
- Mercie Danforth/treasurer
- Trish King/council member
- Patricia Ninham-Hoeft/secretary
- Melinda Danforth/ council member
- · Edward Delgado/council member
- Bill Gollnick/chief of staff

Photo courtesy of Scott Cottrell

The new Oneida Nation Wastewater Treatment Plant located just west of the Highway 54 Oneida One Stop.





to create an environment that will allow biological removal of nitrogen

In the aerobic zone of the oxidation ditch, microorganisms utilize the

organics in the wastewater as a food source. As the microorganisms

multiply and are mixed, the individual organisms clump together to form

an active mass of microbes called "activated sludge". Air is introduced through variable speed aerators, which mix the activated sludge with the

incoming wastewater, and supply the oxygen needed for the microbes to break down the organics. The mixture of activated sludge and

A splitter box distributes mixed liquor from the oxidation ditch to two

wastewater in the oxidation ditch is called "mixed liquor"

and phosphorus. The two anaerobic basins and single anoxic basin are

Reed Beds Following aerated storage, biosolids are sent to wastewater. The oxidation ditch at Oneida has three stages: anaerobic, anoxic and aerobic. The purpose of the anaerobic and anoxic zones is

the reed beds. There are five cells, each 60' x 120'. The reeds feed upon the nutrients, removing water, and leaving behind biosolids that resemble topsoil. The reeds are harvested and disposed of every year, but the reed beds are expected to be in service for 7 to 8 years before the treated biosolids will need to be cleaned out. At that time, the biosolids will be spread on nearby farm fields

containing racks of UV emitting lights. Any potentially harmful organisms that

remain in the clarified effluent are inactivated when passed through an area of intense UV light. After disinfection, the effluent flows through a re-aeration

manhole where fine bubble diffusers add oxygen into the effluent before it is

natural treatment in the wetlands before entering the north branch of Oneida

Septage Receiving

UV Disinfection System

Creek, which eventually flows to Duck Creek.





Thank you

The Oneida Utilities efficiently.

- Wilbert Rentmeester/ devel./engineering director
- Debbie Thundercloud/ general manager
- Scott Cottrell/plant manager
- Lloyd Powless/assistant general manager
- Paul Witek/senior tribal architect
- Project manager Wayne Metoxen/engineering department
- McMahon Associates/ Engineering&Design Standing Stone Design, LLC
- Selmer Company/ General Contractor

The Utilities Department would like to give a special thanks to Project Manager Wayne Metoxen who did an extraordinary job in working with the general contractor to ensure the project stayed on schedule, within budget, and completed to precision. We would also like to thank Division Director Wilbert Rentmeester for providing his continual support, and for initiating WWTP from the idea/concept through construction. The Oneida Utilities Department is pleased to announce that the Treatment Plant is operating effectively and

Education

Swan College 2009 **Career Training**

Swan College in partnership with The Swan Group is offering an eight, sixteen and twentyfour week basic building technology, project supervision and project management class starting Wednesday, July 29, 2009 in Green Bay, Wisconsin. The course curriculum was developed by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER). This is an indepth, state-approved, prerequisite-based curriculum organized to provide the skills and background necessary to enter a technology and construction related career or college program. The NCCER curriculum also provides interested students the opportunity to obtain college credits.

Swan College specializes in personal contact and in curriculum and support systems sensitive to the needs and perspective of those for whom college is a new and possibly intimidating experience.

Swan College offers two levels of programs. The certificate or higher education program is for adults wishing to improve their professional qualifications and personal development. In addition, there are programs for secondary school students.

National Registry of Industry-Recognized Credentials:

In an effort to provide students with industryrecognized credentials and assure national portability of skills, NCCER maintains a portable and national recognized credentialing and certification system. This National Registry provides transcripts, certificates, and wallet cards to students who successfully complete the Contren® Learning Series. These valuable industry credentials benefit students as they seek employment

and build their careers. Classes will be held Wednesday and Thursday for two hours in the morning along with a two hour lab in the afternoon. Limited scholarships are available. The course tuition cost is \$550.00 for the core curriculum/introductory craft skills, \$850.00 for the project supervision class and \$1,250.00 for the project management class. Books cost \$85.00. Registration fee is \$100.00.

To register for the class, click on the "get started" icon and complete the contact form online at www.swancollege.org or call Christopher Swan at 920 217-6738. For more details contact:

Jane Swan, College Services, or Peter Kellogg, PhD, Academic Dean, 1221 Bellevue St., Suite 106, Green Bay, WI, 54302, Phone: 920-217-6738, or 920-562-9298, Email: info@swancollege.org

Approval by the Wisconsin Educational Approval Board (EAB)

Yukhika-latuhse

(Oneida, WI) --Yukhika-latuhse (She tells us stories), the all-Native American literary journal published by Oneida Nation Arts Program, is now accepting poems, stories and essays for its fifth annual issue, which will be published in September. The deadline for submissions is June 26, 2009.

turvtel.net or SBEN-TON@oneidanation.or g. Writing can also be sent to Oneida Nation Arts Program, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155. Please mark to the attention of Yukhika

Partners in Education recognizes youth, awards scholarships

On May 18, Partners in Education held the 2009 Youth Celebration at Meyer Theatre, honoring graduates of youth programs and awarding scholarships to several deserving students.

Among those honored were the graduates of the Youth Apprenticeship program, a two-year program that combines academic and technical classroom instruction with mentored on-the-job training. There were a total of 55 graduates in the 11 industries. They are: AUTO COLLI-SION: Philip Simon, Green Bay Preble, Fitzgerald's Tire & Auto Center; AUTO TECH-NOLOGY: Javier Alavez, Green Bay Preble; Joshua Arveson, Denmark; Ryan Delwiche, Green Bay Preble; Cory Heim, Luxemburg-Casco; Trevor Lepak, Bay Port, Tucker Auto: Jason Postl, Ashwaubenon, Gandrud Nissan; Scott Van, Green Bay West; Andrew Werner, Bay Port; CABI-NETRY: Kyle Laabs, Denmark, Heritage Woodworking; CON-STRUCTION: Uriah Smurawa, Ashwaubenon, Fox Cities Builders; DRAFTING & DESIGN: Jaron Jaeger, Bay Port, WPS; Joshua Seiltz, Home School; Justin Vannieuwenhoven, Pulaski, PDQ, Inc.; FINANCIAL SER-VICES: Rosemarie Lane, Green Bay Southwest, Associated Bank; Erin Massart, Luxemburg-Casco. Bank of Luxemburg; HEALTH SERVICES: Matthew Andreoli, Green Bay Southwest, Bellin; Bethany Broadhagen, Green Bay Southwest, Aurora BayCare Medical Center; Sarah Buth, Angels Denmark,

Aurora BayCare Medical Larson, Denmark; Leslie were also awarded. The Center; Kayla Klug, Bay Port, ManorCare East; Gabrielle Knaus, Wrightstown; Tawnni Lasee, Green Bay Southwest, Brown County Human Services: Kaitlyn Nader, Bay Port, Grancare; Kayla Osterberg, Ashwaubenon, Angels Touch/Prevea; Sarah Romero, Green Bay Preble, HRC ManorCare; Danelle Stark, Pulaski, Good Shepherd; Robin VandenBerg, Bay Port, Brown County Human Services; Elizabeth VanderKinter, Denmark, Friendship Manor; Zoua Vang, Green Bay East, Bellin; Stephanie Vogel, Denmark, HRC ManorCare; Stefanie Woelfel, De Pere, Angels Touch; INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: Kyle Baumgartner, Green Bay East, GB Public School District; Adam Meyer, Green Bay Southwest, PDQ, Inc.; Tyler Slempkes, De Pere. CyberWorks; Jacob Steinfort. De Pere, NWTC; Adam Thornton, De Pere; David VandenHeuvel, Seymour, Seymour; LODGING MANAGEMENT: Nicole Doxtator, Green Bay Southwest, Radisson; Sean Oligney, Wrightstown, Ramada Plaza; LOGISTICS: Ryan Quigley, Green Bay Preble, Schneider Logistics; WELDING: Trevor Jorgensen, Pulaski, JR's Welding; Bryant Kind, Denmark, Zeamer's Welding; Michael Smith. Luxemburg-Casco, New Tech Metals; and Randall Tauscher, Pulaski, JW Industries.

Also honored was the Leadership Youth Council, consisting of 11 seniors and five juniors. The Youth Leadership

Schmidtke, Bay Port; Andrew Scott, Wrightstown; and Brehanna Skaletski, Green Bay East.

Thirty sophomores were honored in the Brown County Teen Leadership Class of 2009, a unique experience for high school sophomores who develop leadership in a hands-on learning environment. The class includes: Krista Burke, Green Bay West; Renee Christensen, Denmark; Apryl Ditzman, Green Bay West; Megan Dowd, West De Pere; Kelsey Fager, NEW Lutheran; Megan Frazier Green Bay West; Tom Gage, Green Bay Southwest; Ann Glowacki, West De Pere; Kayla Hill, West De Pere; Jessica Juza, Bay Port; Molly Kafka, West De Pere; Matthew Ashwaubenon; Kelly, Maria Koval, Norte Dame Academy; Kayla LaPlante, Pulaski; Katie LaPlante, Green Bay West; Michael Lefko, Green Bay Southwest; Devon Maier, Green Bay Southwest; Katlynn Michalski, West De Pere; Jenna Mineau, Notre Dame Academy; Kyle Piefer, Green Bay West; Kayla Pluger, Green Bay West; Riley Quigley, Green Bay Preble; Ryan Rieth, West De Pere; Natalie Robinson, Notre Dame Academy; Greta Schmitt, Notre Dame Academy; Emily Skaletski, Green Bay Preble; Kaitlyn Soukup, Green Bay Preble; Karen Steinhofer, De Pere; Emily Webb, Green Bay West; and Brittany Zey, West De Pere.

Seventeen 5th graders were also recognized for enrolling in the 5/12Scholarship Program, a program that identifies

two recipients of the \$500 Sue Todey Drug Alliance Achievement Scholarship were James Wilquet of Luxemburg-Casco and Alaine Oshefsky of Green Bay Southwest.

The \$1,000 Partners in Education 5/12Scholarship was awarded to 11 graduates: Emily Clemont. Pulaski; Stephanie Diedrich, Appleton East; Zachary Gonion, Wrightstown; Josh Havlik, Luxemburg-Casco; Joe LeMay, Green Bay West; Ashley Mullen, West De Pere; Morgan Roberts, Denmark; Karlie Stephan, Bay Port; Tiffany VanCampenhout, Bay Port; Jiarry Vang, Green Bay West; and Hy Xiong, Green Bay East.

The Partners in Education Technical College Scholarship of \$1,500 was awarded to Michael Laing, Seymour; Beaux Mattler, Ashwaubenon; Danielle Stark, Pulaski; Randall Tauscher, Pulaski; and Stacie Van De Hei, Seymour.

The Brian LaViolette Foundation Scholarship, worth \$10,000, was awarded to Nicholas Kulkoski, De Pere.

Nancy Schopf, vice president of education and leadership for the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce "Partners said, in Education provides a variety of community programs which serves the unique needs and interests of a wide range of students. The Partners in Education Youth Celebration brings the students from these varied programs together to receive well-deserved recognition for their commitment and for of their being visionaries

The editors prefer that writers submit electronically to jjstevens@cen-



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Council is a newly created youth leadership opportunity designed to provide an avenue for Brown County youth leaders to interact and discuss community ideas and concerns. The students are: SENIORS: Maxwell Brock, NEW Lutheran; Heather Buhr, Denmark; Peter Denny, Green Bay Southwest; Timothy Hopkins, West De Pere; Trever Johnson, Luxemburg-Casco; Emily Matthews, De Pere; Brandon Mueller, Wrightstown; Dustin Paluch, Green Bay East; Rachael Perrault, Pulaski; Alicia Skrivanie, Ashwaubenon; Kyle Sladek, Notre Dame JUNIORS: Academy; Amie Bomber, Ashwaubenon; Sarah

5th grade recipients and tracks them through high school graduation. They are: Luke Bergner, Foxview; Zak Brehmer, Nicolet: Stevie Chervenka, Denmark; Draxler. Victoria Wrightstown; Evanny Franco, Fort Howard; Tank: Padee Her, Tavonna Hill, Tank; Surenity Kaye, Lineville Intermediate; Fung Chi Kong, Lincoln; Fischer Louis, Hemlock Creek; Jacob Murdock, Fort Howard; Jake Skalecki, Fairview; Samantha Spangler, Pioneer; Stacy Stepanek, Luxemburg-Casco; Michaela Thurow, Rock Ledge Intermediate; Kang Boa Vang, Fort Howard; and Cheng Yang, Tank. Several scholarships

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future careers."

Partners in Education activities, contact Schopf at 920-437-8704 or schopf@titletown.org.

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More from ONUS Culture Days

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Setting the Record Straight on **ONUS Track** Thunderhead By Times staff

A few issues back, a Thunderhead Times article referred to ONUS Phyl ed and health instructor Ches Dawson as the head

Swine Flu Impacts ONUS Journalism Class

By Maria Guerra Thunderhead Times editor During the 2005-2006 school year, ONUS secretary Carol Martin hosted an exchange student, Nadia Martinez Sanchez, from Theilman, Mexico. Theilman is a city of about 60,000 in the northeast of the Mexican state of Puebla.

Nadia, who is currently 19, wrote to Martin in late April to let her know how the swine flu was affecting her, her family, and her town.

At first, Nadia told the ONUS students that the hardest part was not being able to do anything. "The whole country is into their houses," she wrote, "I have no school, the malls, stores, everything is closed!"

Everything was okay as far as her own family went. On Wednesday, April 29, Nadia wrote, "but everyone in my family is ok. My parents are working still, but not like normally, they only do paperwork now."

students asked Nadia if she was afraid.

"I am only afraid for my family," she wrote back. "Because I don't want them to get infected by me. But besides that, I am not afraid."

On Monday, May 4, Nadia wrote that she had been to the hospital twice, had been treated and was "fine."

Just after that, Nadia



My Take on Drugs

By Jaylene Godfrey

ONUS sophomore

I've been learning about the terrible effect of drugs in my health class and what scares me is the things that could happen if I chose to do drugs.

To make it clear, I don't do drugs and never have.

Their first time trying LSD, people died.

The side effects of any drugs are amazing. Like hearing voices or hallucinating. The side effects alone are what are keeping me from using, and the fact that I don't choose to live my life that way.

If the short term effects such as panic, anxiety, poor coordination, depression, increased heartbeat that could lead to a heart attack don't scare you, the long term effects have to scare you: reduced resistance to common illnesses like colds or bronchitis meaning your body has a hard time fighting sickness, growth disorders, abnormal cells, injuries to your brain could be permanent, destroyed lung fibers, study difficulties, drowsiness, lack of motivation, personality and mood changes, and inability to understand things.

All of these things could be permanent made by one bad decision you made when you were younger. Be smart now and think ahead.

Stay away from drugs, don't be responsible for making your family have shame over the things you decide to do or don't make them be ashamed of you. Only you are responsible for doing drugs, you can't blame it on peer pressure because you have the ability to say NO, which is why my favorite slogan is HUGS NOT DRUGS!

Some of the people's stories who took drugs are life-altering and scary, they can't change the decisions they made.

So, you have to think before you try even though people say it feels good and it is fun. You have the power and the will to say "No" if you really want

I Love Oneida Nation **High School**

coach of the school's track team.

However, that was not the case.

Dawson served as assistant coach this season-primarily working with the girls on the Community team. member Dennis Danforth filled the role as the track team's head coach.

We regret the error.



In turn, Martin shared the email with students in the ONUS journalism class.

From there, an exchange took placethe students asking questions and Nadia answering them.

Besides paying attention to news stories on the subject, the students were able to get a firsthand, inside look at how the disease was impacting people in Mexico, the country hardest-hit by the disease.

Then, Nadia's emails became more alarming.

"I am getting some signs of the flu," she wrote. "I have really bad headaches, and I am going to go to the doctor."

On Thursday, the bad news came. Nadia had the flu. The journalism students were very concerned about Nadia. The story had become very personal.

With the news that people had died because of the disease, the ONUS

told the students that people in her country were beginning to question whether the Mexican government hadn't created the swine flu as a distraction. This was, she said, to cover the fact that drugs of all kinds had been legalized for personal use recently-a fact borne out by news stories we looked at during those few days.

On Monday, May 11, Nadia let the class know that she was back in college and everything was fine.

Nadia is planning a visit to Martin this month.

By Maria Guerra

ONUS junior and Thunderhead Times editor

I love this school! Despite not having a lot of things like a wide-variety of course offerings, I love this school.

I love the atmosphere here and anyone who looks in on this school and says anything less than good, I have to say that you're not looking close enough.

ONUS has been through a lot in the past few years I've been here and I must say it's made the school all that much closer.

I've thought a few times that I've wanted to transfer schools, but after realizing I would be missing out on my culture and language, I couldn't tear myself away.

I've learned to love the family feeling you get at ONUS and I couldn't be happier than to say that I have been at Oneida since "Day One"-from kindergarten, that is.

Star Trek Movie Review

By Desyl Garrett ONUS sophomore

When you think of Star Trek, the first things that probably pop into your head are some oldschool spaceships and funny-looking alien species.

Actually, this new movie is pretty modernized and full of action!

I have never been a fan of the Star Trek series, but the new movie caught my attention right away, I believe that even if you have never watched the Star Trek series on TV, you will still be able to follow along with everything that happens.

The movie begins on the spaceship Enterprise. A tragedy is happening right now, while Kirk (played by Chris Pine), the son of the captain is being born. It also traces a bit of Spock's (Zachary Quinto) childhood as a half-Vulcan, half-human child.

Kirk is dared to join Federation the by Christopher Pike, played by Bruce Greenwood, the first captain of the Enterprise, after an angry fight in a bar on earth. So, of course, Kirk

accepts. He goes on this exciting adventure, eventually against the Romulian, making friends and a happy ending.

The movie is rated PG-13 for sci-fi action, violence, and brief sexual content. The running time is two hours and seven minutes and the movie is in wide-release. I'd give the movie 4 out of 5 stars.

A lot of people seem to agree. Star Trek has made over \$2 million since it has been out so far.

And So It Ends

By Denis Gunlocks

Thunderhead Times Advisor

With this issue, we wrap up another year of Thunderhead Times. The good news, we haven't missed an issue. The bad news, I tried the patience of the Kali staff a few times. But, boy, they sure are wonderful people!

I want to thank my editors this year, Maria and Guerra Doug Reed. You could not ask for a couple of better young representatives of the Oneida Community. Maria will be back at ONUS next

year as one of our senior leaders and Doug is headed off to continue his education at either ITV or NYAC.

I want to thank my writers this year. We have had some great articles come out of class and we have had some fun.

This past semester I had the wonderful experience of working with Leticia Behringer, Desyl Garrett, Cory Hill, Quinn Larock, Garrett Miller, and Leah Pocola. Nice job everybody!

Thunderhead

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Marshfield Clinic AmeriCorps Program Employment Opportunity

Host Sites: Minobimaadiziiwin Coalition & Lac du Flambeau (LDF) School, LDF Office, Positive Alternatives Coalition (PAC) & Vilas County Youth Coalition (VCYC), LDF Office Term of Service September 8, 2009 through August 31, 2010 Required orientation/training

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

Project Description Multi family commercial home construction from the development group inc. T23N, R19E, Sec 25. Requesting the project Town of Hobart, Outagamie County. The Land is currently agriculture and is approximately 75-80 acres. Project will consist of building residential home and condos. Received project 5-7-08

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Robert Antone, 08-TC-062; Scott Lynk, 08-TC-034; Yvonne Brennan, 08-TC-112; Julie Cornelius, 08-TC-142; Roy Doxtator, 08-TC-143; Nora Skenandore, 08-TC-147; Antoinette Thomas, 08-TC-148; Lori Elm, 08-TC-149; Jeffrey Reed, 08-TC-150; Audra Seidl-Schink, 08-TC-151; Nancy Barton, 08-TC-152; Linda Dallas, 08-TC-155; Pamela Hesse, 08-TC-156; Tomas Escamea, 08-TC-159; Renee Betters, 09-TC-004; Ashley & Brenda Melchert, 09-TC-005; Sandia Funmaker, 09-TC-006; Amy Stevens, 09-TC-007.

For Specific questions about this claim, settlement, or payment arrangement, please contact Diana Westcott, Central Accounting Department at (920) 490-3556. If you have questions on the process, feel free to contact the Clerk or Administrator, Oneida Tribal Judicial System at (920) 496-5300.

Request for Proposal

The N.E.W. Regional Public Safety Facility Committee hereby requests proposals from qualified firms to provide a feasibility study for the proposed N.E.W. Regional Public Safety Facility.

The Northeast Wisconsin (N.E.W.) Regional Public Safety Facility Committee consists of the following members: Village of Ashwaubenon, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Brown County Sheriff Department, and Northeast Wisconsin Technical College.

Project Problem Statement: Ashwaubenon and Oneida would like to shorten emergency vehicle response times within their respective geographic areas. The Oneida Office of Emergency Management is seeking to develop an Emergency Operations Center. NWTC is seeking additional space for training public safety personnel. The Oneida Police, Brown County Sheriff and Wisconsin State Patrol could us e satellite workstations in this region. Each of the entities has increasing demand for services with limited and shrinking resources.

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Copies of the Request For Proposal (RFP) may be obtained at the Issuing Offices:

Village of Ashwaubenon 2155 Holmgren Way Ashwaubenon, WI 54304 Phone: 920-492-2301

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Sports

Adrenaline rush keeps **Cornelius on track**



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Jason Cornelius' race car is sponsored by numerous businesses throughout the area which helps to keep him on the track and in the lead of the points standings for his IMCA race class.

By Steven J. Gandy Kalihwisaks

Racing is a tradition that has passed from father to son in the Cornelius household with father Jody leading the way for his son Jason to break into the sport.

Jason began racing in 2005 and has used that time to hone his skills as driver in the a International Motor Contest Association (IMCA) Sport 4 class. He currently is the point leader in his class at Luxemburg Speedway in Luxemburg, WI. The Sport 4 class is the entrylevel class of racing that allows very few modifications to the cars.

"Sport 4 is basically a factory car. My car is an '03 Chevy Caviler and the only things you're allowed to do to build a car is for safety. You can put a cage in it, racing seat, racing belts otherwise it's a stock engine, stock transmission...all stock drive train," Jason said.

Jason began this racing season with two cars, however, due to a roll cage in it. We put a rollover in Sturgeon racing seat in it and the Bay, he is currently down to one car and now only races

Luxemburg. While racing in the feature race in Sturgeon Bay, Jason clipped a tire lining the bottom of the track and rolled his car at least six times.

"It was a ride. I knew what happened right away. All I did was looked at the steering wheel; I saw my hands around the steering wheel just let go and went for the ride," Jason said of his first ever rollover. "It rolled me...between six and eight times I rolled and I landed on the drivers side. The car is no good; It's junk."

Racing at this level is strictly a hobby for Jason, an expensive hobby that requires a lot of time and commitment.

"I do all the welding building the and myself...then we pull all the interior out of (the cars); pull all the guts out of them. Pretty much take it down to the bare car except for the motor aand tranny so it's still a driving car, put a whole seat is actually mounted to the cage; in racing belts and the

windshield...all we have is a screen and then we make it look pretty," Jason explained.

All of that work is strictly for the joy of racing.

"Yah, I don't make no money doing this. You start making money go when you to NASCAR and you don't have to own the car you just get paid to drive it."

After two years of floundering in the Sport 4 Class, Jason has come into his own as a driver in the past three years and plans to make a step up next year into a new class of IMCA racing.

"My plans are to move up into the IMCA Sport Mod next year, which is a larger rearwheel-drive class, V8. Kind of a limited thing to what my dad used to run in the modifieds," he said

Jason advises anyone looking for an adrenaline rush and gets the chance to climb behind the wheel of a race car to take the ride.

"It's fun. It's a lot of



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ALL NATIONS BASKETBALL CLINIC

for BOYS & GIRLS AGES 11-17 This clinic is highly recommended for those players interested in trying-out for the 2011 Indigenous Games (No Fee)

> Date: June 16th, 2009 **Time**: 9:00am-4:00pm (lunch provided) At: Oneida Turtle School

Instructor: Dale Race, former UWGB Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, former UMD Head Men's Basketball Coach Parent must be prompt dropping off and picking up youth. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE JUNE** 12TH For more information contact Scott M.

Murray 920-490-3806

fun. If you ever get the chance to try it at least once, I'd do it."

Be The Difference



Health

Helping you on your personal grief journey

No one knows the agonizing and devastating pain when it comes to experiencing the death of a child --other than parents themselves. Several Oneida tribal woman have attended the local Green Bay Chapter entitled "Compassionate Friends" which is a selfhelp organization which offers friendship and understanding to bereaved families who have experienced the death of a child. The purpose is to assist in the positive resolution of the grief journey, support others in their efforts to achieve physical and emotional health, and to let them know they need not walk alone.

It was through attending these grief support meetings that Jean Williquette, Julie Denny, Kate Calkins, and Brenda Cornelius who have all walked this path in life became interested in bringing this Chapter the Oneida into Community.

Currently there in the process of submitting application to the National Director of Compassionate Friends in becoming a recognized local chapter here Oneida. The in Compassionate Friends organization has over 600 chapters located throughout the United States The first meeting is scheduled for June 23, 2009 at 6:30-8:30 pm at the Parish Hall, located directly across from Holy Apostle Church, 2937 Freedom Rd, Oneida, WI.

If you or any family member are struggling with the emotional trauma/pain in losing a child or loved one, please attend our first session. For those who have already walked that journey in life, please feel welcomed to offer your support. As we move forward in becoming organized, we look for your support in assisting those whom are struggling and facing the roller coaster of emotions such as anger, guilt, and overwhelming sadness.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Co-Leaders, Julie Denny at jdenny@oneidanation.org or Jean Williquette at www.jwilliquet@tds.ne t. or Jean's phone number is 920-469-4135.

Salazar Announces National Park Service Will Waive Fees on Three Summer Weekends to **Increase Tourism, Boost Economy**

BRECKSVILLE, Ohio - Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar today announced that the National Park Service will offer three fee-free weekends this summer to encourage Americans seeking affordable vacations to visit these national treasures. There are 391 national parks located across the country in 49 states. "During these tough economic times, our national parks provide opportunities for affordable vacations for families," Salazar said at a press conference at Cuyahoga Valley National Park. "I encourage everyone to visit one of our nation's crown jewels this summer and especially to take advantage of the free-admission three weekends." "National Parks also serve as powerful economic engines for local communities

and we hope that promoting visitation will give a small shot in the arm to businesses in the area," he said.

The 147 National Park Service sites across the country that charge fees for entry will waive these entrance fees during the weekends of June 20-21, July 18-19, and August 15-16, 2009, Salazar said. Meanwhile, many park partners including tour operators, hotels, restaurants, gift shops, and other vendors will offer additional discounts and special promotions on those dates. More information on the fees and discounts can be found at http://www.nps.gov/fin dapark/feefreeparks.ht m. Visiting Ohio for the

first time as Secretary, Salazar also highlighted the \$23 million the department is investing in the Buckeye State under President Obama's economic recovery plan. This includes more than \$7 million at Cuyahoga Valley National Park to repair the park's historic railroad and tackle deferred maintenance projects that have been on the shelf for years. "The investment we are making in Ohio will create jobs," he said. "For example, here at Cuyahoga, we are improving a park that already attracts two and a half million people a year, pumps \$38 million annually into the local economy and supports 1,000 jobs."

Nationwide, parks last vear attracted more than 275 million recreation visits. Spending by nonlocal visitor provided \$10.6 billion for local economies, supporting more than 213,000 jobs, not counting National Service Park jobs. "Tourism income helps

America's economic recovery," Salazar said. "National park sites in the Great Lakes states, for example, attract 8 million recreation visits a year that bring \$211 million into the local economies. Spending by visitors from out of the area supports 4,400 local jobs. So these areas need to maintain and expand this vital tourism."

The entrance fees being waived at the 147 sites that usually charge for admission range from \$3 to \$25. The 244 other parks do not charge entrance fees. The waiver does not include other fees collected in advance or by contractors-such as fees charged for camping, reservations, tours and use of concessions. The National Park Service website provides information to help the public plan their park adventures at www.nps.gov.

More women infected with HIV

MADISON, Wis. $(AP) \sim Women$ are the fastest growing segment of Wisconsin's population that are becoming infected with the HIV virus.

Although the number of new cases of HIV infection has stabilized over the past 10 years in Wisconsin, the number

of infected women keeps growing.

Last year, 391 people contracted the virus. That's down slightly from the average 400 people over the past decade. Twenty-one percent of new infections involve women. That compares with 16 percent in the 1990s and 6

percent in the 1980s.

Aids Resource Center of Wisconsin executive Christina Colon says they're targeting women's health fairs to get the word out about prevention.

Information from: Wisconsin Public Radio, http://www.wpr.org

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

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



June 18, 2009 will be here before you know it! We are looking for ambitious and positive young ladies who want to represent the Oneida Nation & have fun while doing it.

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

All participants must: I. Be single w/No children (never been married)

If you have any questions or need ideas call ...



Fantastic Prizes for Miss & Jr. Miss Oneida 2009-2010!!

Have no previous or pending misdemeanor or felony convictions Possess knowledge and understanding of the Oneida culture and history

2. Be an enrolled Oneida or in process of

Rich Figueroa at (920) 496-5026

Applications are available in the Main Office at the Norbert Hill Center or they can be printed off the Oneida Nation website at www.oneidanation.org under the subheading of Culture & Traditions. You can also call the above number to have one mailed.

Oneida Community Health Center Please contact Oneida Health Promotion for more information -

(920) 490-3927

Oneida Men's Wellness Event 2009 Ka?nikuhli·y6

The openness of the good spirit and mind

Oneida Community Event

Thursday, June 11, 2009 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. **Oneida Social Services Complex** (enter through fitness center)



Contact Heather Lee at 490-3788 or Michelle Rutues at 490-3769 for more information.