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## OTIE bucks economic trends, books record week

By Nate Wisneski  
Kalihwisaks

Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises (OTIE) has seemed to sidestep affects of a down economy as they posted a record week that saw multiple million dollar contracts and a billion dollar contract awarded to them. OTIE, which is a tribally owned business that provides environmental engineering services, was established in April of 2007 and was named the Rising Star Award winner during the state

of Wisconsin's minority business conference last month. OTIE, along with four other firms, were awarded two \$25 million projects with the standard of equally splitting the award between the five companies. OTIE's Managing Board Member, Tom Wilbur, is expecting nearly \$5 million set aside for each of the two contracts, but thinks more can be had. "We think we may get \$10 to \$12 million. All

the other companies work east of the Mississippi," said Wilbur. "We have offices nationwide and with an aggressive posture and competitive pricing structure we should gain more than our normal share of \$5 million." The week also saw OTIE nab part of \$3 billion dollar contract award which will be shared by 24 other companies. OTIE's percent of the contract is not known, but Wilbur thinks OTIE may run

into limitations. "We'll probably experience some disappointments because of our limited bonding capacity," said Wilbur. Bonding acts as insurance for a company to ensure steps of a project are completed. Bonding is based on the amount of available cash a company has. All three of the contracts were announced the last full week of August and propels the company's aspirations to grow to reach sales of \$100 million dollars a

year. That growth target would lead to larger bonding capacity, which Wilbur has identified as one of OTIE's weaknesses. "These awards are a reflection of the dedication, professionalism, experience, and expertise of the hard working employees at OTIE," said Wilbur. For more information about OTIE visit [www.otie.com](http://www.otie.com)

## Three of Oneida's best honored by French

By Nate Wisneski  
Kalihwisaks

Three Oneida World War II veterans received the Medal of Knight of the Legion of Honor from the Government of the French Republic on Tuesday, October 6, at a full banquet hall at Thornberry Creek at Oneida.

Allen Green, Edmund Powless, and Warren Skenadore were presented France's highest military and civilian award during the ceremony by the French Consul General Jean-Baptiste Main de Boissiere. The award recognizes individual's efforts in liberating France during military confrontations.

"It's a great honor and privilege to pay tribute to the soldiers who sacrificed their lives for France," said the Consul General during the ceremony. "More than 65 years ago you gave your youth to France. Thanks to your courage, France has been living in peace for the last six decades. The (United States) saved us and we will never forget."

Green, 85, served in the United States Army from February of 1943 until December of 1945. He served as a combat engineer clearing mines, roads, and bridges and was in the initial

• See 2A, Oneida vets receive French award



Kali photos/Nate Wisneski  
Above: (Left to Right) Allen Green, Deacon Edmund Powless, and Warren Skenadore sit on stage during a ceremony that presented them with the Medal of Knight of the Legion of Honor from the French government. Right: French Consul General, Jean-Baptiste Main de Boissiere, pins the Medal of Knight of the Legion of Honor medal on Deacon Edmund Powless.



## Grieving parents form local support group



Kate Calkins (left) and Julie Denny (right) are two of the five founding members of The Compassionate Friends chapter in Oneida. Jean Williquette, Brenda Cornelius and Marge Stevens were also an important part of the Oneida chapters formation and round out the five founders.

By Steven J. Gandy  
Kalihwisaks

Few things in life may be more difficult to deal with than the loss of a child. For those families dealing with such issues, they are not alone and there is a new organization in Oneida to help those families deal with their grief. The Compassionate Friends (TCF) is a national charter with a local chapter now in Oneida. TCF is a self-help group that promotes the grieving process by employing the aid of others who are also grieving the loss of a child.

The Oneida chapter is the result of a few Oneida community members looking for a way to bet-

ter help those families in need of counseling.

Julie Denny is one of the people responsible for helping to make the Oneida Chapter a reality.

"We had to really pursue vigorously to get our own chapter because in the (Compassionate Friends) bylaws, if you're within 30 minutes of a local chapter you cannot form another one," Denny said.

However, Denny and others felt that there was a need for a separate Oneida chapter due to cultural differences between tribal and non-tribal families.

"Our Oneida women

• See 2A, TCFv

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## OTIE in position to repay debt



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Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises' (OTIE) Secretary/Treasurer, Bruce Danforth (middle), hands a check totalling \$132,215 to tribal Treasurer, Tina Danforth (left), while OTIE's Managing Board Member, Tom Wilbur (right), looks on. The payment paid in full a debt owed to the tribe for OTIE's initial start up costs.

## From 1A/TCF

were't comfortable speaking in a group of non-tribal leadership," Denny explained. "They are talking at our table, so we made the right decision to make out own (chapter)."

The Oneida chapter was awarded membership in July of 2009 and is currently servicing 10 grieving parents. They are hoping to attract more parents who have lost children in an attempt to help them with the grieving process.

"We put together a list of moms and dads that have lost children and just through our own thought process and who we knew, we had a list of 60 families here in Oneida that have lost children," she said.

Members of TCF in Oneida are gearing up for their first Worldwide Candle Lighting scheduled to take place on December 13, 2009. This is a global event designed to unite family and friends around the world. Participants will be lighting candles at 7:00pm (local time) and keeping the candles lit for one hour.

This year will be the thirteenth TCF has organized the event.

Denny and the other members of TCF steering group are hoping that any and all parents coping with the loss of a child will seek out information about the Oneida chapter meeting dates and times.

Times and dates are available online at [www.compassionate-friends.org](http://www.compassionate-friends.org) and are also printed on the Kalihwisaks' Calendar of Events.

As the holidays approach, experts in bereavement counseling urge families and individuals who may be grieving the loss of a child or other family member to be mindful of their feelings.

"We hope we're a sign of hope for them...that there's going to be light someday. We're kind of that beam of light that shows that things will get better, but it does take time," Denny said. "We sit at a table and just talk about the feeling of how you deal with day-to-day sometimes hour-to-hour grieving and how you get through those day."

## Twahwahtsilay^ a continuum of care

This article is being written to update the community and to give a special thanks to all those who worked to develop this project.

One Tuesday September 21 a proposal was sent to the Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance in an effort to secure funding for Twahwahtsilay^ - a continuum of care: restoring the fire/read-dressing the minds/rejoining the circle of care. This will be an opportunity to assist Oneida youth before they enter the juvenile justice systems; helping them find a new direction.

There have been numerous people over the past seven to eight years that assisted in this project's development. Currently there are 20

committee members with a total of 40 committee and support personnel that are assisting with the project. Their ideas and dedication have made this effort possible. We wish also to thank all of those would have worked on this project in the past, starting in 2001; those who have been willing to share the Oneida and Haudenosaunee culture and stories. The culture and the stories are the foundation of this project. It has been a privilege to capture their words and ideas and then put them down in writing. Thank all of you for your good wishes and prayers.

If we are funded, the next phase of the project will start in January of

See 5A, Social Fri.

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## Passing On...

**HaEVERS-NINHAM, Donaven Edward**  
**"Teddy Bear" (L.J.)**  
**July 9, 2009 – October 3, 2009**

Donaven Edward "Teddy Bear" (L.J.) HaEVERS-NINHAM, three months old, passed away unexpectedly Saturday



Jakubowski. He will be sadly missed by all those relatives and friends who knew and loved him.

October 3, 2009 at a local hospital. The son of Joseph Edward Ninham, Jr. and Alita Xiong was born July 9, 2009. He loved hearing his Mom sing the ABC's to him, and was a wonderful little boy who was full of life and laughter.

Survivors include his mother, Alita Xiong, his father, Joseph E. Ninham, Jr., grandparents Robin HaEVERS (fiancé Gary Jakubowski), Joseph and Shelly Ninham, 2 aunts, Tonya Xiong, Sara Xiong, one uncle, Ryan Xiong, additional aunts and uncles, Jeremy, Jaymi, Austin, Jordan, Jackie and Justin Ninham, many cousins, including, Preston Bierhals, Sonya Micolich, and Jayda DeMar and Alita's best friend, Desiree Waubeno. In addition, Donaven is also survived by his great-grandparents, James and Phyllis HaEVERS, David and Shirley Green, Edith Ninham, and Inez

Celebration of Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30AM Wednesday, October 7 at Holy Apostles Episcopal Church, Freedom Road, Oneida with Mother Kristina Henning, Deacon Deborah Heckel, and Deacon Edmund Powless, officiating. As part of the services, a special prayer was offered by Pastor Chuck Welch, and was followed by the burial in the church cemetery.

**RYAN FUNERAL HOME**, 305 North Tenth Street, De Pere, WI, assisted the family with arrangements. Please visit [www.ryanfh.com](http://www.ryanfh.com) to send online condolences to the HaEVERS and Ninham families.

*The family extends a special thanks to Nurse Rene at St. Vincent's Pediatric ICU to her outstanding love and support, as well as all the relatives and friends who have supported us through this difficult time.*

**Alexander, Lamont "Monty"**  
**April 28, 1965 – September 26, 2009**

Lamont "Monty" Alexander 44, of Green Bay died on Saturday September 26, 2009 after a long illness. He was born April 28, 1965 to Frank and Violet Alexander.



many close friends and relatives. He was preceded in death by mom Violet, and his brother Keith.

He is survived by his wife Beverly, his children; Gillian, Alana, Ursula, and Aloysius. Monty is further survived by his grandson Draven, his Father Frank, and Frank's special friend Sandy, as well as his God Sister Tina Lagest and

Per Lamont's wishes Private services will be held. The family requests no flowers or plants please, a memorial fund will be established.

The **RYAN FUNERAL HOME** of De Pere is assisting the family. Please go to [www.ryanfh.com](http://www.ryanfh.com) to send online condolences to the family.

## Minors' Trust creates conservative pool

*Move will protect investment of teens nearing their pay-out eligibility*

**By Dawn Walschinski**  
 Kalihwisaks

The stock market as of late has not been kind to the Oneida Minors' Trust Fund. Trillium Asset Management Vice President and Chief Investment Officer Stephanie R Leighton, CFA is working with the Oneida Trust Committee to change the Minor's Trust to protect future payouts.

"What we're doing now is we're going separate the Minors' Trust assets into two pools. We're going to have a conservative pool so then when the minor turns 15, they would move into the more conservative pool," said Leighton. "Hopefully, that will minimize the volatility a little bit."

The change is in response to a 26% downturn in the S & P 500 Index that occurred last year.

"That 26% drop is very unusual, it's larger than normal," said Leighton.

While the S & P 500 Index lost 26% of its net return, the Oneida Minor's Trust Fund fared better losing 12%. In December of 2007, Oneida paid out a \$5000 per capita to members under the age of 62 which attracted a lot of new members. New enrollees under the age of 18 had their payment invested in the Oneida Minors' Trust Fund.

"What happened was it got invested right before the market fell, so it hurt. It was just such a large investment at a bad time in the market, so that really depressed the returns quite a bit," she explained. "You had some minors join the pool when they were 16, 17 years of age, so it would be hard for them to grow their value when the market took a big hit."

The Oneida Minors' Trust Fund is valued at \$33.75 million. It's a balanced account made up of stocks and bonds. The

more conservative pool will be made up of fixed income cash and some high dividend yield stock.

"The problem with managing it all in one style was that some of these minors have 18 years and some only have a year, so we're trying to make it more logical," said Leighton.

Trillium Asset Management also handles the Oneida Elderly Per Capita Trust Fund as well as other institutions and individual investors. Trillium manages about \$900 million in client assets, according to Leighton.

Trillium is committed to Socially Responsible Investment (SRI).

"Not only are we looking for socially strong companies, we also do share holder activism where we talk to companies and try to get them to consider environmental risks, and we even talk to companies about indigenous people's issues," said Leighton. Trillium has been talking to FedEx about their

sponsorship of the Washington Redskins stadium - FedEx Field.

"We're in dialog with them trying to show that big corporations shouldn't be sponsoring a team that is using a name that is harmful to Native Americans," she said.

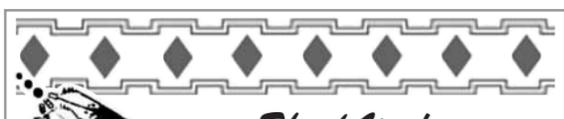
Trillium encourages energy corporations to work with indigenous people when seeking new resources such as oil or minerals.

"Companies are starting to look in places where the oil is more hazardous to get to, and sometimes that impinges on indigenous people," she said. "What we're trying to do is make sure corporations start putting policies together that ... doesn't take advantage of people who have this land."

Leighton would like more investors to focus Indigenous issues.

"If we have more Native American investors talking to these companies on these issues, then you have more influence on the corporations," she said.

## In Loving Memory



*Thank You!*  
 John and Lynn Peltier appreciate the many services donated by the Oneida Tribe when our son Michael died: Public Works for mowing the lawn; Conservation for providing and delivering firewood for the sacred fire; Housing Authority for lending us canopies, chairs and tables; Printing for the remembrance cards; Health Center for the team of nurses how came to listen or tend to us; the Oneida Business Committee and Radisson Hotel for the hotel accommodations.

*We also wish to acknowledge the supporters of the Big Drum Society and those from the Native American Church for teaching us. Michael held a special place in his heart and mind for these traditions.*

*As a Veteran, Michael was honored to have the Forest County Potawatomi, Menominee, Lac du Flambeau and Oneida Color Guards provide military services at his home at the Oneida Cemetery. An enormous burden was lifted from us by the awesome friends of Michael and Virginia who offered twenty-four-hour care, concern and love for the family. Michael's buddies who served as pall bearers and to the many fire tenders, we thank you.*

*Than you to specific family members: Cubby for your long days and nights; Jackie for tending Talon and understanding our highs and lows; Duncan for your love and support and uplifting encouragement to Paul. We were able to endure this journey with constant grounding from Breezy, Lisa, Mary and Carolyn. We felt the love! The Oneida community is enriched with native talent which we are thankful for: the Wheelock Girls for making Michaels new garments, we know they were stitched with love; Joseph E. Reed wrote a beautiful people of the remembrance cards and Garth Webster used his graphic art to make two poster boards and design the remembrance cards. The graciousness from our community was great; hundreds of people came to pay their respects, brought food, gave money, shared good words or sent cards.*

*Thank you all for everything you did.*

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**In Loving Memory of ...**  
**Mike Antone**  
 Who passed away October 13, 2008

If tears could build a stairway  
 And memories were a lane  
 We would walk right up to Heaven  
 And bring you back again

No farewell words were spoken  
 No time to say goodbye  
 You were gone before we knew it  
 And only God knows why

Our hearts still ache in sadness  
 And secret tears still flow  
 What it meant to lose you  
 No one will ever know

But know we know you want us  
 To mourn for you no more  
 To remember all the happy times  
 Life still has much in store

Since you'll never be forgotten  
 We pledge to you today  
 A hallowed place within our heads  
 Is where you'll stay

**We Love You,**  
**Lorraine Antone and family**



**In Loving Memory of ...**  
**Rachael L. Reed**  
 On her 71st Birthday  
 Written by Joseph E. Reed Sr.

Memories and dreams  
 keep us connected to you  
 and we keep you in our prayers at night  
 when our day is through  
 Our loss is the creators gain  
 Tho we understand in his land  
 we will meet again

At times your presence is felt  
 like a gentle breeze  
 Knowing your no longer suffering  
 puts our minds at ease  
 Your laughter echoes with ours  
 when we gather together  
 As we share past family stories  
 that will last forever

Now missing your wisdom  
 or advice we never took  
 Whom do we turn to, where do we look  
 Searching the skies  
 or any sign from above  
 And that gentle breeze surrounds us  
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## NTGCR elects Schuyler as Vice-Chair

Oneida Gaming Commission Oscar Schuyler was elected as vice-chair of the National Tribal Gaming Commissioners/Regulators (NTGCR) at their 2009 Fall Conference at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"I'm looking forward to doing whatever I can do to help out and representing (Oneida) on a national level," said Schuyler.

The NTGCR is a non-profit organization consisting of 64 members and other non-voting affiliate members. The organization is dedicated to providing tribal gam-

ing regulators with education and training. The NTGCR promotes cooperative relationships amongst tribes and may act as a gaming regulatory advisory group to tribal gaming organizations.

Schuyler felt he could contribute to NTGCR by improving their training opportunities.



Oscar Schuyler

"I saw some things I thought I could make a difference on. I've been in gaming since 1992," he said.

Schuyler states that other tribes look to Oneida as a leader in gaming.

"Oneida is still up in front, and we are still representing Indian Gaming and Indian Country on national lev-

els," he said.

Schuyler will begin his term on 1 January 2010, in accordance with the NTGCR bylaws.

The Secretary incumbent Barbara Kyser-Collier (Executive Director of the Quapaw Tribal Gaming Agency) retained her position after running unopposed. Collier, who also serves as the Chairperson of the Oklahoma Tribal Gaming Regulators Association, is serving her third term as NTGCR Secretary.

The Officer positions are two of four Executive Board positions of the NTGCR, along with the Chair and Treasurer.

## The Quality of Life Survey - Environmental issues

This is the eighth article reporting on the Quality of Life Survey, a survey that gathers data on various social, cultural, health, economic, educational, governmental and other issues. The key finding being discussed is new this month from the previous three articles. The key finding is: Overall, most environmental and recreational issues were positively rated by respondents. Few exceptions to this overall trend included; the quality of surface water, availability to hunt and fish on the Reservation and the condition of neighborhood trails and bike paths.

Tribal members from all over the U.S. participated in this survey, although, an emphasis was placed on members living on the Reservation. This key finding involved various environmental issues on the Reservation, therefore many Off Reservation respondents chose N/A for a response. This most likely is due to their lack of first hand experience with environmental issues on the Reservation. Most of the analysis is focused on Reservation respondents because of the response.

63% of On Reservation respondents gave an excellent or good rating to the overall cleanliness of the Reservation; this rating is followed by a 75% positive rating of the quality of the natural environment as well. 70% of On Reservation members rated the green or natural spaces positively.

When asked about availability to hunt and fish, 48% of On Reservation respondents gave a positive response compared to 36% with a negative response. 58% of On Reservation respondents gave a nega-

tive response when asked about the water quality of the Reservation's surface waters.

Respondents were next asked about air quality, water quality, bike paths and trails, condition of area parks, and quality of recreational activities in their area. 75% of respondents rated their air quality as excellent or good. Results vary when looking at On and Off Reservation respondents. 80% of On Reservation respondents rated air quality positively while 66% of Off Reservation respondents rated air quality positively. Off Reservation respondents had a slightly higher percentage of N/A responses than On Reservation. When looking at water quality, 69% of respondents rated it positively. Again, On Reservation respondents had a slightly higher rating at 70% compared to Off Reservation at 66%. Off Reservation respondents again had a higher N/A rate than On

Reservation.

Overall, 40% of respondents reported their bike paths and trails as excellent or good. Off Reservation respondents had a more favorable response at 53% compared to On Reservation at 34%. On and Off Reservation participants had reported N/A at comparable percentages, with an overall percentage of 34%.

55% of respondents rated parks favorably. Off Reservation respondents had a slightly higher positive rating at 66% compared to On Reservation at 49%. Off Reservation respondents also had a lower percentage of negative ratings at 17% compared to On Reservation at 30%. Slightly more On Reservation respondents chose N/A compared to Off Reservation respondents.

62% of respondents rated the quality of recreational activities in their area as excellent or good. Similar response rates

were cited for both On and Off Reservation respondents, including N/A answers.

The next questions were again Reservation specific, and therefore a high percentage of N/A was chosen by Off Reservation respondents (64% and 62%). 66% of On Reservation respondents are very or somewhat satisfied with Oneida recreational and leisure facilities and 57% of this group is satisfied with the park space on the Oneida Reservation. 18% of On Reservation participants are somewhat or very dissatisfied with the recreational and leisure facilities while 27% are not satisfied with the park space.

The complete 2008 Quality of Life report is available on the website, [www.oneidanation.org](http://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](mailto:stats@oneidanation.org)

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PREVENTION OF TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT IN ONEIDA

## Calendar 2009

**October 13**  
**OCHC Community Meeting & Healthy Lungs**  
**WHEN:** Tuesday, October 13  
**TIME:** 5:00pm - 6:30pm  
**PLACE:** Oneida Community Health Center  
 You're invited to the OCHC community meeting and to learn about health lungs from our experts. Food, beverages, prizes. Call 920-490-3927.

**Oct. - Nov.**  
**Active Parenting Classes**  
**WHEN:** Various  
**TIME:** Various  
**PLACE:** Social Services Cottage #1, 1260 Packerland Drive,  
 Active Parenting Classes Sponsored by Oneida Birth to Six program. Sign Up for these **Free Classes NOW!** Parents 1,2,3,4 (ages 0-4), Tues., Oct. 13, 9:00a.m.-12:30p.m., & Tues., October 27, 10:00-11:00a.m.; Parents 1,2,3,4 (ages 0-4), Thursday, November 5 & 12 5:00-7:30 p.m.; Each Family will earn a \$15.00 Oneida One Stop Gas Card for completing the classes. Call Ana Balbuena to register, 920-490-3893

**October 17**  
**Oneida Apostolic Church Rummage/Food Sale**  
**WHEN:** Friday October 17  
**TIME:** 10:00am - 7:00pm  
**PLACE:** 118 W. Meadow Dr. Oneida, WI (Corner of Cty U & Meadow Dr)  
 Quality Rummage at low prices. Also serving Indian Tacos, Corn Soup, Burritos, fry bread, other soups and homemade baked goods. Contact Pastor Juan Alicea at 920 713-0540 for more information or to place an order.

**October 21, 27**  
**NWTC Student Life Speaker Series**  
**WHEN:** Wed. Oct 21, Tues. Oct. 27  
**TIME:** 11:30am - 12:30pm  
**PLACE:** Student Center Cafeteria  
 Native American culture and health/wellness are the themes behind two presentations to be held at Northeast Wisconsin Technical College this month. Strong Medicine Band, October 21. Deanna Latson "Eat Right, Feel Good, Look Great" October 27. **Free.** For more information contact Megan Popkey, (920) 498-7186.

**October 23-24**  
**Halloween at Heritage Hill**  
**WHEN:** Friday, Oct. 23- Saturday, Oct. 24  
**TIME:** 4:30pm - 8:30pm  
**PLACE:** Heritage Hill, 2640 S. Webster Ave.  
 History and Halloween will come to life as you and your family enjoy Halloween at Heritage Hill! Trick or treating, scary storytelling, a hay bale maze, costume contest. \$5/person (children 4 and under free). FMI: 920-448-5150.

**October 28**  
**Film: TRIBAL NATIONS - The Story of Federal Indian Law**  
**WHEN:** Wednesday October 28  
**TIME:** 4:00pm  
**PLACE:** Peace & Justice Rm., Harmony Cafe  
 This 60 minute documentary is a beautifully illustrated introductory history of how federal Indian law has developed in the United States and the impacts federal policies have had on American Indian people. Audiences will recognize the traumatic affects of shifting federal law and policy on health and welfare of tribes and their members, and will acquire informational tools for promoting respect, cooperation and relationship building between tribal and non-tribal entities.

**Tuesdays**  
**Compassionate Friends - Oneida Chapter**  
**WHEN:** 3rd Tues of every month  
**TIME:** 6:30pm - 8:00pm  
**PLACE:** Parish Hall, 2936 Freedom Road  
 Compassionate Friends is a support group Supporting Family after a Child Dies. Questions contact: Julie Denny or Jean Williquette - 920-469-4135.

**Tuesdays**  
**Women's Talking Circle Group**  
**WHEN:** Every other Tuesday starting June 9  
**TIME:** 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  
**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.

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

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## Caretakers' Corner

### GTC Stipend donations appreciated

GTC attendees show support of land acquisition

The Land Commission and the Division of Land Management are keenly aware of the strong support they get from the General Tribal Council. This has been demonstrated time and again by the good words spoken at the GTC meetings for land acquisition. It was also demonstrated by the outpouring of donations

when we received that large per capita payment a few years back. Even now, the Land Office receives donations from members who bring in their GTC meeting attendance \$100 check. Thanks to our members' dedication to the acquisition of land, we have ownership of more than 33% of our goal.

The Land Commission recently asked if there was a way for GTC members to donate to land acquisition. The Business Committee set up a sub-committee to work on

this issue. The sub-committee came back with a recommendation to enable GTC participants to donate, all or part of their \$100 attendance check.

The BC approved setting up a table at the GTC meetings. Beginning at the October 31, 2009 GTC meeting the table will give out and collect a donation form at the start of the GTC meetings. If a member is interested, they will complete the form at the meeting, and the Enrollments Department will process

it.

This is totally voluntary and is offered in response to requests from Tribal members. The donation can be treated the same on your taxes as other charitable or non-profit donations you make. Please consult with your tax preparer on how this will apply to you.

We thank the Land Commission, the Business Committee, and the Enrollment Department for their hard work on this opportunity for the membership.

### From 1A/Social Friday for Twahwahtsilay^

already under way with Sashakotinkuhlaslunihe (those that readdress their minds). The large project, which includes a location where youth can be brought for services and assessments, includes restorative and individual plans, and a family/community mentor to work with the youth and their family. The restorative plan is established to restore to balance all involved in

the incident. This gives everyone a voice to make things right. The Individual plan is established to help bring the youth to balance. This plan will incorporate culture and ceremony to help the youth to travel on in a good way. The sashakotinkuhlaslunihe assist with the youth and their family in the development of the plans. The family/community mentors will work side-by-

side with the youth as they work for change.

The training for Sashakotinkuhlaslunihe will be held October 9 & 10. The next committee meeting is October 14. Anyone interested in knowing more please call me, Alex, at 920-490-3774. Our next meeting is October 14 at 2:00pm in the Lobby Conference Room of the Oneida Social Services Building. All are welcome. A

power-point has been developed and you are welcome to review the grant narrative.

There will be a Social Friday October 9th for everyone in the community after the training. Oneida student will be there offering there gifts as singers and musicians. Please, bring a dish to pass and come join the fun. We will be at Parish Hall the Social will begin at 6:00PM.

### From 1A/Oneida vets honored with French award

wave that landed at Normandy Beach.

"Our ship hit some mines and started to sink. I boarded a landing craft that took us to the beach. I landed with just my clothes on... no rifle or helmet, we had to take them off of the dead Americans," Green said. "When other guys were jumping off the boat onto shore they were landing in bomb craters. When I jumped out, I was ready for the deep water, but when I jumped the water was only up to my knees... I landed on dead Americans and did what I was told... run. Boy, did I go," he said.

Skenadore, 85, served in the United States Army from March of 1943 to January of 1946. He was a paratrooper that served on hundreds of missions as a medic.

"I had so many close calls that I can't even

count them. I was in places where I could see and hear bullets over my head hitting trees. It was a little nerve-wracking," he said.

Powless, 86, served in the United States Army from December of 1943 to October of 1945. He enlisted at the age of 1--7 shortly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor and served as a paratrooper who also experienced close calls.

"During a jump our plane was taking heavy fire, the plane was going down and we had to jump. During the jump I missed two buildings but not a tree. I was hanging about 15 feet and started to cut myself down. While I was cutting myself down I started to receive fire from a close house. After I got down I was well equipped (to fire back). I fired back and he did-

n't fire back any more. I took him as a prisoner of war," Powless said.

Work begin in December of 2007 to recognize the efforts of Green, Powless, and Skenadore, said Kerry Metoxen, the tribe's Director of Veteran's Affairs.

"These were normal men in abnormal times, It's a nice feeling and I am so proud of these guys."

Many of the ceremo-

ny's speakers acknowledged that community members like these need to be honored.

"These men are a gift to us. They give us more than elderly wisdom. These men have been warriors and have served with our allies to protect a common cause, freedom," said tribal chairman, Rick Hill. "They're humble guys and they never wore their service accomplishments on their sleeve."

### Informational session on construction class

Swan College will hold an informational meetings at the Wisconsin Job Center for people interested in learning more about its upcoming highway/heavy construction class.

The 24-week course, scheduled to start October 28, will provide individuals with training needed to find employment in the highway con-

struction field, including segments on surveying, grades and slopes (elevations), trucks, heavy equipment and crane operation, earth moving, paving and structural work.

Meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Tuesday, October 13, at Wisconsin Job Center, 701 Cherry St., Green Bay, Wis.

### Skenadore honored as Woman of Achievement

Wisconsin Women of Color Network honored Alice Skenadore of Wise WomenGathering Place, with a Women of Achievement Award, Saturday Oct. 3, 2009 in Madison WI. Alice was recognized for her work at a Traditional Midwife, supporting



Alice Skenadore

over 750 home births, mentoring 5 midwives and supporting the awakening for all women that all women are midwives.

Alice was also recognized for creating and advancing Discovery Dating, which is a healthy relationship tool, that is making a

difference in many communities striving to prevent adolescent pregnancies and intimate partner violence. Alice, a Chippewa from La Courte Oreilles, has resided in Oneida the past 18 years with her husband Roy Skenadore and 6 children.

Alice founded Wise Women Gathering Place, a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote Peace, Respect and Belonging through skill building, sharing of knowledge and caring support for our family.

### Oneida Head Start Wrap Around Program

The Oneida Head Start Wrap around program is a service available to families who are in need of childcare services before and/or after the Oneida Head Start is in session. Head Start Wrap around offers an all day option for parents or legal guardians who must work or attend school full time. The site is at the Three Sister's Head Start. Children from the Norbert Hill site are invited to participate but parents must provide the transportation. The hours are from 6:00 a.m. till 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Financial assistance may be available

through the Center for Self Sufficiency. To be eligible parents or guardian must be working, going to school or in a training/or education program or participating in a work related activity. Families are responsible to pay a portion of the Head Start Wrap Around costs based on income and household size. For financial assistance please call 490-6800.

For more information about the program call Vicky Deer at 496-5205 or Cheryl Du Bois 496-5206. Enrollment is limited and is on a first come first served basis.



## Music for Oneida Children

**First Rehearsal is: Tuesday, October 20 at the Arts Program Cottage!**

Fee is \$25 for all sessions for the first group and an additional \$5 for the second group (3 sessions total, 1 session = 8-9 weeks of practices).

Sibling discounts are \$5 for the first group and \$2 for the second group.

**To register, please fill out the forms on our website, [www.oneidanationarts.org](http://www.oneidanationarts.org), or contact the Oneida Nation Arts Program at 920-490-3833.**

**CHILDREN'S IROQUOIS SINGING** – Using the water drum and cow horn rattles, children will learn earth dances of the traditional Oneida people. *For ages: 6 to 13.*

*Instructor:* Kalana Brooks – first started learning Iroquois singing at the age of 7 and has made many visits to Canada to continue to learn songs. She has taught at the Oneida tribal schools for 15 years and is active in the traditional community.

**ONEIDA CHILDREN'S CHOIR** – Using folk, classical, world, contemporary music and Oneida hymns, children will learn about choral music. *For ages: 6 to 13.*

*Instructor:* Amber Evey-Schmidt – currently teaches elementary general music in Kiel, WI and is the director of the Intermezzo choir for the Lawrence Academy of Music Girl Choir Program. She graduated from Lawrence University with a degree in choral and general music.

Tuesdays, October 20-December 15,  
January 19-March 16, April 6-May 25 • 4:15-5:00pm  
Oneida Nation Arts Program Cottage

Tuesdays, October 20-December 15,  
January 19-March 16, April 6-May 25 • 5:15-6:00pm  
Oneida Nation Arts Program Cottage

### Got Spiders?

Oneida Nation Museum would like to invite you out to a special Halloween event!

Come join us on Saturday, October 24, from 1-3 pm, for a very special Halloween event. Matt Welter, Curator of Education at the Neville Public Museum, will be here in conjunction with their Spider! Exhibit to talk about a wide variety of spider species. You are invited to bring in any spiders you find for Matt to identify and discuss. A brief spider slideshow is planned after which he will conduct a spider walk on our nature trails. This event is free and open to the public.

For more information contact 920-869-6539 or Oneida Nation Museum, W892 Cty Rd EE, De Pere, Wis.

## Chairman's Corner...

By Rick Hill  
Tribal Chairman



Sheku,

On September 29, 2009, a New York federal court issued a decision regarding tribal fee-to-trust applications and the authority of the United States Department of Interior (DOI) to take land into trust for tribes. Judge Kahn ruled that the United States Congress, through its constitutional authority under the Indian Commerce Clause is authorized to adopt laws that authorize taking land into trust for the benefit of tribes, and that Congress is authorized to delegate the administrative authority to the DOI to take land into trust for the benefit of tribes.

In April 2005, the New York Oneidas submitted an application for 17,370 acres of land to be taken into trust by the United States. In May 2008, DOI accepted approximately 13,000 acres of the application, and in June 2008 the State of New York sued the Department of Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

The lawsuit was based on whether DOI had the proper authority from Congress to take land into trust for tribes, and that State and Counties argued that taking land

into trust was unlawful and violated the U.S. Constitution. Congress had adopted the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) and Indian Land Consolidation Act (ILCA) that each authorized DOI, through the BIA, to take land into trust.

In 1934, Congress enacted the Indian Reorganization Act to allow for the conservation and development of tribal lands and resources. The IRA was adopted to end the allotments under the Dawes Act of 1887 that resulted in nearly all tribes losing most of their reservation lands that had been set aside for tribes under treaties and other official acts of the federal government.

The purpose of the IRA was to allow for the conservation and development of tribal lands so that tribes could begin to rebuild their land bases. More importantly, the IRA was designed to increase tribal self-government of those lands and the members living on tribal lands. Through the IRA, Congress established a new federal policy, still in effect today, that would allow for increased tribal self-governance and self-determination.

In 1983, Congress enacted the Indian Land Consolidation Act for the purpose of further increasing the authority of DOI to take land into trust for the benefit of tribes. Like the IRA, the ILCA was also intended to promote the economic self-sufficiency of tribes by increasing and expanding tribal land bases.

In 1988, Congress enacted the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) to promote the economic self-sufficiency of tribes and increased self-governance. Under IGRA, tribes may conduct tribal gaming within reservation boundaries, and Indian lands are defined as all lands within the limits of an Indian reservation, regardless of trust or fee status.

The Court reviewed the United States Constitution, the Indian Reorganization Act, the Indian Land Consolidation Act, and the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, and ruled that the U.S. Constitution delegates Congress the authority to adopt laws and to delegate decision-making authority to federal agencies like the DOI when there is a clear federal policy and the federal agency carries out that policy. The Court also ruled the U.S. Constitution also gives Congress plenary power over tribes and that Congress can create laws

regarding Indian affairs like the IRA and ILCA.

The Court also ruled that the 1794 Treaty of Canandaigua that established the NY Oneida reservation boundaries had never been disestablished by Congress. Although the Court did not address whether the 1838 Treaty of Buffalo Creek disestablished the NY Oneida reservation, an issue raised in the Sherrill case and not decided by the United States Supreme Court, the Court did note that only Congress has the authority to disestablish or diminish a tribe's reservation boundaries.

Based on Congress properly exercising its authority to delegate administrative decision-making for land into trust applications, and DOI following the federal policy set forth by Congress in the IRA and ILCA to help tribes increase their land bases and exercise self-governance, the Court dis-

missed the claims by the State and Counties.

The Court made it very clear that it will not second guess Congress' intent to increase tribal reservation lands and tribal self-governance that has been reflected in federal Indian policy since 1934. Although challenges have been made to the DOI's authority to take land into trust for tribes as intended by the IRA and ILCA.

The New York Oneida case also makes it clear that where it is argued that a reservation's boundaries are disestablished, the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that, "[o]nce a block of land is set aside for an Indian Reservation and no matter what happens to the title of individual plots within the area, the entire block retains its reservation status until Congress explicitly indi-

cates otherwise."

This case is helpful to us here at home because the land into trust issue is one that affects Oneida's ability to increase its land base and exercise our authority over trust lands. We have always made it clear our priority to increase our reservation land base and do so under the authority Congress has delegated to the DOI and BIA for taking land into trust.

The Oneida Reservation has existed since established by the Oneida Treaty of 1838, and to this day Congress has not acted to disestablish our reservation. We have exercised self-governance consistent with federal Indian policy established by Congress in the IRA and ILCA and will continue to do so as a sovereign nation recognized by the United States federal government.

Yaw<sup>^</sup>ko,  
Rick Hill, Chairman

## Letters...

### Holy Apostles says thank you

Holy Apostles Episcopal Church would like to thank the following people and businesses for their support at our Annual Church Picnic held on September 5th:

- Oneida Bingo & Casino
- Ryan's Funeral Home
- Festival Foods of Green Bay
- Oneida Business Committee
- Oneida Trust Department
- Oneida Retail
- Oneida Farm and Orchard
- Wynngate Hotel
- Cherry Bounce Band
- Brenda's Country Bar
- Fleet and Alice's Gaslight Inn
- Ken & Dianne from Rendezvous Bar
- Benderz Bar
- Tom & Nancy Rasmussen
- Ted Christjohn
- Robert 'Little Man' Webster
- Darrell John
- Gary Powless
- Lucille Powless
- Marlene John
- Pearl McLester
- Family of Sonny & Jean King
- Matthew Pasqual
- Everyone who volunteered their time & donated food and baked goods.

Abby Webster

### Jourdan neglected

I just read the Kalihwisaks and was wondering, how come Diane Jourdan was not mentioned with the picture regarding this years clothing drive? Even though Diane is no longer working for the tribe, she still gathered

clothing and did a lot of the clothing drive organizing. She had so many requests from the community, she took her own time to gather things for the drive, helped organize the placing of the clothes, and the distribution. She also helped with repacking all the clothing and took, by herself, the left over clothes to Milwaukee, where she assisted SEOTS with their clothing drive, during Indian Summer. She also repacked the clothing, packed her van, and took the left over items to Keshena so they could have a give-away.

She works tirelessly for the community and I felt it must have been a slap in the face to read about the clothing drive and finding her name was not even mentioned. I believe she deserves her own article for all the wonderful things she has done for the community.

When she was with Environmental she had the compost program with the schools, she worked endlessly with the recycling program that I think she put together, not to mention organizing the clean-ups for Family Carnival and the Oneida Pow Wow.

I just happen to know how hard she worked on these programs and felt they should be mentioned. Even if she doesn't get her own article, I am hoping that this letter gets published so everyone will get a chance to know how hard she works and how big her heart is. Thanks for listening.

Linda E. Figueroa

### Ice cream social thanks officers

Yaw<sup>^</sup>ko to Officers Jack Mehojah and Dale Metoxen for their participation in the Ice Cream Social in Site 2 neighborhood on Sat. Sept. 19, 2009. We know it was both of your day off, we really appreciate your coming out to register bikes and helping kids with bike maintenance. Thank you for sharing your personal time investing in our community and our youth.

Forrest, Ana, Ayashe, Victor, Violet, Lily, and Danielle Barton

### Native American Holocaust

I watched the show this a.m. about Uranium used in Nuclear War Heads being refined in Iran; the Palestinian and Afghan's holdings by Taliban etc etc.

One statement struck me made by (R) Lindsey Graham of Clemens, SC. (R) Lindsey Graham, SC, said something to the effect: "If a President of a country denies the Holocaust (Jews) ever happened, We should believe the worst, not the best of what his intentions are."

Not one President of USA to date, Act of Congress, or reputed Historian(s) has EVER acknowledged the impact and demise of Indigenous People here in North or South America as a HOLOCAUST. The effects of OUR HOLOCAUST are still effectually

• See pg. 9A, Letters

## OBC Forum...

### Tribal Budget

The Oneida Business Committee (BC) and Tribal management are in the process of preparing the 2010 budget for General Tribal Council consideration in the near future. In light of significantly declining Gaming profits because of the struggling U.S. and world economies, significant cuts are necessary, cuts that I would not have imagined a few weeks ago. Difficult decisions lie ahead. However, I believe the jobs and critical services to our Oneida people must be preserved, and I will work hard to protect those jobs and services.

### Village of Hobart

There are those who feel as the BC should talk more with Village of Hobart leadership to settle our differences with Village leaders. Maybe we should, but then again, maybe we shouldn't, especially when ridicules in areas of discussion are insisted upon by Village leaders as a condition to talk. In August, the Tribe received from Village of Hobart Director of Tribal Affairs Elaine Willman, notice that the Village leadership will sit out and discuss with



Ed Delgado  
Councilman

Tribal leadership, their nonsensical belief that the 1887 Allotment Act "mooted" Articles (1) and (2) of our Treaty with the United States government which created our new homeland here where we are now and where we intend to be forever. Their way of thinking leaves Oneidas with no Reservation, no homeland, no nothing, and as an elected leader of the Oneida Tribe, I will not sit down and seriously talk with anyone whose position is that the Oneida people have lost their Reservation.

### Related Light Reading

I can't find it, but I recall an article that I have read over the years. As I recall, it was written in the late 1960s or early 1970s. I think of it more often lately now that the Village of Hobart leaders have created the office of "The Director of Indian Affairs." (A position paid from Hobart tax payers). The fictional article centered around the creation of a Bureau of Caucasian Affairs. The Bureau's job would be offer the Caucasians occupying Indian lands, an offer to move off

Indian lands for trinkets and beads, also an offer to an education so that they could be more industrious and leave Indian people alone, and even offer to teach them about the creator of us all so that they would be more understanding of their fellow human beings and of the world around them.

Can you imagine an Office of Hobartain Affairs. The role of the newly created Office would be to offer to those Hobart people who can't find anything better to do in their lives than to sit around and think that the Oneida people would actually sit down with them and discuss the relinquishment of our Tribal lands, the following deal: The Office of Hobartain Affairs would offer to such Hobartians: (1) an offer of trinkets and beads to move off the Oneida Indian Reservation where they would probably be more happy and content being away from us Oneidas, (2) an offer to an education on Indian Treaties and human rights because the Oneida people deserve and insist upon the right to exist as an Indian nation, and finally, (3) an offer of an opportunity to know our creator, a creator of friendship and good relations among people. Kidding. Thanks for reading.

Yaw<sup>^</sup>ko



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## 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](http://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 MEETING August 26, 2009 Business Committee Conference Room Meeting called to order at 9:29 AM

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

### Oaths of Office Oneida Library Board

JoAnn Ninham administered by Trish King Aug. 25

### Oneida Appeals Commission

Anita F. Barber administered by Rick Hill Aug. 26

Linda S. Dallas not present

Janice Skenandore-McLester administered by Rick Hill Aug. 26

Jennifer Webster administered by Rick Hill Aug. 26

### Oneida Land Commission

Amelia Cornelius administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Orville J. Cornelius administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Ron McLester administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

### Oneida Gaming Commission

Shirley Hill excused

Oneida Nation Commission on Aging

Dellora Cornelius administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Ron McLester administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Dorothy J. Skenandore administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Warren R. Skenandore administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

### Oneida Land Claims Commission

Reggie Doxtater administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

### Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee

Charlene E. Cornelius excused

Carole Liggins administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Loretta V. Metoxen excused

Oneida School Board

Tracy L. Metoxen- parent administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Dellora Cornelius-at large administered by Winnifred Thomas Aug. 26

Linda Mercier-at large excused

### Reports

#### Stimulus initiative report

Stimulus initiative report accepted. Motion carried unanimously:

#### Census Complete Count Committee report

Census Complete Count Committee report accepted. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

#### Skenandoah Complex move report

Community Development Planning Committee requested to establish a sub-committee figure out how to create a facilities master plan that would plan for and evaluate the use and acquisition of tribally owned facilities to meet the needs for future staff and growth over the

next 10 and 20 years. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Melinda J. Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Tina Danforth

SEOTS program and office space report

Moved to SEOTS quarterly reports at 6:30 p.m.

CMS TTAG meeting July 29-31 Washington, D.C. Travel Report

CMS TTAG travel report approved. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Excused: Trish King

#### MAST summer meeting July 13-14 Hinckley, MN Travel Report

Report and actions identified approved:

1. Support for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People,

2. Support for Lt. Governor Jefferson E. Keel for President of NCAI,

3. Support for resolution opposing the Employee Free Choice Act unless an amendment is added to exempt Tribal government from the Act,

4. Support for postponing the appointment of Niles Cesar to Area Director of the Minneapolis Area until consultation with the Assistant Secretary Larry Echohawk can occur. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Kathy Hughes

Chief of Staff directed to bring back a recommendation in 60 days about how our tribe can participate in the effort lead by Chief Oren Lyons to get the U.S. support of the U.N. Declaration on the rights of Indigenous people. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Tina Danforth

#### Indian land tenure foundation meeting July 7-8 Prior Lake, MN Travel Report

Tribal Secretary Hoelt's Indian Land Tenure travel report accepted. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

#### Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

##### Smoking Ban update

Smoking ban report approved and due back within three months. Motion carried unanimously:

##### Recommend appointment of William M. Sauer to Oneida Gaming Commission and repost second vacancy

Recommendation to appoint William M. Sauer to the Oneida Gaming

Commission approved. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Melinda Danforth

Request to re-post a second vacant position of the Oneida Gaming Commission approved.

Re-posting of the second vacant position of the Oneida Gaming Commission tabled. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Tina Danforth

#### Contingency plans for operation

Contingency plan report accepted and a status report for the Sept 23 Business Committee meeting with a preview look at how this year's budget will impact the 2010 fiscal year budget requested. Motion carried unanimously:

**Requested legal opinion from Nov. 15, 2008 GTC action taken re: Election Law**

Deferred to the Sept. 9 Business Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

#### General Tribal Council Oneida Nation Gaming Ordinance petition

Deferred to the Sept. 9 Business Committee meeting with intent to withdraw the petition. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King. Not present: Brandon Stevens

#### New Business Tribal Wildlife Grant U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Resolution

Resolution 08-26-09-A Tribal Wildlife Grant U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service adopted. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King. Not present: Brandon Stevens

#### Recommend appointment of Jeanette Ninham and Carol Silva to Oneida Child Protective Board

Appointment of Jeanette Ninham and Carol Silva to the Oneida Child Protective Board approved. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Opposed: Tina Danforth

#### Schedule meeting for Bay Bank shareholders to approve amendments to Bay Bank bylaws

Request for a special Bay Bank shareholders meeting

to approve the amendments to the Bay Bank bylaws approved. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

#### Recommendation for Religious Practices Committee – Native American policy guidelines draft

Recommendation to utilize and modify the Federal Native American Religious Practices Manual for WI DOC use supported. Motion carried unanimously:

Presentation of utilizing and modifying the Federal Manual and Education workshop at the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council meeting Sept. 10, 2009 support. Motion carried unanimously:

#### Post one Library Board vacancy for the remainder of resigning member's term

Request to post one Library Board vacancy for the remainder of the resigning member's term approved. Motion carried unanimously:

#### Post one Environmental Resources Board vacancy for the remainder of resigning member's term

Request to post one Environmental Resources Board vacancy for the remainder of the resigning member's term approved. Motion carried unanimously:

#### Revised application for appointed board, committee and commission vacancies

Deferred to the Tribal Secretary's office for a final application recommendation. Motion carried unanimously:

#### Schedule Oct. 31 special GTC meeting date to continue semi-annual business

Oct. 31 for a special GTC meeting to continue semi-annual business approved. Motion carried unanimously:

#### Restructure and realign the Dept. of Government Administration

Request to change the title of the Dept of Government admin to Office of Intergovernmental Affairs approved. Motion carried unanimously:

Resolution 08-26-09-B Authorizing Moving the Emergency Management Office, the Self Governance Office, and the Ombudsman Office Reporting to the General Manager adopted. Motion carried with two opposed.

Ayes: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Opposed: Tina Danforth, Melinda Danforth.

Legislative Affairs office, the Communications department

and the Office of Strategy Management to directed be combined with the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs. Motion carried with one opposed.

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Opposed: Tina Danforth

Chief of Staff job description approved. Motion carried with and one opposed one abstention.

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens . Opposed: Patty Hoelt.

Business Committee's discussion of the wage scale added to the next Business Committee retreat including the possibility of an emergency wage re-evaluation during these hard economic times. Motion carried unanimously:

Updated report as it pertains to objective three in initiative four on the Business Committee balanced scorecard from the 100 day plan accepted. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens . Abstained: Ed Delgado

**Recess:** 12:20 p.m. to 1:38 p.m..

#### Present: Melinda Danforth, Rick Hill, Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado arrived 1:46 p.m.

#### Approve contract for Robert W. Baird & Co.

Information regarding Robert W. Baird and Co. accepted and a special meeting with Seven Generations and the Chief Financial Officer regarding Oneida manufacturing company requested. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

#### Procedural exception for 21 employees, 3 non-employees to attend Indian Summerfest

Procedural exception for 21 employees, three non-employees to attend Indian Summerfest Sept. 11 through 13, 2009 approved. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, . Abstained: Patty Hoelt

Not present: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

#### Bureau of Indian Education Nation Special Education

#### Academy Sept. 15-17 San Diego, CA Travel Request

Travel requested for Ed Delgado to attend the Bureau of Indian Education Nation Special Education Academy Sept. 15 through 17 in San Diego, CA approved. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King,

Not present: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

#### Promotion of energy projects Aug. 28 - Sept. 2 Maine Travel Request

Travel requested for Councilman Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr. to attend the Promotion of energy projects Aug. 28 through Sept. 2 in Maine approved. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King,

Not present: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

#### Indian Progress in Business Awards Banquet Sept. 18 Tulsa, OK Travel Request

Travel requested for Councilman Brandon Stevens to attend the Indian Progress in Business Awards banquet Sept. 18 in Tulsa, OK approved. Motion carried unanimously:

Ayes: Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Patty Hoelt, Kathy Hughes, Trish King. Not present: Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Brandon Stevens

#### Finance Committee July 10 Finance Committee minutes

July 10 Finance minutes approved. Motion carried with one abstention.

Ayes: Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoelt, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. Abstained: Melinda Danforth. Not present: Kathy Hughes

#### Legislative Affairs

Amendment to service agreement between Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI and Town of Oneida

Amendment to the service agreement between the Oneida Tribe of WI and Town of Oneida extending the agreement to June 30, 2010 approved. Motion carried unanimously:

• Continued on pg. 8

#### Business Committee Evening Meeting Sessions

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month

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**October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Quarterly Reports**

• Airport Hotel Corporation

• Oneida Total Intergrated Enterprises

• Bay Bank

• Oneida Seven Generations Corporation

• Trust/ Enrollment Committee

Check out the OBC Government website at...

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The screenshot shows the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin website. At the top, it says "Check out the OBC Government website at... www.oneidanation.org". Below this is a navigation menu with categories like "Employment with Oneida", "Community Resources", "Culture Language & History", "Oneida News & Events", and "Government". Under "Government", there is a "Business Committee" section with sub-items: "General Tribal Council", "Oneida Tribal Judicial System", "Laws and Policies", "Elected Boards Committees Commissions", "Appointed Boards Committees Commissions", and "Government Calendar". To the right of the menu is a search bar and a "Go" button. Below the menu is a "Check out the Government Calendar feature for important meeting dates!" section. It lists "Upcoming Special GTC Meetings": "October 31 – Semi-Annual continued", "November 21 – Budget and Hyperbaric Chamber", and "January 4, 2010 – Annual GTC Meeting". At the bottom, it says "Click on Calendar and choose the 'Government' filter option".

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## Vacancies

**Oneida Library Board:**  
**Two (2) vacancies**  
**1 full term,**  
**1 remainder of term**  
**Purpose:** To monitor and advise programs, services and acquisitions of print and non print materials provided to library clientele.  
**Qualifications:**  
 • Must be an enrolled Oneida Tribal member  
 • Must reside on or near the reservation  
**Deadline:**  
**4:30, October 12, 2009**

ed or voluntarily entered into active duty in one of the service branches of the United States Armed Forces  
 • Discharge from active duty cannot have been due to "less than honorable conditions."  
 • Shall be a citizen in good standing in the Oneida Community.  
 • Shall be appointed for a 3 year term.  
**Deadline: 4:30PM**  
**October 12, 2009**

**Oneida Personnel Commission:**  
**One (1) vacancy**  
**Qualifications:**  
 • Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe  
 • Shall serve a full 3 year term.  
 • Shall not be a conflict of interest between the private interest and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.  
 • Membership may not be directly related or married to another member of the commission.  
**Deadline:**  
**4:30, October 12, 2009**

**Oneida Airport Hotel Corporate Board:**  
**One (1) vacancy**  
**Qualifications:**  
 • Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe  
 • Shall be appointed for four year term  
 • Each member shall have a Bachelor's degree with at least 5 years of work experience in one of the following fields: Financial analysis/banking, General accounting principles, Hospitality management, Business management of development, general business management  
 • All qualified applicants should possess a working knowledge of the Oneida Tribe of Indian of Wisconsin  
**Deadline: 4:30, October 12, 2009**

**Oneida Powwow Committee:**  
**One (1) vacancy**  
**Qualifications:**  
 • Shall serve a three (3) year term.  
 • May be required to perform supervisory duties in regard to a powwow.  
**Deadline:**  
**4:30, October 12, 2009**

**Environmental Resource Board:**  
**One (1) vacancy**  
**Qualifications:**  
 • Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe  
 • Shall be appointed for three year term  
 • Each member shall participate in all required training within 180 days of appointment  
 • No ERB member may be employed within the Environmental Health and Safety Department of the Oneida Tribe of Indian of Wisconsin  
**Deadline: 4:30PM**  
**October 12, 2009**

**Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee:**  
**Three (3) vacancies**  
**Qualifications:**  
 • Shall have served honorably on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.  
 - Served 181 days or more of continuous active duty unless discharged early due to a service-connected disability, or served as a member of the Selected Reserve at least six years in the Reserves or National Guard unless discharged early because of a service-connected disability.  
 • Shall have been induct-

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

## From 7A/August 26 Minutes continued

**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Not present:** Kathy Hughes  
**Retro-approve support of the Small Community Air Service Development grant by Austin Straubel International Airport**  
 Request for retro-approval support of the small community air service department grant by Austin Straubel International Airport approved. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens

**Executive Session**  
**Old Business**  
**Green Bay Packers gate contract Addendum A**  
 Green Bay Packers gate contract Addendum A report accepted. Motion carried with one abstention.  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Abstained:** Kathy Hughes. **Excused:** Tina Danforth  
**Change BC resolution 11-26-08-C to reflect an investment to purchase TN & Associates**  
 Deferred to Sept. 9 Business Committee meeting pending an opinion and report from the Audit Committee. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Tina Danforth

**New Business**  
**Approve contract to file claims electronically with GE Centricity Patient Management Medical Record system**  
 Indian Health Addendum Medicare Part D plan with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity contract no. 2009-0511 approved. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Tina Danforth  
**Waiver of sovereign immunity for Aetna Health Management contract**  
 Amendment to the pharmacy services agreement with a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for Aetna Health Management contract no. 2008-2228 approved. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy

Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Tina Danforth  
**Standing Stone Buffet Reimbursement resolution**  
 Resolution 08-26-09-C Declare Official intent under reimbursement bond regulations for the renovation and related infrastructure improvements at the Radisson Hotel and in the second further resolved to list the Business Committee officers in place of the Tribal Secretary and Secretary and Treasurer can sign if Vice-Chair is absent adopted. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Tina Danforth  
**Chief Financial Officer employee contract**  
 Chief Financial Officer contract approved. Motion carried with two abstentions:  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Abstained:** Melinda Danforth, Patty Hoeft. **Excused:** Tina Danforth  
**Bay Bank board resignation**  
 Resignation accepted. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Tina Danforth  
**GTC Complaints**  
 Letters to respond to complaints by two tribal members approved. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Tina Danforth

**New York Land Claims New York Land Claims update**  
 Accepted the verbal report on New York Land Claims. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Melinda Danforth, Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Tina Danforth

**Oneida Business Committee Evening Reports**  
 5:15 p.m.

**Boards, Committees and Commissions Quarterly Reports**  
 Present: Ed Delgado, Rick Hill, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth.

**Environmental Resource Board**  
 Environmental Resource Board report approved. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth  
**Oneida Tribal School Board**  
 Oneida Tribal School Board deferred to the next Boards, Committees and Commission evening meeting of Sept. 23. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth  
**Oneida Powwow Committee**  
 Oneida Powwow Committee report approved. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth.

**Airport Hotel Corporation Board**  
 Oneida Hotel Corporation Board report approved. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth  
**Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee**  
 No report submitted.  
**Oneida Land Commission**  
 Oneida Land Commission report accepted. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth  
**Oneida Nation Arts Board**

No report submitted.  
**Oneida Land Claims Commission**  
 Oneida Land Claims Commission report accepted and approved re-posting one vacant Land Claims Commission position, seconded by Ron "Tehassi" Hill, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth  
**Oneida Golf Enterprise Board**  
 Oneida Golf Enterprise Board report approved. Motion carried unanimously.  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth  
**South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS)**  
 SEOTS quarterly report accepted. Motion carried unanimously:  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth  
 SEOTS report, update on programming and office space accepted and requested a programming and office space update back in thirty days. Motion carried unanimously.  
**Ayes:** Ed Delgado, Ron "Tehassi" Hill Jr., Patty Hoeft, Kathy Hughes, Trish King, Brandon Stevens. **Excused:** Melinda Danforth, Tina Danforth, Ed Delgado  
 Meeting adjourned: 7:32 p.m.

## Government Meetings...

- Oct. 1 • 9AM ~ NORBERT HILL CENTER**  
 ✓ Community Development Planning Committee
- Oct. 14 • 9AM ~ NORBERT HILL CENTER**  
 ✓ Regular BC
- Oct. 28 • 9AM ~ NORBERT HILL CENTER**  
 ✓ Regular BC ~ Evening board, committee and commission reports at 5:15PM
- October 31 • 10AM ~ Radisson Hotel, 3 Clans Ballroom**  
 ✓ Special GTC Meeting

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## ❖ COMMUNITY MEETINGS ❖

*The community budget meetings will provide information about the Tribe's FY2010 budget proposal to Oneida Tribal members.*

**Oneida Location & Date**  
 Norbert Hill Center:  
 N7210 Seminary Road, Oneida, WI  
**Monday ☞ October 26, 2009 – 5 PM**

**Milwaukee Location & Date**  
 South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services:  
 6811 W. Morgan Ave., Milwaukee, WI  
**Tuesday ☞ October 27, 2009 – 6:30 PM**

*Please watch for details. A copy of the detailed FY2010 Budget will be available for review by enrolled Tribal members at the following locations:*

- ❖ Oneida Community Library
- ❖ Oneida Tribal Secretary's Office
- ❖ SEOTS Office

*Please contact Budget Director RaLinda Ninham-Lamberies with questions:*

**(920) 869-4242 or 1 800 236-2214, ext. 4242**

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**Public Hearing Notice****11:30AM • Norbert Hill Center (BCCR)****October 27, 2009**

**Purpose:**  
**Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy Amendments**  
to increase scholarship amounts from \$2,500 to \$3,000 per student, and make this a "life-time" amount, instead of a one-time limit.

**November 10, 2009**

**Purpose:**  
**Adoption of the Divorce, Annulment, Legal Separation Law**  
to enable the Tribe to exercise its sovereign right to grant married couples divorces, annulments, and legal separations. This law would also allow the Tribe to divide marital property and establish maintenance orders, when appropriate.

**November 10, 2009**

**Purpose:**  
**Adoption of the Marriage Law**  
to enable the Tribe to exercise its sovereign right to regulate marriages conducted on the Reservation. This law would allow the Tribe to issue marriage licenses which would be recognized by the State, decide who would be allowed to conduct marriages and establish penalties for those people who intentionally avoid the law.

**November 10, 2009**

**Purpose:**  
**Amendments to the Real Property Law**  
to update the Law and make it consistent with other proposed law. Amendments to the law would ensure that the Law does not conflict with the Divorce, Annulment, Legal

Separation Law, in the event the Divorce, Annulment Legal Separation Law is adopted.

**Public Hearing Process****Testimony:**

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

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

*If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via Groupwise [phuff@oneidanation.org](mailto:phuff@oneidanation.org) Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 920-869-4376.*  
*The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this law are also available on the LOC Website: [www.onloc.oneidanation.org](http://www.onloc.oneidanation.org)*

**From 6A/Letters**

impacting our communities in Reservation Areas Nationwide, and under current genocidal policies such as IRA Governance!

We are to trust our elected leadership emphatically? Many Natives do not trust even "our own" elected officials!

Rather than using our Legal Teams we have established to fight injustices; cigarette sales, gas sales, gambling revenues, (70'S;80'S;90'S and 21ST Century of course).

We dump millions of dollars into a system--the State/Local Municipalities--designed to put us under... "States Authority"-- who are enforcing laws to be rid of us inevitably -- giving States and Municipalities extra money to fight Reservation Boundaries only one example of many... Green Bay and Brown County are far from exempt. Taking "Our Rights of Self Governance" away their ulterior motives.

By virtue of the fact OUR IRA Governments we Enforced Upon Us, and, are designed to destroy US; the psychology behind their very

implementation recorded in the discussions of the Congressional Acts, if one truly read them.

Policies to destroy us are held in high regard by leaders and membership, blind-sighted and leading us to our own demise as Nations. They (USA/States or Municipalities) do NOT Acknowledge nor admit the HOLOCAUST happened to Native North America! Nor in South America. Ironic? What is ironic to me is several Non-Indians have said directly to me on own how crazy they think it is WE PAY one red cent to ANY Government entity! Our leadership fails to see this.

WE ARE TO "TRUST" THEM, EMPHATICALLY; SEEMS ALL TOO CLEAR TO ME ASK (R) GRAHAM of SC or any Congressional Representative: "DID OUR HOLOCAUST EVER HAPPEN?!" to Native North Americans? So we can find out who to trust!

*Best Wishes Sincerely!  
Luwahs^na.wi'  
Oneida Nation member  
Seated with the Bear Clan  
a/k/a Ben Cannon*

**Wise Youth Theater for Peace**

Wise Youth group experienced theater games, voice exercises and skits at Wise Women Gathering Place this Sept. 26 - 27, 2009. Thanks to a mini-grant from Oneida Nation Arts Board and Wisconsin Arts Board, Wise Women Gathering Place was able to bring Ogitchidag from the Indigenous People Task Force in Minneapolis. Sharon Day brought two youth Dion and Kirby, who wholeheartedly engaged Wise Youth. The days were filled with laughter, anticipation and times of thoughtful reflection.

We role played some scenarios that were confrontational and then we role played them using Non-Violent Communication. "I see, I hear..., I feel... , I need..., I request.... statements in this order, diffused the confrontational nature of the dialog and put us into a place of understanding. It took us from a Heart at War to a Heart at Peace. Sometimes, it just calmed us down enough to know we needed a



Submitted photo

Wise Youth Group took part in theater activities thanks to a grant from the Oneida Nation Arts Program and Wisconsin Arts Board.

time out to sort it out later.

Storytelling is an important part of our cultural expression, transference of history, sharing of life lessons and raising issues to ponder and reflect on. Theater is a dynamic extension of this process. The art of storytelling and theater can take us to uncomfortable places, or shake up perspectives on things, opening up new thoughts

and new ways to be. Creating peace where there is violence and pain, takes creativity and courage.

Wise Youth and Wise Women Gathering Place are available to share the theater activities and Non-Violent Communication activities for other groups. Wise Youth meets at Three Sisters Resource Center every Thursday 4:00 - 5:30. Thanks to

Isabel Parker - Oneida Housing and Jackie Ninham - Oneida YES for co-sponsoring Wise Youth with Wise Women Gathering Place. Please contact us at (920) 490-0627. Wise Women Gathering Place 2482 Babcock Green Bay WI 54313 [bscow@new.rr.com](mailto:bscow@new.rr.com) [www.wisewomengp.org](http://www.wisewomengp.org) [www.discoverydating.com](http://www.discoverydating.com)

**Twahwahtsilay^ - a continuum of care**

This article is being written to update the community and to give a special thanks to all those who worked to develop this project.

One Tuesday September 21 a proposal was sent to the Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance in an effort to secure funding for Twahwahtsilay^ - a continuum of care: restoring the fire/read-dressing the minds/rejoining the circle of care. This will be an opportunity to assist Oneida youth before they enter the juvenile justice systems; helping them find a new direction.

There have been numerous people over the past seven to eight years that assisted in this project's development. Currently there are 20 committee members with a total of 40 committee and support personnel

that are assisting with the project. Their ideas and dedication have made this effort possible. We wish also to thank all of those who would have worked on this project in the past, starting in 2001; those who have been willing to share the Oneida and Haudenosaunee culture and stories. The culture and the stories are the foundation of this project. It has been a privilege to capture their words and ideas and then put them down in writing. Thank all of you for your good wishes and prayers.

If we are funded, the next phase of the project will start in January of 2010. The first phase is already under way with Sashakotinihkluslunihe (those that readdress their minds). The large project, which includes a location where youth can be brought for services

and assessments, includes restorative and individual plans, and a family/community mentor to work with the youth and their family. The restorative plan is established to restore to balance all involved in the incident. This gives everyone a voice to make things right. The Individual plan is established to help bring the youth to balance. This plan will incorporate culture and ceremony to help the youth to travel on in a good way. The sashakotinihkluslunihe assist with the youth and their family in the development of the plans. The family/community mentors will work side-by-side with the youth as they work for change.

The training for Sashakotinihkluslunihe will be held October 9 & 10. The next committee meeting is October 14.

Anyone interested in knowing more and joining those learning about Sashakotinihkluslunihe please call me (Alex) at 490-3774. Anyone interested in attending our next meeting it is October 14 @ 2:00pm in the Lobby Conference Room of the Oneida Social Services Building you are welcome. If you wish to learn more about the project a power-point has been developed and you are welcome to review the grant narrative.

There will be a Social Friday October 9th for everyone in the community after the training. Oneida student will be there offering there gifts as singers and musicians. Please, bring a dish to pass and come join the fun. We will be at Parish Hall the Social will begin at 6:00PM.

**Lac Du Flambeau celebrates Fall with Wild Rice Festival**

Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

The Lac Du Flambeau Chamber of Commerce celebrated its annual Wild Rice Festival. The community event is designed to promote awareness and understanding of the Ojibwe culture in Northern Wisconsin.

Games, food, crafts and a powwow (pictured) were all part off the days festivities. Wild Rice is native to Northern Wisconsin and is key part of Ojibwe culture. It is harvested by locals from the wild and used in a variety of regional cuisine.

## 75 years of Storytelling with new 41 Redesign Project

Various images, stories, and other elements of Oneida will become a part of the local infrastructure as the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) plans its collaborative Highway 41 redesign project. "What the DOT is doing with this new 41 expansion project design initiative is a creative, innovative, and what will prove to be an exceptionally effective approach in giving this cluster of communities a chance to continue to grow and develop together," says Oneida Nation Chairman Rick Hill.

When you look around at other cities, towns, communities, it is becoming more and more common that there are brands being established. The Oneida Nation of Wisconsin wants the same for its community; colors, images, landmarks, things that tell a

story in so many words, images, or ideas that this is our home, this is who we are. Turtle, Bear, and Wolf, the Wampum Belts, the Creation Story; just some examples of the elements of our culture we as the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin have an opportunity to promote, educate, and entertain with. Both Oneida and the DOT believe the greater Green Bay area will serve as a fine canvas for these designs given all of the different cultures and histories that exist here. "The DOT has been working diligently with all of these communities to ensure that they have a say in how their stories will be told," states Oneida Nation Lobbyist Tana Aguirre, "this is very important, as these designs to be implemented will be in existence for at least 75 years."

In looking at the

impending developments of Ashwaubenon, De Pere, Green Bay, Howard, and Hobart, the Oneida Nation believes this branding initiative has many reciprocal opportunities for all to strengthen their own communities, as well as their bonds with their neighbors. This greater Green Bay area is a community that has many faces, histories, cultures, and perspectives, and these designs are exactly what it needs to complement and supplement all the other developments, which will bring these communities closer both literally and figuratively. In so many words, when the tide rises, the Oneida Nation wants all of the boats to rise with it; the DOT Highway 41 Redesign Project initiative will ensure that goal.

One of the oldest and most widely utilized traditions for Oneida peo-

ple, and Native American people in general, is storytelling. It is only natural that the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin contribute its stories, culture and histories, simply because they have strong ties to the greater Green Bay area and the United States as a whole in how we came to be. It is also the Nation's goal to hear the stories of all their neighbors as well. And again, this 41 expansion and how the DOT plans to utilize the bridges, the highways, landscaping, and so forth will serve as a great canvas for these entities to come together, hands on shoulders, and promote a proud and progressive existence for all, through 75 years of storytelling.

For more information on the 41 Design Project contact Stacie Danforth at 920-869-1600 ext. 4539 or Tana Aguirre at 920-869-2214 ext. 4239.

### Girls Oneida Traditional Dress class

Girls between the ages of 8-14 to make their own Oneida traditional outfit. It will consist of leggings, skirt and top. Participants limited to 20 girls.

The class will be on Thursdays evenings at the Oneida Civic Recreation from 5:30- 8 pm. All materials will be supplied.

Please send or contact Servilla with your name, age, dress size & phone number. Must be a member of Oneida Recreation. Membership is \$5. **Deadline is to apply is October 16th, 2009.** Classes start October 22nd, 2009.

Please contact Servilla at 920-869-1088.



### Northeast Wisconsin Job Center Job Fair set for October 14

(Green Bay) Northeast Wisconsin job seekers are invited to attend Northeast Wisconsin Job Center's 6th Annual Job Fair on Wednesday, October 14, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Riverside Ballroom, 1560 Main Street, Green Bay.

"This event gives area job seekers an opportunity to directly connect with local employers

who are looking to fill numerous positions within their respective companies," said Brian Pelon, Workforce Development Area (WDA) director of Bay Area Job Service.

For more information about the Northeast Wisconsin Job Center Job Fair, please call Brian Pelon, WDA director, Bay Area Job Service, (920) 448-6772.




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## What's News in Indian Country

### Paterson backs tribe seeking Hamptons casino

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) ~ Gov. David Paterson has backed the Shinnecock Indian Nation's bid to be federally recognized, a necessary step if the tribe is to operate a casino in the Hamptons playground of the rich and famous.

The federal government is expected to make a preliminary ruling by Dec. 15 on whether to officially recognize the seaside tribe on Long Island.

Some elected officials are concerned about how a casino would affect traffic and the environment, while others are open to studying the idea.

In its application for federal recognition, the tribe says it has been governing itself since more than a century before the state and federal governments were created.

Paterson is "a true leader who understands the history of the Shinnecock people and the government-to-government relationship in New York state that has been in effect since Colonial times," said Beverly Jensen, the tribe's communications director. She said Shinnecocks have fished the Long Island shore for 10,000 years.

"To say federal recognition of the Shinnecock is long overdue would be an understatement," Paterson wrote in a Sept. 22 letter to Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, Paterson's staff confirmed on Monday.

Under the federal Indian gaming act, a tribe may get a license to operate a casino, but they must first be recognized as genuine. The federal law allows tribal casinos even in states like New York where casinos principally owned by non-Indians are prohibited.

About 500 Shinnecock tribal members now live in modest homes on a 1,200-acre reservation in Southampton. Nearby, some of the richest people in the world, including Wall Street power brokers and Hollywood celebrities, have sprawling estates worth tens of millions.

### Woman arraigned for 1975 killing

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) ~ A Rapid City woman pleaded not guilty to murder charges filed in a 1975 shooting death on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

Thelma Rios was arraigned Monday on one count of felony murder in relation to kidnapping and one count of premeditated murder in the death of Annie Mae Aquash.

The 64-year-old Rios and John Graham are accused in state court of taking part in the kidnapping and killing of Aquash. Prosecutors say Aquash was killed because she was a suspected government informant against the American Indian Movement.

### Judge rejects NY, counties' land trust challenges

VERONA, N.Y. (AP) ~ A federal judge has upheld the U.S. Department of Interior's authority to put more than 13,000 acres of upstate New York land into trust for the Oneida Indian Nation.

New York state and Madison and Oneida counties had argued that former Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne's decision authorizing the transfer of about 20 square miles was unconstitutional and exceeded his authority. U.S. District Judge Lawrence Kahn rejected their arguments.

Land held in federal trust is exempt from local and state laws and taxes, but subject to most federal laws.

"Although the preferred outcome is a negotiated settlement, absent that possibility, we are pleased with this deci-

sion," the nation said in a statement.

In a 30-page decision issued Tuesday in Albany, Kahn also determined the state and counties would not be harmed by the transfer of a separate 18 acres into trust, approved in December, and therefore had no standing to contest it.

Kahn also dismissed the state and counties' argument that the tribe's Turning Stone Resort and Casino violated the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

"It's not a surprise. We expected that it would be difficult for us to win these motions," said attorney David Schraver, who represents the two counties.

"His decision is not likely to be the last word," Schraver said. The state and county were seeking a summary judgment to immediately

halt the transfer.

Attorney General Andrew Cuomo's office said it had received the decision and was reviewing it.

Schraver said he would discuss the ruling with county officials, but expected the counties would continue their challenges.

An appeal cannot be filed until Kahn decides all the motions in the case, Schraver said.

A number of procedural issues remain. The counties and state have also claimed the decision was arbitrary and not supported by the record. They also claim there was inappropriate influence by Oneida lobbyists during the decision process.

After a contentious three-year review, Interior Department officials recommended in May 2008 placing 13,004

acres into trust. The Oneidas had asked to put 17,370 acres into trust.

In December, the agency put an 18-acre parcel of U.S. Air Force surplus land into trust for the Oneidas under a provision of the Base Realignment and Closure law. The land in Oneida County was not part of the tribe's trust request or the Interior Department recommendation.

The Oneidas once possessed about 300,000 acres within their reservation, nearly all of which they claim was illegally conveyed to the state without federal approval. The tribe also has a land claim pending in federal court.

Earlier this summer, the Oneidas offered Oneida County \$55 million to drop its challenges, but county lawmakers rejected the offer.

### Dorgan bill responds to Carceiri ruling

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) --- U.S. Senate Indian Affairs Committee Chair Byron Dorgan (D-ND) has introduced legislation that seeks to clear up the uncertainty created by the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in February on the Carceiri v Salazar case. That decision called into question the Secretary of Interior's ability to take lands into trust for Indian tribes.

Dorgan described his legislation as a "technical amendment" to the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) of 1934 to restore Congress' true intent. That law autho-

rized the Secretary of the Interior to accept lands into trust for Indian tribes "now under Federal jurisdiction." The Supreme Court ruled that language limited the Secretary's authority to accept land into trust only for tribes federally recognized at the time the 1934 law was enacted.

The ruling, if allowed to stand "would have the effect of creating two classes of Indian tribes - those who were recognized as of 1934, for whom land may be taken into trust, and those recognized after 1934 that would be unable to have

land taken into trust." Creating two classes of tribes is "unacceptable," and contrary to prior Acts of Congress Dorgan said.

Urgent congressional action is needed in response to the ruling, Dorgan said. "Affected tribes deserve our timely consideration of this bill."

His bill ratifies the prior trust acquisitions of the Secretary, who for the past 75 years has exercised his authority to place lands into trust, as intended by the Indian Reorganization Act. It also reaffirms the Secretary of Interior's continuing authority to

accept lands into trust for Indian tribes, regardless of when the tribe was federally recognized.

If Congress does not act, Dorgan said, the ruling will create havoc in Indian Country.

Inaction by Congress could significantly impact planned development projects on Indian trust lands, including the building of homes and community centers; result in a loss of jobs in an already challenging economic environment; and create costly and unnecessary litigation.

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## Village Board's legal theories have been tested in court and rejected, say officials

The Village of Hobart Board recently published advertisements in which it claims that the Village has jurisdiction over the Oneida Tribe and tribal members on fee land on the "former" Oneida Reservation. The Village Board contends the Oneida Reservation no longer exists because the federal government allotted land on the Reservation to individual tribal members, and the land then passed into fee ownership. The Village Board's legal theories have been tested in court

and rejected. Over thirty years ago, the United States Supreme Court determined that allotment of reservation land "is completely consistent with continued reservation status." *Mattz v. Arnett*, 412 U.S. 481, 497 (1973). Over forty years ago, the Supreme Court determined that fee ownership of reservation land by non-Indians does not diminish a reservation. *Seymour v. Superintendent of Washington State Penitentiary*, 368 U.S. 351, 357-38 (1962). In addressing these

questions, the Supreme Court has consistently adhered to the "first and governing principle . . . that only Congress can divest of reservation of its land and diminish its boundaries. Once a block of land is set aside for an Indian reservation . . . the entire block retains its reservation status until Congress explicitly indicates otherwise." *Solem v. Bartlett*, 465 U.S. 463, 470 (1984). The Oneida Reservation encompasses approximately 65,400 acres, and was established pursuant

to the 1838 Treaty with the Oneida, which was ratified by Congress on February 3, 1838, and proclaimed by the President on May 17, 1838. Congress has never acted to disestablish the Reservation or to diminish its boundaries. The Reservation therefore continues to exist, and its boundaries remain intact. As recently as 1997, the Wisconsin Court of Appeals ruled that the Reservation boundary runs down the "thread of Duck Creek" at Pamperin Park, as

reflected on an 1838 map which was "presented to the Oneida tribe for their approval when negotiating the treaty." *State v. King*, 212 Wis.2d 498, 507 (Ct. App. 1997). The Court of Appeals noted that any diminishment of the Reservation "would be void absent an act of Congress." *Id.* at 510. The Village Board would like to change the law, and take the Oneida Reservation off the map. We hope the Village Board changes course, and recognizes the

Reservation, like the State of Wisconsin and other municipal governments do. The Tribe has a demonstrated track record of working with other governments to address issues through negotiation, with the goal of implementing sound public policy for the benefit of all residents. The same could be true of the Tribe's relationship with the Village. Unfortunately, the Village Board's position promises only protracted litigation and attorneys fees.

### In response to Village of Hobart submission to Kali

Message from  
Chairman  
Richard G. Hill



Since the last issue of the Kalihwisaks, the Oneida Business Committee has received several comments and questions regarding the full page ad submitted by the Village of Hobart officials. Like many of my constituents, I was surprised and puzzled by this ad. I'm not clear on why the Village of Hobart placed the ad, but I am clear on the fact that the information they submitted is not accurate and taken out of context.

The Village of Hobart cuts and paste citations and excerpts from published decisions to try to prove that the Village has jurisdiction over the Tribe, and that the Oneida Reservation no longer exists. But the simple fact is that this reservation was created by a Treaty, the Treaty

has never been abrogated by the United States, and none of the federal laws or decisions presented by the Village of Hobart would suggest otherwise. I cannot understand why the Village would invest any effort in this argument.

In an effort to maintain good public policy and positive partnerships with our neighbors in and around the Oneida reservation we have not commented on the mis-information the Village representatives have recently been streaming into the community. Our response would have somehow suggested that there was some value to digging out old newspaper arti-



Photo courtesy of Cultural Heritage

Oneida settled in the region in the early 1820's

*"We have served in the military. We have gathered together to help each other, even non-Oneidas, in times of trouble. We call each other family. And for many years to come, we hope to continue to do so."*

~ Richard G. Hill, Oneida Chairman

cles regarding the history of Hobart and the Oneidas. Our history should not be forgotten, but it should also be understood and not taken out of context of the time and place in which it was written.

The truth is pretty fundamental when presented in context. The difficult part of this is that we all know that history, we all know the context, we lived it, our parents lived it, and our grandparents lived it. There is a map produced by the late Vera Wilson that was painstakingly

researched and identifies every allotment within the Reservation as a result of the Dawes Allotment Act. I have looked for my family's allotment on that map, I am certain all of us have at one time. That is our history, we lived it. Through it all, we maintained self-governance, and our Reservation.

We have served in the military. We have gathered together to help each other, even non-Oneidas, in times of trouble. We call each other family. And for many years to come, we

hope to continue to do so.

The Oneidas have established positive government-to-government relationships with nearly all other local governments and municipalities located on and near the Oneida Reservation. These relationships are now reflected in the Service Agreements that are in place. These local governments acknowledge their laws do not apply to Oneida tribal members, and work cooperatively with Oneida to address various issues through negotiated Service Agreements.

Oneida firmly believes that our respective citizens and constituents desire the same things: a safe community, preserving the rural character of our communities, and a quality of life that preserves our community for future generations. Public policy is what advances these community objec-

tives that a community envisions for itself.

The Oneidas wish to advance the best public policy that is in the best interest of both our respective constituencies and communities. By engaging in government-to-government relations that respect the authorities of each government, we can formulate public policy that is complementary and benefits both of our communities and constituents.

Are there conflicts in regards to the laws that affect individuals living with the reservation? Yes. But, do we dwell on those conflicts, or work cooperatively as other governments do to resolve these issues for the best interests of all residents? Oneida has always chosen the latter, cooperative and collaborative relationships. We hope that eventually the Village of Hobart will do the same. In the interim, I would ask that you have patience with us as we try to create working relationships with the Village of Hobart.

September 24, 2009  
Editor  
Kalihwisaks  
P.O. Box 365,  
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RE: Hobart  
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By email:  
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Dear Editor,

The Village of Hobart placed a full-page ad on page 8A of your September 24, 2009 edition asserting that "the Village enjoys local zoning, permitting, environmental and other controls on land owned in fee, regardless of the fact that it lies within a former Indian reservation... For the most part, this is true whether the taxable (fee) land is owned by a tribal government, individual tribal member, or non-tribal member." In support of its statements, the Village quoted from four court decisions, a federal statute, and an article that I authored that was published in the November

*"The Village's reference to the Oneida reservation as a "former Indian reservation" falsely insinuates that the Oneida reservation no longer exists..."*

~ Brian L. Pierson  
GODFREY & KAHN, S.C.

2008 Wisconsin Lawyer magazine.

The subject of my article was the authority of Indian tribes to regulate non-members on fee land within reservation boundaries in the wake of the Supreme Court's decision in the Plains Commerce Bank case. My article does not support the Village's quite different assertion that it has the authority to regulate the Oneida Tribe or its members within reservation boundaries. Indeed, legal authority on that point contradicts the Village. As the Supreme Court stated in its 2001 decision in *Nevada v. Hicks*, "[w]hen on-reservation conduct involving only Indians is at issue, state law is generally inapplicable, for the state's regulatory interest is likely to be minimal

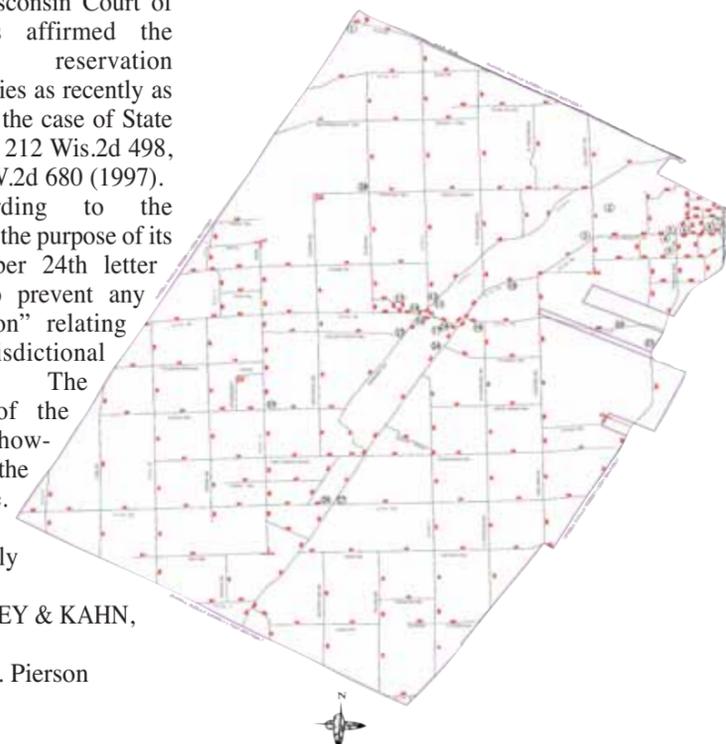
and the federal interest in encouraging tribal self-government is at its strongest." *Nevada v. Hicks*, 533 U.S. 353, 362, 121 S. Ct. 2304, 150 L. Ed. 2d 398 (2001).

The Village's reference to the Oneida reservation as a "former Indian reservation" falsely insinuates that the Oneida reservation no longer exists. According to the United States Supreme Court, "[t]he first and governing principle is that only Congress can divest a reservation of its land and diminish its boundaries. Once a block of land is set aside for an Indian Reservation and no matter what happens to the title of individual plots within the area, the entire block retains its reservation status until Congress explicitly indicates otherwise." *Solem*

*v. Bartlett*, 465 U.S. 463, 470 (1984). The Oneida Reservation was established by Treaty in 1838. The Wisconsin Court of Appeals affirmed the Oneida reservation boundaries as recently as 1997 in the case of *State v. King*, 212 Wis.2d 498, 571 N.W.2d 680 (1997).

According to the Village, the purpose of its September 24th letter was "to prevent any confusion" relating to jurisdictional issues. The effect of the letter, however, is the opposite.

Very truly  
yours,  
GODFREY & KAHN,  
S.C.  
Brian L. Pierson



## Community members gather to harvest



Kali photos/Nate Wisneski  
Far Left: tsyunhéhkwá's Jeff Metoxen demonstrates the best way to prepare white corn for braiding during the opening day of the 16th Annual Harvest and Husking Bee on Saturday, September 26. The event invited community members to take part in harvesting this year's crop of white corn that is to be used in soups, food and breads. Once the corn is braided together it hangs for months to dry and prevent mold build-up.  
Left: A finished braid of white corn hangs outside waiting to be hung in the barn.  
Above: A corn braid is finished and being prepared to be hung



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## Car Crash Game Makes On Impact Community

By Vanessa Miller

Injury Prevention Program

Death is a topic that is not too comfortable with the majority of people. Who wants to think about dying? However, at our recent Fall Fest we forced our community members to face the topic of the number one killer of Native Americans-preventable injuries. Of those, car crashes, of course, claims the most number of lives every year.

Our Injury Prevention Program engaged "Fall Festers" is a game that did not sit well with many people. As we have just recently completed our Oneida Seatbelt Study, we really wanted to drive home the importance of seatbelts. We especially wanted to point out that seatbelts are 77% effective in helping to survive a fatal car crash. However, seatbelt usage rates on Indian reservations are consistently lower than state and national levels, including here on our own reservation.

As community members excitedly went from booth to booth at Fall Fest, held the Conservation Field Office, there was plenty if food, drink, lively music, and upbeat attitudes. However, when people stopped at the Injury Prevention Booth, these smiles quickly faded into unpleasant frowns. This year, we created an interactive activity where people randomly chose a car crash situation from a



Photo courtesy of Vanessa Miller

The Injury Prevention Program presented information on buckling seatbelts at the 5th Annual Fall Fest held September 17.

Participants read their "fate" out loud as family members, close friends, and bystanders listened. Many of these fates were not easy to listen to. An example of one of these "fates" is as follows:

"You are trying to tune your radio while your kids are arguing in the back seat. You are frustrated and turn around to yell at them to be quit, when you run a red light and blind side a pick up. Your kids are properly restrained, but you failed to buckle up that morning and do not survive. The paramedics arrive to find your children injured and orphaned."

These are scenarios that none of us want to think about. But that was the point of our booth this year-to force our community members to confront these situations head on. If people chose a fate that they did not survive, they were instructed to write their name on a wall. As the day progressed, people slowly came by to look at how the wall was filling up, and how many names they recognized.

At the end of the day, there were a total of over 80 names on the board. This was to represent the 110 people that die every day in the U.S. in car crashes due to not wear-

ing their seatbelts.

The game was not fun. Plenty of comments were made by community members regarding how their moods turned gloomy and sour. I realize this activity was not popular, nor was it intended to be. However, if one person that left Fall Fest that day and buckled up as they thought of this game, then success was proved for our purpose. Buckle Up Oneida!

For any further questions regarding seatbelts, please contact Vanessa Miller @ 920.496.5351 or [vmiller@oneidana-tion.org](mailto:vmiller@oneidana-tion.org).

## Friends of the Environment award winners

By the Environmental, Health & Safety Division

At Fall Fest this year, the Environmental, Health & Safety Division gave our second annual "Friend of the Environment Award." This award is given to a community member that lives the lifestyle of any environmental steward, someone who truly lives with a passion for the environmental, and completely embodies the essence of being caretakers of the earth.

This award is usually given to a single community member. However, this year, our planning team was faced with a tough decision between two nominees. We truly felt that both of these nominees deserve special recognition, and therefore decided to have co-award winners this year.

Our first award was given to Paul and Jill Ninham, owners of our local Duck Creek Coffee Company. Paul and Jill have transferred the values they hold in their personal lives to their own business. They have operated and continue to operate their professional lives in

accordance with their belief of being environmentally responsible. They have utilized all compostable utensils and compost their food waste and coffee grounds.

Our second winners are Greg and Vicki Matson. Greg and Vicki have truly captured the ideal of being a "friend of the environment" in nearly every facet of their life. Besides operating a community garden, Greg and Vicki have independently proposed the Tall Feather Good Village Project, which will revitalize a small farm plot into a community garden and a place where youth will be able to learn trade skills from mentors.

Business Committee Member Tehassi Hill presented our award winners with an encased award with artwork designed by Eric Doxtator. Awards were given to our winners at Fall Fest September 17th at the Conservation Field Office.

To the Ninhams and Matsons, you are true role models and our community and our environment thanks you. Congrats!



Submitted Photos  
Top: From right to left, Greg and Vicki Matson with Tehassi Hill and Pat Pelky. Right: Jill Ninham accepts award.



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## Lead Free in Indian Country



The theme of LEAD FREE IN INDIAN COUNTRY is a cooperative effort between the Oneida Nation in Wisconsin and the Federal Environmental Protection Agency to address lead poisoning awareness and lead law compliance. The impacts of lead poisoning are preventable thus education and raising the public awareness of the costs to the individual and the community are the goals of LEAD FREE IN INDIAN COUNTRY.

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## ONEIDA RECREATION MONSTER MASH

This dance is tailored for youth age 9-12 years old and will be held on Monday, October 26, 2009 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm.

The Mash will take place at the Civic Center with a dance and costume contest. All Recreation Members dressed in a costume are admitted free! A \$1.00 admission fee will be charged for non-costume participants.



Before attending, all youth must be a current Recreation Member. (Membership fee is \$5.00)

For more information, please contact Kim at 833-0010.



## Oneida Nation School System Adequate Yearly Progress earned for 2008-09

On September 23rd, 2009 a meeting was held at the Infinite Campus Headquarters in Blaine, Minnesota for the purpose of reviewing school data from the previous school year and determining Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) status.

The Oneida Nation School System does follow state mandates of the No Child Left Behind Act and administers the Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Exam, to students in grades 3rd

through 8th and 10th grade in high school, each November.

As written on the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction web site, AYP is defined by meeting each of four Adequate Yearly Progress Objectives. They are:

- **Graduation or Attendance** – Elementary and middle schools must have an attendance rate of at least 85% or show growth over the prior year. High

schools that graduate students must have graduation rates of at least 80% or show growth over the prior year.

The Oneida Nation School System had an attendance rate of 93.5% and graduation rate of 96.15%. The Bureau of Indian Education uses the Native American Student Information System (NASIS) to validate all the data.

- **Test Participation** – 95% of all students enrolled in the tested

grades (3rd through 8th and 10th) must participate in the state assessments. This test participation objective is met using the current year's participation rate or a two-year average.

The Oneida Nation School System did have 100% participation on the state assessments.

- **Reading** – A school district must achieve a proficiency index of 74%.

The Oneida Nation School System did meet

this with a confidence band of 74.8% - 83.8%

- **Mathematics** – A school district must achieve a proficiency index of 58%.

The Oneida Nation School System did exceed this rate with a confidence band of 61.4% - 71.3%.

Students must be in attendance for one full academic year (FAY) to be included in these assessment results. The staff and students of ONSS are proud of this

accomplishment and we will continue to work hard to improve our indicators to make AYP again this school year!

We thank our parents for sending our students to school every day, reading to them and with them each evening and supporting our system! We could not meet these goals without parental support!

## Oneida Higher Education Program

# Post secondary Oneida graduates acknowledged

The Oneida Higher Education Department would like to congratulate our post secondary students who graduated during the 2008 - 2009 school year. All graduating students were provided a gift in honor of their educational achievement. If your name is not on the following list, please contact us at 920-869-4436 or 1-800-236-2214 ex. 4436 or feel free to e-mail us at [www.oneidanation.org/highered](http://www.oneidanation.org/highered).

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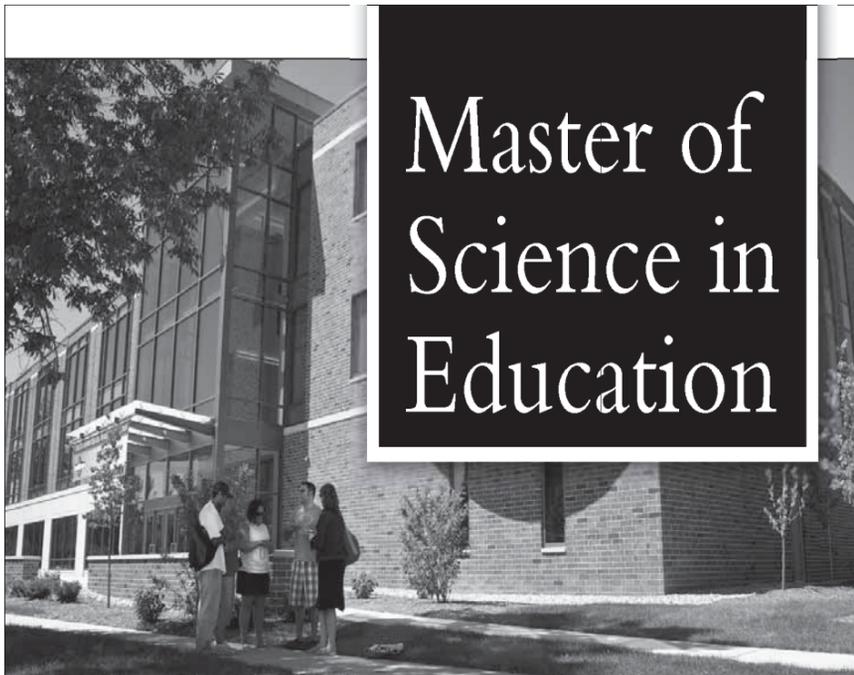
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### Noah Scott Balinski

Noah Scott Balinski was born on Monday June 1st, 2009 to proud parents Jason & Jennifer Balinski. Noah weighed 9lbs, 2oz at birth and was 21 1/4 inches long. His maternal grandparents are Scott and Barbara McIntyre. His great-grandmother is Juanita Cornelius of DePere.

### Aaliyah Rose Cornelius

Aaliyah Rose Cornelius was born to proud parents Brian and Teresa Cornelius on September 11, 2009. She was 7lbs, 14oz and 20 inches at birth. Maternal grandparents are Rubén and Doreen Zayas of DePere. Paternal grandparents are Wendel and Margaret Cornelius of Oneida. Aaliyah was welcomed by siblings Anthony, Alexander and Aphrodite.

### Harlow Skenandore

Harlow Skenandore was born to proud parents Clyde Skenandore and Alex Powless on August 27, 2009. Harlow was 6lbs, 15oz at birth. Maternal grandparents are Dave and Karen Powless. Paternal grandparents are Sherry and Clyde Skenandore.

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## Happy Birthday

To the best Sissy in the world



Hugs and Kisses Abigail

## Happy 13th Birthday

Briana on October 16th



Love, Mom, Geoff, Wyatt, Abigail, Grandma & Grandpa House, Uncle Jamie & Jaelyn

## Congratulations

Zachariah S. Hemmings Mashkiikii Makwa "Medicine Bear"



for graduating Marine boot camp in San Diego, CA on Sept 11, 2009. Zach is the son of Jeremy & Tyla Oliver (nee Paull) & Greg Hemmings and brother to Ashley Hemmings. Zach's Maternal Grandparent's are the late Gerald Paull and Lynette Paull (nee Doxtator). We are so very Proud of our Native Marine!!! **Semper Fil!**

## Happy 1st Birthday

Mason "Slugger" on October 10



Love, Grandma and Grandpa Skenandore

## Happy Birthday

Happy 1st Birthday Mason "Chumlee" On Oct 10th & Happy 4th Birthday to Our BIG BOY Madden On October 28th



We love you so much! Mommy & Daddy

## Happy 4th Birthday

Sonja Sweetgrass on 10-10



Love, Mom

## HAPPY HALLOWEEN

To my three pumpkins



Love, Grandma and Grandpa Skenandore

## Happy Birthday

Alex October 13 From Clyde and Sherri

## Happy 4th Birthday

Madden "Big Guy" On October 28th



Love, Grandma and Grandpa Skenandore

## Happy 2nd Birthday

Ashlyn



Love, Mom & Dad

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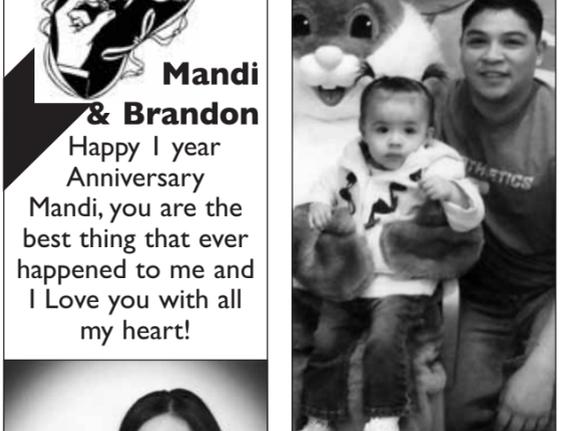
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Love, Mom



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Love, Da Da

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(Left to right): Sherri, Grandmother, Sunshine, Cheyann, Dad (Ben)

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## Happy Birthday

Papa John October 8th Love, Marshmallow, Mushroom, Baby Darling Dumpling, baby on the Rock Sunshine and the Brothers

## Happy Birthday

Naat'aanii Love Moma, Nas, and Lala

## Happy Birthday

Paul Peltier October 20th Love, Mom, Papa, Jackie Cullen, Hunter and Daniel. Have a great Day!

## Happy Birthday

Chief Love from your children, Grand Children and Sisters

# T Thunderhawk

## ONHS Inside Big Apple Fest

By **Shaleesa Danforth**  
ONHS senior

September 18 and 19, students from ONHS participated in putting on the Big Apple Fest along with Cultural Heritage Department.

It was a great experience for me and my classmates. It taught us public speaking skills as well as the one-on-one learning experience about the log homes on Salt Pork Ave. We even learned how the Iroquois Confederacy lived before European contact, and how we still do things the same way as our ancestors did. A couple of the boys were teaching people old-time fishing.

After learning all of that, we students then presented all of that information, on September 18, to the surrounding public schools and, on Saturday the 19, to the community. We had a fun time dressing up in time period clothing, and our contemporary longhouse clothing.



Photo courtesy of Becky Anderson

Oneida Nation High School students give a presentation in the longhouse at Big Apple Fest held on the Cultural Heritage grounds.

Maria Metoxen, Ericka Bearinger, Cheyenne Starr, and I did presentations about the longhouse and how we lived before European contact.

Allie Redhail and Dawn Stevens were in the first log home teaching about the land loss and the move from New York to Wisconsin.

Mason Powless, Ululani Nunies, and Devin Little were in the second log home and they were teaching people about the arts and crafts, and how we still

do them today. Michael Arce, Eveyonna Ortega, and Schuyler Metoxen were in the third log home teaching people how the Great Depression affected the Oneida people during that time.

Noelle Metoxen and Guadalupe Martinez were in the fourth log home, the general store.

Diego Metoxen, Eva Powless, and Kanani Nunies were in the fifth log home teaching people about farming and self-sufficiency at that time.

Bradley Granquist, Eddie Santiago, and Eli Ninham were down by the pond demonstrating old time fishing.

I would like to give a special thanks to Nick Reynolds, Michelle Danforth, and Loretta Metoxen, and the teachers from ONHS who chose us students to participate in the first annual Big Apple Fest.

It was a great experience for all of us; we even took a day out of our weekend, to finish what we started.

## Chicago to Oneida: Here's Breck Warren

By **Shaleesa Danforth**  
ONHS junior

Breck Warren, Special Ed aide, is a new edition to the ONHS family.

Before he worked at ONHS, he worked at Celvyn Park High School in Chicago, Illinois as a "career specialist." He helped students find jobs, and helped them figure out what they wanted to do after high school.

The reason for leaving his old job and coming to a whole new place was that he "got engaged, and had to move." However, he "likes" his new job. He is actually living in Appleton.

He said, "Some of the students remind me of my old students that he

used to work with." He added that the ONHS staff members are "really welcoming, very nice." They made him "feel comfortable in a new environment."

Breck's plan here at Oneida is to still help the students find jobs even though he "doesn't know the area very well." He said he would still like to help us students find out what we would like to do after school.

I asked him "Packers or Bears?" and he said "DA BEARS. That's the way we say it in Chicago."

Then, I asked him about where he came from and his family, and how Appleton is different from Chicago. Breck told

me that he has a mom and a dad, one older brother, and three younger sisters back in Chicago. However, he lives in Appleton with his fiancé and their dog Ruby.

When I asked him how Appleton is different from Chicago he said he's used to "jumping on a bus and going places," and, here, he "has to drive everywhere" he goes. He's also used to reading the newspaper everyday and "finding out what's going on in the world," but the only newspaper he reads here "is the Kalihwisaks."

Breck's been all over the world. He said the reason he got to go all over the world was "for

school." He's been to Thailand, South Korea, Japan, China, Las Vegas, Florida, San Diego, and New Mexico. He would like to travel back to Thailand, and go to Ireland.

I asked him what he thinks about the Oneida Language and Culture taught at ONHS and he told me that he is "trying his best to learn about it, and he's having fun doing that, and it's important to have."

Finally, I asked him if he has anything else to share and he said he's "the only lahú'tsi? teacher here." Breck's learning fast.

## Meet Schuyler Metoxen

By **Jasmin Webster**  
Thunderhawk Times assistant editor

Schuyler Metoxen is an 11th grader now attending ONHS. This is her first year attending ONHS, but this is not her first year attending the Oneida Nation School Systems. This year is her third year.

She has also attended Aldo Leopold, Franklin, and West.

For grades, she gets mostly A's and B's. Schuyler said that she "Loves her class schedule." Her favorite classes are Geometry, Oneida Crafts, and Iroquois Music.

She participates in volleyball. She is improving! She said she does not know much about the Oneida Language and Culture, but she is "learning though."

Outside of school she enjoys playing basketball, and she participates on the Oneida Arts



Schuyler Metoxen

Board. Her favorite color is blue. Her favorite movie is "Apaclypto."

Schuyler's favorite celebrities are Johnny Depp and Rudy Youngblood.

Schuyler's role model is her mom, "because she is a very strong, independent woman."

After high school she plans on going to college. She wants a career in art.

Watch for more features on our new students in upcoming issues.

## Here's Durant

By **Bradley Granquist**  
ONHS senior

Durant Summers is a senior in high school and has gone to Oneida schools for most of his life. He also attended Hill Crest Elementary School for first and second grade.

Durant says he "lives where the land meets the sky" with just his mom.

His grades are "ok" and he likes he schedule this year for the most part. His favorite class is civics and his favorite sport is table tennis. He says he "was forced to take journalism." He said he loves to write poetry. Durant works at Denis's Sugar Moon Farm. He said that he knows very little about his Oneida language and culture.

Durant wants to have "a high paying job" in the future. He said he



Durant Summers

likes spending time with his family. His favorite band is Metallica, and his favorite color is blue. He said he loves to eat tacos and watch George Lopez and favorite movie is Born in East L.A.

Durant also likes playing football and likes pepperoni on his pizza.

After high school, he said he plans to go to the College of Menominee Nation and work at the One-Stop.

## My Scoop

### World hunger exercise

By **Jaylee Godfrey**

Thunderhawk Times editor

In Global Issues class, we're studying world hunger and the teacher, Carol Johnson, has inspired me. She did this game where you pick a yellow, blue, or red card. Whatever card you get, that's what you get to eat. It was based on eating the way the world eats.

The red group represented most of the south. They live on less than \$2.00 a day. They can't get clean water, can't afford medical care, and they live in makeshift homes. Many can't find jobs or have no money to buy food or rent a home. They often go a day without eating so, for this group, they had dirty water and a little bit of white rice.

The yellow group represented 60% of the world's population who go by just getting enough to eat. But, they do not have enough money to pay off-the-wall medical bills, rent, and heating bills even in the winter. Due to this, they can't buy as much food as you would like. Children are six times more likely to die of diseases related to hunger than those in the blue group. So, we got to eat (this was the card I picked) white rice, we had clean water, celery, and carrot sticks that were warm.

On the other hand, the blue group was living large. Although they represent 15% of the world's population and they get enough food, it's not fair. They use more than their share of the world's resources. Children are healthy and they get good educations. They get the best medical care, but because of high-fat and high-sugar diets, the leading cause of death is heart disease, cancer, and diabetes. This group ate pizza, chocolate cake, and Gatorades.

Now, although this was only an activity, the facts were real. What does this say about the world if we let people die from hunger while we waste away money on weapons and war? I think feeding the world is far more important! Think about this when you're wasting food or you don't feel thankful. Some countries don't even have enough food to waste.

Thanks for some insight, Carol!

## Meet Mason Powless

By **Jasmin Webster**

Thunderhawk Times assistant editor

Meet Mason Powless. Mason is from Florida. He is in the 10th grade.

As for ONHS, he said that this school is "okay, it's better than my other school."

Mason plans on going to college after he graduates high school, but he is undecided for a career at the moment.

He has two sisters.

Mason likes plays games. His favorite foods are fruits. He likes all kinds of music. His favorite colors red and black. His favorite sport is football. He likes to watch and play it. He does not have a favorite team though. And his favorite movie is "Chronicles of Riddick."

Mason said he likes all of his classes; he doesn't have a favorite one.

Mason was recently elected President of the sophomore class.



Mason Powless

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## OCHC Flu clinics a success



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Community Health Center held three mass flu immunization clinics at the Turtle School Gymnasium through September and October. The clinics immunized 640 community members and employees from seasonal influenza. From left to right: Lynn Cornelius registers Frieda Clary for the Friday, September 25 clinic.

## New incentive program kicks off in November

The benefits of being active are undeniable. As you age, it is important not only to stay physically, but also mentally active as well. Being healthy dramatically cuts down on injuries. With this being said, we introduce a NEW INCETIVE PROGRAM.

This program, named *Háo? twatya?tahni·lát*, meaning "Come on let's all strengthen our bodies", will begin November 1. The program is designed to bring together all of the great services and programs the tribe offers into a single incentive program that will allow you to win great prizes every month.

The rules of the program are fairly effortless. Anyone in community 55 years or older is eligible to participate. Simply

stop by one of the participating locations (Elderly Services, Environmental, Health and Safety in Ridgeview Plaza, Oneida Family Fitness Center, Social Services, and Oneida Community Health Center), and pick up an information packet and membership card. There is no need to sign up. Every time you participate in one of the activities outlined in the packet, bring your membership with you and have it signed by a staff member. These activities include, but are not limited to, Healthy Homes Assessments, County H Recreation activities, Elderly Services Activities, Fitness Center visits, etc. Keep your card with you for the entire month. At the end of each month, drop of

your card at any one of the participating locations and pick up a new one for the next month. Cards must be submitted by the 15th of the following month.

Points will be calculated and the top 10 point winners each month will receive a prize. These prizes will vary from gift cards to monetary awards. The top two point earners each month will receive larger gifts.

There is no limit on how many times you can win, so if you fall off the wagon next month, hop back on the next month! So come on, let's get all healthy AND win money while doing it!

For more information, please contact Vanessa Miller at 920-496-5351 or [vmiller@oneidana-tion.org](mailto:vmiller@oneidana-tion.org).

## You're Invited!

Come to the  
**OCHC Community Meeting**

AND

learn more about  
**Healthy Lungs**  
from our experts:

**Stephanie Eberhardy, PA-C**  
OCHC Provider

**Jeanette Pieper, BSW, CSAC, CTTS, TCTP**  
Behavioral Health

**Eric Krawczyk, MPH, CHES**  
Community/Public Health Officer

**When: Tuesday, October 13, 2009**

**Time: 5:00—6:30 pm**

**Where: Oneida Community Health Center**

**Prizes Food Beverage**

Please contact Oneida Health Promotion  
for more information—(920) 490-3927



**Who's This For?** ~ Parents with their children or any interested individual  
Adults and Ages 12 up

**Dates/Times?** ~4 Week Workshop: Oct 15, 22, 29 Nov 5—campfire  
5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

**Cost?** ~\$20.00 for Tribal Members/Employees/Fitness Members  
~\$40.00 for Non-Members for one 4 week session

**What is Fire? (Camp Fire Girl, Camp Kilowan, Albany, Oregon)**

**What is Fire?** A fire is wood, gathered from many places, which when lit by a single match, flares up and brings us warmth and light. But to anyone who has ever been to a camp, a fire is something more. It is a symbol and stands for another fire of a different kind, which burns in the hearts of all of us. Here at camp, we are the wood, and although we are gathered from many different homes; the flame of a single person or idea, can set us all ablaze. Then we ourselves may be the dancing fire, as we play something entertaining or simply funny or we may be the more quiet flickering fire which brings us peace after a busy day. But we are the fire, a single flame created of many sources, and when we leave camp, we carry, each of us as we go our separate ways, a bit of Kilowan fire burning inside of us.

**Come and develop your own respect for fire in a fun workshop**

**Skills taught during workshop:**

- Learn the basic fire triangle and primitive skills fire triangle
- Learn how to start a campfire in dry and wet conditions
- Develop your fire starting skills using modern and primitive fire starting techniques
- Ex. Flint and Steel, Bow Drill, One Match
- Learn how to use artificial and natural fire starting materials
- Ex. Batteries, Magnesium, Cotton Ball, Vaseline, Pine Pitch, Birch Bark.

**On the last evening around a warm and comfortable campfire with some hot chocolate and smore's we'll share story's of our past campfire/camping experiences**

Class portions will be offered at: Oneida Adventures 2640 West Point Road, Green Bay, WI 54304  
Adults and ages 12 and up are invited to register. Space is limited so be sure you register in advance.  
Contact: Kip Miller (920)-490-3810 [Kniffier@Oneidation.org](mailto:Kniffier@Oneidation.org) or Cady Young (920)-490-3863 [Cyoung@Oneidation.org](mailto:Cyoung@Oneidation.org)



### FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS (FASD): IMPLICATIONS FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD

October 14, 2009

Radisson Hotel and Conference Center  
2040 Airport Drive, Green Bay, WI

Prenatal alcohol exposure is a leading cause of disability in children including fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS) and related conditions. This workshop will provide an overview of the effects of alcohol use during pregnancy and the resulting developmental, cognitive, and behavioral deficits that may result. Intervention strategies will be provided targeted towards professionals who work with children from birth to six years of age.

**AGENDA:**

12:00 noon	Registration and Lunch Pre-Test
12:30	Overview of FAS
2:00	Break
2:15	Developmental Implications for Young Children
3:00	Intervention Strategies for Birth to Three and Early Intervention
4:00	Resources to Serve Families Post-Test
4:30	Adjourn



**About the Trainer: Georgiana Wilton, PhD**

Dr. Wilton is an Associate Scientist at the University of Wisconsin Department of Family Medicine. She is currently the Principal Investigator or Co-Investigator of several research and outreach projects addressing the prevention, identification and treatment of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD). She is the Director of the Family Empowerment Network (FEN) serving families and professional service providers around the issues of FASD. Georgiana has taught classes on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) and adolescent health in the Department of Medical Genetics, and provides training to parents, clinicians and advice providers locally and nationally. She earned her doctorate in Rehabilitation Psychology and has worked in the field of developmental disabilities for over 25 years with a focus on FASD, family support, professional education, clinical outreach, vocational rehabilitation, and advocacy.

**THIS TRAINING IS OFFERED FREE OF CHARGE:** Including lunch and handout materials

**\*\*NOTE:** If you would like Continuing Education Units (CEUs) from the University of Wisconsin, there will be a \$15 charge to cover costs.

**TO REGISTER (OR FOR MORE INFORMATION):**

Contact the Great Lakes FASD Regional Training Center  
Phone: 1-800-752-3157 ~ Fax: 608-263-5813 ~ Email: [fasd.trainingcenter@fammed.wisc.edu](mailto:fasd.trainingcenter@fammed.wisc.edu)

Co-Sponsored by: **Brown County Human Services Birth to Three Program**  
**Oneida Early Intervention Birth to Six Program**

## Oneida Community Health Center

920-869-2711

## 2009 ONEIDA RECREATION BOO BASH

Come join the fun, spooks and thrills on Friday, Oct. 23rd, 2009 at the Boo Bash held at the CIVIC CENTER from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. If you dare, walk the Haunted Maze, especially designed for families with youth ages 0-8. Compete in a costume contest and leave with a smile on your mask!

Costume Contest Categories

- Funniest
- Scariest
- Superhero
- Fairy Tale
- Most Creative

\*Each child may only enter in one contest category.

For more information,  
please contact Kim at  
833-0010.





*In the News with...*

## Cultural Heritage

### Big Apple Fest was a BIG Success!

Special to Kalihwisaks

The Big Apple Fest was organized by Oneida Cultural Heritage, Oneida Enterprise/Retail and the Oneida Apple Orchard. With a twist of marketing, this educational event taught the general public about enterprise companies and Oneida history. Why Big Apple Fest? It was to remind everyone that we lived in both New York and Wisconsin.

The Crabapple is the only apple native to the Americans. When Europeans brought apples to America, the Oneida and other Iroquois quickly incorporated them into their diets. During the American Revolution, General Sullivan marched through the Iroquois homelands and burnt many Iroquois villages to the ground. In one village site Sullivan's troops chopped down 1,500 apple trees, destroying their fruit and burning the trees. After moving to Wisconsin, the Oneida continued the Iroquois practice of cultivating apples. Tucked away in quite places around the Oneida Reservation many apple trees grow wild, some of them cultivated by our Oneida Ancestors.

On September 19th, behind the Oneida Cultural Heritage Office, the five log homes of the Salt Pork Avenue Reconstruction Project came to life. Students from the Oneida Nation High School dressed in time period clothing from the late 1800s and gave historical interpre-

tation of all five log homes, each with displays to represent certain themes in Oneida History and Culture. The small replica longhouse was also stocked with items that would have been used prior to European contact and students in traditional Iroquois clothing greeted visitors. Several students also talked about old time fishing and held a fishing contest. From land loss, to lace making the High School students rocked! The event also hosted the Oneida Hymn Singers, Oneida Band, farmers market, farm animals by Greg Matson, baby turkeys by Tsyunhekw<sup>^</sup>, a General Store (Museum Gift Shop), and horse and wagon rides. The Oneida Farm donated buffalo meat that was prepared with traditional foods by the Oneida Long House.

Participants could then take the shuttle to the Oneida Apple Orchard. There, another horse and wagon toured the orchard and visitors picked apples. Visitors also could dip caramel apples, sample cider from the Orchard and buffalo meat from the Oneida Farm..

Finally, the biggest highlight of the day was the Best Apple Pie Contest 2009. From 27 entries, it was a three way tie for first going into the overtime judging. The winners are as follows, 1st Place - \$200 Cash Prize - Paula Martin, 2nd Place - Grace Koehler, 3rd Place - Melissa Fischer

"It was such a wonderful day and the people just kept coming and coming." commented



Photos courtesy of Cultural Heritage

Above, Over 300 Kids from local schools visited Salt Pork Avenue for Education Day, Sept 18th. Left, Lace Makers, (l to r): Betty McLester, Judy Skenandore, Mason Powless, Devan Little, Charlie Doxtator, and Ululani Nunies.



Michelle Danforth, Co-organizer of the event, "I think stepping back in time for so many people was a great experience, to learn about our lives in New York and Wisconsin."

Cultural Heritage is hoping that this can continue on as an annual event, budget permitting. In 2010, Cultural Heritage is hoping to add more kids events, more animals and some good ole family against family competitions. If you have any suggestions for the planning committee, they can be sent to [mdanfor8@oneidanation.org](mailto:mdanfor8@oneidanation.org).



Photo courtesy of Cultural Heritage

The 'best' apple pie contest winners were as follows: 1st, Paula Martin (center), 2nd, Grace Koehler (right) and 3rd, Melissa Fischer.



Photos courtesy of Cultural Heritage

Apples and the Oneidas during the Revolutionary War Time.

 Culture Class   
with Randy Cornelius

Place: Cultural Heritage  
(3703 Hillcrest Drive)

Time: 6PM - 7:30PM

Date: Every Wednesday

Topic Schedule:

10/7 - Harvest Part I

10/14 - Harvest Part II

10/21 - Community Death Feast

10/28 - Community Cleansing Hatúwi & Katsíhsa

## Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems

### A Successful Summer for the Oneida Farmers Market

By the OCIFS Coordinator

The Oneida Farmers Market ended its season on Thursday, October 8th. The 2009' Oneida Farmers' Market season was the best we have ever had averaging 30 vendors per market. We had numerous new vendors this year that brought a nice diversification of products.

In addition to the new vendors we had a new information/demonstration area where several departments presented information on: rain barrel making, youth planting contest, be a fireman demonstrations, how to upcycle, Live Sustain Grow program, diabetes - Check the Neck and much more. This information/demonstration will continue into 2010 so if you are interested in participating please contact Bill at 869-4530 or Wvervoor@oneidation.org.

At the two Farmers' Market Bashes we had the Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H brat booth busy serving delicious Oneida Black Angus burgers and brats. We had a 3 Hole Golf Putting contest and a Big Wheel Contest for the adults. The youth games included a Ring Toss and Pick a Duck with great prizes for all events. In addition to those activities there was live music, and the Hobart Volunteer Fire Department was on hand with two of their trucks for people to tour through. They also allowed people to try on



Photos courtesy of Grace Koehler

Youth participating in the planting contest in the demonstration area.

a Fireman's uniform and go on a search mission to see what it would be like to be a fireman. The Oneida Police Department was there to monitor the big wheel races and had hands on demonstrations with 'beer goggles' and a field sobriety test.

The Market is free of charge to any and all peo-

ple who would like to sell their products. If you are interested in selling your garden products or other quality products (eg. leather products, wood products, paintings, etc.) please contact Bill at 869-4530 or Grace at 494-4006 ext. 1920 or visit us at [www.oneidation.org/ocifs](http://www.oneidation.org/ocifs).

The Farmers Market

plans to continue to have it on Thursdays in 2010 and starting on Thursday, June 24th and running through Thursday, October 14th. We are looking at possible increasing our hours of operation from 12:00pm - 6:00pm. The Market would like to thank everyone in the Oneida Community for making

the 2009 Oneida Farmers Market such a great success. We would especially like to thank all the volunteers that assist in making the Market possible. We couldn't do it without and you all are very much appreciated. We hope you all have a wonderful winter and see you back at the Market next Spring.



Photos courtesy of Grace Koehler



Top right, Vendors on the east end of the Market. Above, Vendors on the west end of the Market. At left, Volunteer fire trucks were on site for community members to tour. Below, The band jamming at the Oneida Farmers' Market Bash.



### Fruit/Veggie of the Month... Pomegranate

Did you know...?

A pomegranate tree can grow up to fifteen feet in height and may live for more than one hundred years. Once the pomegranate fruit is picked from the tree it stops ripening but will become more flavorful after being in storage



**Selection:**

Select fruit that is heavy for its size with bright, fresh color and blemish-free skin.

**Storage:**

You can refrigerate whole pomegranates for up to 2 months or store them in a cool, dark place for up to a month. Pomegranate seeds packed in an airtight container and stored in the freezer will keep for up to 3 months.

**Nutrition Benefits:**

Low fat; saturated fat free; very low sodium; cholesterol free; low calorie; High in vitamin C; High in potassium.

This red fruit in a low-fat diet can help maintain:

- A healthy heart
- Memory function
- A lower risk of some cancers
- Urinary tract health

#### Departmental Staff Directory

For more information regarding the OCIFS programs please contact the appropriate person listed or visit us at our website <http://ocifs.oneidation.org>

**Oneida Nation Farms**  
• Pat Cornelius at 833-7952

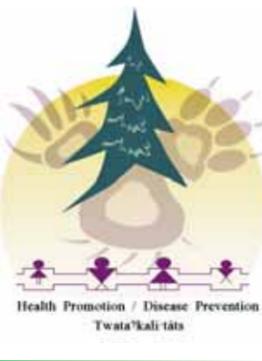
**Oneida Tsyunhe'hwá**  
• Jeff Metoxen at 869-2141

**Oneida Food Distribution**  
• Don Miller at 869-1041

**Oneida Health Center**  
• Tina Jacobsen at 869-4899

**Oneida Grants Office**  
• Frieda Clary at 869-4263

**Oneida Pantry**  
• Gary Smith at 869-1041



## 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.oneidation.org](http://www.oneidation.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)

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

### Oneida Artist Wins Best In Show



Photo courtesy of Jim Kelly

Kathy Thomas displays her own unique style of artistic handmade basketry.

**By Debra Fabian**  
 SEOTS Advisory Board  
 Member and member of the  
 Oneida Nation Arts Board

Visitors and participants at the 2009 Indian Summer Festival in Milwaukee on September 11-13 had the pleasure of viewing and purchasing the art work of many of the country's best known American Indian artists. The artists in The Circle of Art Exhibition were selected from among many applicants and their works covered a broad spectrum of mediums and styles from ceramics, oil & watercolor painting, silver jewelry, flutes and

metal work to bead work, basketry and fine leather clothing. Besides displaying and selling their art work, the artists were also being scrutinized by exhibition judges, a seemingly daunting task considering all the different types of works. So when the judges announced Kathy Thomas as a winner, no one was more surprised than the artist herself.

Thomas grew up in Bay View, WI. She had played around with clay on a potters wheel in the '80's and had learned to crochet but it wasn't until 2000, when looking for an activity to help her deal with the stress of

life, that she found basketry. She signed up for an evening basket weaving class at Milwaukee Hamilton HS and found herself becoming lost in the work. Doing basketry brought back a childhood memory of watching her grandfather pick blades of grass and weave a basket with just his fingers. Six years later, she decided to take another class, this time at East Troy Basketry. There she honed her skills, working with Steve Pauloski, learning to develop her own style until she finally stepped out from behind his shadow into her own light. And shine she does.

Her baskets are a unique departure from traditional baskets in that she uses antlers. In the past, antlers were used as handles on rib baskets but Thomas uses the antlers as ribs or main support for the basket itself. Holes are drilled

into the antlers and rattan reeds woven through the holes to form the spokes and smaller reed or weavers are woven between the spokes. She uses deep red and brown earth-toned rattan which contrasts with the antlers and for an added element, weaves copper wire through the basket. A Tung oil finish adds to the richness of her color choices.

Thomas said "Being named 'Best in Show' was like a dream come true." And the dream will continue for Thomas because she also found out on Saturday, that she was awarded an Individual Artist Grant by the Oneida Arts Board grant scoring 96 out of a possible 100 points. Congratulations Kathy!

*(If you are interested in her work, you can contact her on Saturdays at East Troy Basketry or call her at 414-481-3701)*

**ATTENTION...**  
**SEOTS will be CLOSED!**  
*on the following days:*  
 • **Wed., Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>**  
 • **Thur. & Fri., Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>**  
*in observance of Veterans Day and the Thanksgiving Holiday.*

**Y O U R O C K!** **A Big Yaw^ko to all the Volunteers!**  
**For a Successful Indian Summer**  
 Maseline Albring, Ramona Carlson, Lisa Chojacki, Simon Danforth, Deb Fabian, Laura Harrison, Barb Kuks, Laura Parks, Danielle Skenandore, Bob Trawicki, Pam Trawicki, Bob Ulrich, Pat Ulrich, Kim Nash-Walker, Gloria Wheelock, Jay Wheelock, Priscilla Zakhar & Jackie Zalim!

**H.O.W.A.H.**  
**(Helping Our Weight-loss And Health)**  
*Participate in the new Native Fit Club at Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center!*  
**Here are the details of the program:**  
 When... Every Tuesday at 5PM  
 What... A safe, friendly way to lose weight  
 Where... 1711 S. 11th Street in Milwaukee (Wellness Center Kitchen)  
 For more information, contact Jennifer: 414-383-9526, Ext. 117

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

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**Congratulations!**  
 Mike McCarley won the Indian Summer Pendleton Blanket! Thanks to all that participated in the raffle that supported our on going Elder and Youth activities. Lisa Anderson won a \$100 gift card! Thank you to everyone who participated in the SEOTS Class Survey.

**FREE Home Repairs**  
**Do you own your home? Is there a significant need for repairs that you cannot afford to do yourself?**  
*If your home is between Greenfield Avenue/National Avenue and Cesar Chavez Drive/27th Street...*  
*Please call Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity at 1 (414) 562.6100 ext. 30 for more information.*

**Financial Guidelines for Milwaukee**

CMI% →	30	50	80*
1 person	\$14,200	\$23,700	\$37,900
2 person	\$16,250	\$27,100	\$43,300
3 person	\$18,250	\$30,450	\$48,750
4 person	\$20,300	\$33,850	\$54,150
5 person	\$21,900	\$36,550	\$58,500
6 person	\$23,550	\$39,250	\$62,800
7 person	\$25,150	\$41,950	\$67,150
8 person	\$26,800	\$44,700	\$71,500

\* must be at or below this amount.

**Contact Info:**  
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 A Brush with Kindness  
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### Activities Calendar

for the month of **November 2009**

- 2 Monday:**  
**Oneida Singers, 6:30PM** – Bird Room
- 3 Tuesday:**  
**Senior Activity Day, 11:00AM-2:00PM**  
 Luncheon Provided. Horse Racing – Race starts promptly at 11:15 – Come early to pick your horse – Turtle Room  
**Oneida Med Pick-up**
- 4 Wednesday:**  
**WE INDIANS Reading Program**  
 4:00-6:00PM – Bird Room
- 5 Thursday:**  
**Veterans Benefit Coordinator, SEOTS**  
 (entrance in back on Wedgewood)  
 10:00AM-1:00PM; **Craft Class, Corn Husk Doll, 6:00PM, No Fee** – Wolf Room
- 6 Friday:**  
**Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up by 4:00PM**
- 7 Saturday:**  
**Roles & Responsibilities of Women, 10:00AM, Loretta Metoxen.**
- 9 Monday:**  
**Higher Education Seminar, 6:00PM** – Turtle Room; **Oneida Singers, 6:30PM** – Bird Room
- 10 Tuesday:**  
**Senior Activity Day, 11:00AM – 2:00PM,**  
 Luncheon Provided, \$3 donation, Speaker & Bingo – Bird Room  
**Board Meeting, 6:00PM** – Bird Room  
**Communicable Diseases Presentation, 6:00PM** – Turtle Room
- 11 Wednesday:**  
**• SEOTS CLOSED – Veterans Day**
- 12 Thursday:**  
**Craft Class, Corn Husk Doll, 6:00PM,**  
 No Fee – Wolf Room  
**Cultural Heritage – Cultural Foundation “Everything about Us” 6:30PM, Randy Cornelius** – Turtle Room
- 13 Friday:**  
**Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up by 4:00PM**
- 16 Monday:**  
**Oneida Singers, 6:30PM** – Bird Room
- 17 Tuesday:**  
**Senior Activity Day, 11:00AM – 2:00PM,**  
 Potluck, Participate in the Yatzee Tournament for a Great Prize!  
**Board Meeting, 6:00PM** – Bird Room
- 18 Wednesday:**  
**WE INDIANS Reading Program, 4:00-6:00PM** – Bird Room; **Lead Free in Indian Country Presentation, 6:00PM,**  
 Chaz Wheelock – Turtle Room
- 19 Thursday:**  
**Craft Class, Corn Husk Doll, 6:00PM,**  
 No Fee – Wolf Room
- 20 Friday:**  
**Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up by 4:00PM**
- 23 Monday:**  
**Oneida Singers, 6:30PM** – Bird Room
- 24 Tuesday:**  
**Senior Activity Day, 11:00AM – 2:00PM**  
 Bring Your Favorite Story/Poem about Thanksgiving. Turkey Bingo • Corn Soup Feast!  
**Board Meeting, 6:00PM** – Bird Room
- 25 Wednesday:**  
**CALL YOUR MEDS IN TODAY on Wednesday! WE INDIANS Reading Program, 4:00-6:00PM** – Bird Room; **MAIRN Meeting (Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network), 12:00PM** – Bird Room, Potluck
- 26 & 27 Thursday & Friday:**  
**• HOLIDAY – SEOTS CLOSED**
- 30 Monday:**  
**Bingo Trip to Oneida, Van leaves at 7:00AM; Oneida Singers, 6:30PM** – Bird Room