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GTC works through agenda for special meeting

By Nate Wisneski

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A prepared General Tribal Council (GTC) worked quickly through a nine-item agenda during a special GTC meeting on Monday, November 21 at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center. Of the nine proposed motions, one passed, one was ruled out of order, one was deleted and the remaining six were voted down.

Proposed Resolution: *A simple majority will be the rule in GTC voting to change a law, effective immediately.*

The proposed resolution would amend the tribe's current 10-day notice policy that

requires two-thirds majority vote to overturn prior GTC motions or resolutions.

"A small group of people could block the majority from overturning a past decision of the GTC," said Genskow in a letter to the GTC. "A two-thirds rule does not lead to democracy. In my opinion, a small group of people should not be able to block the wisdom of the majority of people."

Many GTC members argued that overwhelming support is a necessity in order to overturn prior GTC actions. The resolution failed falling roughly 300 votes short of the needed 919.

Proposed Resolution: *Adopt the resolution*

that restores the specialist positions at the Health Center.

The motion requested that action be taken to reinstate a urology position, ear, nose, and throat specialist, and an allergy/asthma specialist.

"The reason for the discontinuation of specialty services was based upon a revision of our strategic plan from the Comprehensive Health Division. Our direction, in terms of where the health division needed to go, was to improve access to services and to improve the quality care that was provided," said Debbie Danforth, Oneida Community Health Center Director.

"One of the ways that we felt that was neces-

sary for us to take that action was to allow specialty services be received through Contract Health service referral."

According to Danforth, patients utilizing specialist care at the Health Center would have to wait another month for follow up treatment due to scheduling.

"We thought that wasn't good, quality care," Danforth said.

The motion failed by a hand vote.

Proposed Resolution: *Funding for electronic hand held voting devices in the 2012 budget.*

The motion was designed to protect voter's privacy along

with assuring accuracy of vote calculations during meetings. Genskow also lauded the time that will be saved by utilizing electronic devices instead of a manual hand count.

Though funding of the \$117,000 project was already built into the next fiscal year's budget the GTC rejected the motion citing the funds could be utilized more effectively.

Proposed Resolution: *Notices of GTC meetings and agenda items must be sent to all Oneida tribal members' households.*

Current policy requires GTC members to request

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Special GTC Meeting

High school basketball season tips off



Kali photos/Travis Cottrell

The Thunderhawks boys basketball team opened their season against the Green Bay West Wildcats. The team took an early lead but fell behind after struggling against the Wildcat press in the second and third quarters. Oneida made a comeback attempt in the fourth quarter that fell just short, losing by a final score of 65-61.

The Oneida Lady Thunderhawks played their first game of the season against Oshkosh Valley Christian on November 29, 2011 at the Oneida Turtle School. The T-Hawks built a significant lead early in the game and never looked back. The ladies won by a final score of 63-15.

Top: Oneida forward Mike Mills drives to the basket during the season opening game against the Green Bay West Wildcats.

Right: Jessica House finishes the Thunderhawk fast break with a contested layup.



GTC approves fiscal year 2012 budget

By Dawn Walschinski

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The General Tribal Council (GTC) passed the Financial Year (FY) 2012 budget after jettisoning a \$250,000 investment in Native American Bank at a budget meeting held Monday evening, November 28 at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center.

Most of the debate concerning the budget focused on the Native American Bank funds. A presentation coordinated by Oneida Business Committee (OBC) Treasurer Tina Danforth extolled the virtues of the bank, but couldn't overcome GTC concerns over financial matters at home.

Former OBC Councilman Ron Tehassi Hill asked for

an amendment to remove the Native American Bank investment.

"I don't feel it's appropriate to be investing in other communities when we need the help and the support for our own people right now," said Hill. "We need to invest in ourselves first so we can make ourselves fiscally sound so we can help other tribes."

Madelyn Genskow attempted to add a second amendment to restore funding for handheld voting devices, but the GTC rejected that amendment. The FY2012 Budget along with Hill's amendment was passed by the GTC through a show of hands.

While the 2012 budget is

FY2011, it includes spending to expand gaming and retail, and support some tribal enterprises that are struggling in this downturned economy.

Gaming Assistant General Manager Chad Fuss explained the need for investment for gaming expansion.

"Our major competitors expanded, and the reason they expanded was to do one thing, and that's to take away Oneida Casino's customers," said Fuss.

The gaming expansion plans include expanding the main casino and Packerland

Larsen Road that will house a new Tsunnehkwa store as well as a convenience store.

Chief Financial Officer Larry Barton did a presentation that explained what effect the world and US economies are having on the Oneida economy.

"It's been tough; this economy has affected all of us. We had to make cuts, we had to give council to leadership to make some very hard decisions," said Barton.

Previous to the budget presentations, OBC Vice-Chairman Greg Matson did a presentation on current attempts to restructure the tribe's organization. This included developing mission

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New trail install underway



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Work continues near the Norbert Hill Center and the Oneida Nation Elementary School as more trails are being installed that will allow for safe travel around the reservation along with offering a healthier lifestyle choice for community members. The new trails will connect with other future and existing ones to allow safe travel between areas of the reservation away from traffic.

Oneida royalty ring in holiday season



Submitted photo

The Oneida Royalty was out making the holidays a little brighter. On Saturday, November 19, Miss Oneida Ululani Nunies, Jr. Miss Oneida Katy Bermke and Lil' Miss Oneida Lesette Hill – Waubanasacum were in the Green Bay Holiday parade, and then went to the Bay Park Mall and rang the bell for two hours of the Salvation Army's Red Kettle campaign.

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and vision statements.

"In two to three years, we will aggressively grow the Oneida Indian Reservation as a beautiful, vibrant community where hundreds of additional Oneida families live," he said.

Matson summarized the ending of contracts with the Chief of Staff Bill Gollnick and General Manager (GM) Debbie Thundercloud, and meetings with eight division directors and community members.

"The first opportunity we seen to move forward was the expiration of the General Manager and Chief of Staff contracts," he said. Matson explained that the GTC mandated the hiring of a GM in 1982, but later okayed "Plan B" in 2000 which does not include a GM. However, "Plan B" was not implemented 11 years ago because the OBC at that time ruled it

out of order. GTC member Don McLester questioned the seemingly arbitrary nature of the change.

"It seems whoever's in control, or whoever's in power, our attorneys say they can do this and they can't do that. I'm still feeling that General Tribal Council should have a legal system of their own so that when we question your authority, our attorney's authority, if you're giving us a line of bull," said McLester.

Discussion also focused on the need to shrink the tribe's workforce from 2900 employees to 2500 due to reductions in revenues and increases in GTC mandates such as per capita payments. Councilmember Vince DelaRosa explained Oneida's situation.

"Honestly, we are at a point where we are

broaching the situation where we are drastically overstaffed in a lot of areas," said DelaRosa. "We have some very serious issues to deal with, and we have been very reserved in terms of layoffs."

Chairman Ed Delgado reiterated that there are no layoffs planned.

"The 2500 number has been mentioned, it has not been accepted by the Business Committee. We are not looking to reduce our tribal employment base to 2500. What we are doing is looking at the departments, looking at our divisions, and seeing what the best structure might be," said Delgado.

Councilman Matson's report was accepted as information and a progress report will be given at the January 2, 2012 GTC meeting.

1,946 GTC members registered for the meeting.

Art show winners announced



Kali photo/Travis Cottrell

Eugene Boyiddle (with his daughter Dusty Aide) poses next to his art piece that claimed the first place prize at Nori's Trading Post art contest. Boyiddle entered the piece entitled "Six Animals Painted on a Skull."

Bottom Left: The second place award went to Neva Cahill for her piece called "Hand Beaded Hand Doll."

Bottom Right: Nazir Orosco claimed the top prize in the children's category for his painting called "Sunflower." Darwin Ninham also won a gas card during the voters ballot raffle.



From 1A/Special GTC Meeting

reports and agendas for GTC meetings by sending notification cards back to the tribe. This requirement was adopted to offset the rising costs of printing and mailing packets.

The GTC voted against the motion by a hand vote.

Proposed Resolution:
Double the size of the grass fed beef heard at Tsyunhehkwa to meet the request to purchase.

Citing the health benefits of grass fed beef the resolution requested funding to accomplish the motion be included in the fiscal year 2013 budget.

The GTC voted against the motion saying cost concerns were too much to overcome. The GTC also discussed the opportunity to utilize the existing bison herd as an alternative for people looking to purchase healthier meat.

Proposed Resolution:
Grass fed beef must be sold in cuts to make it more available to Oneida people. The meat must sell for high market prices but there must be a large discount to Oneida tribal members.

Citing many points in why the prior motion was defeated, this proposed resolution failed by a hand vote.

Proposed Resolution:
Tribal members must stay in GTC meetings to receive the \$100 stipend.

The motion would require tribal members to

stay in the meeting area along with designated bathroom facilities in order to be eligible for the \$100 meeting stipend.

With most attendance numbers significantly higher than vote totals, the GTC recognized the need to have requirements in place to receive the meeting stipend.

The motion was passed overwhelmingly to maximize GTC participation.

Proposed Resolution:
Findings of Phase I and II of Initiative One be made known to the GTC in executive session.

Shortly after the petitioner's presentation Chairman Ed Delgado ruled the motion out of order for discussing personnel issues.

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Passing On...**Baird, Mildred**

September 14, 1924 – November 22, 2011



Mildred "Millie" Baird, 87 of Plymouth, WI. passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on Tuesday November 22, 2011. She was born September 14, 1924 in Rockford, IL. to the late Willis and Francis (Silas) Skenandore.

On September 20, 1947 she married Jesse Baird. Mildred was a Nurses Aid for many years. She was also a faithful member of St. Paul Episcopal Church in Plymouth, where she was a member of the Altar Guild. She also belonged to the VFW Auxiliary in Plymouth. Mildred's greatest joy was spending time with her family.

She is survived by her children; Sharon Clark, Pat (Jane) Specht, Bernice Flunker, Janet Christel, Marilyn (Claude) Hochrein, Jesse Baird Jr, Debbie Schultz, Gwen (David) Medved, Rosie (Joe) Grosskreutz, and MaryAnn (Friend-Jeff) Gutowski. Mildred

is further survived by her 22 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, and her sister Minnetta (Cecil) Smith.

She was preceded in death by her husband and her siblings.

Friends may call at St. Paul Episcopal Church 312 E. Main Street in Plymouth after 9am Saturday November 26, 2011. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30am with Fr. Robert Clarke officiated with burial in Holy Apostles Episcopal Cemetery, Oneida.

The RYAN FUNERAL HOME of De Pere assisted the family with arrangements. Please go to www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

In Lieu of flowers a memorial fund will be established. The family would like to thank Rocky Knoll & Memorial Health Care and Staff, as well as Mother Marie Gray, and Rev. Tom Fleischmann.

Sommers, Karen

February 13, 1958 – November 20, 2011



Karen S. Sommers, 54, Green Bay, passed away peacefully on Sunday, Nov. 20, 2011. She was born Feb. 13, 1958. Karen loved her family very much, and enjoyed spending time with them. She also enjoyed the outdoors, and had a love for all animals. Karen always put others before herself, and was a real fighter up to the end.

She is survived by her children, Julius Sommers III, Roy Garcia, Earnest Broadway, and Raniya Wright. Her eight grandchildren, Alijah, Raheem, Zaahir, Jahiem, Shane, Caleb, Desiree, and

Kayleb further survive her. Karen's brothers, Jim Krueger, Neil W. Skenandore, and her life time partner, Russ Vorpahl also survive.

Karen was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, John H. Krause; and her sister, Pat (Frank) Summers.

A memorial service

was held on Saturday, Nov. 26, 2011 at 11 a.m.

RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please go to www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

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Danforth-Moore, Mariah L.

July 25, 1992 – November 20, 2011

Mariah L. Danforth-Moore, 19, of Oneida, left this earth unexpectedly on Sunday November 20, 2011 as the result of a hit and run accident in Honolulu, Hawaii, where she was a sophomore at Hawaii Pacific University. Born on July 25, 1992 to her parents Lisa Moore of Oneida and Stephen Danforth, Sr. of Honolulu, began her spirited life. Mariah was a loving caring, tender hearted, special gift from God. She lived life to the fullest, and as she grew into a young woman she had an adventurous side and loved to travel the world.



Mariah was an Honors Graduate of West De Pere High School, Class of 2010. She was active in the school band and was the Drum Major. A gifted athlete, she enjoyed tennis and was captain of her soccer team. She spent her summers working at Green Bay Converting, Cutco, and most recently worked at Victoria's Secret in Hawaii.

Known for her big smile and magnetic personality, she brought joy, generosity, love, and the willingness to always see the good in those she met on her path. To family, friends, and all those lives she touched, Mariah will continue to be a light shining in the distance which we all can walk toward, with the hope and faith we will meet again. May she rest in peace.

She is survived by her

mumma Lisa Moore

US 41 Project lane closures for November 28 – December 2

Traffic restrictions in Brown and Winnebago counties

(Green Bay) The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Northeast Region is announcing US 41 lane restrictions for November 28 – December 2 in Brown and Winnebago counties. Traffic impacts in Brown County include ramp and lane closures between Main and Velp avenues. The newly-constructed County RK (south frontage road) running along WIS 29 from County J to Packerland Drive, opens to motorists by midnight November 23. Drivers in Winnebago County are reminded of reduced speed limits between WIS 26 and Breezewood Lane.

Winnebago County WIS 26

Monday, November 28 – Friday, December 2:

Single lane closures on northbound and southbound US 41, between County Z and WIS 26, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for median work.



Breezewood Lane

Monday, November 28 – Friday, December 2:

Various lane closures on northbound and southbound US 41, between County G and Snell Road, Monday through Friday from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. for pavement repair.

Brown County Glory Road

Monday, November 28

- Wednesday, November 30:

Various lanes of northbound and southbound US 41, between Oneida Street and Main Avenue, closed Monday through Wednesday from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. for work on the Glory Road overpass.

WIS 172

Monday, October 10 – Friday, December 16:

Southbound US 41 on-ramp from eastbound WIS 172 closed continuously through Friday, December 16 for construction of the Dutchman's Creek box culvert.

WIS 29

Monday, November 28 – Thursday, December 1:

Various lanes of northbound and southbound US 41, between Velp Avenue and 9th Street,

closed Monday through Thursday from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. for shoulder work.

Northbound US 41 on-ramp from Dousman Street closed Monday through Thursday from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. for shoulder work and to move equipment.

Monday, November 28

- Wednesday, November 30:

Various lanes of eastbound and westbound WIS 29, between Packerland Drive and County FF, closed Monday through Wednesday from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. for miscellaneous construction.

All lane restrictions are weather dependent and subject to change.



Calendar

2011

Dec. 3, 10, 17

A Heritage Hill Christmas

Sat., Dec. 3, 7, & 10

12:00pm - 4:00pm

PLACE: Heritage Hill, 2640 S. Webster Avenue, Green Bay

Enjoy a Christmas shadow play, music from local performers, historical dancing, holiday baking, crafts, Christmas stories by fire, horse drawn wagon rides (\$1 per person), many hands on activities and visit with a historic Santa! Admission is \$9 for adults, \$8 for seniors (over 62) and \$7 for children (5-17), \$1 off admission with a canned food item. Heritage Hill members and children 4 and under FREE. Call 920-448-5150 or visit www.heritagehillgb.org.

December 9

Santa's Craft Show

Friday, December 9, 2011

3:00PM – 7:00PM

Oneida Parish Hall

VENDORS : Please contact Carolyn Red Hail at credhail@gmail.com or phone (920)869-1224. Vendor Fee is \$20.00 per table. All proceeds go to the Oneida Giving Tree.

December 10

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 10, 2011

8:00AM – 10:30PM (0 to 8 years old)

PLACE: Oneida Civic Center

Come to Breakfast with Santa! For families with youth age 0 to 8 years old. Enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, sausage and a drink. Receive a picture with Santa and pick out a gift. FMI, call Kim Diemer at: 920-833-0010.

December 28

Just Move It Oneida - Jingle Walk

WHEN: Wednesday, December 28, 2011

TIME: 9:00AM – 10:30PM

PLACE: Oneida Family Fitness Center

9:00 a.m. Registration & Health Screening

9:15 a.m. Lively Low Impact class (Studio A)

Children's Activity (Gym)

10:00 a.m. Jingle Walk (Your choice to walk outdoors or on our indoor track....Please dress accordingly)

10:30 a.m. Light Lunch

Bring a non-perishable food or toiletry item to be entered into a Holiday Raffle Drawing! For more information contact O.F.F. at 490-3730.

Tuesdays

Compassionate Friends – Oneida Chapter

WHEN: 3rd Tues of every month

TIME: 6:30PM – 8:00PM

PLACE: Parish Hall, 2936 Freedom Road

Compassionate Friends is a support group supporting family after a child dies.

Tuesdays

Women's Talking Circle Group

WHEN: Every Tuesday

TIME: 6:00PM – 7:30PM

PLACE: Wise Women Gathering Place

2483 Babcock Rd.

Wise Women Gathering Place is sponsoring a Women's Talking Circle Group. Come and enjoy a cup of hot tea in the presence of women of all ages sharing and caring. Talking circles and fun activities. FMI contact Julia McLester or Sam at Wise Women Gathering Place 920-490-0627.

Fridays

Women's Support Group

WHEN: Fridays

TIME: 12:30PM – 2:30PM

PLACE: Three Sisters Center

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

Fridays

Wise Youth Group

WHEN: Fridays

TIME: 3:30PM – 5:30PM

PLACE: Three Sisters Center

For more information call Isabel Parker at 920-498-2011 or Bev Scow at 920-490-0627.

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USDA urges voters to vote in committee elections

(Appleton, Wisconsin), November 21, 2011 – Vicki Wiese, Outagamie County Director of USDA's Farm Service Agency urge Wisconsin farmers and other agricultural producers to vote in FSA county committee elections by December 5, 2011, the deadline for casting ballots.

"FSA county committees provide producers with the opportunity to help implement federal farm programs in their communities," said Wiese. "It is important

that all farmers and ranchers, especially women and minorities, participate in the elections process to ensure the opinions expressed in committee meetings reflect an area's agricultural needs and concerns."

Producers must return ballots to their local FSA offices by the close of business on

December 5. Newly elected committee members and alternates take office January 1, 2012.

FSA county commit-

tees consist of three to five elected members who help administer federal farm programs at the local level. Committees make decisions on conservation programs; commodity price support loans and payments; disaster assistance payments; and other agricultural issues.

For more information about FSA county committee elections, visit <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections>.

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COMMUNITY FUND NEWS

Requests for the Community Fund are now being accepted. Requests will be reviewed at the first meeting of the Finance Committee each month.

The purpose of the Community Fund is to show commitment to the Oneida citizens and community. This fund specifically supports: 1.) tribal and public school systems' activities for individuals; 2.) Oneida community sponsored events; 3.) seed money for fund raising for Oneida community causes; and 4.) Individual support for self-development /enrichment.

All donation and/or product requests require a minimum of 10% matching funds or personal contribution and are limited to \$500 per individual/event per year or \$1500 per group/organization/event per year. Requests for Coke products will be considered on a first come first served basis and will also be limited to one request per group/organization/event per year.

Both funds and products will be reviewed and disbursed on a monthly basis. All requests must be received at least one week before actual review date.

FY12 Community Fund Request Schedule

October 7, 2011	January 6, 2012	April 6, 2012	July 6, 2012
November 4, 2011	February 3, 2012	May 4, 2012	August 3, 2012
December 9, 2011	March 9, 2012	June 8, 2012	September 7, 2012

Late requests will be added to the following month for review. Requests will be limited to cash/product available for the tribal fiscal year (Oct 2011-Sept 2012). **NOTE: There are three different forms for product requests and fund requests for individuals and groups so be sure to complete proper form.**

To obtain a request packet please contact Finance Administration at (920) 869-4325 or e-mail dvigue@oneidanation.org for more information.

Attention to all requestors: This fund does not supplement tribal program budgets, or provide duplicate funding for services already received or could be received under another program.



Wigg-Ninham is taking on conflict with new business Consensus Development, LLC

By Dawn Walschinski

Kalihwisaks

Leland Wigg-Ninham is making his expertise as a mediator available to area businesses and communities through his new business Consensus Development, LLC.

"We facilitate meetings using the talking circle," Wigg-Ninham explained. "You look for consensus, and just a whole way the talking circle is designed it develops an environment to listen and speak to each other with respect."

Wigg-Ninham is ambitiously attempting to mitigate conflict between citizens of the Oneida Tribe and residents of the Village of Hobart.

"I'm in the process of working with Oneida citizens and Hobart citizens in developing community meetings so that we can get to know each other better, instead of through the legal way," he said. The next meeting is open to the public and will take place on Wednesday, December 7 from 12:00pm to 1:00pm at Ridgeview Suite 4, 3759 West Mason Street.

The meeting will be followed by a short social dance.

"What we'll do is go in there, we'll do an assessment of the organization and just get the view of the situation from the requester," he said. "What we have them do is go in there and identify conflict and then what we do is look at the worst outcomes if the conflict continues and the best outcomes if they can get it resolved."

Along with his wife Rebecca, Wigg-Ninham

offers a variety of services ranging from a one hour in-service to multi-day conferences. In longer programs, Rebecca will lead the group in post-lunch meditation.

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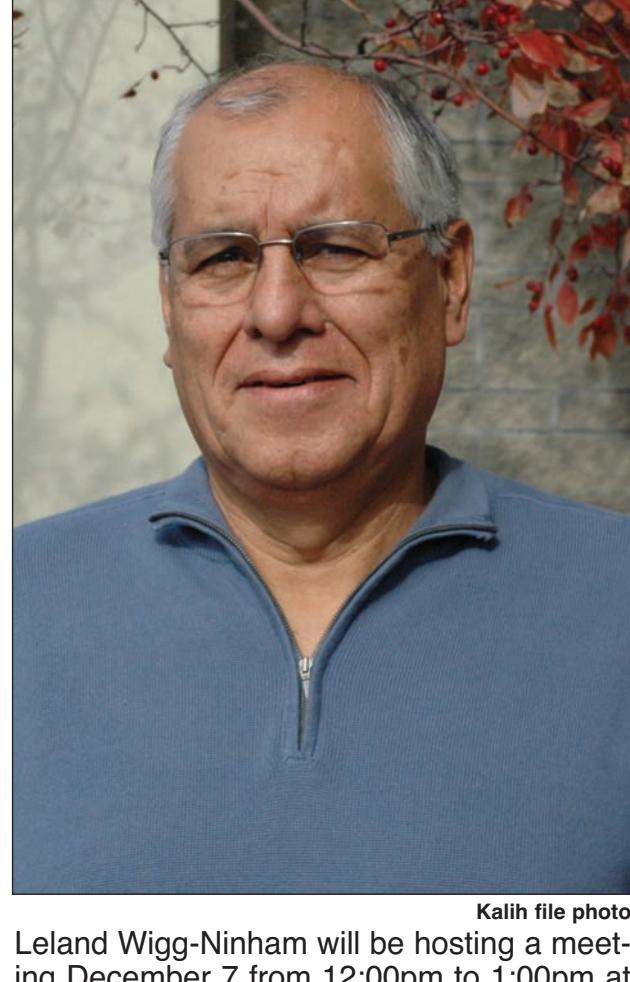
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- Use credit wisely. Your credit card balance shouldn't be a complete surprise when you open your statement in January. Take only the credit cards you need when holiday shopping and try to use the card with the lowest interest rate.

- Save your receipts. Keep track of your expenses and add them up weekly to be sure you're sticking to your budget. If you're getting close to your spending limit, reevaluate your list and bake more cookies!

- Shop around. Start your holiday shopping early to give yourself time to comparison shop. Take time to do some research before you hit the stores by going online or looking at your local newspaper circulars.



Kalih file photo
Leland Wigg-Ninham will be hosting a meeting December 7 from 12:00pm to 1:00pm at Ridgeview Suite 4, 3759 West Mason Street for Oneida and Hobart citizens.

Oneida, and then I'm going to expand to 11 tribes in Wis. and then go external. Maybe retire in NM and do that there," he said.

To contact Wigg-

Ninham call **920-360-0452** or email leland@developconsensus.com or to contact Rebecca email rebecca@developconsensus.com

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Bay Bank encourages consumers to prevent a Holiday spending hangover

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OBC Forum...

Shekoli', I want to start off by saying these past three months have been very fast paced and enlightening for me. There is a lot of behind the scenes activity that has transpired since taking office and at times my days have been stretched thin.

I continue to move forward on reorganizational structure as well as informing the front line employees on how this operation will be streamlined in the future.

We had our first Quality of Life meeting last week. Officers were selected for our future meetings along with the

dates. Right now we are tasked with coming up with how and what we will accept as issues.

I also attended the Oneida Total Integrated Enterprises (OTIE) shareholders meeting recently and had the opportunity to discuss some of the upcoming projects they have planned or have bids placed.

The ORCC is progressing nicely as the groundwork is nearly completed and future construction will continue. Look for further updates.

Regarding the GTC meeting on November

21st, it was great to see an overwhelming presence and how the meeting progressed. People were informed and ready to discuss the items that were on the agenda so an informed decision could be made.

Two weeks ago I attended a "Poverty Matters" conference in Wisconsin Dells at the Chula Vista Resort and the knowledge that I gained from this event was very helpful. The

conference was well attended and the workshops that were presented were very informative and I left knowing some of the problems our people are experiencing. At times it is hard to realize the circumstances individuals encounter in their day-to-day lives, but seeing the information first hand shows me we need to look more closely at those around us and give a helping hand when we

can.

One of those ways you can help this year is to go to Social Services and take an ornament from the "Giving Tree". Ornaments were available starting November 22nd and must be returned by December 13th. Given the hard times we have all suffered now and then, let's help our fellow neighbors with a little something this holiday season and take pride in knowing the child less fortunate will have a smile on their face come Christmas morning.

On December 15th there will be an Elders

Christmas Party at Doxbee's in Seymour. I know over the past few years there has been some turmoil over this event, but I felt this is something that should be done to honor the elders and with the help of many of our departments, this event will be a success. If you are at least 55 years of age, you are welcome to attend. Pre-registration is required prior to 4:00 p.m. on December 6th. You may call the Senior Center Meal Site at 920-869-1551 to register.

David Jordan
Oneida Tribal Councilman



David Jordan
Councilman

Letters & Opinions...**Thank you for the event support**

"Come together in Oneida to BREAK THE SILENCE, END THE VIOLENCE"
Domestic Violence Awareness Event
October 20, 2011

The planning team would like to thank the following for their assistance in making this an amazing event...

- Richie Plass (MC)
 - Wade Fernandez (Performance)
 - Jennifer Stevens (Performance)
 - October Soul: Jamie Brace, Joe Barborich, and Scott Walters (Performance)
 - Jodell Crawford, Georgia Fool Bull-Powless, Cheyenne Powless (Honor Songs)
 - Chinana Drum: Leo & Debbie Chinana, Micah & Dyan Nickey, Barbara Caldwell, Eugene Stone, and Chris Gray (Honor Songs)
 - Katherine Jordan (Speaker)
 - Gene Red Hail (Speaker)
 - Marlin Mousseaux (Speaker)
 - Oneida DV Men's Program (Fire Keepers)
 - Mark Ledet (Sound)
 - Greg Place (Sound)
 - Wise Youth Group (Decorations)
 - Oneida Police Commission (Donations)
 - Sandra Skenadore (Donations)
 - Foster Care Program (Resources)
 - Walkers
 - Oneida Community
 - Oneida Police Department (Escort)
- Coordinated Community Response (CCR) Team:** Oneida Police Department, Harbor House, Reach

Counseling Services, Family Services-Sexual Assault Center, Golden House, Wise Women Gathering Place, Oneida Domestic Violence Program.

Sincerely,
• Oneida Domestic Violence
• Wise Women Gathering Place
• Oneida Child Support Program
• Oneida Health Promotion & Disease Prevention

GTC Amendments

Dear GTC Members,

The time has come for me to speak up and speak out. I was booed quite loudly and by a great number of persons at the General Tribal Council meeting on Monday evening, November 21. That isn't the first time that happened, nor do I think it will be the last inasmuch as any position I take on an issue is in terms of the greater good of the whole Oneida Nation and not just a select few of a special interest group. I am the Oneida Tribal Historian, I was raised on Second Ridge (now Seminary Road) and I have been involved on the Oneida Business Committee or other employment for 44 years since I was elected Secretary of the Oneida Tribe in 1967. I had offered an amendment to a motion by Madeline Genskow to the following effect: I move to amend the main motion so that the one hundred dollar stipend for attending GTC meetings be a gift card that could be used at Oneida Tribal businesses. The people in attendance booed that motion. Chairman Ed Delgado called my motion out of order. I believe he was in error

for doing so. He previously, on another motion, recognized not two, but three amendments on one main motion by Madeline. I also believe that the parliamentarian should have stepped up to address his error in terms of Robert's Rules of Order. The amendment I offered was not discussed. I will discuss it now. That particular meeting cost at least \$175,000.00. If the stipends for this meeting were gift cards to be used at Oneida Nation businesses on the reservation, the positive economic impact would have been four times \$175,000.00 or \$700,000.00. What Tribal member would not be satisfied and have taken pride to have contributed to the welfare of the entire Nation in that way while, at the same time, purchasing something necessary to themselves? Such \$100 gift cards could be used to purchase tax exempt gas or other products at Oneida Nation One Stops, buy very nice Indian made gifts at the Museum gift shop or purchase Grass fed beef or bison or other products at the Apple Orchard store or products at Tsyunhe'hw^ Retail. The action to pass on only one item out of ten cost \$175,000.00. That amount could have funded a very nice home for an Oneida family. I think the lesson to be learned is that we must be more discriminating in our choice of resolutions to bring to GTC by petition. We must also be patient enough to listen to the debate on an issue, so that all the facts are made known to the membership.

**Ska na ko,
Loretta V. Metoxen**

Cage/Vault Still Needing an Investigation

From a concerned Tribal Member,

Why is there three (3) Managers in this department, whom all work 1st shift and whom all have secretary's, if this department is needing three Managers why aren't they working different shifts? Why are we paying cage cashiers an extra \$2.00 an hour to be leads when we have 3 working supervisors per shift in this department for nine (9) employees? If we were to put these leads in windows to be cage cashiers we hired them for we wouldn't need to keep hiring cashiers when we already have enough. There is a manager who works at 6am and leaves by 2pm when the Casino doesn't open until 8am. Why is she working these hours? Shouldn't the Manager be there when the Casino is in operation, business needs should come first not personal needs. Why are the supervisors being asked to do what the secretary's should be doing? How long will this continue, the wasting of our tribal funds for jobs that are not needed? How much is this department funded in order to have three (3) Managers, nearly twenty-five (25) supervisors and ten (10 to 12) leads of which don't include the leads in the vault areas? Couldn't this money be used for raises for the employees or put to use for the children/elders in our community?

Why do we have leads whom are not tribal members or of another entity and making just as much as a supervisor? Isn't being a part of the chain of command,

(Indian Preference)? These leads get differential pay; they receive 40 hours per week, working 4 days with three days off with every other weekend off and the front-line employee's tips!

The cashiers at IMAC work five (5) days and hardly ever see a weekend and get very little tips because they are sharing with the supervisors/leads and who knows maybe the managers also.

Also, in the department we pay two (2) tribal employees to be trainers, what are their actual job duties for 40 hours a week? After these trainers, train new employees for two weeks these new employees come on the floor for a week or two to be shadowed trained by the front-line employees. Not the supervisors or the leads but the cashiers and then they are being paid another \$1.00 an hour.

Why aren't the Managers/Supervisors rotated to other locations, so there is less favoritism?

I think this department still needs an investigation/audit; where and who are these people that are allowing all this to

happen, who is allowing the hiring in this department? Does anyone stop and look at the numbers I have shown and please tell me WHY we have so many management positions?

Some of the things I mentioned above goes for all departments not just the cage/vault, what are the people upstairs really thinking or ignoring? Who is willing to make the first step to stop this overspending?

Gladys Dallas

Correcting a Kalihwisaks Error

I'm writing to inform you that the Kalihwisaks did not report my letter in the November 17, 2011, issue as I wrote it. Regarding healthcare at the Oneida Health Center, I wrote about the management removing several specialists from the Health Center. I wrote, "Now Oneidas who live out of Brown and Outagamie County will not be covered."

The paper wrote something different. I wish they would proof read before going to print.

Sincerely,
Madelyn Genskow

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Wednesday, December 14, 9:00 am

Wednesday, December 28, 9:00 am

Wednesday, January 11, 9:00 am

Wednesday, January 25, 9:00 am

Wednesday, February 8, 9:00 am

Wednesday, February 22, 9:00 am

Norbert Hill Center

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

Visit the updated Oneida Government website at

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Board Vacancies

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 To submit an application by mail send to: Tribal Secretary's Office, PO Box 365 Oneida, WI 54155
 To submit an application in person: The Tribal Secretary's Office is located on the 2nd floor of the Norbert Hill Center

If you have any questions please contact the **Tribal Secretary's Office at 920-869-4364**

Anna John Nursing Home Commission

Two (2) vacancies

Qualifications:

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

Deadline: 4:30 pm, December 16, 2011

Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board

Two (2) Vacancies

Purpose:

To set missions and goals for the delivery of services; to act as liaison between the Oneida Social Services program serving Southeastern Wisconsin and the Oneida people residing therein; to review the programs budget; to guide and advise the programs administration; provide guidance in all the functions of the SEOTS Board; and to adhere to the appropriate chain of command in any and all relative communications.

Qualifications:

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

Deadline: 4:30 pm, December 16, 2011

Pow Wow Committee

Three (3) Vacancies

One (1) vacancy to be filled until 7-22-12

Qualifications:

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

Deadline: 4:30 pm, December 16, 2011

Election Board

Two (2) Vacancies

(Vacancies to expire July of 2013)

Qualifications:

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

Deadline: 4:30 pm, December 16, 2011

Finance Committee

One (1) Vacancy-Community Elder position

Qualifications:

- Community Elder - Must be an enrolled member of the Tribe.
- Business Committee. - One Business Committee member shall be the Tribal Treasurer.
- A Finance Committee member shall not be a Consultant or Contractor, with the exception of employment contracts, for the Tribe.

Deadline: 4:30 pm, December 16, 2011

Oneida Seven Generations Corporation

One (1) Vacancy -5 year term

Qualifications:

- The Board of Directors will consist of a number of board members specified in accordance with the Corporation's by-laws with the following limitations: the majority of the members must be voting members of the General Tribal Council, the amount of non-Oneida board members will not exceed two (2), and all board members must have at least five (5) years experience in one (1) or more of the following areas: real estate, commercial development, business management, risk management, finance, tribal government or accounting.
- The term of office for a board member will be five (5) years with the exception of the non-Oneida board members who are limited to one (1) five (5) year term.

Deadline: 4:30 pm, December 16, 2011



It seems like it was yesterday when we learned to ride our bikes **together**, discovered that we both liked to dance and speak our language. It seems like we were **never apart** and everyone knew we were **bestfriends**. When we decided to go to school, we made sure we were going to be roommates. When you finally landed that first job after all your hard work, I was the first to say **congratulations**. When you said you wanted to help the youth on the reservation, I said, "Let's do it together." Then came a time when you told me that you have a **mental health problem**, like **depression** and **anxiety**. Now I know that anyone can experience mental health problems, even **Native People**. We thought we knew everything, yet I really didn't understand what a **difference** my support can make in your recovery. Well, I am here for you. I **will** be here for you. And—as always—**we will recover together**.



Visit www.whatadifference.samhsa.gov/native to learn how you can help support a friend.

Claim Filing Deadline Approaching in Keepseagle Legal Settlement for American Indian Farmers and Ranchers

Minneapolis, MN ~

The claims filing deadline is rapidly approaching on December 27, 2011 for the historic Keepseagle legal settlement that provides up to between \$50,000-250,000 for tribal farmers and ranchers who unsuccessfully sought USDA farm loans in the 1980s and 1990s.

Class members include American Indian farmers or ranchers:

- 1) Farmed or ranned or attempted to farm or ranch between January 1, 1981 and November 24, 1999; and
- 2) Sought, or attempted to seek, a farm loan from USDA during that period; and
- 3) Complained about discrimination to the USDA orally or through a representative, such as a tribal government, during the same period.

There is an exclusion for discrimination that took place between January 1 and November 23, 1997, and for complaints that came between July 1 and November 23, 1997.

Potential claimants have two possible routes to submit a claim. Most

claimants will follow Track A, which is a much lower burden of proof, and provides up to \$50,000 in relief, not including tax payments or USDA debt forgiveness. Track B provides up to \$250,000 in relief, but requires much greater evidence of the claim and proof of the harm. Most Track B claimants will need to hire an attorney to represent their claim.

More information is available at www.indianfarmclass.com and by calling the toll free settlement hotline at 888-233-5506. The absolute filing deadline is December 27, 2011. Claims may be filed over the hotline phone number, and the Intertribal Agriculture Council's (IAC) Technical Assistance Network staff are able to personally travel to meet with potential claimants over the coming weeks to assist in completing claims forms.

More information on the IAC Technical Assistance Network and how it can help facilitate better access to USDA resources and overall promotion of tribal agriculture is available on the program's website at www.iactechhelp.com.

New Leaf Winter Farmers Market

New Leaf Winter Farmers Market presented by Bellin Health

- Save the Date!

December 3rd & 17th, January 14th & 28th, February 18th & 25th

New Leaf Market, Bellin Health and Downtown Green Bay, Inc. are excited to

announce the return of a winter farmers market at the KI Convention Center (333 Main Street)!

The 6-date series will feature over 60 vendors featuring local meats, cheeses, produce, jams, jellies, pastries, breads and local arts and crafts – many of your favorites are returning!

Plus catch live entertainment each week. The market will run from 8 a.m. until noon December 3 & 17, January 14 & 28 and February 18 & 25. Click here for more information about the event.

You will also have the opportunity to speak to volunteers, board members and other New Leaf Market member-owners at each market. Be sure to stop by the New Leaf booth to say hello, receive progress updates and sign up to become a member-owner if you aren't already! This year, purchase a gift membership – they will make great holiday gifts.

We also need your help! There are many opportunities to volunteer at each of the markets. Click here to sign up. Please email molly@downtowngreenbay.com if you have any difficulties signing up.

A big thank you goes out to the additional event sponsors AT&T, WLUK Fox 11, 99.7 The Drive, Wisconsin Public Radio, TextMeNew.com and the KI Convention Center.

Hope to see you at the markets!

Sincerely,

- New Leaf Market Cooperative Board of Directors,
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Adams to give FVTC student address

Oneida tribal member Jalanna Adams will provide the student address during this year's Fox Valley Technical College commencement ceremony on Saturday, December 3 at the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center in Appleton.

Adams, a graduate of FVTC's Business Management program, is making history on Saturday as a commencement speaker during the college's year-long centennial celebration. FVTC is commemorating 100 years of service this 2011-12 academic year, along with the state's other technical colleges.

During her time at FVTC, Adams was involved as both a peer advisor and student expert in the college's Student Life department, providing advice and guidance to new and current students. She also gained valuable work experience by serving an



Jalanna Adams

intern in FVTC's Human Resources department.

Another noteworthy experience at FVTC for Ms. Adams was her selection as a finalist for Student Ambassador for the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS). Adams was one of 12 finalists at FVTC to represent the college and the WTCS in 2011 in advocacy efforts to raise greater public awareness for the quality and employability of technical education.

"The Fox Valley Tech experience has served as

an incredible investment in shaping my future," says Adams. "I am honored to deliver the student commencement address on behalf of so many graduates who represent a broad range of backgrounds, professional goals, and levels of achievement."

Adams is currently pursuing career opportunities in the retail and research fields. She also plans to continue her education by pursuing a bachelor's degree and then a master's degree. She would eventually like to earn a career working with either the Oneida or Menominee Indian tribes.

Each year, about 2,000 students graduate from FVTC, the state's largest technical college in terms of total number of people served annually. For more information, call (920) 735-5738.

Groundbreaking for new food-pantry is December 1

DE PERE — Hunger is a growing suburban problem, too.

De Pere Christian Outreach — a coalition of De Pere-area churches — is planning a ceremonial groundbreaking at 10 a.m. this Thursday for a new food-distribution facility to be built in response to rising demand from a growing list of client families.

The building will be constructed on the grounds of St. Anne's Episcopal Church, one of the organization's member parishes. St. Anne's is located at 347 Libal St.

De Pere Christian Outreach has operated a food pantry for many years, says Jim Stupka, a De Pere resident and volunteer coordinator of the project, but with community needs continuing to rise with no signs of abating, the operation has outgrown its present home.

"Four years ago, in

2007, the De Pere Christian Outreach food pantry served 44 families, about 130 people, on a regular basis," Stupka says.

Food donations come from member churches, the U.S. Postal Service's annual food drive, and interested individuals across the region. In prior years, a converted storage room at St. Anne's provided sufficient space to sort donations, store items and prepare weekly food baskets for families in need. With the expanding scope of the De Pere pantry, cans and boxes are spilling over to fill classrooms and other public areas of the church.

Officials of De Pere Christian Outreach say their mission, which reaches out specifically to De Pere residents, is in keeping with the Bible's command to serve others and feed the hungry. Additionally, they say the

pantry complements the work of larger organizations such as Paul's Pantry by serving a sizeable population outside the city of Green Bay.

In addition to non-perishable food, the De Pere program also distributes refrigerated fresh foods including meat, milk and cheese for children. Acceptance into the program is based on demonstrated financial need. Food is delivered to clients who do not have transportation.

Oneida Musuem hosts Flying Feather Band



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

The Oneida Nation Musuem hosted the Flying Feather Band on Saturday, November 19. The band was also featured with a showing of the film Reel Injun hosted by Richie Plass. The event was part of a series of free shows held at the museum offering cultural music and performances.

Arrest in Hawaii Pacific University hit-run that killed Oneida tribal member

KANEOHE, Hawaii (AP) ~ A man has turned himself in to Honolulu police in connection with a hit-and-run crash that killed a 19-year-old college student from Wisconsin.

The 29-year-old was booked Tuesday for negligent homicide and failure to render aid. He was released pending an investigation.

Police say Mariah Danforth-Moore of Oneida, Wis. was crossing Kamehameha (kah-

MAY'-ha-MAY'-ha) Highway near Hawaii Pacific University's Windward Oahu campus Sunday night when she was struck by a car that fled the scene.

Her father tells KHON he moved to Waikiki to be close to her. Stephen Danforth says he hopes something will be done to make the area safer for pedestrians.

He says his daughter was coming home from her third day of work at the Victoria's Secret store

at Ala Moana (AH'-la-moh-AH'-na) Center.

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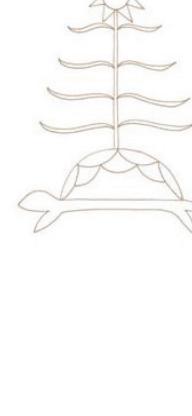


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Saturday, December 10, 2011

**Entertainment ~ starting at 1pm
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Richie Plass**

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December 8 - Milwaukee South - Girls 5:30 pm

All Games are home

Fort Sill Apaches win reservation in New Mexico

By Jeri Clasing

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico ~ The Fort Sill Apache have won the right to establish a reservation on homelands in southern New Mexico, more than 125 years after the surrender of renowned Apache leader Geronimo scattered tribal members across the U.S. Southwest.

"This is what I see as the start of a long journey home," said Jeff Houser, chairman of the tribe whose headquarters are currently based in southwest Oklahoma.

The U.S. Interior Department earlier this month approved a proclamation that awards the Fort Sill Apache 30 acres (12 hectares) to establish a reservation near Deming, he said. It comes four years after the federal government put the land on the Akela Flats in trust to settle a dispute between the tribe and the Comanche Nation in Oklahoma over the Fort Sill Apache's plans to expand their casino in Lawton, Oklahoma.

The Fort Sill have a 10-acre (4-hectare) headquarters in Oklahoma and 120 acres (50 hectares) of farmland, Houser said, but no reser-

vation.

The tribe's attorney, Phillip Thompson of Thompson Associates in Washington, said he was unsure when the Bureau of Indian Affairs last created a new reservation.

Tribes across the country have faced long, sometimes deadly, fights to regain their ancestral lands, from the Guidiville Band of Indians and other tribes in California to the Fort Sills. The creation of new reservations is not unheard of but it's far from common, experts said.

Cate Stetson, a New Mexico attorney who specializes in Indian law, said it has been decades since a new reservation has been created in the state.

"It's major," she said of the development. "To be a tribe without land, it's very frustrating but to finally get land means a lot of things can happen. There can be wonderful repercussions for a tribe."

In a telephone interview Wednesday, Houser, who also uses the Apache spelling of his name, said the goal is to return the tribe to its ancestral homelands in New Mexico. And, ultimately, the tribe hopes to be able to build a casino

on the site, he said.

"Given that the ultimate goal would be to return, that really requires a lot of resources," Houser said. "We could probably house all the tribal members that want to move there, but that would increase the unemployment rates in the county. If we build a casino, that could provide jobs."

The tribe's efforts to establish gaming on the land in the past were blocked. The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act prohibits gambling on most tribal trust land acquired after 1988, but it contains an exemption for tribes who are being granted a reservation for the first time.

Thompson said the tribe is appealing the National Indian Gaming Commissions rejection of its past effort to build a casino on the site.

"We already argued this was our de facto reservation. This just solidifies what we already argued," he said.

"We will probably just send a letter to the commission asked them to take notice."

Thompson said the tribe is also talking with state and federal officials about getting the necessary endorsements for the building a casino.

The reservation designation, he said, "solidifies our position that we are a New Mexico tribe and that as a New Mexico tribe we should have the same abilities as the tribes in the rest of the state to be able to game on our land."

The tribe, Houser said, has 685 members, about a quarter of whom live near tribal headquarters, another quarter live elsewhere and about half of whom live outside Oklahoma.

Houser said that while the proclamation gives the tribe just 30 acres, "hopefully we can expand our presence."

Members of the Fort Sill Apache Tribe are descended from the Chiricahua and Warm Springs Apaches, who lived in parts of New Mexico, Arizona and northern Mexico. They were removed from the area in the 1880s and sent first to Florida, then Oklahoma.

Houser said his ancestors would be proud of the tribe's efforts to return to New Mexico. His grandfather was born on the Ojo Caliente Reservation near Truth or Consequences in the 1800s, he said.

Kansas apologizes to tribes for past misdeeds

By John Milburn

Associated Press

TOPEKA, Kan. ~ Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback issued a proclamation Wednesday apologizing to the American Indian tribes who previously occupied lands within what are now the state's borders, saying "a spirit of deception" too often marked dealings with them.

The Republican governor signed the apology as part of Kansas' ongoing commemoration of its 150 years of statehood. Brownback said the year-long events were a time to remember the heritage and culture that shaped the state's landscape since 1861.

"It's a ceremony of repentance, a ceremony where we acknowledge wrongs done to native peoples and repent for those acts," Brownback said. "It's a ceremony of reconciliation, where we ask for the forgiveness of these past wrongs and seek to forge a new relationship of mutual trust and recognition."

Kansas takes its name from the Kanza tribe, one of 19 tribes once located in the state before they were relocated by the U.S. government. The proclamation referenced the contributions of those tribes and the acts perpetrated against them by

the United States, including forcibly removing children from their families and making them learn new languages and cultures.

Brownback, a former U.S. senator, was behind a similar federal apology that was signed in 2010 by President Barack Obama that recounted the nation's "deception and neglect on native peoples."

The governor presented each tribe with an American bison from the state herd.

Officials from the Iowa, Prairie Band Potawatomi, Kickapoo, Kaw and Sac and Fox were represented at the ceremony. Their leaders said they accept the apology and hope it leads to greater cooperation between them and the state. The Kaw Nation is located in Oklahoma; the other four tribes have lands in northeast Kansas.

Prairie Band Potawatomi Chairman Steve Ortiz said the proclamation was important because it recognized the tribes' rights as sovereign nations and the state's desire to strengthen relations.

"We have to look at the man who was willing to take up the banner at the federal level who is now willing to do it again," Ortiz said. "I think it's significant. Some may like it; some may not. But we're headed in the right direction."

One tribe, the Kickapoo, is suing the state in federal court over water rights they say predate those claimed by Kansas.

Steve Cadue, chairman of the tribe, said the apology was a nice gesture that could lead to resolving the water issues. The tribe is seeking the rights to build a reservoir on the Delaware River to provide a stable water supply for the reservation.

"We're not all about history. We've got a life today and we're looking for a brighter future," Cadue said. "The governor's promised to work with us on any differences that we have."

"We have to take the governor's word. A man's word is his honor."

Brownback has held meetings with the leaders of the four Kansas tribes, his spokeswoman Sherriene Jones Sontag said.

WI officials offer winter survival website

MADISON, Wis. ~ Wisconsin officials are reminding people across the state to check a disaster preparedness website for winter survival tips.

The ReadyWisconsin website contains instructions on how to build a winter survival kit, explanations of winter weather watches and warnings, tips on what to do if you become stranded and winter weather statistics.

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Activities Calendar

for the month of January 2011

2 Monday:

Oneida Singers, 6:30pm - Bird Room

3 Tuesday

Senior Activity Day, 11-2pm, Share a Favorite Holiday Story as a Child! Luncheon \$3.00 Donation, Horse Racing/Bingo! Bird Room

Oneida Language Class, 6pm, All are Welcome! Learn with Oneida language teacher Renee Elm – Pfaller! Bird Room

4 Wednesday

Med Pick-up

5 Thursday

Craft Class, Scheduled monthly craft - Beaded Earrings (Ages 15 and up), Please Call 329-4101 to sign up – Limited to 8 people, \$10 Donation fee for Beaded Earring Class

Open Craft Class, is for all crafters that need to finish a project. Come to the Open Craft Class! Craft Class is fun for all! Wolf Rm

6 Friday

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

9 Monday

Oneida Singers, 6:30pm - Bird Room

10 Tuesday

Senior Activity Day, 11-2pm, \$3 Luncheon, Language Class/Bingo! Bird Room

Oneida Language Class, 6pm, All are Welcome! Learn with Oneida language teacher Renee Elm – Pfaller! Bird Room

Board Meeting, 6pm

11 Wednesday

Med Pick-up in Oneida

Cultural Class with Randy Cornelius , 6pm, Topic: Naming Ceremony

Potluck – Please bring your favorite dish to pass

12 Thursday

Open Craft Class, Come to the Open Craft Class! It is for all crafters that need to finish a project. Craft Class is fun for all! Wolf Room

13 Friday

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

16 Monday:

Oneida Singers, 6:30pm

17 Tuesday:

Senior Activity Day, 11-2pm, Potluck

Tuesday, Tai Chi/Bingo - Bird Room

Board Meeting, 6pm - Wolf Room

18 Wednesday

Van Trip, 8pm

Med Pick-up in Oneida

19 Thursday:

Open Craft Class, 6pm, Come to the Open Craft Class! It is for all crafters that need to finish a project. Craft Class is fun for all! Wolf Room

20 Friday:

Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up

23 Monday:

Oneida Singers, 6:30pm

24 Tuesday

Senior Activity Day, 11-2pm, Music Movement with Deb, Luncheon TBD, Bingo

Board Meeting, 6pm

25 Wednesday

Med Pick-up

26 Thursday

Open Craft Class, 6pm, Come to the Open Craft Class! It is for all crafters that need to finish a project. Craft Class is fun for all! Wolf Room

27 Friday

Call in meds for next Wednesday pick-up

Oneida Bingo Trip – Departure 7am \$10 bingo coupon & \$6 meal ticket

30 Monday

Oneida Singers, 6:30pm

31 Tuesday

Senior Activity Day, 11-2pm – Arrive at 10:30am for Craft Class, LunchTBD, Craft Activity – Soap, Decoupage/Bingo - Bird Room

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

SEOTS to offer GED Funding

In January 2012, Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) will add GED (General Education Development) funding to its direct services offerings. The mission of SEOTS is strengthening our cultural connection and providing services and programs to enhance the well-being of On'yote?a·ka in southeastern Wisconsin. Education as a tool can not only help enhance an individual's employability, but can also prove helpful in overcoming all of life's challenges. In short, it can directly impact the well-being of our Oneida people.

American philosopher, psychologist, and educational reformer John Dewey declared, "Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself." We are all in a constant state of learning, whether it is through formal education, or the school of hard knocks. SEOTS connects Tribal members to the Oneida Higher Education Grant for post-secondary funding as well as culture, craft,

and Oneida language classes. Youth and elder programs also feature educational components on everything from nutrition to the environment.

The funding for this new direct service is due largely in part to the fundraising efforts of the SEOTS Board. There is no impact to the Oneida budget to provide this service. The SEOTS Board wanted to help raise money that would help Tribal membership of southeast Wisconsin improve their education and overall well-being. Yaw'ko to the SEOTS Board for their noble efforts and upholding the Oneida core value of kahletsyalusla (heart felt encouragement of the best in each of us)!

Individuals interested in receiving funding for their GED should contact the SEOTS office. A small application will need to be completed. All GED testing and prep work will take place at Milwaukee Area Technical College. Funding is limited, and will be offered on a first come, first serve basis.

The Oneida family tree



Submitted photo

Left to Right: Oleta Partl, Jodie Bowers, Ila Wenzel, Carol Wenzel, Debbie Hecker, Loretta Metoxen, Deb Ushakow, Annette Padron, Siparo Padron Eugene Gonzales.

On Friday, November 18th nine Oneida tribal members met with Historian Loretta Metoxen at Cultural Heritage to do research on their family tree.

The day started out with Loretta explaining with much enthusiasm about the history of the Oneida people and many families living in New York and our arrival to Wisconsin.

Eagerly the Skenandore's, Metoxen's, Steffes, Huff's & Doxtator's began filling out their family genealogy sheets and researching census books back as far as the 1800's. It was just the beginning of seeing actual

records handwritten that made us all want to know more. Loretta helped us fill in some of the unknown's by getting us to the next place of research. Before we knew it lunchtime was here and we were back at it again, with the same enthusiasm that we had started with when we arrived.

The day was full of excitement, laughter and much discussion about people, places and events. This is just the beginning and we have already booked Loretta for another exciting day.

Thank You Loretta!

Winter Weather Notice

During extreme weather conditions, please call ahead to make sure that the SEOTS office is open for scheduled events and activities.

Inclement weather may result in the cancellation of SEOTS and/or Oneida events.



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Eligibility: Native American (plus spouse) must be 45+, Non-Native must be 60+.

SEOTS FAMILY HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, December 17, 2011
Noon - 3:00pm

Location: Rosary Hall
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Bring a tasty dish to pass for this potluck event.

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Here are the details of the program:

Who: Any Native American Elder (age 45 or better)

When: Every Wednesday, 10AM – 1PM

What:

- 10AM – 11AM: **Fitness Activities**
- 11AM – 11:20AM: **Nutrition Discussion**
- 11:20AM – Noon: **Cooking**
- Noon – 1:00PM: **Eat and Socialize**

Where: 1711 S. 11th Street, Milwaukee, WI (kitchen located on the 2nd floor)

For more information, contact Jennifer Casey at: **414-383-9526, Ext. 303**



SEOTS is now on Facebook
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December 1, 2011

Menominee Cultural Museum officially opened its doors

By Yvonne Kaquatosh
Kalihwiaks

It's been a long time coming for the Historic Preservation staff and members of the Menominee community to enjoy a facility that would house ancient artifacts of ancestors of the Menominee tribe without leaving the reservation. That day has finally arrived – nearly 20 years later.

Dave "Nahwahquaw" Grignon, Director of the Historic Preservation Department on the Menominee Reservation along with staff members, Rebecca Alegria and Jean Cox, welcomed those who attended the grand opening of the Menominee Cultural Museum on November 17, 2011.

The official opening of the Cultural Museum, marked the longstanding determination to one day have a facility to showcase Menominee artifacts that have been housed at the Wisconsin State Historical Society

Museum as well as other museums throughout the United States. The Menominee Tribe and cultural museum recently entered into a partnership agreement with the Wisconsin State Historical Society to feature Menominee artifacts that will be on loan at the museum. The Museum, which is a "state of the art" environmentally controlled facility, was built in the shape and form of the Menominee Grand Medicine Lodge.

The staff felt it would be fitting to have the structure built in that fashion because the

Menominee tribe will be repatriating sacred and ceremonial artifacts from other museums throughout the United States. This was made possible by way of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).

The Indian Community block grant was matched by the Menominee Tribe for the construction of the museum to get underway.

Honor songs and flag raising ceremonies were done by the Wolf River Singers and Menominee Veterans respectively.



Kali photos/Yvonne Kaquatosh

Contractors, local dignitaries as well as state Historical Society reps witnessed the opening.

The Cultural museum is located at 3426 CTH VV West, in Keshena, WI.



The cutting of the ribbon at the Menominee Cultural Museum grand opening marked the official opening. Menominee Tribal reps were on hand to witness the milestone. Below (left), students admire the five clan carvings on display. Bottom, Kenneth 'BumBum' Fish donates the helmet worn by Col. Simons during the Novitiate Takeover in 1975.

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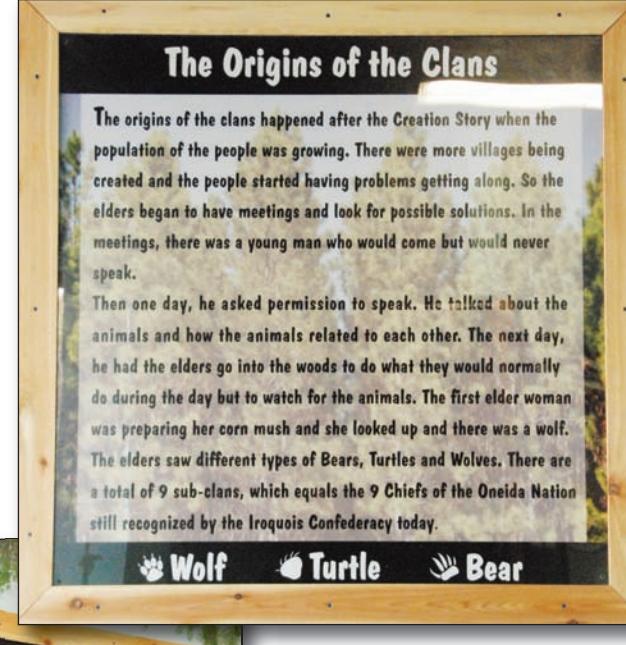
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Oneida cultural signs displayed at Wildlife Sanctuary



Kali photos/Travis Cottrell
Oneida Tourism produced a series of signs that display information about the Oneida clans. The signs are displayed inside the wolf observation exhibit at the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary. The department worked with Sanctuary Director Mike Reed on the project.



Judge OKs state permit for Kennecott nickel mine

By John Flesher

AP Environmental Writer
TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. ~ Michigan environmental regulators acted lawfully by issuing

Kennecott Eagle Minerals Co. a permit to build and operate a nickel and copper mine in the Upper Peninsula, a judge has ruled.

Circuit Judge Paula Manderfield rejected contentions by opposition groups that the Department of Environmental Quality should have denied the company's application because the mine is likely to damage water quality, plants and wildlife. She also sided with the DEQ in its finding that the mine's roof would not subside or collapse, as opponents have warned.

The Ingham County judge's ruling this week was the latest in a series of legal victories for Kennecott, which already has cleared land and constructed surface facilities for the mine in northwestern Marquette County. It began blasting and drilling bedrock for the entrance to the underground tunnel in September. Company officials say production of nickel and copper is scheduled to begin in 2013.

"We are not surprised ... but of course it is disappointing," Michelle Halley, an attorney for the National Wildlife Federation, said Wednesday. "We certainly believe that we should have prevailed."

Halley said opponents had not decided whether to take the case to the Michigan Court of Appeals. Other groups fighting the mine include the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, the Huron Mountain Club and the Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve.

Adam Burley, president of Kennecott Eagle Minerals, said the ruling demonstrates the legal integrity of Michigan's environmental regulatory system.

"We are confident that

we can operate in an environmentally safe and responsible manner, while contributing to job creation and the economic vitality of the area and state," Burley said.

Kennecott Eagle Minerals, a subsidiary of the Anglo-Australian mining company Rio Tinto PLC, is targeting an underground ore deposit expected to yield up to 300 million pounds of nickel and about 200 million pounds of copper, plus smaller amounts of other metals. It would be the only U.S. mine where nickel is the primary target, not just a byproduct from extraction of other minerals.

Nickel is used to make corrosion-resistant alloys including stainless steel. It's an ingredient in products such as batteries, magnets and ceramics. Kennecott applied for its mining permit in 2006. The DEQ approved it the following year, a decision upheld by an administrative law judge after 40 days of testimony. Opponents then appealed to Manderfield.

"The DEQ issued this permit after lengthy, thorough review and careful consideration," agency spokesman Brad Wurfel said. "We were confident it would withstand a court challenge, and we are pleased to see that it has."

The mine site is in a remote area known as the Yellow Dog Plains prized by hunters, anglers and hikers. The underground chamber would be drilled beneath the headwaters of the Salmon Trout River, a tributary of Lake Superior and spawning grounds for the rare coaster brook trout.

The Huron Mountain Club, an exclusive retreat and wildlife preserve, owns property within four miles of the mine site, including an 11-mile stretch of the riverbank.

The Keweenaw Bay tribe also owns property on the river and has treaty-guaranteed hunting, fishing and gathering rights in the countryside. Tribal

WI DNR launches Facebook page

MADISON, Wis. ~ The state Department of Natural Resources has launched a Facebook page.

Agency officials say the page will cover a variety of seasonal subjects. It's currently focusing on deer hunting. The state's traditional November gun hunt

starts Saturday.

As the hunt progresses, the page will include opening weekend harvest numbers and special messages from DNR Secretary Cathy Stepp and looks at special programs designed to draw more people into the sport.

The page can be found

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Christmas Day

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IMAC/BINGO/OTB Closed. Opens Dec. 26 at 8AM.
MASON STREET Opens at 5PM. Poker closed.

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 Mason Powless, grd. 12 - 3.857
 Paul Christjohn, grd. 10 - 3.811
 Kanani Nunies, grd. 12 - 3.810

High Honors

Josanna Cornelius-Daubon, grd. 10 - 3.716
 Abalone Paprocki, grd. 11 - 3.716
 Muriel King, grd. 10 - 3.714
 Guadalupe Martinez, grd. 12 - 3.667
 Delylla Fredenberg, grd. 10 - 3.667
 Ruby John, grd. 9 - 3.667
 Diego Metoxen, grd. 11 -

3.573
 Fredrick Miller, grd. 11 - 3.557
 Kylene Welch, grd. 10 - 3.524
 Kalene Beechtree, grd. 12 - 3.524
 Hodazha Pidgeon, grd. 12 - 3.524
 Tracey Stevens, grd. 12 - 3.500

Honors

Michael (JO JO) Santiago, grd. 12 - 3.476
 Yasmine Denny, grd. 10 - 3.430
 Byran Halona, grd. 9 - 3.430
 Kaylynn Powless, grd. 11 - 3.429
 3.429 Honors
 Ayashe Barton, grd. 9 - 3.429
 Isaac Reed, grd. 9 - 3.381
 Rachel Ninham, grd. 11 - 3.336

Shawntel Skenadore, grd. 10 - 3.334
 Tony McNaughtan Jr., grd. 10 - 3.334
 Brandon Doxtator, grd. 11 - 3.334
 Sheldon Skenadore, grd. 10 - 3.333
 Billie John, grd. 10 - 3.191
 Natasha Stevens, grd. 10 - 3.190

Devonte Pointer, grd. 11 - 3.190

Mitchel Cornelius, grd. 9 - 3.190

Angelica Schuyler, grd. 9 - 3.144

Shanna Jourdan, grd. 12 - 3.112

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Honors

Third Grade

Natavia Adams - 3.000
 Margaret George - 3.085
 Vashantai Smith - 3.168
 Joseph Powless - 3.168
 Lailanna Hill - 3.168
 Mataya Escalante - 3.335
 Dakota Swamp - 3.418

Fourth Grade

Sadie Schuman - 3.000
 Noemi Ramirez-Gilsoul - 3.200
 Summer Doxtater - 3.334

Fifth Grade

Qualayou Smith - 3.085
 Justin Hill - 3.168
 Maya Cruz - 3.168
 Fox Christjohn - 3.418
 Tiara Barber - 3.418

Sixth Grade

Ariel Webster - 3.000
 Danielle Dessart-Skenadore - 3.083
 Cameron Hill - 3.134
 Esperanza Cruz - 3.198
 Shienne Red Hail - 3.266
 Jenna Cornelius-Daubon - 3.400
 Jermaine Running Bear - 3.466

Seventh Grade

Tabitha Ninham - 3.335
 Clara Denny - 3.134
 Kwnwahta Smith - 3.200
 Florence John - 3.168
 Sandra Torres-Mejia - 3.466
 Mariah Miranda - 3.334

Eighth Grade

Colleen Johnson - 3.534
 Jade Cornelius-Daubon - 3.555

Brianna Bissonette - 3.668

Highest Honors

Third Grade
 Janet Torres-Mejia - 3.835
 Shania Barber - 3.918

Fifth Grade

G.P.A
 Iselena Torres-Mejia - 4.000

Sixth Grade Lexus Stevens - 3.868

Eighth Grade
 Tiger Smith - 3.802
 Synala Smith - 3.868
 Yohnehtote Danforth - 4.000
 Cierra Johnson - 3.734

Elementary and Middle School Perfect Attendance

Kindergarten

Acosta, Ever
 Rentmeester, Gavin
 Webster, Hunter
 Webster, Trista

First Grade

Danforth, Eajah
 Skenadore, Jania

Second Grade

Acosta, Guillermo
 Barber, Mariah
 Smith, Naomi

Third Grade

Barber, Shania
 Cornelius, Thunder
 Freeman-Melchert,
 Niecie
 Powless, Joseph
 Smith, Vashantai
 Teller, Aidan
 Torres-Mejia, Iselena

Fourth Grade

Danforth, Eleciah
 Danforth, Evan
 Metoxen, Hailey
 Smith, Carlos
 Smith, Joseph
 Thompson, Dennis

Fifth Grade

Barber, Tiara
 Counard, Kamey
 Torres-Mejia, Iselena

Sixth Grade

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DOD - 10/23/2010

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DOB 12/31/1912

DOD 6/4/2010

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DOB 2/18/1950

DOD 7/24/2011

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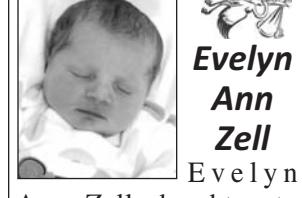
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**Evelyn
Ann
Zell**

Evelyn Ann Zell daughter to Jodi and Adam Zell, was born on Wednesday, September 21, 2011. She weighed 6 lbs, 10 ounces and measured 19.5 inches. Maternal Grandparents are Sally A. Toman and Thomas Toman. Paternal Grandparents are Judi and William Zell. Evelyn is welcomed by brothers Noah and Leo. Evelyn was named after her Great Grandmother Evelyn Cantu (House) who was born on the Oneida Reservation in 1921. She was a wonderful angel and now watches over all her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren from heaven.

CORRECTION

The birth announcement (above) is reprinted due to typographical errors with the original submission.

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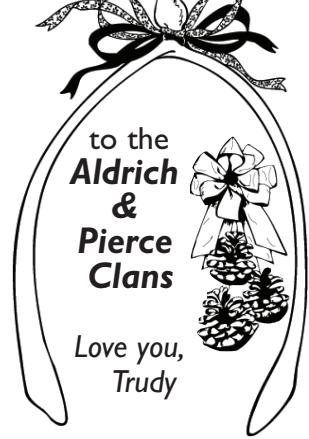
to my son
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on November 30th



Blessings to you on your Special day!

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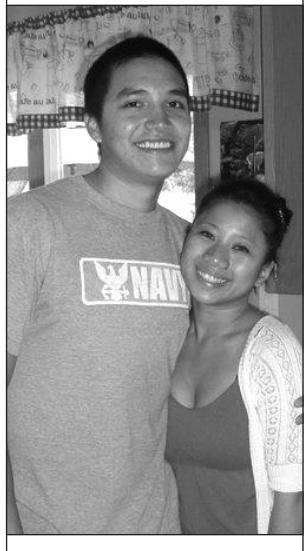
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Happy 1st Birthday

I would like to wish my son
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Love, your Daddy
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Auntie, Uncle, and
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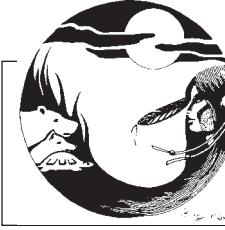
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to A'sé



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Happy 1st Birthday

Cashius
on December 2nd



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♥ Jamma & Jampa ♥

Happy 1st Birthday

on December 2nd
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Thunderhawk

Seymour Reality Day Times Two

From the October issue of High School Highlights

By Mike Hanke

ONHS Math Instructor

On October 25, 2011, the Oneida Nation High School Economic Diversity Club made its second trip to Seymour High School for Reality Day.

Reality Day is a day that provides students a chance to experience the real world decisions needed to make in order to maintain a monthly budget.

This year the "realists" included 29 students from ONHS and three teachers, Tony Romandine, Melissa

Sanders, and Mike Hanke. The students, who chose diverse careers ranging from restaurant manager to insurance agent,

from city manager to veterinarian, and everything in between, spent two hours going from station to station, buying or renting a place to live, buying a car or a bus pass, or even buying a pet. Whether or not they were married was decided by chance. Those who drew the "married" card might receive from one to four children to add to their monthly budget expenses.

Our student participants included Amanda Williams, Muriel King, Lupe Martinez, Anthony

Cornelius, LaKota Martinez, Emmitt Big Medicine, Devonte Pointer, Josanna Cornelius, Jaleesa Caldwell, Dazha Pidgeon, T.J. McNaughtan, Colleen Cornelius, Kanikisa Corbin, Heather Stevens, Mason Powless, David White, Kalene Beechtree, Jo Santiago, Kanani Nunies, Brandon Doxtator, Chelsey Cornelius, Delylla Fredenberg, Oscar Schuyler, Matias Metoxen, Noelle Metoxen, Yasmine Denny, Diego Metoxen, and Allie Spruce.

Some unpredictable situations included the "Fate Table," where students might receive an

unexpected windfall of cash or an unexpected expense. Another "unpredictable" was caused by the police officer who mingled among the participants and might give a ticket or a nurse who might assess an unexpected participant with medical expense: woe to the person who hadn't already purchased medical insurance. Jordan and Anthony were unusually unfortunate in receiving quite a few visits from both the police officer and the nurse.

All the participants found the day to be an enjoyable and educational experience.

THINGS TO BE THANKFUL FOR...

B-Ball

By La Kota Martinez

Thunderhawk Times

My teacher asked me what I am most thankful for. I'd have to say that I am thankful for basketball. I don't know how I would be without the game. There is no better feeling than being on a court with my teammates Lady T-hawks or even if I am just shooting around by myself. Basketball is like my paradise because I can get away from things by playing the game I love.

Family

By Noelle Metoxen

Thunderhawk Times

This thanksgiving the plan is to go to my brother's house to share the meal. I'm excited for this because this year I am trying a new dish. I am going to try to concur not cheese curds, but ham and cheese curds. This thanksgiving should be a good one, since all my close family will be able to attend. Usually someone has always got work, or something going on, but this year we will all be there. I'm very much excited. It will also be the first thanksgiving for my baby niece Pauline. So it shall be a great one.

2012... Is Coming!

By Jaleesa Caldwell

Thunderhawk Times

It's "T-Minus 30 Days and Counting" to next year, 2012, when some people believe that the world will end on December 22, though that's almost a year from now.

Following the release of the movie 2012 and related stories in the media, many people think the world is going to end in 2012, and many think it won't. I am one of those people that don't believe it will happen.

There are so many stories people have said on how the world is going to end. Many of the stories are based on the idea that the Mayan calendar ended at 2012.

I don't think the world will end in 2012. Other civilizations, just as advanced as that of the Mayans, also made predictions regarding the end of the world. Those predictions did not come to pass, and life went on as normal.

While the Mayans were good at observing the seasons and could predict eclipses based on what had regularly happened in the past, they really had no way of predicting the future.

If I were a betting person, I would wager all of my money that we will still be here in 2012 and beyond.

Trying Out for the Iroquois Nationals

By Eddie Powless

Thunderhawk Times

The Iroquois Nationals is one of the greatest teams in the International Lacrosse Federation.

The Nationals average a lot of goals. They're all on the team as Iroquois and they play as one. They work as team which makes them win a majority of their games.

They have both a field lacrosse team similar to what is played in Oneida and a box team which plays in an arena with a smaller number of players and smaller goals.

Their colors are purple and black gold and white. Their logo is an eagle on a person—it's really nice.

They go to international matches in other countries and they are the only team that doesn't have a country name—they are the Iroquois Nationals.

They used to use wooden sticks but then opponents started complaining of how it hurt so they put it against the rules. But in box lacrosse they can use them, and

they win in box games, too.

Iroquois Nationals tryouts were held in Rochester, New York on November 20 and 27. Now I don't know how the tryouts went on the 20th, I couldn't make it. But I did get to the tryouts on the 27th and they were hard.

We started off with stretches, then ran the 40 yard dash. Then it started getting harder with one-on-one Defense, that's when the offside player goes up against a one defender and tries to make it in the goal.

Then we went into scrimmage. I made it once, but got bullied around the rest of the time. Most of the players are around 19, and I'm 15. But I think not one person should limit their skills and play with their hearts not their heads.

And that's why I didn't let myself down and played with all I had and did the best I could against them!

Visitor stops by ONHS

By Jaleesa Caldwell

Thunderhawk Times

Last Week, on Wednesday the 23rd of November, I invited my friend to come visit ONHS from Shawano High school. Her name is Eden Huntington from Shawano/Gresham area in northern Wisconsin.

Eden has been my best friend since Head Start. We went to school together all the way up to 5th grade but we never lost contact so we're still

as close as we were when we were in elementary school.

Eden came just to see what our school is all about and to just pretty much visit.

When I asked if she liked her visit at the end she said, "Yea, it's different but it's cool."

I know she really enjoyed how much we focus on the culture here with the Iroquois Music class and the closing we do every Friday.

When I asked what's different about our school she said that we have shorter class periods than her school and we have more classes, where at Shawano they only have 4 classes for 80 minutes at a time.

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Looking for Christmas Gifts for Your Teens?

By La Kota Martinez

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It's the basketball time of the year

Thunderhawks Basketball Tips-Off

By Anthony Cornelius

Thunderhawk Times

If you're a T-Hawk fan you might want to take a look at the team's outlook for this season. With the team having had mismatches against bigger teams from bigger schools in the past, they are sure to overcome the obstacles of last season.

They have six returning players from last year including two

seniors—Anthony Cornelius and Jo Jo Santiago, three juniors—Devonte Pointer, Diego Metoxen, and Freddy Miller, and one sophomore—T.J. McNaughtan.

But they have four new additions with freshman Mitchel Cornelius, junior Mike Mills, and the two seniors Kommanche Jordan and Oscar Schuyler. Head coach

Scott Murray has also brought in a new assistant coach Mike King. Mike played at Seymour High School where he was a part of a successful state team.

The Thunderhawks have numbers this year. Last year it wasn't to their advantage to only have seven players at the end of the season. But this year they have 10 players—enough to have some experience

coming off the bench. Last year's leading scorer was point guard Eddie Santiago, but his younger brother, Jo Jo, is sure to fill his place.

The Thunderhawks' first game was November 28th against Green Bay West High School which they lost 65-61. They then went up against Lincoln Hills. Watch for updates on those games in our next issue.

Lady T-Hawks Get Started

By Joelle Thomas

Thunderhawk Times

With Jamie Betters as coach again this year, we are looking forward to a very successful season. This year we have a nice number of girls on

the team. The Lady T-Hawks this year are: Kanani Nunies, Jessica House, Rachel Ninham, Kayla Danforth, Natasha Stevens, La Kota Martinez, Yasmine Denny, and Josanna

Cornelius, Muriel King, Kylene Welsh, and Joelle Thomas, and, maybe, Heather Stevens. We only have a week and a half of practice in, but it's looking good so far. We have a

game Thursday, December 1, against Milwaukee Young Coggs at 5:00 at the Turtle School, so come on out and support the Lady T-Hawks.

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December, 2011

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Boys basketball eyes improved season



Kali photo/Travis Cottrell

Head Coach Scott Murray speaks to the team at the beginning of practice.

By Travis Cottrell

Kalihwisaks

With the passing of the Thanksgiving holiday comes the start of the high school basketball season. In the case of the Oneida Nation High School boys basketball program having enough players to complete a roster has been a difficult task. But that is what makes the upcoming season an exciting and intriguing one for the Thunderhawks.

The 2011-2012 Thunderhawk squad has six players returning to the team from last season: seniors Anthony Cornelius and Jojo Santiago; juniors Devonte Pointer, Diego Metoxen, and Freddy Miller; sophomore TJ McNaughton.

Normally this would reflect the number of players a Thunderhawk team suits up as of late. However, this season the team was able to take on four new players in freshman Mitchell Cornelius, junior Mike Mills, transfer senior Kommanche Jordan, and transfer senior Oscar Schuyler.

The team also added an accomplished basketball player in Mike King as the Assistant Coach.

"It's great having a team of ten. Having ten guys not only helps us during the games but it helps us the most in practice. In previous years we didn't have enough players to scrimmage five-on-five in practice so we were lacking in that area. Now we can actually put two teams of five out there and get in some real game scenarios," said Head Coach Scott Murray.

The prospect of being a competitive basketball team has the Oneida players excited to get the season started.

"Being my senior year I'm looking forward to winning the most. I do think that we will have to work on our chemistry though because we have a few new players we haven't played with much so just getting used to each other," Anthony Cornelius said.

With the addition of new players comes some height, something the team was lacking last season.

"We have two big guys now, last year we didn't really have any height at all. But I still think we need to work on our rebounding because a lot of teams are going to be bigger than us so we just need to make sure we rebound good," said Jojo Santiago.

With some newfound size and a larger roster the Thunderhawks begin a tough scheduled season. The team opened their season against Green Bay West High School, losing a very close game 65-61.

"We have the potential to be very successful this year. We have a tough schedule this year, being an independent school you have to schedule whoever is willing to play. So it will be a challenge but the potential is there," Coach Murray said.

The Thunderhawks played their second game of the season on November 29th against Lincoln Hills. This time the team emerged victorious, winning by a score of 49-32.

Lady T-Hawks looking to keep momentum of last season

By Dawn Walschinski

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The Oneida Nation High School (ONHS) Girls basketball team had a stellar season last year with a push into the regional finals, now the trick is to top it. Head Coach Jamie Betters is expecting good things from her 15 player squad.

"We set the bar high this year because of the success we had last year, because we have about five to six girls coming back that have experience, that we didn't have last year. It's going to be even exciting to see what they bring knowing the competition that they faced last year," said House.

Betters sees some advantages this year over last year such as a bigger team, and the addition of a full time assistant coach Margaret Stevens.

"That's going to just add on to the coaching style to the techniques that we teach them to get things done a little quicker, so I can work on something, she can work on something and we can bring it together," said Betters.

Another thing that eased up slightly is the school's ability to schedule games. ONHS isn't in a conference, so the athletic director has to hunt down willing competitors.

"Knowing that we're competitive, and the level of respect that we play at, teams are more

apt to play us," said Betters. "Now it's not just a win that they used to get, now it's competition."

Betters is looking beyond the basketball court for her players.

"My ... continued journey is to provide a lot of positive influence to this high school," she said. "There's a lot of good things that are happening here, and to have some really great role models in my girls, too, who will become leaders in this community."

Nunies is looking forward to away games as a chance to get to know her teammates better.

"That's more bonding time with my team. I like to get close to girls I haven't befriended before," she said. "Everyone becomes closer and more of a team during basketball season."

Nunies is also looking for the energy of the fans that supported the team last year.

"I'm looking forward to home games and hopefully seeing the same crowds as last year or a bit bigger and away games as well because we love the encouragement, so come support our games," she urged.

"Go T-Hawks, hopefully we can do it as good as we did last year," said House.

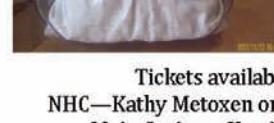


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Head Coach Jamie Betters, center, rallies her players during a timeout during the Lady Thunderhawks home opener on Tuesday, November 29.

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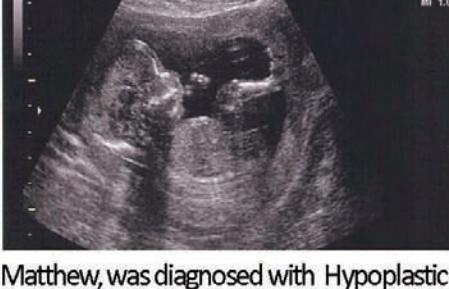


**Drawing held December 14
Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5**



Skenandoah complex — Geraldine Danforth
Health Center — Kathy Danforth
Little Bear — Lisa Williams

Tickets available at:
NHC — Kathy Metoxen or Tana Aguirre
Main Casino — Katsi Danforth
Land Management — Tina Hackett



The Danforth Family's unborn son, Drew Matthew, was diagnosed with Hypoplastic left heart syndrome. His left ventricle did not develop fully in his heart, when he is born, he will have to have open heart surgery, then again between 3-6 months and again around 1-3 years and eventually a heart transplant. We would appreciate the community's support and any & all monetary donations. An account has been established at Bay Bank located at 2555 Packerland Drive Green Bay for all donations.

Shiocton High School junior Brandon Smith (#8) played a major role in the Chiefs march to the Wisconsin state championship game.

formation," says Smith.

But above all else Smith enjoys the family camaraderie that exists in the football team.

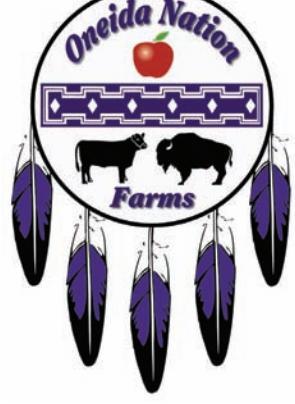
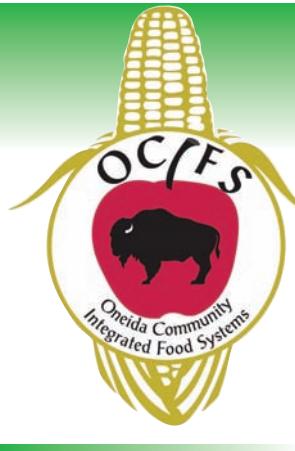
"This year we had a family bond. It was fun because we know each other very well and we've been playing football together since we were kids. So we are very close and have been very close since we were little," Smith said.

As for his immediate future Smith will now

prepare for the spring baseball season. As a catcher for the varsity team Smith believes that the baseball squad will also experience success.

"We made it deep in the playoffs last year and again we have a lot of returning players. We only had three seniors last year and we still did well in the playoffs," said Smith.

"I like playing wildcat, I play the quarterback in that offense and it allows me to run, or hand-off or pass out of that unusual



Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems

Season's Greetings from OCIFS

The Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS)

Members continue to provide quality products and services to anyone in the area who is health conscience. Come by today to see how we can help you achieve a healthier lifestyle.

The Oneida Nation Farm/Apple Orchard

... provides a vast variety of black angus beef and grass fed buffalo meat cuts. The Orchard also provides fresh fruits, apple cider, numerous jams and jellies, maple syrup, honey, and many other apple by products.

The Oneida Tsyunhéhkwa Program

... consists of a Certified Organic Agricultural Farm and our Food Processing and Preservation Community Cannery. We provide our community with our Heirloom White Corn and the products we make available such as, Raw Corn, Corn Flour, Corn Meal, Corn Bread, Corn Mush, and Dehydrated Corn. We offer seasonal workshops and educational information on sustainability, traditional agricultural practices, food preservation, tours and presentations.

The Oneida Food Distribution Center

... strives to provide for the needs of our low-income community members. The Distribution Center has an excellent and nutritious food package consisting of fresh fruits and vegetables as well as a wide assortment of canned vegetables and fruit juices. Also featured are a variety of other dry good products that meet the needs of those utilizing our program.

Oneida Health Promotion

... focuses on weight management and diabetes prevention, Oneida Health Promotion strives to empower Oneida community to honor personal roles and responsibilities in making positive lifestyle choices which will improve health, quality of life, and prevent chronic disease.

For more information on any of these products or services check us out at www.oneidanation.org/ocifs

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ONEIDA Elder Christmas Party

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2011

DOXBEE'S BANQUET AND BUFFET

N6744 COUNTY HWY C SEYMOUR, WI

DOORS OPEN AT 10:30 AM

NO COST

FOR ELDERS 55 AND OLDER ONLY

**ELDER MUST BE ABLE TO ASSIST THEMSELVES,
SORRY NO CAREGIVERS**

NO CHILDREN ALLOWED.

REGISTER DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 6 AT 4 PM
CALL SENIOR CENTER MEAL SITE AT 869-1551

**MUST PRE-REGISTER,
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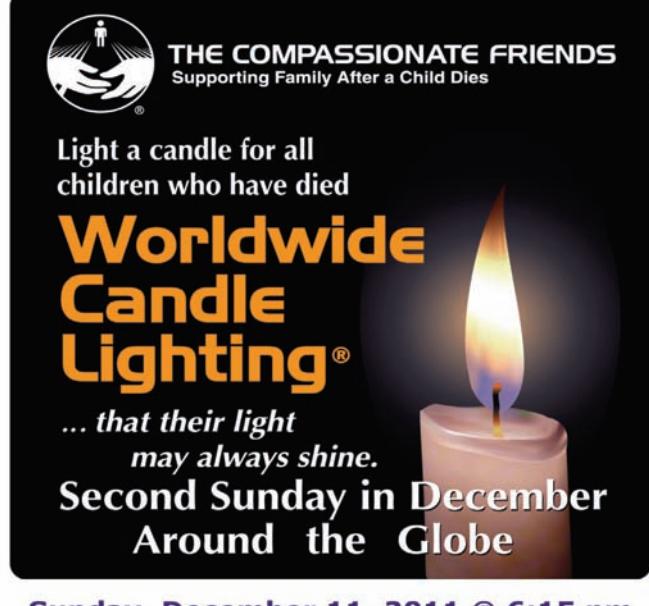
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2011 Annual Worldwide Candle Lighting Services

Communities across the globe will be joining
The Compassionate Friends
for the
15th Annual Worldwide Candle Lighting



Sunday, December 11, 2011 @ 6:15 pm

Location: Oneida Parish Hall, 2937 Freedom Rd, Oneida WI
 If you would like your child's name read during the roll call please contact Julie Denny at 920-490-3661 or Brenda Cornelius at 920-869-2415, your welcome to bring a photo of your child to place on the Remembrance Table.

"We Remember the Children"

Oneida Chapter #2338 of Compassionate Friends extends an invitation to attend the World Wide Candle Lighting Ceremony on Sunday, Dec 11th at 6:15 pm at the Oneida Parish Hall, 2397 Freedom Rd, Oneida WI. Doors will open at 6pm and Wade Fernandez, a renowned recording artist/songwriter will bring his musical gift of flute playing to our program.

The ceremony will include an evening of poetry reading from parents, the "Music for Our Culture" youth group will sing two very inspirational songs in our native language and Opie Day Bedeau will do the honor song during our roll call of names. Parents are asked to bring a photo of their child to be placed on our Remembrance

Table. Lite refreshments and snacks will be served after the program.

The Compassionate Friends is a non-profit organization that assists families in finding positive resolution following the death of their child.

Currently there are over 620 Chapters throughout the United States and offered in 15 countries. Oneida is the first Native American Chapter to be formalized in July 2009. The motto of the Compassionate Friends organization is "you need not walk alone".

Having a child pass away is the most difficult event a parent will go through. The emotions one endures can range from anger, guilt, sorrow, loneliness to despair. Often times it's hard for families to reach out and seek help

during these difficult times but we want families to know the Oneida Chapter of Compassionate Friends is here for them as we all have already traveled that path.

Once again, please join us on Sunday, Dec 11th at 6:15 pm as we light a candle in honor of all those children gone before us and let them know "their light will forever shine in the hearts of all those who love them". If you participated in past ceremonies you still need to call either Julie Denny at 920-490-3661 or Brenda Cornelius at 920-869-2415 to have your child added to the roll call. The actual candle lighting is held outside so please dress accordingly.

Yawako!

RX ATTENTION

All customers who use

Oneida Health Center Pharmacy for Prescriptions:

The Oneida Pharmacy will now require a legal I.D. at the time of registration in the pharmacy and when the patient or representative picks up a prescription.

This process was initiated on January 1, 2011 requiring the patient or their representative show a legal form of identification (Tribal I.D. or Drivers License) at the time of registration in the pharmacy, to pick up prescriptions.

Oneida Pharmacy will now require each patient or their designated representative present a legal Identification to PICK UP prescriptions.

Please plan ahead to avoid delays when picking up prescriptions at Oneida Pharmacy.

Note: The busiest time for pick-up for prescriptions is Friday afternoons. Please avoid these times, if possible to avoid a delay in service and to avoid long lines. This will help you and everyone to keep the prescription pick up smooth and efficient.

Thank You for your help and cooperation.

The Staff of Oneida Health Center Pharmacy

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They're Backing Each Other Up

**Indigenous Autism Support Group**

For more information, contact:

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Oneida Autism Support Group

Does your child have autism? Does your grandchild, niece or nephew have autism? Or, are you worried your child may have autism?

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For our parent-run Autism Support Group which is for ALL Native American Families coping with Autism.

Monday • December 12, 2011

5 – 7PM

Oneida Police Department

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OnΔki?wahe**Notice to Patients of Dr. Lacey**

One Friday, December 30, 2011, Dr. Lacy will be retiring from the Oneida Community Health Center (OCHC).

Please begin to re-establish your health care with other providers at OCHC to prevent interruption in your care and medication refills.

Providers that are currently accepting his patients are Dr. Flood, Dr. Szabo, Dr. Kennard and Dr. Vir. Please call the Health Center at 869-2711 to schedule an appointment.

Yawa?kó, Dr. Lacey**OCHC Registered Patients Only**

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Friday December 9th. 2011

1:00pm to 4:00pm

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