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Delgado attends Tribal Nations Conference

By Dawn Walschinski

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Oneida Business Committee (OBC) Chairman Ed Delgado attended the third Tribal Nations Conference in Washington DC which cumulated with a speech from President Barack Obama to the leaders from the 565 federally recognized Native American tribes and representing Alaska natives on Friday, December 2.

"We're really feeling good that we finally have a president that listens to us and really seems concerned, but we need action," said Delgado on the overall mood of the attendees.

Delgado and other tribal leaders had an opportunity the day before to meet with representatives from several federal departments such as the



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Left to right: OBC Chairman Ed Delgado speaks with Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Larry Echohawk at the Tribal Nations Conference.

Department of the Interior and Department of Education.

"The most impressive thing I found there was

that there was different entities ... all working together, collaborating to try and adjust the needs of the tribes," he said.

Delgado spoke to United States

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Tribal Nations

Kalihwisaks to go weekly in 2012

By Dawn Walschinski

Kalihwisaks Managing Editor

The Kalihwisaks will be going to a weekly printing schedule starting January 5, 2012. The change will provide more frequent communication with our readers.

With more departments using the Kalihwisaks to reach out to the Oneida community, the issues were getting larger averaging 24 pages. Weekly publications will allow for smaller issues.

The change will benefit readers of the Kalihwisaks as stories will be more current. Also, our customers will

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Kali going weekly

Creating Memories This Holiday



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The holiday season is in full swing as events around the community lead to celebrations.

Left: Kids got their chance to let Santa know their wishlist during Oneida Recreation's annual Breakfast with Santa at the Civic Center on Saturday, December 10.

Below Left: Holy Apostle Church prepares their cedar rope this week on Tuesday evening for the annual hanging of the greens on Tuesday, December 13.

Below Right: The Oneida Business Committee along with children from the Oneida Head Start Program prepare for the tribe's annual Christmas greeting.



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Community gathers to warm others

By Nate Wisneski

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Parish Hall was full of hustle and bustle as community members worked to put together tie-blankets that will be distributed throughout the area.

"The majority of the blankets will be donated to the Elderly in our community. The rest of the blankets will be given to random families in need over the holiday season," said Oneida Police Department Officer Matt Ninham.

Programs with direct working contact with children along with victims of the recent fire in Pulaski will also receive some of the



Carol Cornelius (center) helps Sierra Denny (left) put together a tie-blanket during the Oneida Christmas Blanket Making Event.

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Delayed winter weather helps ORCCC construction crew



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A construction crew works on a tornado shelter at the ORCCC.

By Dawn Walschinski

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The delayed onset of winter weather is helping the construction of the Oneida Resident Centered Care Community (ORCCC) move forward according to Kraus-Anderson Construction Co. Project Superintendent Allen Zaffke.

"This place is going to be ready to go before we know it," said Zaffke.

Currently, the construction crew is working on the two tornado shelters and is continuing to work on the foundation for the 79,000 square foot building. When finished, the facility will have room for 48 residents, a commercial kitchen, fitness and recreation centers, and solar panels.

"It should turn out to be quite a cost savings for the facility here,

because we're putting up a big array of them," he said.

Zaffke wanted to address concerns comparing the costs of the projected \$17 million ORCCC to another elder residence being built in the Village of Hobart for \$6 million.

"We don't know what the square footage of that other building was, we don't know if they're having a commercial kitchen, we don't know if they've given their residents in-floor heat and nice doors and new decorative hardware and things like that, we don't know what kinds type of site improvements they went through over there," he said. Zaffke estimated \$5 million will be spent on site improvements such as sewer lines, utilities and parking lots for the ORCCC.

"We're going to con-

tinue the road around this place and make the entire facility a loop, so you can either drive or walk. There's walking paths here, sidewalks and the front entry there's going to be a covered carport," he said.

When finished, residents of the Anna John Nursing Home will move to the ORCCC.

"That's something that's been around for quite a number of years, and it's time to get them into the new facility," he said.

The next big step will take place before Christmas when Standing Stone Erectors will come in to start standing up structural steel. Currently, about a dozen of the 18 workers on site are Oneida citizens.

"It's a significant amount, and a lot more to come," said Zaffke.

"We're going to con-



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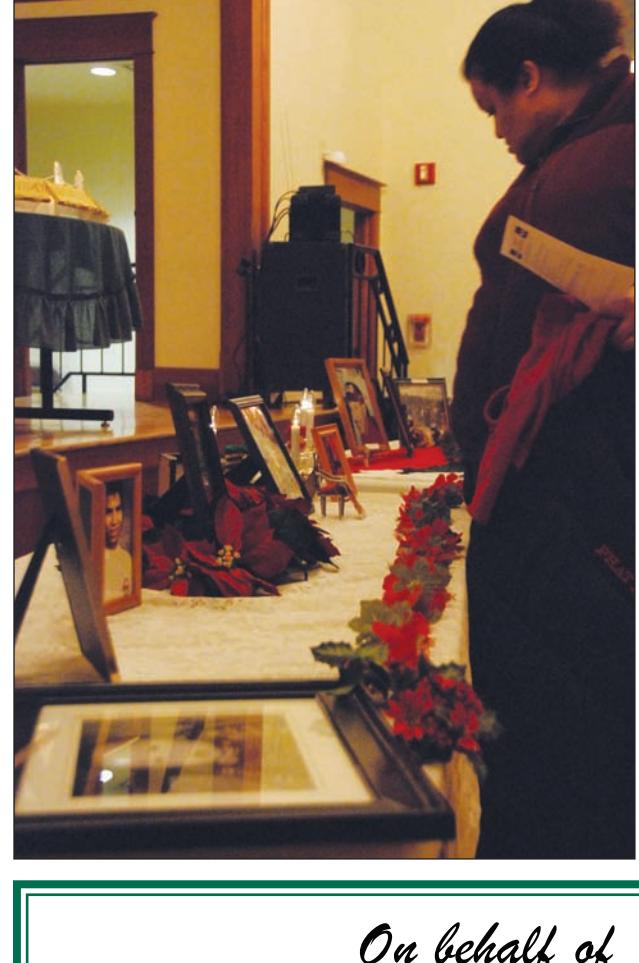


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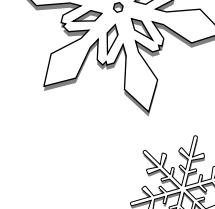
Communities around the globe participated in the 15th Annual Worldwide Candle Lighting Ceremony on Sunday, December 11, 2011. 92 Oneida Participants filled the Oneida Parish Hall and took time to remember loved ones who have passed away and light candles in their memory.

Top: Candles were lit as the names of the deceased were read.

Left: A remembrance table featured candles and pictures of Oneida children who have passed on.



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Passing On...**Johnson, Arthur C. "Snooks"**
August 9, 1940 – December 12, 2011

Arthur C. "Snooks" Johnson, 71, of Oneida passed on Monday morning December 12, 2011 at Unity Hospice in Ledgeview. The son of the late Arthur and Lillian (Summers) Johnson was born August 9, 1940 in Wauwatosa. He married the former Adeline Skenandore on October 10, 1977 and she preceded him in death on February 21, 2009.

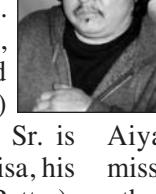
Art worked for many years as a heavy machinery operator in the cement industry. He had a wonderful sense of humor and was a great family man, friend and person. Snooks will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Survivors include his children; David Johnson, Edwin and Jenny Johnson, Ron and Sue Melchert, Tim and Debbie Melchert, Mike and Patty Melchert, Beverly Allen, George Melchert, Theresa and Calvin Polor, Mary Melchert and Frank Melchert; grandchildren Skyler and Sarah, his siblings, Marylyn Funk, Larry and Lynn Johnson, Karla and Keith Dugan.

Skenandore, Sr., Dale A.

September 6, 1961 – December 5, 2011

Skenandore, Dale A., Sr. Passed away on Monday December 5, 2011. Born September 6, 1961 to Patrick and Muriel (Green) Skenandore. Dale, Sr. is survived by wife Lisa, his children Dale, Jr. (Putter), Jimmy (Melissa), Andrea (Timothy), Melissa (Jose), Theresa (Manuel), Sara (Conin), Earne, Olivia (David) and Steve, along with his 21 grandchildren. He is also survived by his brothers Wayne, Gary, and Patrick, Jr. (Nancy), his sisters Debra, Gail, (Tom), Patricia (Dean), his sister-in-law Karen, and his "other" son, Paul



Glinski. He is preceded in death by his mother, twin brother Dennis, his sisters Angel and Sandra, and his grand-daughter Aiyana. He will be missed dearly by many other family, friends, and relatives.

Services were held on Friday, December 9, at 10:00AM, at Oneida Assembly of God Cemetery.

The RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 N. 10th Street, De Pere, assisted the family with arrangements. Please go to www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

Please see additional obituary for

John C. Gower

on page 4A of this issue of Kalihwisaks.

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If I could write a story
It'd be the greatest ever told
Of a kind & loving father
Who had a heart of gold

I could write a million pages
But still be unable to say,
just how
Much I love and miss him
Every single day

I'll remember all he taught me
I'm hurt but won't be sad
'cuz he'll send me down the answers
And he'll ALWAYS be MY DAD

**Love your Baby Girl,
Candy Jo**

**Merry Christmas
Lola Bunny**

The holidays are here
and we are missing you,
one so dear.
Isabella walks all over now,
she plays, climbs and gracefully falls.

Sweet Little Lola loves stories and baby dolls.
Isabella, so sweet and cuddly as a bug,
Little Lola still cries and longs
for your comforting hugs.

Phoebe---she won't ever forget you
she speaks of you often, oh how she misses you

being there,
she tells us you are watching
when she's in Auntie Shantel's care.

Danielle we know she loves and misses you too,
it's something that is very hard for her too.

She's working hard to make you proud,
she's becoming a leader in her school crowd.
She made the Honor list at school,
doing her work—honoring your rule.

Dominic and Michael love and miss you so,
we all still wonder why you had to go.

Not a day goes by without thoughts of you,
the love for their Mother
will remain strong and true.

I miss you so much,
your smile, your voice, your laughter,
your humor and your loving touch.
You are the daughter I never had,
we shared lots of memories both
happy and sad.

It's Christmas time and we all know,
it won't be as bright as last years,
because you had to go.

We will all try to make the
best of it without you here,
that's all we can do but know in your heart
that we all love and miss you.

Enjoy your first Christmas Bunny
in the land of the Creator,
a wonderful place
where we will all meet again later.

Sadly missed, Love Auntie Rose

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the world below
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on the snow.



The sight is so SPECTACULAR
please wipe away that tear
for I am spending CHRISTMAS WITH
JESUS CHRIST this year.

I hear the many CHRISTMAS SONGS that
people hold so dear
but the SOUND OF MUSIC can't compare
with the CHRISTMAS CHOIR up here.

I have no words to tell you of the JOY their
voices bring
for it is beyond description to
HEAR THE ANGELS SING.

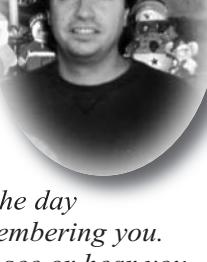
I know HOW MUCH YOU MISS ME,
I see the pain inside your heart
for I am spending CHRISTMAS WITH JESUS
CHRIST this year.

Please let your HEARTS BE JOYFUL and let
your SPIRIT SING
for I am spending CHRISTMAS IN HEAVEN
and I'm walking WITH THE KING.

In Loving Memory of...**Bob Smits**

on his 3rd Christmas in Heaven...

Your time on earth seemed all
too brief,
because I wanted you in my
life forever.
And although I really miss
you,
in my heart I know that you
are at peace.



Still, countless times
throughout the day

I find myself remembering you,
Although I can not see or hear you,
I know that you are with me.

I'm thankful for the times we shared
and the priceless memories too,
for those memories are
a comfort now
when I lovingly - Remember You.

**Love & Missing
You! Brooke,
Mom & Dad,
Joe and Friends**

In Loving Memory of...**Lola Little Feather****Skenandore****A Christmas Present**

It's Christmas and I'll miss you
You'll never know how much
The greatest thing I could get
Would be just to feel your
touch.

I know you're safe in God's arms
And you're as happy as can be
And I know that I'm being selfish
To want you here with me.

Have a lovely Christmas
I'll get by, you'll see

Just Promise me on Christmas day
That you will think of me.

**Sadly missed by Little
Brown Ledge**





PTAC looks to enhance Native owned businesses



Offers Native businesses chance to land government contracts

By Travis Cottrell

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In the world of business "who you know" is key. Forming a partnership with another business for supplies that then recommends another business that will address ones other needs.

A newly formed program, the Tribal Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC), will help native-owned businesses connect with a variety of entities such as local suppliers all the way to the federal government.

Program Manager Gwen Carr comments of the nature of the PTAC program that is housed in Oneida. "PTAC's basic function is to provide technical assistance, we provide networking opportunities, and training events. We have a seven state region and we work with tribally owned and Indian owned businesses to increase their capacity to do federal, state, and local contracting."

The PTAC program is able to aid businesses by providing training, ensuring a business has all the necessary certifications to apply for a contract, counseling,

Program Manager Gwen Carr speaks at a conference hosted by the PTAC program held at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center.

conferences, and numerous networking opportunities.

"We also work with non Indian businesses in industry because we can facilitate those relationships between the non Indian industry and the tribes that are in that state," says Carr.

Featuring a skilled staff, which collectively has business experience in bunches, has worked with government entities at the local, state, and national levels.

The program features two Procurement Specialists in Ron Montano, who is stationed at the Oneida office, and Richard Antell, who works out of the Stillwater, MN area. A Tribal & Small Business Outreach Manager in Craig Anderson, Government Affairs Specialist Gail Garrity-Reed, and Chris Cornelius who recently joined the staff as a Program Coordinator.

"This is the first Tribal PTAC in Wisconsin ever and its here in Oneida, but we also work with all the tribes within our service region. We are a conduit for information out to the tribes; we are a conduit for information from the tribes to various agencies. This connection is helpful because a lot of information is lost

because one entity may not know another exists. We will be that bridge for our region," says Carr.

The best way to reach PTAC is to visit their website (<http://www.factptac.com>) where upcoming events and the program's information can be viewed. Beginning the program's intake process also begins on the site and utilizes a live chat feature which allows the inquiring person to speak to the PTAC staff and receive immediate help.

But what drives the program most of all is the staff's willingness to help and the satisfaction they get knowing they helped push Native-owned enterprises to further achievements.

"I ran into a woman that I had worked with a few years ago while shopping, and she has a Native-owned business, and she was pushing four carts full of stuff. She told me the carts were being donated to charity on behalf of the business. She was so thankful for our help because she said because you helped me I am now able to help others. That is what makes this job so rewarding," said Garrity-Reed.

The road to financial hell is paved with alluring options:

Credit cards, payday loans, reverse mortgages, 401(k) raids and more...



mortgage lenders and see if they will suspend or lower your payments over the next three to six months.

For information about modifying your mortgage, go to MakingHomeAffordable.gov, a website sponsored by the federal government with the goal of helping the 12 million American families whose homes are now worth less than they owe. The site lists HUD-approved counselors who will work with you for free. If you do not use the Internet, you can contact the program toll-free at 888-995-4673.

1. Raiding your 401(k)

Don't think of retirement savings as "now" money. It's money you've really got to save for later.

"Our parents' generation generally worked for someone who gave them a pension check for the rest of their lives," "Today, we actually control our pensions. People think, 'I can see those dollars there. They have my name on the account. I'm going to use that money!'"

It's particularly foolhardy to dip into your 401(k) if you're in danger of bankruptcy. Retirement accounts are protected under bankruptcy laws in most states. You don't have to surrender your retirement to get a fresh start.

"Some people use their IRAs, and then they wind up in bankruptcy, anyway." "So now, they're bankrupt and they don't have any retirement."

Reading the new government-mandated box on your credit card bill that shows how long it will take to pay off your balance if you pay only the minimum and how much interest you pay to carry a balance.

You won't get out of debt overnight. It's going to take time. Behavior modification just doesn't happen overnight."

2. Walking out on a mortgage

If you owe more than your house is worth, walking away is not your only option, providing that you still have some income to pay a mortgage. The first step is to look honestly at your finances and determine whether you face a short-term issue or a long-term one.

Short-term means you just got laid off and have no savings or small savings, but the job market in your town is such that you can probably get some part-time or full-time work to keep money coming in. Long-term means you've been unemployed, you've depleted your savings, and you don't see a way back into the job market.

"If it's long term, then you can't afford your home anymore." "The faster you recognize it and make plans to let it go, the better it will be. Put your best foot forward to sell your home. Move into a smaller, less-expensive place and preserve your capital for when times are better for you."

If it is a short-term situation, talk with your

4. Debt-wipeout scams

Be careful when talking with debt-consolidation firms.

Most of the ones I've seen are shams. I would be very, very cautious. Pretty much, stay away.

An alternative: Seek help through a local United Way chapter, which provides referrals to non-profit counselors, or through the non-profit National Foundation for Credit Counseling.

5. Co-signing a loan

If a friend or relative asks you to co-sign a loan, it means his credit is so shaky no lender will give him money on his own merits. Why should you?

Co-signing is a business transaction, but people don't think of it as a business transaction. They think, 'I'm helping my friend out.'

But what you're really

doing is co-signing for a loan and you could be on the hook for that.

You should always assume you will have to repay the loan you're co-signing.

I would be more cautious about co-signing for a romantic relationship than in a parent-child relationship. Relationships can end up badly. There can be a lot of acrimony, and that could change someone's interest in repaying that loan.

6. Payday loans

About 19 million Americans have resorted to these high-interest loans, although the number has dropped in the past year.

They are marketed as short-term cash advances to meet emergency expenses between paychecks.

But consumers often become trapped in repeat borrowing.

For the average two-week payday loan, the annualized interest rate ranges from 391% to 521%.

7. Reverse mortgages

Older actors pop up on television marketing these mortgages as an easy income stream for seniors who are house-rich and cash-poor. But the fees and other costs associated with reverse mortgages can sometimes be considerably higher than on other loans.

A reverse mortgage may be a reasonable choice for some homeowners, especially the nearly one-third of retirees who have almost no income other than their Social Security checks, but the high fees associated with it make it a last resort, not a first resort.

Other options: Take out a home equity loan. Sell your home and move to a smaller, less-expensive one. Or sell your home to your kids and create a multigenerational family under one roof. When you die, they can use their inheritance to pay down the mortgage.

8. Trying to stiff Uncle Sam

If you look at the small print when you sign your tax return you'll see that basically you're affirming that everything in it is accurate and true.

What happens if you are audited and everything is not accurate?

If it's a small amount, and it's accidental and not intentional, it will be resolved. If it's a large amount, and they can be sure it's intentional, then they could charge you with fraud, and there could be penalties involved.

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OBC Forum...

Happy Holidays to you and your family!

The last few weeks have been very busy in terms of policy work for my office. I have been trying to hone in on a few major policy issues that I'd like to advance on behalf of the Oneida people. First and foremost on my mind is trying to bring home a new housing initiative that will bring new jobs and new top-of-the-line housing opportunities. I have also attended 200+ meetings with tribal members and have been working on approximately 180 policy items, including responding to individual tribal member requests and follow-ups.

Legislation

I am looking at offering up a possible new comprehensive policy covering boards, committees and commissions. In the comprehensive policy, I am proposing that employees no longer be allowed to serve simultaneously on a Tribal board, committee or commission. My proposal would apply moving forward and would grandfather those employees serving on boards, committees or commission the opportunity to complete out their

terms.

Likewise, I am also in the final review stages of offering some changes to the Oneida Election Law. As with each general election, issues and concerns were raised with the election process, therefore, I am proposing a few additional amendments to streamline the elections for the future. These amendments will include a revamping of the referendum process.

I have some work being conducted on a new budget management act and several other critical policy projects. The GTC reviewed a draft of the Budget Management Act earlier this year. My office is conducting a thorough review and will be bringing forth a more comprehensive proposal.

Restructuring

Switching gears here, I wanted to acknowledge I am pleased to see that the General Tribal Council (GTC) understands the importance of restructuring, as the Monday, November 28th meeting was evidence of such understanding. It is clear the people understand we need to move this tribe in a new direction. Increased capacity

to offer new services for the people must become a reality. Similarly, going four or more years without pay increases for the employees is not tolerable; we must sift through what we've been doing wrong so we can make it right. We are doing some things right, we have to build off of that and make the necessary changes so we can position our tribe for a brighter future. Clearly, the destiny of our nation is in our hands, I think everyone realizes now is the time to chart a new course.

Budget

I will say, as I mentioned at the GTC on November 28, 2011, we do have some financial challenges as we move forward. Certainly we have built-in cost factors that we have to deal with, but I am sure we can advance some budget changes in the next few years or so that will put our tribe on solid financial footings. Clearly, the federal budget situation will

have an effect on us and unfortunately, many of our grants sources will be drying-up over the next few years, so changes must take place in terms of the structure of our budget, issues such as, size, scope and financial usage must be addressed. Remember, the budget we put in place for this cycle (2012) is merely a status-quo budget. We have exercised great restraint as we now have to decide what to do about our organization which is in need of reforms.

One of the big issues we're going to be dealing with in the next quarter is going to occur around a potential budget amendment. Housing, wage issues and other things need to be addressed short-term, and long-term, we need to make major decisions about the total carrying costs of this operation.

Housing

One of the short-term and long-term budget issues which we need to deal with is housing. In fact, housing is a top pri-

ority as we move forward. As a part of our Oneida Business Committee vision, we want to advance housing opportunities and we want people to come and live here. Having Oneida families scattered to the wind (De Pere, Green Bay, Seymour, Milwaukee) because we do not have enough housing stock is no longer an option. Look at the pace with which Hobart can erect housing; we can certainly rival that, while putting more spectacular housing stock into the market for our tribal members. I'll be writing about some of these issues as we move forward in the next few months, stay tuned.

Homelessness

As we close out this year, we also need to remember, we do have homeless people living amongst us, and we need to address this issue, in particular our homeless children. I will be working with a tribal member to bring some resolve to this important issue.

Thank You

On other matters, I want to thank the Oneida employees for all their efforts over the last few years especially in keep-

ing the organization moving forward with dwindling resources. We certainly have stood firm as the economy and other economic forces have challenged our financial standing. As the CFO properly pointed out at the November 28th GTC meeting, we operate in a global economy. For example, even oil prices in foreign lands can impact us here, and we have all done the best we can do to readjust our financial environment. In particular, the front line gaming employees are all an integral part of our success story and deserve some level of consideration as we move forward.

So thank you to all of you and I will be coming forward, within the next few months, with some wage solution suggestions that will hopefully enhance your work experience here and your sacrifices on behalf of our tribe.

Thank you for your time and have a wonderful holiday season!

Vince DelaRosa

Oneida Tribal Councilman

Shekólih,

I want to change things up a bit for this article and let less politically inspired aspirations rule the day. I will start by saying wow! Time has flown by and it is hard to believe we are already preparing to bring in another year. With that, I extend to you all my warmest wishes for joyful holiday season and will offer a prayer that we all have safe travels and celebrations.

As we are all familiar with, it is common for us as native people to give thanks for all we have on a regular basis, not just certain times a year; however, it is nice to be reminded of the wisdom passed on by native leaders who lived through some perilous times in our history. It is comforting to know others have been able to share their experience, so that we may learn from what they lived when faced with what we believe to be difficult times. The first inspired piece of wisdom comes from our own Thanksgiving Address and the second from John Lame Deer.

Greeting to the Natural World!

The People: Today we have gathered and we see that the cycles of life continue. We have been given the duty to live in balance and harmony with each other and all living things. So now, we bring our minds together as one as we give greetings and thanks to each other as People. Now our minds are one.

tinues to care for us as she has from the beginning of time. To our Mother, we send greetings and thanks. Now our minds are one.

The Waters: We give thanks to all the Waters of the world for quenching our thirst and providing us with strength. Water is life. We know its power in many forms - waterfalls and rain, mists and streams, rivers and oceans. With one mind, we send greetings and thanks to the spirit of water. Now our minds are one.

The Fish: We turn our minds to all the Fish life in the water. They were instructed to cleanse and purify the water. They also give themselves to us as food. We are grateful that we can still find pure water. So, we turn now to the Fish and send our greetings and thanks. Now our minds are one.

The Plants: Now we turn toward the vast fields of Plant life. As far as the eye can see, the Plants grow, working many wonders. They sustain many life forms. With our minds gathered together, we give thanks and look forward to seeing Plant life for many generations to come. Now our minds are one.

The Food Plants: With one mind, we turn to honor and thank all the Food Plants we harvest from the garden. Since the beginning of time, the grains, vegetables, beans and berries have helped the people survive. Many other living things draw strength from them too. We gather all the Plant Foods together as one and send them a greeting and thanks. Now our minds are one.

The Medicine Herbs: Now we turn to all the Medicine herbs of the world. From the beginning, they were instruct-

ed to take away sickness. They are always waiting and ready to heal us. We are happy there are still among us those special few who remember how to use these plants for healing.

With one mind, we send greetings and thanks to the Medicines and to the keepers of the Medicines. Now our minds are one.

The Animals: We gather our minds together to send greetings and thanks to all the Animal life in the world. They have many things to teach us as people. We see them near our homes and in the deep forests. We are glad they are still here and we hope that it will always be so. Now our minds are one.

The Trees: We now turn our thoughts to the Trees. The Earth has many families of Trees who have their own instructions and uses. Some provide us with shelter and shade, others with fruit, beauty and other useful things. Many peoples of the world use a Tree as a symbol of peace and strength. With one mind, we greet and thank the Tree life. Now our minds are one.

The Birds: We put our minds together as one and thank all the Birds who move and fly about over our heads. The Creator gave them beautiful songs. Each day they remind us to enjoy and appreciate life. The Eagle was chosen to be their leader. To all the Birds - from the smallest to the largest - we send our joyful greetings and thanks. Now our minds are one.

The Earth Mother: We are all thankful to our Mother, the Earth, for she gives us all that we need for life. She supports our feet as we walk about upon her. It gives us joy that she con-



Vince DelaRosa
Councilman



Melinda Danforth
Councilwoman

The Four Winds: We are all thankful to the powers we know as the Four Winds. We hear their voices in the moving air as they refresh us and purify the air we breathe.

They help to bring the change of seasons. From the four directions they come, bringing us messages and giving us strength. With one mind, we send our greetings and thanks to the Four Winds. Now our minds are one.

The Thunderers:

Now we turn to the west where our Grandfathers, the Thunder Beings, live. With lightning and thundering voices, they bring with them the water that renews life. We bring our minds together as one to send greetings and thanks to our Grandfathers, the Thunderers. Now our minds are one.

The Sun:

We now send greetings and thanks to our eldest Brother, the Sun. Each day without fail he travels the sky from east to west, bringing the light of a new day. He is the source of all the fires of life. With one mind, we send greetings and thanks to our Brother, the Sun. Now our minds are one.

Grandmother Moon:

We put our minds together and give thanks to our oldest grandmother, the Moon, who lights the night-time sky. She is the leader of women all over the world, and she governs the movement of the ocean tides. By her changing face we measure time, and it is the Moon who watches over the arrival of children here on Earth. With one mind, we send greet-

ings and thanks to our Grandmother, the Moon. Now our minds are one.

The Stars: We give thanks to the Stars who are spread across the sky like jewelry. We see them in the night, helping the Moon to light the darkness and bringing dew to the gardens and growing things. When we travel at night, they guide us home. With our minds gathered together as one, we send greetings and thanks to all the Stars. Now our minds are one.

The Enlightened Teachers:

We gather our minds to greet and thank the enlightened Teachers who have come to help throughout the ages. When we forget how to live in harmony, they remind us of the way we were instructed to live as people. With one mind, we send greetings and thanks to these caring Teachers. Now our minds are one.

The Creator:

Now we turn our thoughts to the Creator, or Great Spirit, and send greetings and thanks for the gifts of Creation. Everything we need to live a good life is here on this Mother Earth. For all the love that is still around us, we gather our minds together as one and send our choicest words of greetings and thanks to the Creator. Now our minds are one.

Closing Words:

We have now arrived at the place where we end our words. Of all the things we have named, it was not our intention to leave anything out. If something was forgotten, we leave it to each individual to send such greetings and thanks in their own way. Now our minds are one.

"Before our white brothers arrived to make us civilized men, we did-

n't have any kind of prison. Because of this, we had no delinquents. Without a prison, there can be no delinquents. We had no locks nor keys and therefore among us there were no thieves.

When someone was so poor that he couldn't afford a horse, a tent or a blanket, he would, in that case, receive it all as a gift. We were too uncivilized to give great importance to private property. We didn't know any kind of money and consequently, the value of a human being was not determined by his wealth. We had no written laws laid down, no lawyers, no politicians, therefore we were not able to cheat and swindle one another. We were really in bad shape before the white men arrived and I don't know how to explain how we were able to manage without these fundamental things that (so they tell us) are so necessary for a civilized society."

- John (Fire) Lame Deer Sioux Lakota - 1903-1976.

There have been many native people throughout history and in our present who have dedicated their lives to bringing balance, wisdom and inspiration to our communities. As parents, friends, family and community, we have the opportunity every day to make a difference in each other's lives as well as our own, we need only take that first step forward. Whether it is the Thanksgiving Address, a quote like the one I have shared, a friendly smile, a prayer or just sharing a cup of coffee and a joke, I hope each of us will continue finding inspiration in ourselves.

Yawako

Melinda Danforth



- Attorney Charlene Smith
- Paralegals Rena Brown & Tami Hill

Board Vacancies

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

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

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

Oneida Personnel Commission:

Two (2) vacancies

Qualifications:

- Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
- Shall not be a conflict of interest between the private interest and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.

Membership may not be directly related or married to another member of the commission.

Deadline: 4:30 pm, December 16, 2011

The L.R.C. Corner

The Oneida Legal Resource Center

Do I need a will?

People avoid making out Wills for many reasons. Many feel it's morbid to think about their own mortality. Some think it will be costly or

complex. Others believe it's unnecessary because their families know who gets what. But regardless of your wealth, marital status or age, a Will is the only way to ensure that your wishes are carried out.

If you die without hav-

ing a Will in place, your property passes in accordance with state intestacy laws. In that case, a family member or other interested party petitions the Probate Court for distribution of your estate, which then passes according to statute. This can be a confusing and lengthy process that does not guarantee that your estate will be distributed according to your wishes.

In creating a Will, you can designate a special piece of jewelry, photographs or any gifts with emotional attachments to specific persons. By taking the time to think about your possessions, and how you would like them distributed, you are creating a more thoughtful, meaningful approach to the disposition of your assets.

Now, ask yourself again, "Do I need a Will?"

If the answer is yes, the certified paralegals of the Oneida Legal Resource Department can help. For a nominal fee the Legal Resource Department can draft a Will that:

- Designates an Executor to manage the distribution of your estate.
- Appoints a guardian for minor children.
- Specifies your funeral wishes.
- Expedites the legal process, and;
- Reduces confusion and family disagreements during a difficult time.

You may amend your will at any time. In fact, it's a good idea to review it periodically and especially in the event of a family or marital status change. At the same time, review your beneficiary designations for your 401(k), IRA, pension and life insurance policy since those accounts will be transferred automatically to your named beneficiaries

December is National Drunk & Drugged Driving Prevention Month

December marks the eighth anniversary of the enactment of a Wisconsin law that prohibits drivers from having any detectable amount of a controlled substance in their system, such as marijuana or cocaine, while operating a motor vehicle. The law also makes the legal penalties for drugged driving the same as drunken driving.

The Wisconsin State Patrol and other law enforcement agencies are continuing their efforts to combat drugged driving. "Law enforcement officers throughout the state have extensive training and experience in procedures that effectively identify drivers impaired by alcohol. Officers use many of those same procedures to identify drugged drivers," says Wisconsin State Patrol Captain Nick Scorcio of the Northeast Region-Fond du Lac Post.

"That's why officers never take a break—even over the holiday season—from arresting those who choose to get behind the wheel while impaired," said Scorcio.

<http://oneida-nsn.gov/>

Letters & Opinions...

Reflecting on Oneida ways

You know, we as Native People talk about "walking in balance" on our mother the earth and are steadfast in keeping our Native Traditions alive by practicing our medicine and passing our traditional values on to our kids; as a Pipe Carrier from both the Lac Courte Oreilles and Oneida communities, I'm all with that, for sure. I get the Kalihwisaks newspaper where I am and always take a minute or two to peruse the columns and search for the latest news coming out of my community. Lately I've been seeing these ads promoting and educating the gun deer hunting season on our reservation.

I see these ads in our newspaper and get really mad and disgusted because of all the memories growing-up in both Oneida Tribal School and LCO Eagles school, I've always heard the Elders speak about when we hunt for anything we only "take what we need" and "put tobacco down" to show honor and respect for your gifts that the Creator gives to you. Our Traditional ways of hunting seem archaic in our modern society where barbarism and disrespect for our four-legged gentle people who are considered our brothers, is often considered just a sport.

Listening to my elders, I was always told "not to do that!" "Only take what you need to feed your family and your relatives", then always put tobacco down and say "thank you." We have a big community that spends a great deal of time and money on keeping our Native Traditions alive, but yet we condone

this "sport" to be advertised in our community newspaper and it almost seems as if it is even encouraged to get the Oneida youth (hunkwe-huwe), to participate in this non-Native "sport" that is being advertised on our reservation. This is very conflicting message we are sending to our community this way. Even their timing is all wrong!

The Ogitchidaa in Lac Courte Oreilles tell me that it is good to go hunting when the lightning bugs come out to dance on their first night out, this is the old way of knowing when to hunt and the meat is good... I just wanted to share this and hope it may remind my brothers and sisters about our Native ways. Never forget who we are and where we come from. Miigwach. Nindinawaymaaginaag.

Thank you,
Sincerely,
Netahwiss Baker

GTC Meetings unheard questions

Dear GTC Members

At the last GTC meeting held on November 28 to consider the annual budget for the Oneida Nation, I made an attempt to address the Business Committee and, consequently, the membership with several pertinent and appropriate questions. I was not recognized because another member called for the question which was recognized and discussion ceased. Even though I have additional questions, I will pose those I had ready at the budget meeting, as follows:

1. Oak Ridge Plaza (Wal-Mart and Festival Foods site):

What are the next steps with the con-

tract/agreement with Oak Ridge Plaza? Even though the GTC received a report from Fred Muscavitch and Amelia Cornelius (representing Land Management), I found the report to be unsatisfactory. Are we satisfied with the income from this source even though the Development Company and the businesses are receiving much more than the Oneida Nation is because that is the format of the Bureau of Indian Affairs at the time it was concluded? Also, those businesses are getting a great advantage that goes into their bottom line because the entire site is real estate tax exempt.

2. I wanted to hear reports from all chartered corporations. It seems that some of our corporations have been operating for years without returning anything to the Oneida Nation budget from which their initial and continuing funds have and are emanating.

3. Do we have a managed forest operation? Forests are a natural resource. The Menominees operate their extensive forest for sustained yield, which means they never harvest more than the regrowth every year. Trees have a life cycle. They grow old, decay and die. They could be harvested at an optimum time for maximum yield and an

income to the Nation. What do I know about timber? Well, my Dad, Peter Kurowski, taught me all about trees. I cut logs with him with a crosscut saw when I was a teenager. We used a team of horses and chains to bring the logs up the logging roads to the home area. Also, recently, I harvested timber from my property by selective cutting. That allows the undergrowth to be sustained and grow for successive harvests.

4. What is the excise tax rebate from the state of Wisconsin on tobacco products? In 1977, we started to sell tobacco products. At that time, an agreement was made with the state of Wisconsin for a percentage rebate to the Oneida Nation based on the Tribal population. This agreement was pursuant to a Supreme Court decision, known as Bryan v. Itasca. Our population has grown significantly since that time. Has our rebate also grown commensurate with the population?

There are additional questions that I will pose in subsequent letters that have to do with our farm/beef operation, return of gaming compact dollars to this area from Wisconsin, our process and costs for assessing the repair to existing buildings, and perks for Sky Box users.

Ska na ko
Loretta V. Metoxen

The importance of the voting method

I would like to explain why I fought so hard for the hand-held voting device at the General Tribal Council meetings. When in GTC under Robert's Rules of Order, one cannot speak about specific cases. You can only speak about issues in general or someone may call "point of order". You can only generally speak about the motion that is on the floor.

I want to share with you two cases that I have seen happen.

1. An employee in GTC was once seated close to their supervisor. The employee was called by name in a warning tone of voice to "behave them self" when voting. This person could not afford to lose their job. The employee did not vote for the rest of that GTC meeting.

2. In another case recently, I sat next to an elderly gentleman. Every time he raised his hand to vote, the woman next to him told him to put his hand down. After this happened several times he just gave up trying to vote. The woman then

said to him "ain't you voting".

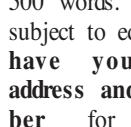
3. Another thing, when you are in the voting minority, it takes a lot of courage to raise your hand.

I just wish there was some way the vote in GTC could be private.

Last, I want to comment on Loretta Metoxen's letter in the December 1, 2011 issue of the Kalihwisaks. Loretta felt that Chairman Ed Delgado calling her amendment motion "out of order" was wrong. She had motioned that the GTC meeting stipends be paid in Oneida Gift Cards not checks for cash. The reason Chairman Delgado had to call her motion out of order is that the tribe voted to have a 10 day notice policy. The GTC cannot vote on any significant ideas that have not been mailed in a notice to all tribal households 10 days prior to the GTC meeting.

I'm wishing for a happy holiday for you all.

Sincerely,
Madelyn Genskow



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From 1A/Blankets

group's hard work.

Ninham, who organized the event for the second consecutive year, said the workshop was aimed to gather the community and help out those who may need assistance.

"I wanted to bring our community together and give us all a chance to get to know one another. I don't think everyone involved even realizes what great things they accomplish. Youth, families, police, paramedics, and people from all different walks of life participated in this event," Ninham said.

With police officers and staff from five agencies taking part people got to see them in another light instead of their usual demeanor on duty.

"Not only was this a great opportunity for the community members to get to know the cops, but a chance for the cops to get to know the people they are sworn to protect," said Ninham. "It

reminds police officers why they became a cop."

Funding for the materials was raised through donations and the Oneida Police Department. Ninham purchased the material at Hancock Fabrics where they offered assistance in prepping the items.

Ninham also uses the distribution of the blankets as life lesson for a youth group he works with. He loads up a van with the kids and blankets and makes the kids deliver the blankets to homes that may need a hand during this time of year.

"The reason I want this group of youth to help me distribute the blankets is because it will impact them in a positive way," Ninham said. "It will give them a chance to experience what it feels like to help someone in need that you don't even know. In doing this you kind of pay it forward, so to speak, and the experience for them I

believe will be something very memorable."

For Florence Petri, the satisfaction of helping others is what this time of year is all about. She works daily with elders and holds this event close to her heart.

"It was nice to see so many people participating. Good community spirit. I participated because I heard Matt was donating blankets to the elders, so I wanted to be a part of making the elders Christmas more enjoyable," she said.

"The people and elderly who received the blankets last year were very grateful," Ninham added. "The reaction was priceless and very emotional to most involved." The nearly 90-person group was able to meet their goal of 100 blankets during their three hours of work. Ninham is hoping that these 100 blankets are able to create warm memories of those who receive them.

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Deadlines are one week before the Thursday print date

From 1A/Tribal Nations

Department of Agriculture about using Oneida produced food in its tribal schools.

"We should be able to use our cattle to feed our children at our tribal schools to serve out the purposes of our people. There's a lot of tribes that have cattle, and a fundamental component of sovereignty is to feed your own people and we've been doing it for hundreds of years," he said.

Delgado also share concerns about the land into trust process.

"Putting land into trust is getting more and more complicated, and more and more of an expense on us. We spent \$40,000 on one parcel just to do all the environmental concerns," he said.

Previous conferences have brought forth changes to policies that have helped streamline processes and given

authority to tribal police to make arrests of non-Indians in their jurisdiction.

"We should be able to regulate Indians and non-Indians when it comes to protecting our people," said Delgado.

In addition to attending the conference, Delgado went to a retirement party for Representative Dale Kilde (D) of Michigan who's served 19 terms in Congress. Delgado shared Kilde's statements on tribal sovereignty.

"Our constitution does not grant rights to Indians, it recognizes the inherent sovereignty of Indian tribes.

Congress regulates interactions with Indian tribes, recognizes fact we were sovereign, independent nations," Delgado quoted. "Your sovereignty is your most important component; don't give up one inch of it."

Delgado got a chance to

tour the Department of the Interior office and shared a story told by Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar about a painting of Navajos returning to their homelands that hung behind the Secretary's desk. Before becoming Secretary of the Interior, Salazar had seen the painting before, and then noticed it was removed during Secretary Gale Norton's term. When Salazar asked about the painting, Norton – a President George W. Bush appointee – stated she had the painting removed because Indians are no different than any other American. When Salazar became Secretary, he sought out the painting.

"As long as he's the secretary of the Interior, that picture of the Navajos returning home will be in back of his desk," said Delgado.

The deadline for each issue will move to the Thursday before the publication date. The paper will print every Thursday except for Thanksgiving.

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enjoy more opportunities for announcements and advertising.

This has been a long time goal of the Kalihwisaks, and will go forward due to our hard-working staff and technological capabilities.

Taking the right documents when applying for an ID at the DMV will save you time

Being prepared will keep you from making a return trip

The state legislature recently passed a law that requires people to present an acceptable photo ID when voting. Following is some information to help those who need to obtain a Wisconsin ID card for voting purposes better prepare for a visit to the DMV.

If you don't have photo ID for voting, DMV can issue a photo ID free of charge if you will be at least 18 years of age on the date of the next election and request an ID card for the purpose of voting.

A free ID card is NOT available if you:

- Currently have a valid, unexpired driver license
- Will not be at least 18 years of age on the date

- of the next election
- Already have a Wisconsin ID card that is not eligible for renewal (you may renew your ID card up to one year prior to its expiration date)

- Are not eligible to vote in Wisconsin

When applying, it will be necessary to provide your Social Security number and one document from each category below.

Proof of name and date of birth:

- Certified U.S. birth certificate (not a copy)
- Valid U.S. passport
- Certificate of Naturalization
- Tribal ID card

Proof of identity:

- Social Security card
- Certified copy of a marriage certificate or judgment of divorce
- A driver license or ID card from another state (this must be surrendered to get a Wisconsin driver license or ID card)
- An account statement from a Wisconsin bank/financial institution issued within the last 90 days. Electronic copies are acceptable.
- A bill for water, gas, electricity, landline telephone, cable or cell phone service issued within the last 90 days. Electronic copies are acceptable.
- Certified school record or transcript that identifies you by name, shows your current address and is issued within the last 90 days for the most recent school period.
- Mortgage documents for a residential property located in Wisconsin.
- Community based/assisted living residential contracts.
- Your current valid homeowner, renter or motor vehicle insurance policy dated within one year of application.

Wisconsin driver license or ID card)

- A letter from a homeless shelter.

Proof of Wisconsin residency – Documents listed below must include your name and current Wisconsin residence street address:

- Pay check or stub or earning statement with your name and Wisconsin address, and your employer's name and address, issued within the last 90 days. Your employer's telephone number may be required for verification.
- Valid U.S. passport
- U.S. Certificate of Naturalization or U.S. Certificate of Citizenship

The Government Accountability Board notes that an unexpired Wisconsin driver license is the most common acceptable photo ID for voting. An expired Wisconsin driver license or ID is acceptable too as long as it expired within two years after the most recent general election. In other words, if a Wisconsin ID or driver license expired in December 2010, it can still be used for voting purposes in the November 2012 general election.

The most common documents are listed above. For a complete list of acceptable documents and more information on how to get a Wisconsin ID card, visit the Wisconsin DMV online at www.wisconsindmv.gov.

For more information on voting in Wisconsin, visit the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board online at www.gab.wi.gov.

Peltier Awareness Walk set to begin on west coast

By Travis Cottrell

Kalihwisaks

It has been 35 years since Leonard Peltier began serving his two consecutive life imprisonment sentences. Peltier was found guilty of first-degree murder in the shooting of two Federal Bureau of Investigation agents in 1977. Despite the verdict, accusations of federal abuse of power, violation of human rights, manufactured witnesses, intimidation, and manipulation have been shouted since the beginning of Peltier's trial. The outrage surrounding his controversial case has spanned generations. Just as the cries of injustice still exist, so does the support of Peltier.

On December 18, 2011 the Leonard Peltier Walk for Human Rights will get underway. The five-month walk will begin on Alcatraz Island, travel across southern states, and end in Washington, DC on May 18, 2012.

Dorothy Ninham, who is a member of the Leonard Peltier Defense Committee, will be traveling to the west coast to participate in the walk.

"I don't have an exact number of how many will be involved in the walk but many have contacted us and are interested. We have six to eight people who will walk the entire distance but what usually happens is that people join the walk in their native state, walk their state, and then drop off and someone else comes in," Ninham said.

A group of ten Oneida participates left on Monday, December 12, 2011 for California and the start on the awareness walk.

The walk is intended to raise awareness about Leonard Peltier's case. Aside from the case, participants hope to raise

awareness on issues that Peltier is passionate about to this day.

"As we're walking across the country we're going to be talking about a lot of the stuff that happens in Indian Country, a lot of the human rights violations that people aren't aware of or that they hear about but skim over and think that it isn't real. We're going to try to be the voice," says Ninham.

The planned path of the walk has been altered multiple times due to the amount of communities hoping to have the walk pass through their area. Communities are continually contacting the walk's organizers hoping to get an idea of when they will arrive in their community.

Having worked with Peltier in the Milwaukee area prior to his arrest, Ninham hopes to share her knowledge of the man with those who are unaware of the situation.

"The thing that we want people in Indian Country to know, because a lot of them aren't aware and a lot of the younger generation isn't aware of this case, and they hear about him in a shoot out with FBI agents but so much of what they hear isn't true. He is a really compassionate man, if anyone got to meet him and know him they would feel that they need to get involved to help him," Ninham expressed.

Information of the Leonard Peltier, the Peltier Defense Committee, and the Awareness Walk can be found on their website, <http://www.whoisleonardpeltier.info>. The event's website also features a diagram of the walking path as well as participant's blogs about the current progress.

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In the News with... Cultural Heritage

The Canandaigua Treaty

By Eliza Skenandore

Oneida Cultural Heritage

The Canandaigua Treaty was signed in 1794 between the Six Nations and the United States. It is the foundation of the Iroquois sovereignty. This yearly commemoration is a time of rededication of this agreement which was made to secure perpetual peace and friendship between the six nations and the United States. Over 1,600 Lotinoshoni representatives attended the treaty signing in 1794.

The treaty defined the lands/reservations of the Iroquois nations. It also defined the relationship: each party would handle their own internal problems and never disturb nor prevent "free use and enjoyment" of their said lands. The commemoration of this treaty helps to ensure that the "chain of friendship" and agreements between our nations remain vibrant and in good and current working order.

The commemoration of the Canandaigua Treaty took place on November 11, 2011, at 2 p.m. on the front lawn of the Ontario County Court House on Main Street in Canandaigua, New York, and happens annually there. It was important for us to join together in a time of Peace and Friendship to commemorate this Treaty between the people of the United States of America and the



Haudenosaunee people, and there were several representatives of the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin at the 2011 commemoration.

By attending this event we were able to learn about and gather more information about the Canandaigua Treaty. In addition, attending this celebration brings it into our hearts so that we can bring this fellowship of peace and friendship back to our Nation to expand all our people's learning and understanding of the importance and significance of the Canandaigua Treaty.

We would like to further this fellowship and teaching, bringing it into line with the Cultural

Heritage Department objectives to offer our own celebration of this event as well as further teachings and trainings. It is important to honor and promote Lotinoshoni accomplishments, so be looking for an expansion of this knowledge in the form of programs or events next year.

For more information about the treaty, see <http://www.ganondagan.org/CanandaiguaTreaty.html>

Videos of the 2011 commemoration and keynote speaker Robert Odowi Porter see <http://www.youtube.com/user/OneidaWIMedia> and be sure to subscribe while you are there!

Keep your eye out for our History Program's future events in 2012!
Dates and Locations TBA
Each presentation will vary in length depending on topic.
More information to follow.

2012 Presentation Series

"A story worth telling..."

January	Collecting Oral Histories
February	Kansas Land Claims
March**	Week 1: Clans: Roles & Responsibilities Week 2: Clans: Meetings & Protocol
April	Photo Project
May	Boarding Schools
June	War of 1812-Oneida Involvement
July	Genealogy Workshop
August	Creation of Oneida & Hobart Townships
September	Allotment Presentation
October	Canandaigua Treaty
November	Eleazer Williams
December	WPA Stories

***Must attend week one to participate in week two.

Oneida Language Classes

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oneida Cultural Heritage 9:00am-10:00am	Language House Monday-Friday 12:10pm-12:50pm	Language House Monday-Friday 12:10pm-12:50pm	Language House Monday-Friday 12:10pm-12:50pm	Language House Monday-Friday 12:10pm-12:50pm
	Oneida Community Library 6:00pm-7:00pm	Norbert Hill Center BC Conf. Room 12:00pm-1:00pm	Norbert Hill Center ONEIDA SUMMER CONCERTS 12:00pm-1:00pm	

Visit the
ONEIDA CULTURE
website at
www.oneidanation.org/culture

Culture Class with Randy Cornelius



Cultural Heritage
Tuesdays 6 pm - 8 pm
Current Topic:
Midwinter ceremony

Oneida Greetings for the Day



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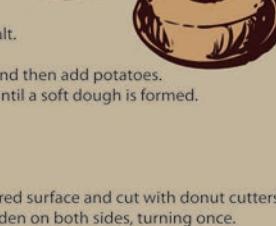
5 cups flour
7 tsp baking powder
1 tsp salt
1 tsp nutmeg
3 eggs (4 eggs for flavor)
2 cups sugar
1 ½ cups warm mashed potatoes
¾ cups milk

Sift together flour, baking powder, & salt.

Beat eggs, then add sugar until light, and then add potatoes. Add all ingredients together and mix until a soft dough is formed. Do Not Over Mix.

Chill for hour or over night.

Roll dough out 3/8 inch thick on a floured surface and cut with donut cutters. Fry in Crisco at 370 degree oil until golden on both sides, turning once. Remove from oil, hold over hot oil for a few minutes to drain, and then finish draining on absorbent paper.



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Green Earth Branch Library
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9th Annual YAB:
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December 27-30, 2011
Activities
Book Talks
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Hours:
Closed Monday (holiday observed)
Tuesday, Dec. 27: Celebrating from 12-5
Wednesday, Dec. 28: Celebrating from 12-7, including 'Net Night'
Thursday, Dec. 29: Celebrating from 12-7, including the new YA CAN! Program!
Friday, Dec. 30: Celebrating from 1-5, including the CRAFT (Creative Reading and Fun Time) Program!
Closed for the holiday weekend!

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This poster has been created by a grant from the Administration for Native Americans. It has been produced by the Oneida Cultural Heritage Department of Wisconsin. It has been created by Stephanie Stevens.

Lifestyles

www.kalihwiaks.com

December 15, 2011

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Friday, December 23, 2011
(Afternoon - Half day)

Monday, Dec. 26, 2011 (All day)

Monday, January 2, 2012 (All day)
In observance of...
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Contact Mark Becker,
mbecker@golfthornberry.com
to sign up and/or for more information.

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"Come Play With Us"

Oneida members initiate sharing of Native Culture, Heritage with co-workers

By Yvonne Kaquatosh

Kalihwiaks

To acknowledge and celebrate Native American Awareness month this past November, Sheila Serrano and Jeffery Jimenez, both of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin brought a Native Traveling Museum to their co-workers at Harley-Davidson Motor Company in Milwaukee. Over 150 Harley-Davidson employees and contractors viewed the exhibit while it was on display, according to Serrano.

The exhibits and displays allowed employees to get a glimpse of the Native American heritage from the past to the present. "There were numerous hands-on exhibits, which included the white corn, which was provided to us by the Oneida Tourism Department," she explained. A recreated Oneida Longhouse, beadwork and rattles, which were borrowed from the South Eastern



Submitted photos

Oneida Tribal Services, was also on display. Those items, along with traditional regalia, hand drums, cornhusk dolls and more – which were all from their personal belongings – provided a unique cultural experience for everyone who stopped by. Many guests shared their own childhood memories growing up in Northern WI and visits to tribal events and Powwows. It was a glance into the Native American culture. "Jeff and I are proud to have



been able to share the experience with our co-workers", said Serrano. "We could not have done it without the help of Kirby Metoxen, Rich Figueroa and Debra Ushakow, Yaw'ko," she added.

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Did You Get Your Purple Carts? Now What?



Submitted by

Amy Spears

All Oneida Trash and Recycle Collection Customers should have received your new purple carts. If you have not, call 869-4549. The new carts are purple, but have different color lids. The purple is for trash and the blue is for recyclables.

Old carts need to be returned to Veolia, including the gray waste management carts. They are the property of Veolia per our contract and must be returned to them. Please place the old carts at the curbside, empty, and Veolia will pick them up. It may take a few days or more for your bin to be picked up but Veolia will pick up as time permits. The small blue recycle bins that were handed out by Environmental may be kept. If you do not wish to keep your blue bin, please place it roadside with your cart and Veolia will collect and recycle them.

Some customers may have had two of the new trash carts delivered to their residence. This was done for our customers who previously had two trash carts with the old service. Utilities will be billing you for the extra trash carts. The trash carts are \$65.00 and you will be billed an extra \$9.90 per month on your monthly bill. If you do not wish to keep your extra trash cart or if you need an extra trash cart, please call 869-4549. Do not use your recycle cart for trash.

We have had some customers call regarding the size of the new trash carts. We did switch to one size bin, the 65 gallon. This was done to not only make the billing and service more efficient, but to also help our customers reduce their amount of solid waste landfilled and to recycle more. The 65 gallon size is the industry standard for the average household. For those households that produce more trash you are able to add an additional trash cart for the prices listed above. Why should we reduce our waste? Plain and simple we are running out of landfill space. The new landfill in Appleton, where our

trash will be going, only has a life expectancy of 10 years! Where will the next landfill be? Some things you can do to reduce your amount of trash and stay with one 65 gallon cart are:

- Recycle-Make sure you are recycling all recyclable material. All types of paper and cardboard, Plastic containers that have a neck, Glass food and beverage containers, Metal/aluminum containers, aerosol cans. You can also recycle plastic bags at many local stores.
- Compost-You can compost your fruit and vegetable waste, egg shells, coffee grounds and filters, tea bags, yard waste including grass, leaves, wood chips, and plant materials.
- Compact-Make sure you are compacting all trash items before placing them in the garbage bag and before placing your bag in your trash cart.

Some items that you should not place in your trash cart and that are banned from all Wisconsin landfill's include:

- Used motor oil and oil filters
- Yard waste



• Recyclable materials

- Electronic waste: TV's, microwaves, computer and computer peripherals, cell phones, cordless phones, dvd players, game systems etc...

If you are interested in learning how to compost please call or email me.

- Use the blue lid bin for Recyclables
- Leave your old bins at the curb for pick-up
- Call **869-4549** if you need another bin

If I get enough people interested I will hold a class this month to teach customers how to do outdoor composting. If you have any questions regarding the above information please call: Amy Spears at 869-4549 or email at: aspears@oneidanation.org

Concealed carry law in Oneida

By Shad L. Webster

Natural Resources Director

The 2011 Firearm Season was a safe and accident free nine days of hunting for Oneida Sportsmen. During the season, Conservation Officers were contacted by a number of individuals inquiring about the Concealed Carry Law and what the implementation of this law meant for Oneida Sportsmen transporting firearms during their time afield.

The Oneida Nation has adopted a resolution regarding the Concealed Carry Law. The resolution recognizes that the current 2011-12 Oneida Nation Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Laws require Sportsmen to transport all firearms in an appropriate carry case. Here is the Oneida Nation Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping laws, violation and sanctions for illegal transportation of firearms.

Law

45.7-5. Firearms, Traps and Bows. It is unlawful to:

(b) Transport any firearm in a vehicle, unless it is encased and unloaded. A firearm must be within a carrying case without any part of the firearm exposed. A muzzle-loader is considered unloaded when the cap, primer (flint), is not in place.

Violation

21. Possession of uncased air rifle, firearm or bow or crossbow in a motor vehicle.

Sanction

1st Violation- \$150.00 fine.

2nd Violation- \$300.00 fine.

Please contact the Oneida Conservation Department at (920) 869-1450, with any questions or concerns.

Recycling during the Holiday season

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

The holiday season is a time of giving and sharing with family and friends. While enjoying these traditions, you can also take steps to reduce waste, save money and be creative while making the holidays green.

Holiday Tips

An average Wisconsin resident generates three quarters of a ton of solid waste each year. This amounts to more than four pounds per day, including both household waste and an individual's share of commercial waste. During the holidays, waste can increase with extra packaging, gift wrap, disposable dishes, leftover food and more.

But the holidays don't need to be a time of waste. From using less packaging, to buying environmentally friendly gifts, to creative reuse of materials in decorations, the holiday season offers many opportunities to reduce waste, help the environment and save money. Here are some simple steps to help you throw away less and recycle and reuse more.

Holiday Preparation Tips

Instead of incandescent lights, use energy-efficient LED lights for holiday decorations. Have lights that no longer work? Many companies accept used light strings for recycling and may even offer a discount on new lights. Talk to your local retailer or search online for

details.

- Use a timer to turn off holiday lights when no one is awake to enjoy them.
- Potted trees are a great waste-free alternative to cut trees and can be planted in the yard in the spring.
- At holiday parties, use washable plates, cups, silverware, tablecloths and napkins instead of disposables.

Gift-Giving Tips

- Look for gifts with little or no packaging, or packaging that can be easily reused or recycled. Remember to bring your own reusable bags to bring your purchases home.
- Give experiences, not things. Give your family and friends tickets to a concert, gift cards for a lunch out, or simply set aside time to spend together. Experiences create memories that last longer than any material thing, and they create much less waste.
- Give gifts that help your friends and family live greener. Possibilities include bus tickets, state park passes, compost bins, reusable grocery bags and rechargeable batteries and chargers.
- Support recycling by purchasing gifts made of recycled material.
- Wrap presents in old comics, reusable cloth, or your own artwork. Creating your own wrapping paper from scrap paper is a great activity to do with kids.

After Holiday Tips

- After the holidays, bring your tree outside to provide winter shelter for birds and

animals. In the spring, chip the tree and use it for mulch.

- Trim smaller branches off your tree to use as cover for garden plants. Use the trunk as the base of a trellis or as a tomato stake.
- Use dried branches as kindling for fires. Chop the trunk to dry and use as logs.
- Chip your tree to use as mulch, or check with your local government to see if they collect trees for mulching. If your community doesn't offer this service, check earth911.org to find a tree recycler near you. If you live on the Reservation,
- Don't throw away your holiday greeting cards; use them to make gift tags next year or donate to organizations that could reuse them.
- Save and reuse boxes, ribbon, gift bags and

the Conservation department will take trees at the community composting site.

- In upcoming years, continue to buy live trees rather artificial. Following the steps above, your tree will be recycled back into the environment. Artificial trees use resources to create and may end up in the landfill after a few years of use.
- Save and reuse boxes, ribbon, gift bags and

wrapping paper from year to year. Recycle paper products that are no longer useable.

This information is from the Wisconsin DNR. Please contact Amy Spears at 869-4549 if you have any questions. *The Oneida Community Compost Site is located at N8047 Cty Rd. U.*



Christmas Eve

Saturday, Dec. 24, 2011

MAIN Closes at 12 Midnight.

IMAC/BINGO/OTB Closed.

MASON STREET

Closes at 4PM. Poker closed.

ONE-STOP LOCATIONS –

Hwy. 54 Casino closes at 4PM.

Convenience store closes at 8PM.

Packerland & Travel Center

Casinos close at 4PM.

Convenience stores close at 7PM.

Christmas Day

Sunday, Dec. 25, 2011

MAIN Opens at 12 Noon.

IMAC/BINGO/OTB Closed. Opens Dec. 26 at 8AM.

MASON STREET Opens at 5PM. Poker closed.

ONE-STOP LOCATIONS – All locations closed.

Hwy. 54

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Packerland & Travel Center

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Elks Lodge gives dictionaries



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George Harper and Clifford Doxtator (center back), both officers of the Green Bay Elks Lodge #259, visited the Oneida Nation Elementary School on Monday, December 12th. The Elks Lodge officers visited third grade classrooms, pictured with Ms. Emilie Jordan's (back left) class, and handed out dictionaries to students. The officers also discussed the contents of the books, which featured items such as diagrams of planets, sign language, maps, flags, and the longest word in the English language.

Free Financial Aid Seminar

Green Bay, WI – High school students and parents are invited to attend Partners in Education Financial Aid Seminar hosted by Wells Fargo Bank at St. Norbert College Bemis International Center on Monday, Jan. 23. (In case of severe weather, the alternate date is Monday, Jan. 30.)

Students and their parents from area high schools are invited to attend this seminar to learn about financial aid programs available to assist with paying for college. This program will teach students/parents about the basics of federal, state and institutional financial aid programs. They will learn

how to work with the financial aid office, complete the FAFSA application and understand the Financial Aid Award letter. Presenters will discuss how to complete the appropriate forms for grants, scholarships, federal work-study programs and student loans. Presenters will also share tips on how to search for national, local and institutional scholarships.

Seminar will be presented by financial aid officers from University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College and St. Norbert College. The program will be held from 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. with Q&A session from 7:30 p.m. - 8:15

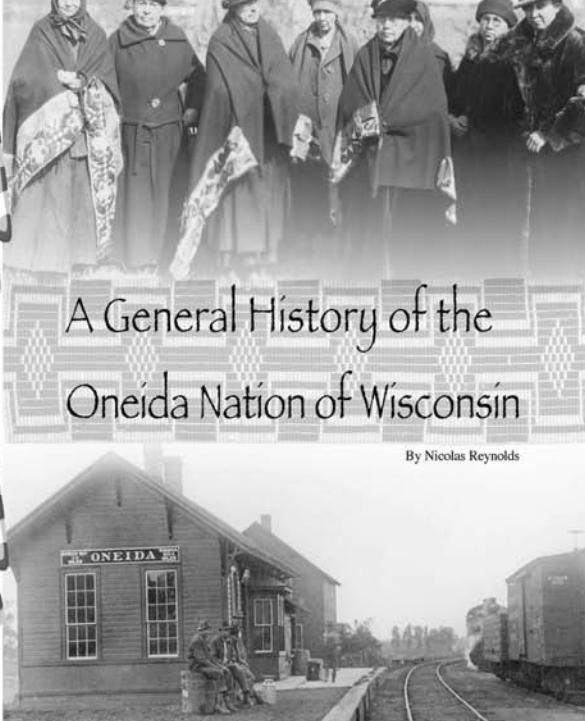
p.m. in the Fort Howard Theater of the Bemis International Center on the St. Norbert College campus.

There is no charge for this seminar; however, to plan for a sufficient supply of materials for all attendees, please register by calling Partners in Education, Green Bay Area Chamber of

Commerce, at **920-437-8704**.

For more information about financial aid seminar or Partners in Education, call Nancy Schopf, vice president – education & leadership, Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, **920-437-8704** or **920-593-3413** or email schopf@titletown.org.

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A General History of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin

By Nicolas Reynolds

This book begins with the Oneida Creation Story and quickly moves forward through time. Other topics include the Oneida Thanksgiving Address, Clan System, Iroquois Confederacy and Great Law, European Colonization, the American Revolution and the Oneida migration to Wisconsin and more. Wrapping up with reservation life in Wisconsin and a snap shot into the present, this book offers a great introduction to anyone who wishes to read and learn about the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin. (8.5 x 11 inches, 32 pages black and white, © 2010, Oneida Nation of Wisconsin).

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In order to help us ensure that your order is processed quickly and sent to you, please make sure your name, current mailing address and phone number are listed below.

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone # (_____) _____

Students invited to partake in Poster/Creative Writing Contest

17th Annual Community Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday

(Green Bay) Area school children are invited to participate in the 17th Annual Community Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday by entering a poster/creative writing contest and attending the celebration on January 14, 2012.

The contest is open to all school-age children (K-12) living in or attending school in Brown County or attending an Oneida Nation school. Students may submit a poster, essay, or poem that shares the event's theme: Looking Back, Reflecting Forward.

Three awards will be given in each of the following grade entry levels: kindergarten through third grade, fourth through sixth grade, seventh through ninth grade, and tenth through twelfth grade. First prize in each category is a Kindle 3G; second prize, a Kindle Wireless Reader; and third prize, a \$50 Barnes and Noble gift card.

Winners will be announced at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. community celebration on Saturday, January 14, 2012, 10:30 a.m.-noon,

at the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College Green Bay campus. Winners must be present to collect awards.

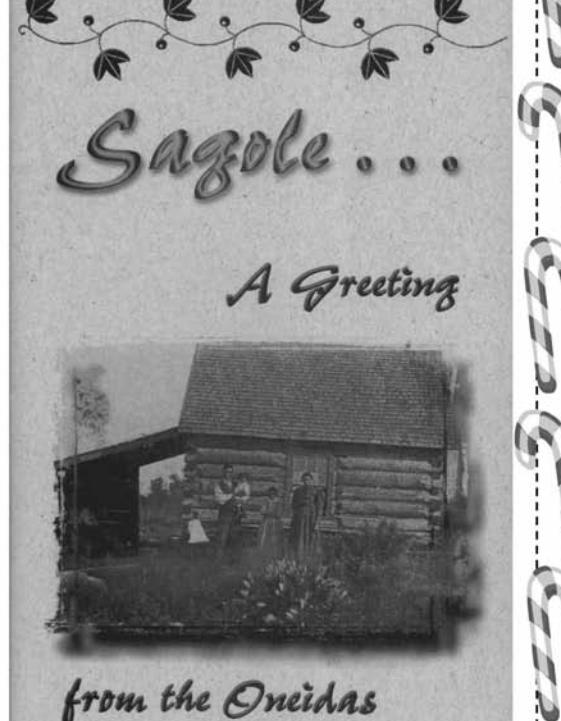
Contest entry deadline is **Thursday, January 5, 2012**. For a contest entry form and official rules, go to www.browncomlk.org. For more information, contact Juliet Cole at colej@uwgb.edu or (920) 465-5094.

About the 17th Annual Community Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday

This vibrant, multicultural celebration is free and open to people of all ages. Attendees will enjoy musical and dance performances as well as the inspiring words of Dr. King. A light lunch will be served at a reception immediately following the program.

The celebration is being organized by representatives from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, St. Norbert College, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, United Hmong Community Center, and community volunteers. Major supporters of this event include Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Procter & Gamble, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, and U.S. Bank.

For more information about the event, call (920) 498-6997.



This short book is a reproduction of a booklet that was originally printed 110 years ago. Tribal Historian Loretta Metoxen researched and wrote summaries to accompany the 38 black and white photographs depicting the Oneida Reservation and its inhabitants at the beginning of the 20th century. Topics include Churches on the Reservation, Oneida Families, Boarding Schools, Industries on the Reservation and more. (5.5 x 8.5 inches, 32 pages, black and white print, © 2001, Oneida Nation of Wisconsin).

Is Money Tight?

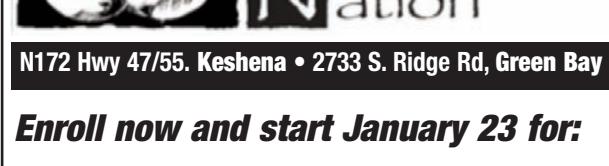
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Setting Time and Notice to Creditors:

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All creditor claims must be filed on or before Thurs., December 29, 2011:

Arnold Dietz
DOB 10/30/1934
DOD - 10/23/2010

Katherine Skenandore

DOB 12/31/1912
DOD 6/4/2010

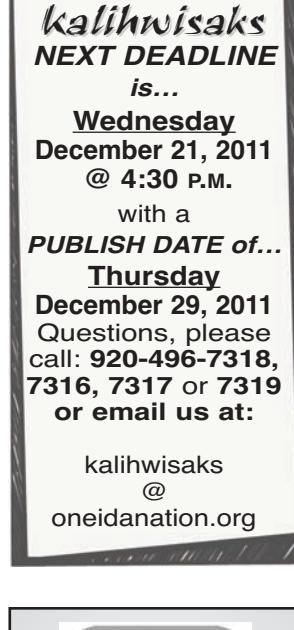
Dexter Stevens

DOB 2/18/1950
DOD 7/24/2011

Send all creditors' claims and/or information relating to the decedent to the following:

Tina L. Figueroa,
Land Title and Trust
Specialist,
Oneida Tribe of Indians of
Wisconsin
Division of Land
Management
P.O.Box 365
Oneida WI 54155

Dated:
Thursday, November 17, 2011



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Oneida, WI 54155

On our website: <http://land.oneidanation.org>

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Oneida, WI 54155
Attn: Sheila Huff

All applications must be turned in by December 22, 2011 no later than 4:30P.M. No applications will be accepted after this date and time. All bids must be sealed and clearly marked with the reference number.

Opening bids on Tuesday, December 27, 2011 at 10:00A.M. @ D.O.L.M.

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Closing Date

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Until Filled

December 30, 2011

December 30, 2011

For a complete listing of positions and job description please visit our website at:

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Or, call the Human Resources Department at: **920-496-7000**

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New Arrivals

If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwi newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 496-7317 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. However, if you would like to include a photo, please send a SASE with your submission. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (first names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. *Please include a phone number where you can be reached during the day!*



**Audrey
Lynette
Hemmings**

Daughter of Zach Hemmings and Angie Soper was born on Thursday December 1st. She weighed 7 lbs and measured 20 inches long. Material grandparents are Karen & Rich Wezell and Roy Soper. Paternal grandparents are Jeremy & Tyla Oliver (nee Paull) and Gregory Hemmings. Paternal great grandparents are Gerald & Lynette Paull (nee Doxtator). Audrey was born in Corunna, Michigan.



**Azaraiyah
Zeltlazohtzin
Cantu**

Azaraiyah Zeltlazohtzin Cantu was born November 7, 2011 at 1:50 am. She weighed 6 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Her proud parents are Brionne Elm and Robert Cantu. Maternal Grandparents are Celene & Clayton Elm; Paternal Grandparents are Robbie Webster and Guadalupe Cantu. Azaraiyah was welcomed by older siblings MaKaelyn, Cody, Marcus and Cincere.

Zeltlazohtzin is Aztec for Delicate One Who is Loved.

Happy 1st Birthday

To my beautiful baby girl!



Love Daddy

Happy 1st Birthday

Wishing our baby girl
Georgina Marie
a very special 1st Birthday
We love you so much!
Your Momma, Poppa, Dodo, Popo, Nana and
Papa, and aunts and unks



Good News Submissions

Submissions are accepted Mon.-Fri. 8AM-4:30PM at the Kalihwi Office which is now located at the **Skenandoah Complex • 909 Packerland Dr. Green Bay, WI**

Happy 1st Birthday

Satuhalak tsi naie
tusaoslako
Tyohúntsyawahnha



Kunolúkhwa?
Mama & Jada

Congratulations

Oneida tribal member
Sadie Wilson
will be graduating from
UWGB on Saturday,
December 17th. Her
major is in Photography
and Communications.



Her parents are Annie
Ranft & Larry Gene
Wilson. She is the
granddaughter of
Pauline Metoxen.

The *kalihwi*s will be printed
Every Thursday in 2012!

First issue of the New Year will be
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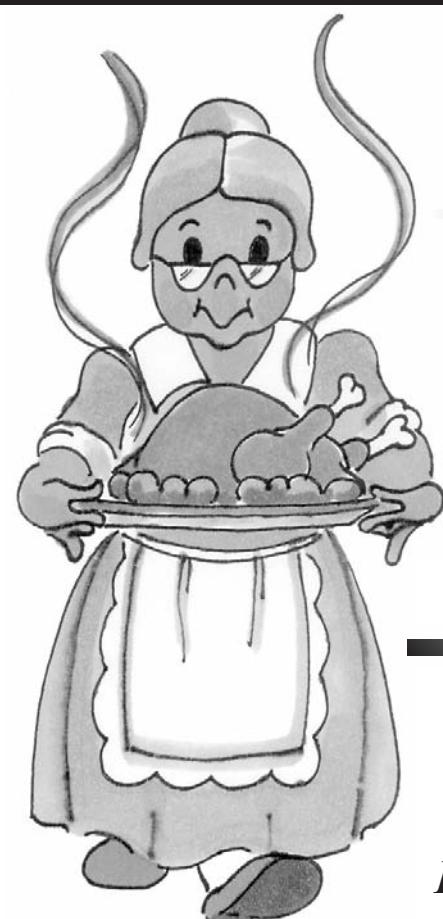
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Thunderhawk

ONHS freshman make gift giving blankets



Elder Vallecillo takes a break from cutting while Ruby John ties in the background.



Isaac Reed cuts a blanket & Autumn Oskkeshequoam prepares in the background.



Kristen George laughs while knotting the fringes of her blanket.

Photos by ONHS senior Anthony Cornelius

Under the direction of advisor Carmen Metty, ONHS ninth graders made cut fringe blankets for holiday gift giving the afternoon of December 7.

Students compete in design contest



Photo by Becky Anderson

Students in Becky Anderson's classes recently competed in their annual "Design Your Own Cereal Box" contest. Here are top vote-getting designs. (l to r) "Clay Maker Oats" by Kyle Cree, "Mini Twowsers" by Kanikisa Corbin and Muriel King, "Flava Flavs" by Ayashe Barton and Faith Powless, and Twow-Zer Doodles"

Anthony Cornelius.

A Lot Going on at ONHS

By Thunderhawk Times Staff

As usual, the days leading up to Christmas break are hectic ones at Oneida Nation High School. Science Fair is full-swing with students working hard to finish projects. According to science teacher, Becky Nutt, there are a few very good projects.

The art department is also busy, having just wrapped up the annual Oneida Nation Museum art sale.

The freshman class

spent time making fringe-cut blankets to be given to friends and family for Christmas.

Other things going on this week include home and away basketball games, reading testing, and wrapping up projects, papers and other work that is due before Christmas Break—which, by the way, begins on Friday, December 23 and runs through Monday, January 2. Classes resume on Tuesday, January 3.

Wooden stick!

By Eddie Powless

Thunderhawk Times

If you're into lacrosse, you dream of a great wooden lacrosse stick.

One guy who makes top of the line wooden sticks is Alfie Jacques, an Onondaga Nation lacrosse stick maker.

Alfie says, "I don't cut corners. I make the best stick I possibly can."

I have witnessed one of his sticks that my brother, Kendrick, was using. It was gorgeous. It threw great and had a nice catch pocket. It was shiny and waterproof. It was obvious that he doesn't cut corners.

Kendrick said that the stick was "the Bentley of lacrosse sticks. The balance, netting, weight, and craftsmanship were superior to any lacrosse stick I have ever used."

When it got rained on, nothing happened to it. Alfie's signature was on it.

Now I've never met Alfie Jacques in person, but you can see him on YouTube talking about his sticks. And they are so popular that he says he can't take any calls because he has so many orders already.

27th Annual Science Fair Underway

By Thunderhawk Times Staff

Since 1974, Oneida Nation students have been participating in an annual science fair.

The fair has many purposes including providing Native American students with an opportunity to conduct individual research, problem solve, and develop and display science projects. It also gives students the chance to apply their knowledge of math and science and to interact with professional role models in science, mathematics and engineering.

Overall, the fair helps focus attention on science and to stimulate student, teacher and community interest in scientific research and technology advancement.

Under Science Teacher Becky Nutt, nearly a dozen ONHS students are participating.

ONHS students participating, their grade levels,

the branch of science their project falls under, and the title of their project are as follows:

Elder Vallecillo, 9, Physical, "Static Electricity," Lakota Martinez, 10, Life, "Social Networking," Byran Quella, 10, Life, "Optimizing Hybrid Sunfish Growth," Angelica Schuyler, 9, Life, "Optimizing Hybrid Sunfish Growth," Michael Mills, 11, Life, "Diabetes Awareness," Fredrick Miller, 11, Life, "Hearing Loss," Jessica House, 11, Environmental, "Impact of Depth on Conditions in Silver Creek," Rachel Ninham, 11, Environmental, "Impact of Depth on Conditions in Silver Creek," Diego Metoxen, 11, Environmental, "Soil Analysis of Sugar Moon Farm," Matias Metoxen, 12, Environmental, "Potting Soil as a Source of Invasive Weeds,"

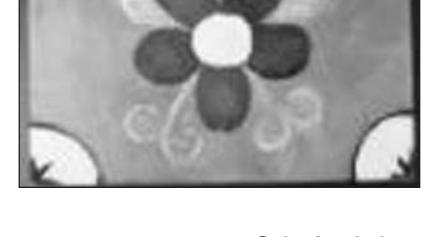
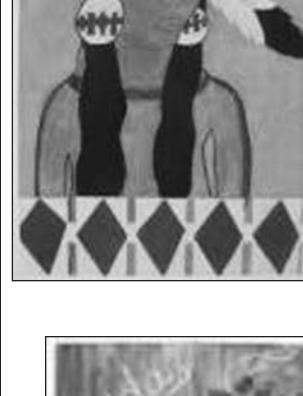
Michael Santiago, 12, Environmental, "Trail Cameras as a Method Determine Pollutants."

Judging will be on December 15 in the Turtle School Small Gym from 8:30 A.M. -12:00 Noon. Public Viewing of the Project is also December 15 from 4:00 P.M.- 6:00 P.M. The Awards Presentation will be in the Big Gym on December 16, 2009 at 1:00 P.M.

Judges are Jamie Betters, Eric Boulanger, Kevin Carstens, Kristy Cornelius, Melinda J. Danforth, Jennifer Jordan, Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Pat Moore, Noreen Smith, Amy Spears, Rich Van Boxtel, Jean Webster, and Sid White.

Over one hundred students from the Turtle School are also participating.

Student artwork displayed at museum



Submitted photos
24 samples of ONHS student artwork were on display at the Oneida Nation Museum and available for bidding online. Here are just a few samples of the student work.

Family Fitness Highlights

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Monday & Wednesday

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5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

O.F.F. Members must first check-in at O.F.F. front desk to obtain child care key pass.

Oneida Family Fitness Assistant Instructor Brian Jordan (left) and Instructor Kevin Schoenebeck (right).

Instructor Kevin Schoenebeck and assistant Instructor Brian Jordan went to San Jose California for Black Belt testing in Danzan Ryu Ju Jitsu.

Brian Jordan testing for his 2nd Degree Black Belt and Kevin Schoenebeck testing for his full teaching Credentials. The testing was over 5 hours long. All testing techniques were called out in Japanese. The students testing must demonstrate the move with proficiency. There are several “boards” which must be

demonstrated: Hand Techniques, Throws & grappling , then defense against knife and gun. Then the student must be able to blend all of this together.

“It’s a long day and very challenging physically and mentally” says Jordan.

Brian Jordan started training at the Family Fitness Center in 2001. He trains twice a week. Brian is currently a Green Bay Police officer and resides in Oneida.

Kevin Schoenebeck has taught Martial arts

for 37 years. He has worked for the Oneida Tribe for 19 years teaching several styles of Martial arts at the Fitness Center.

The Oneida Family Fitness Center is proud to have Schoenebeck and Jordan teaching a quality program like Danzan Ryu Ju Jitsu at the Fitness Center.

If you are interested in Martial Arts, whether Ju Jitsu, Tae Kwon Do, Eskrima, or Tai Chi please stop by and speak to someone or try out a class.

OFF Holiday hours

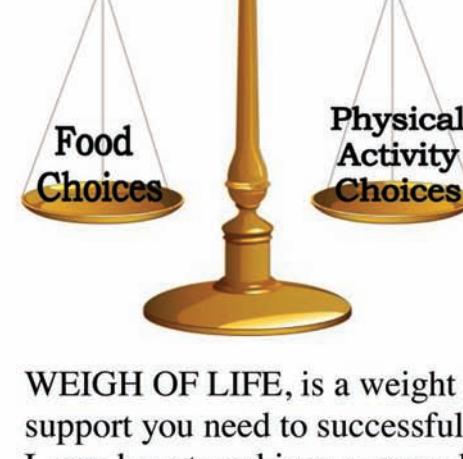
The Oneida Family Fitness Center will be **Closed:**

**Saturday, December 24 -
Monday, December 26**

The Oneida Family Fitness Center will be **Open:**

**Saturday, December 31 -
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**Monday, January 2 -
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Contact Oneida Family Fitness 490-3730

Oneida Family Fitness Winter Hours:
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ONEIDA NATION LADY THUNDERHAWKS**Blowout win keeps team undefeated**

Kali photo/Travis Cottrell

The Lady Thunderhawks setup a 3-2 zone defense during their blowout win over Milwaukee South.

The Lady Thunderhawks played a close first half against the Milwaukee South Cardinals on December 8, 2011. In the second half the T-Hawks steadily built a lead and never looked back, defeating the Cardinals 46-24.

**ONEIDA NATION THUNDERHAWKS
BASKETBALL SCHEDULE**

December 15 - Stockbridge - Girls 5 pm/Boys 6:30 pm

December 29 - Boys & Girls Gresham Holiday Tournament - Time TBD

December 30 - Boys & Girls Gresham Holiday Tournament - Time TBD

All Games are away

Helping fight diabetes

Submitted photo

Oneida Business Committee Vice-Chairman Greg Matson presents a check totaling \$13,007.44 to Ann Wells, Associate Director for the American Diabetes Association. The money was raised during the 7th Annual Oneida Nation's Take a Divot out of Diabetes golf outing.

ONEIDA NATION THUNDERHAWKS**Thunderhawks soar over Eagles**

Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

The Oneida Nation Thunderhawks used a balanced scoring attack to take down the Lincoln Hills Eagles 55 -35 at the Turtle School on Tuesday, December 13. The T-Hawks were lead by Mike Mills' 13 points. Kammanche Jordan added 12 points while JoJo Santiago chipped in with 11. The win pushes their record to 4-3 on the season.

Kammanche Jordan swings the ball on the perimeter while the Thunderhawks run their offense as they cruised to an easy victory.

Breakfast with Santa

Submitted by Oneida Recreation

Kitchen volunteers Asia Danforth, Conrad King, Jessica King, Joanne King, Leroy King, Kris Danforth and Robert King helped feed nearly 1100 Breakfast with Santa attendees.

Breakfast with Santa was a huge success! The Oneida Recreation Department hosted the largest of all special events to date. On Saturday, December 10, 2011 Breakfast with Santa took place, and had over 1090 attendees. The kids waited patiently in line to visit with Santa, took a picture, enjoyed breakfast and then received a gift. There were over 25 volunteers cooking, serving, and cleaning.

Oneida Recreation wants to thank all the volunteers and sponsors for making this event possible.

Thank you again for all help with this wonderful event. If you have any comments or concerns please contact Kim Diemer at **920-833-0010**.

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**Just Move It Oneida
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Wednesday, December 28
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<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
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
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Featured Events!

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Onʌki?wahé

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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

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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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Gary Ver Voort, Ag Worker
Charles Willingham, Sub Relief Ag Worker

Apple Orchard

Roger Arms, Apple Orchard
Heather Jordan
Nathan Scofield

Tsyunhékwa

Agricultural Staff

Skenandore, Ted - Food Production Supervisor
Miller, "Jonsey" David - Outreach Worker - SEASONAL EMPLOYEE
Charnon, Don - Horticulture Farmer - SEASONAL EMPLOYEE
Wisneski, Kyle - Greenhouse Technician - SEASONAL EMPLOYEE
Coenen, Gerald - Sub Relief Agriculture Worker

Cannery Staff

Cornelius, Vickie E. - Food Processing Supervisor
Betters, Jamie - Cannery Worker II
Roskum, Tina - Cannery Worker I

Administration

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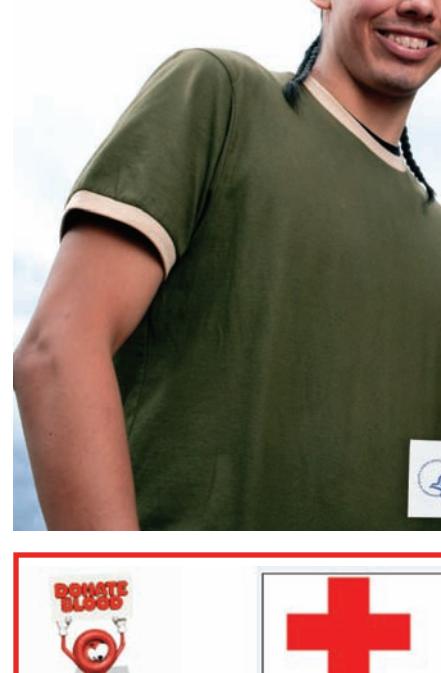
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American Red Cross is teaming up with Humana and the

Oneida Tribe on a "Blood Drive Challenge"!

The Goal is for each organization to have 80 donors at their next blood drive. Humana's Blood Drive is December 8th and the Oneida Tribe's is January 6th, 2012.

Sign up Today

The Blood Drive will be at the Oneida Fitness Center from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. so please call the Oneida Fitness Center to make an appointment: 490-3730 or go to the website www.redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment. Oneida's Drive Code is **032838**.

Eligibility and donor guidelines may be found on the web site (www.redcrossblood.org) or as attachments on the Oneida Intranet. The Oneida blood drive is a community event coordinated by the Oneida Employee Health Department.

EVERYONE REGISTERED WILL BE ELIGIBLE to win gas cards, an autographed Packer item or 60 goodie bags for the 1st 60 people to sign up.

