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Public safety facility endorsed by local leaders

By Steven J. Gandy

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A joint public safety facility on Brown County's southwest side has been endorsed by a group of local leaders.

Members Ashwaubenon, Lawrence, Hobart, and Oneida Nation of Indians, along with county and state organizations, agree that a facility devoted to the safety of its citizens in that area is needed.

Oneida Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes said, "For elected officials, the health and safety of the constituency is a priority and because of projected future growth this location meets that need."

The joint facility would

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Dorgan to push for extended access to Indian health clinics

By Mary Clare Jalonick Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) -The new chairman of the Indian Affairs Committee is aiming to increase clinic hours and doctor availability on reserva-

Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., who became chairman of the committee when Democrats took control of Congress this year, said he is working with the Indian Health Service to craft a bill to encourage more low-cost health care options for

American Indians.

"We have very serious problems in health care," he said. "I'd like to see a different model that provides more access for more hours and more days with walk-in health clinics."

Dorgan also said he will Anderson, who resigned in

push to immediately confirm a new head of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. President Bush nominated Carl J. Artman to oversee the agency last year, but the nomination was held up in the Senate. Artman would replace Dave

"It's absolutely shameful that it's been vacant," Dorgan said. "It will be two years next month. We've got really serious, gripping problems on

> See Page 9A **Indian Health**

School is back in session

By Dawn Walschinski

Nation High Oneida School (ONHS) students and staff joined with community members to start the spring semester, and renew their commitment to the school on Monday, January 29 after being closed for a week for staff training and Midwinter Ceremonies.

The day began with a tobacco burning facilitated by Oneida Culture and Language Teacher Sonny Hill on the pow wow grounds of the Norbert Hill Center.

Next was a handshaking ceremony where everyone had a chance to welcome each other back, sometimes with hugs.

After breakfast, everyone gathered in the Oneida Business Committee (OBC) Conference room to sign a proclamation renewing their commitment to the traditional core values the school system was founded on.

See Page 2A **Proclamation**



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski Above: Senior Dwight Hill signs the Oneida Nation School System Proclamation which can be found on page Left: Brenda John, at

left, greets high school student Shakira Stevens during a handshaking ceremony held to welcome the students back a week long break.

Seymour referendum addresses overcrowding



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Students at Rockledge Elementary School in Seymour get ready for recess in the crowded halls. The school has 822 students in a building designed for 650.

Dawn Walschinski

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Dean of Students at Rockledge Elementary School Judy Schenk has seen the enrollment of the Seymour school pop in recent years.

Over the summer, 90 new students signed up for classes, bringing the population up to 822 students to a building designed for 650.

A referendum scheduled for Tuesday, February 20 in the Seymour School District addresses the current space crunch at Rockledge and Black Creek Elementary/Middle School.

"Our space is very limited, so we're becoming very

crowded," said Schenk. At Rockledge, the teacher's lounge was converted into a

windowless classroom. The teachers were moved behind the curtain of a stage in the

gymnasium/cafeteria. A regular classroom was divided into four resource labs where up to four teachers and four teachers aides sometimes teach four separate groups of students at the same time.

As Schenk took me on a tour of the school, we walked past a boy with the flu laying on a cot in a corridor between two file cabinets in the school

"All the available space at both facilities has been used for technology, special education, full day kindergarten class size reduction," said

See Page 6A **Seymour Referendum**

"Hereafter, we committed to revisiting the goals, the mission and the philosophy of the Oneida Nation School System in January of each year, so as to not forget what has brought us all here today," read OBC Chairman Gerald Danforth from the proclamation (The entire document can be found on page 6A).

"This is not just a one time thing, this is not just something to do for a moment, this something we have to commit to, this is something that is critically important," said Chairman Danforth.

The proclamation and school closing was a response to the inappropriate behavior of a few students in the high school including foul language, vandalism and graffiti. A pupil's performance of a vulgarity laced rap song during a school talent show in December, 2006 brought the issue of a lack of discipline in the school to the forefront.

After viewing a videotape of the performance and reviewing other incidents, the Oneida Nation School Board decided to close the high school January 22-23 to hold a training for the high school staff and review the school's policies and procedures. Both the high school and Turtle School were closed January for Midwinter 24-26 Ceremonies. The timing was considered ideal as the new semester had not yet started.

"This closure was intended to allow ourselves some time as a school system to regroup, to refocus and to re-look at what the mission of what our school system was," said school board president Debra Danforth at a press conference held Tuesday, January 23.

Danforth indicated that the closure was an attempt to be avoid an escalation of problem behaviors.

"Because of the national media attention on higher profile incidents occurring within school systems across the country, we have attempted to be proactive and cautious," said Danforth.

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provide space for all those involved in the project and would allow for a larger presence in the growing area in south-west Brown county.

The land is currently owned by the Oneida Nation and is comprised of 223 acres along the Ashwaubenon border. It lies south of Fernando Drive and west of Packerland

Funding for the project has not been finalized at this time, but local leaders are hoping to get approximately \$2 million from the state for planning and construction of the pro-

"The North East Wisconsin Public Safety Facility is an endeavor that brings together municipal government and tribal government in a spirit of cooperation/collaboration to which individuals will ben-

However, the short notice given to parents about the school closing got the rumor mill going. Local media outlets began looking into the situation. "The heightened

awareness of our closure pro-

duced a lot of speculation, a lot of rumors and a lot of conversation within our community," said Danforth. "There really hasn't been any model for us to use effectively to implement this type of plan for closure of our school system. It was a step in the direction that we took to be a leader, to be out in the forefront."

One important lesson the school board took away from the closure was to get more student involvement in the process.

"Our students were very adamant about focusing on the fact that they are good students, they do good things in community," Danforth.

Glenn Funmaker, parent of two Thunderhawk students, attended one of two community meetings regarding the closure.

"They're really behaved kids, very well behaved, and they were upset that these people were talking about them, and saying they were bad kids," he said.

The school board included student input in drafting the proclamation as well as developing Five Points of Renewal focusing on respect, impressions, attendance, technology and responsible thinking.

ONHS Junior and student council representative Reanne Funmaker, Glenn's daughter, took part in writing the proclamation. She stated that her favorite part was "talking about going in the future and how all of our students, we have to support them because they are the future."

Reanne stated that the experience with the closure has taught her to appreciate her school.

"I really like this (school) because we get a chance to have all our native people, all native kids surrounded by each other," she said.

From Page 1/Proclamation Packerland One Stop on target for May 2 opening

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Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy

Construction on the Packerland One Stop continues even as the temperatures fall to single digits. The cold temperatures should not interfere with the scheduled opening date of May 2.

Submitted by Wayne al One Stop on the Oneida Metoxen

Project Manager

This project will provide the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin with a new business facility that will house a mini casino, a convenience store and a restaurant. The convenience store will be managed by the Oneida Retail Enterprise, the mini casino will be operated by Oneida Gaming, with the restaurant space leased to a qualified restaurant operator. (Radisson)

The purpose of constructing and operating an addition-

reservation is two fold. First, it maximizes retail sales by replacing a small Smokeshop located (Currently Packerland Drive next to the Community Education Center) with a full-size One Stop/Casino/Restaurant development that will better accommodate the needs of the emerging market of South Packerland Drive. Secondly it creates barriers to slow competition from entering the Oneida Reservation/Green Bay market. Gaming will continue to prosper through its successful strategy of part-

nering with the Retail Division to create the financial success that all One-Stop locations share.

There are a number of aspects of the existing property that are inhibiting customer attraction, customer satisfaction, customer retention and sales growth. There is a need for increased parking, fuel pumps and new product categories. There is a need for a better location with improved ingress and egress. The present facility is leased. A Tribally owned facility is preferred.

Project Description -

The Packerland One Stop will consist of a convenience store with fueling stations, a gaming area, and a restaurant that will be connected via an open central corridor and will be a total gross area of 17,465 feet. The site is located at the intersection of Packerland Drive and Adam Drive and

The Packerland One Stop will be approximately 5,130 net square feet of retail area with the mini casino totaling 4,928 net square feet, the restaurant 3,260 net square feet and the common area totaling 1,674 square feet

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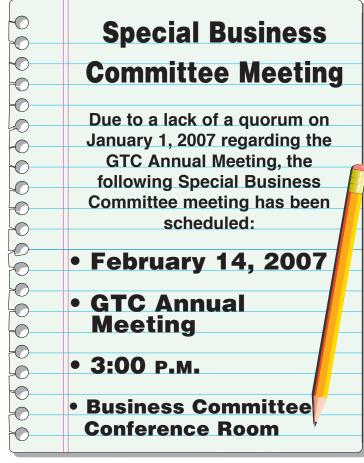
meanor or felony convictions 4. Possess knowledge and understanding

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If you have any questions or need ideas call any one of the members of the Miss Oneida Committee:

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who passed away 11 years ago March 14, 1967~February 4, 1996

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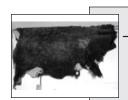
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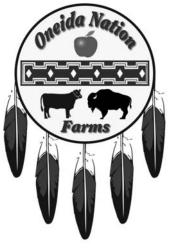
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July 5 (Tentative/Holiday) & July 19

September 6 & September 20

November 1 & November 15

Any Questions Contact LCC Coordinator, Jennifer M. Stevens at 869-4403



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Officer Matt Ninham performs a field sobriety test on Jacob Parker, 12, during a community meeting held at the Site II Community Center. Parker is wearing goggles that are designed to simulate the effects of alcohol on the body.

Meeting topic: Dangers of Drinking and driving

By Steven J. Gandy

A community meeting was held at the Site II community center Wednesday January 24 to discuss the dangers of drunk driving.

The program was presented with dinner and was organized by Isabel Parker.

Officer Matt Ninham gave a presentation to the 30 plus individuals who attended the gathering.

Ninham was clear when explaining what he was trying to convey to the community.

"Be very aware of what can happen when you decide to drink and drive.

You're not only going to effect your life when you get behind the wheel, but you could very well effect the lives of community members that are on the road way when they decide to drink and drive," Ninham

As part of his presentation, Ninham described, in

detail, what a OWI stop is comprised of and the types of tests that are performed during a field sobriety test.

"Basically what an officer does during an OWI...just so the community's aware of what we are doing out there and what happens to you,"

Ninham explained.

Exposure death highlights need for shelter

death of a Moorhead, Minn., reached, but said it would be tion. a park here, has stepped up For safety reasons, local efforts to open a local emergency shelter for homeless people impaired by alcohol or

Oliver Eagleman, 55, was homeless and intoxicated, according to preliminary toxicology results. His body was found on Jan. 9 at Island Park.

Eagleman's family and friends said he had been turned away in the past from local homeless shelters when he showed up with alcohol on his breath.

Fargo city officials say an emergency shelter is close to becoming a reality.

"We'll open the door the minute we can," said Linda Coates, a Fargo city commissioner and emergency shelter advocate. "We're getting very close" to reaching an agreement on a suitable property.

She declined to give the

January 18 (Rescheduled)

March 1 & March 15

May 3 & May 17

homeless shelters won't allow guests who are under the influence of alcohol or other

That prohibition has fallen especially hard on American Indians in Fargo-Moorhead, said Sandi Berlin, who runs the Ray of Hope drop-in center and serves on Fargo's Native American Commission.

"In the past, we've had many people from the Native American community who've been turned away from shelters because of drinking," she

"It's not the first time," she said. "I've known people who have been lost. People just close their eyes to it."

Health statistics from North Dakota and Minnesota show that American Indians die from exposure at higher

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FARGO, N.D. (AP) – The address until an agreement is rates than the general popula-

records indicate 18 American Indians died of exposure from 1980 to 2005, the most recent figures available. They comprised 9 percent of exposure deaths, nearly double their share of the population, 4.9

In Minnesota, American Indians accounted for 7 percent of exposure deaths since 1980 and 1.1 percent of the general population.

Capt. Tod Dahle of the Fargo Police Department said officers find a safe place for intoxicated homeless people when weather is a threat whenever they are aware of the problem.

"When it's critical, if it's a matter of survival, we're going to find a place for them," he said.

Still, some homeless people who are chronic alcoholics shun shelters or detox,

February 1 & February 15

April 5 & April 19

June 7 & June 21

August 2 & August 16

October 4 & October 18

December 6 & December 20

where rules and restrictions apply, Dahle added. And in man whose body was found at near a detox center. In North Dakota, death those cases, when police aren't made aware of the person's plight, tragedy can

> "Frankly, with our climate, it's surprising it doesn't happen more often," Dahle said. "Obviously, it's a constant struggle for us."

Grand jury: Inmate had prior health issues

VALENTINE, Neb. (AP) -A prisoner who died in Cherry County jail was killed by a blood clot on the surface of his brain, a grand jury has ruled.

The jury determined that 65-year-old Robert Stands of Valentine had a medical condition before being jailed in November on suspicion of drunken driving.

Stands, who was personnel director at Sinte Gleska University, the tribal college in Mission, S.D., on the Rosebud Indian reservation, died Nov. 7.

Nebraska law requires a grand jury investigation when someone dies in the custody of law enforcement.

The Cherry County grand jury heard from five witnesses and looked at nearly five dozen exhibits before ruling Wednesday that Stands died of the blood clot.

According to a family member, Stands had a history of diabetes and stroke.

Authority and Organization

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System is the judicial branch of the Oneida Nation. The Oneida Tribal Judicial System was formed with the adoption of General Tribal Council Resolution 8-19-91-A and Addendum. This Resolution named the Oneida Tribal Judicial System as the judicial branch of the Oneida Nation and granted appellate jurisdiction over the lower hearing bodies of the Oneida judicial system and original jurisdiction over cases where no lower hearing body exists.

The Resolution Addendum gives the Oneida Tribal Judicial System jurisdiction to hear cases between tribal entities and individuals, between different tribal entities, between individuals or companies, etc. Contested cases and appeals can be filed in the Oneida Tribal Judicial System (OTJS) Offices, in suite #1 at Ridgeview Plaza on West Mason Street.

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System has eleven Judicial Officers, who are elected to three or four year terms.

OTJS's The Original Hearing Body consists of three Judicial Officers and hears cases and controversies that arise within the jurisdiction of the Oneida Nation.

The OTJS's Appellate Body consists of five Judicial Officers and reviews the decisions of original hearing bod-

The judicial system's creation and commitment are consistent with the Indian Tribal Justice Act, a federal statute, Public Law 103-176, passed by the U.S. Congress in 1993.

This Congressional Act reaffirmed the federal government's recognition of Indian sovereignty. 25 U.S.C. 3601 (9) found that tribal commitment to improving native judicial systems are essential to tribal sovereignty. In addition, 25 U.S.C. 3602 (8) defined tribal justice system as the entire judicial branch of an Indian tribe, including traditional methods and forums, lower and appellate courts, etc., whether or not they constitute a court of record.

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System continues to work toward the development and improvement of the judicial system. This system, which maintains the Oneida tradition of having more than one decision maker for any issue or case, is unique to other state, federal and tribal judicial systems.

Judicial Officers

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System consists of eleven Judicial Officers. The judiciary employs four Judicial Officers on a full time basis.

The Chief Judicial Officer is Winnifred Thomas. The Deputy Chief Judicial Officer is Leland Wigg-Ninham. Judicial Officers include Mary Adams, Anita Barber, Robert Christjohn, Gerald Cornelius, Gary Jordan, Janice McLester, Dorothy Ninham, Lois Powless, and Jennifer Webster. Judicial Officers are elected to three or four year terms of office.

In addition, the following is a list of support staff: Paul Stenzel, Staff Attorney; James Martin, Administrator; June Cornelius, Appellate Clerk of Courts; Leyne Orosco, Trial Clerk of Courts and; Norma Brzezinski, Deputy Trial

Clerk of Courts. The Oneida Tribal Judicial

System maintains two sepa-

rate hearing bodies. The first is an appellate body which consists of five judicial officers. The second is an original hearing body, consisting of three judicial officers. The eleven judicial officers sit on either the trial court or appellate court, but not both. However, a trial judicial officer may be assigned to an appellate case for a particular case if necessary, provided that the officer has not participated within the original hearing body. Former Judicial Officers or Pro-Tempore Judges have been appointed to our court on a pro tem basis for several reasons, including separating the

<u>Judicial Training</u>

Upon being elected, judicial officers are required to obtain certification by attending and completing legal training in a wide variety of legal areas, such as: jurisdiction, civil procedure, appellate procedure, administrative law, employment law, mediation, peacemaking, contract law, legal writing and decision making, family law and probate law, in accordance with the Comprehensive Training

After achieving certification, the judicial officers are required to maintain their certification by completing continuing legal education credits on an annual basis. This Training Plan has been officially approved by the Judicial Officers at a duly called meeting. The OTJS believes strongly in providing Judicial Officers with adequate training to be able to perform their duties. However, training and education must be provided within the limitations of available resources. In addition to formal training in a classroom setting, the OTJS supports informal training such as observing other jurisdictions' courtrooms. For example, judicial "ride alongs" provide a Judicial Officer with a close-up view of how things actually work in a courtroom.

Tribal members have placed their trust in Judicial Officers to exhibit good judgment in the important affairs of people's lives. All training is for the benefit of the judicial officer, the litigants who appear before the Court and ultimately the Oneida people.

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System has been a member of the Wisconsin Tribal Judge's Association since our incep-Presently. Deputy Judicial Officer, Leland Wigg-Ninham is the president of the Wisconsin Tribal Judge's Association (WTJA). When the need arises protempore judges have been requested through the WTJA. Those pro-tempore judges have been appointed to adjudicate cases on behalf of Oneida and vice versa, the Oneida judicial officers have been appointed to serve on other tribal courts in Wisconsin in both adversarial proceedings and peacemaking sessions.

Original Hearing Body

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System original hearing body is formed when a contested case is filed with the court and it is determined that no original hearing body exists with the appropriate subject matter jurisdiction.

listed above.

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Active CIP Projects – Communication Plans

Submitted by Engineering Department

(*Part 2 of 2*)

- Weekly status reports Monday 8:30 AM at LBDC conference room (Project Manager)
 - Community Meetings (as noted below) (Project Manager)

The Project information will be communicated to the community and staff as follows:

Quarterly reports in: (Senior Tribal Architect)

Local

- Gaming Gazette (will note which edition of Kalihwisaks report is published in)
- To Directors and Supervisors via e-mail
- Kalihwisaks
- On Oneida Intranet under Reference Directory, Internal Resources
- On Oneida Website under Oneida Nation News
- Ground breaking and dedication ceremonies scheduled with the events coordinator (Project Manager / Business Unit Manager)
- Periodic articles in the Kalihwisaks based upon the specific needs of the project. (Project Manager)
- Periodic updates at the Business Unit Informational Meetings (Senior Tribal Architect)

All CIP Projects will be developed employing a process of development consisting of four (4) distinct phases, as noted below:

Project Phases: Phase Titles:			Phase Description:				% of Projec		
CIP - 1	CI	IP Package assembly phase	The Project Team assemblies to package for approval of project		roject info	rmation into a	0 to 25%		
CIP - 2	Pr	roject Approval phase	The CIP Package is routed to review entities for comment and finally presented to OBC for approval. 26 to 35'						
CIP - 3	De	esign phase	The Architect designs building and prepares documents defining the scope 36 to 65% of work for contractors to bid on.						
CIP - 4	Construction phase The project is bid and constructed.					66 to 100%			
05-013	3/2/05	Elder Services / Apartment Improvements	Dan Skenandore 920-869-4550 dskenanl@oneidanation.org	CIP-1	20%	To be determined	To be determined		
	The project v	rould include adding garages for th	e apartment residents, installing a survei	illance system f	or the comme	in areas, and enhance	ng the landscaping.		
Commu	inity Meetings:	To be determined. Communicat	tion plan will be included in CIP Package	e when develop	ed.		minitialization		
05-014 thru 05-021	FY05	Gaming Building Renovations	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidatation.org	CIP-3 &	varies	\$1,724,771	varies		
		ncludes various maintenance and mi ement, asphalt repair, toilet room re	tinor repair projects at the main casino, I emodeling.	IMAC, and Mar	on Street Car	ino. Projects include	e: roof replacement,		
Commu	inity Meetings:	No meetings are planned.	21						
05-025	9/2/05	NHC Remodeling - Phase V	Wayne Metoxen 920-869-4556 wmetoxen@oneidanation.org	CIP-4	100%	\$1,207,800	Substantial Completion; Nov. 2006		
	The project is a continuation of the upgrading of the building to current building codes and creating operating efficiencies of building systems. Phase V will mainly consist of replacing the existing steam boilers with hot water boilers and other work associated with the replacement. Replacement will provide better energy efficiency.								
Commu	mity Meetings:	No meetings are planned.							
06-001	10/18/05	Tribal Building Restoration	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 sparr@concidenation.org	CIP - 1	5%	To be determined	Project on hold, pending approval o process to designat historic properties.		
	The project v	will restore this historically significa	ant building to allow it to be used for cor	enmunity related	programs an	ed services.			
Commu	unity Meetings:	To the second se	tion plan will be included in CIP Package						
06-002	1/10/06	Oncida Nation High School	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 tparrs/oncidatation.org	CIP-1	10%	To be determined	To be determined		
		The project will construct a new high school to address the deficiencies in the current structure, allow more curriculum choices for the students and enhance student enrollment by providing a facility designed for a high school function.							
Comman	nity Meetings:	One Community meeting was he	ld on March 16, 2006. Additional meet	ings to be deter	mined.				
96-003	2/03/06	EHS Environmental Experiential Education Center	Troy Parr 920-869-4529 lparr@oncidanation.org	CIP-1	1%	To be determined	Project on hold		
		The project will be a sustainable building including low impact development, green building materials and sustainable elements throughout the life cycle of the facility. This building will be used as a model for future tribal buildings and community education.							
Commun	nity Meetings:	To be determined. Communicati	ion plan will be included in CIP Package	e when develop	ed.	144			
06-004	7/26/06	Duck Creek Trail	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbauman1@oscidanation.org	CIP-1	30%	Utilize non- Tribal Funding	Estimated Substanti Completion: 2009		
		would develop the former railroad ea ig, snow shocing, and will include ea	asement through the reservation into a meducational signage.	nulti-use paved r	and unpayed?	trail for walking, jogs	ging, hiking, X-		
Commun	mity Meetings:	To be determined. Communicati	ion plan will be included in CIP Package	e when develop	cd.				
06-005	4/11/06	Oncida Nation Farms Storage Sh	John Bauman 920-869-4585 jbaumanl@oncidanation.org	CIP-I	10%	To be determined	Project on hold		
	The project w	ould construct a centralized storage	e shed for the farm operation's equipme	mt and dry baled	I creps.		Ø.		
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06-006	6/28/96	Oneida Fishery Restoration Proje	oct John Bauman 920-889-4585	CIP-1	15%	To be determined	Project on hold		

The project would create a sustainable 20 to 30 acre fishery on the reservation in a former sand pit located near the corner of Crook Road and County U. Community Meetings: To be determined. Communication plan will be included in CIP Package when developed 06-013 \$1,104,000 Estimated Substantial wmetoxen@oneidanation.org Oct. 2007 The project is a continuation of the upgrading of the building to current building codes and creating operating efficiencies of building systems. The specific scope of Phase VI is being determined and will be limited to available budget 07-002 SS Building Remodeling - Phase V Troy Parr \$575,000 Estimated Substantial 920-869-4529 Completion tparril oncidanation.org Jan. 2008 The project is a continuation of the upgrading of the building to current building codes and creating operating efficiencies of building systems and spaces. Phase V will mainly consist of master planning the building's mechanical systems and some brilet room upgrades to cottages #1 and #2.

No meeting are planned. Community Meetings: Questions regarding a specific project can be directed to the Engineering Department's Project Manager

Notice to All Hobart Residents: Hobart Election Location Changed

Please notice that the polling place for all Hobart residents will be at the:

Woodland Worship Center located at... 760 Airport Drive. Oneida, WI.

There has been a safety concern regarding the parking lot at the old hall and by changing locations to the Woodland Worship Center, the Village of Hobart hopes this change will resolve those issues.

Polls open at 7:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM Spring Primary is February 20 and the Spring Election is April 3rd.



Iroquois **Designs** by **Curtis and** Cindy **Summers**

By Steven J. Gandy

Curtis Summers and his wife Cindy are the proud owners of a new Oneidabased business, Iroquois Designs. Together they have started making designs to be reprinted on T-shirts, sweaters, hand bags, or whatever else you can print or embroider a design on.

"We just kinda started this past spring, just kinda came up with the idea...cause (Cindy) used to work for the Museum," Curtis said.

Cindy Continued, "(The Museum) used to have to travel around, we'd have to go all the way to Canada to get all these cool designed sweaters, so ... we thought we'd just try it just to see how it would go cause we saw the niche, you know, cause there wasn't that many tribal designs that were local."

Curtis and Cindy both come up with new designs

Limit 14 families per class.

Lanes 715-526-9300 to register.

Oneida Community Band

New World Productions

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Calendar

Cook, Energize & Move the Oneida Way

February 7

Oneida Turtle School Home Ec. Room.

Lakeshore Bowling Lanes, Shawano, WI

Oneida Nation Elementary School (Door 4)

Wednesday – February 7

MUST Pre-Register. To register call Sylvia at 496-5352 ***

February

Five person team event with \$100 team fee. There is an optional \$5

individual Hi-game/Hi-series. 100% payout. Contact Lakeshore

March

Roger Ronowski is conducting. For more information or if you

March 15

Thursday – March 15, 2007

New World Productions presents a satirical look at Indigenous

Peoples and the Oneida Nation in Wisconsin Past Present and

Future. Lite Refreshments and fare will be available. Contact

March 24-25

Saturday 9:00am - 5:00pm,

Sunday 10:00am - 4:00pm

Admission - \$5 (\$4 with a donated item for the Humane

Society) Contact Sue DuPont at 920-684-3973 or

March 31

Grand Entry 1:00pm & 7:00pm

Saturday – March 31

Berg Gym, Stevens Point

Admission: \$4 w/out student ID, \$3 w/student ID. Feast includ-

ed at 5:00pm. Everyone is Welcome! Call 715-346-3576 for

Manitowoc Expo Center, 5201 Vista Road

Parish Hall, 2936 Freedom Road

Wednesdays in March

6:30 - 8:00PM

need an instrument, contact Beth @ 490-3833.

5:00pm

920-833-0119 for more information.

March 24-25

dupes 74@sbcglobal.net for more information.

34th Annual AIRO Powwow

13th Annual All Indian Bowling Tournament

February 23-25

Various



& Business

Kali photo/Steve Gandy

Curtis and Cindy Summers are working together to create new designs for their home based business Iroquois Designs.

that they make using software on their laptop PC.

"As far as my graphics background, I'm just pretty much self taught on a program on my computer. We just work off a laptop and it's nice, we get to work mainly after the boys go to bed," Curtis said.

The Summers have three boys ranging from ages two to six. One of the goals they

2007

had when they began the design enterprise was to keep it part-time only, for now.

'We kind of try to keep it on that part time level because we still have the kids that we have to deal with and we both have full time jobs, so it's kinda nice to do it when we want to do it," Cindy said.

According to Curtis, in a typical month, he will spend anywhere from 20-30 hours working on new designs. The design process, according to the Summers, takes about two to three weeks and includes the design time, proofing and printing.

"So (the customer) just basically...give us their idea of what they want for a design and I'll just come up with it, then I'll give them the design I came up with for them to proof and then they'll say, 'ok this is what we want,' and they'll put an order in," Curtis

explains. The Summers contract out actual printing and embroidering to a local company, although they have hopes to do it themselves someday.

Curtis speaks to the future of his new business, "I would like to actually have. . . our own silkscreen thing going and even with embroidery . . . to have our own machines would be great."

"We'd like to have our own store, our own apparel store," Cindy continued.

Curtis began last spring by putting together a collection of designs for the Oneida Nation Museum. Since then he has had orders from the Menominee and the Mohican tribes as well as a request for his portfolio from an Iroquois Museum in New York. They are also getting a lot of interest locally.

"We're really surprised. We've had a few departments and community organizations ask us to do T-shirt orders for conferences that they have coming up," Cindy said.

The Summers have been reluctant to advertise their business thus far due to future uncertainties.

"We haven't done much in the way of advertising, we've always thought about it but we get scared cause we're afraid if we get a million responses, are we going to be able to keep up with it? We're kind of doing it slow and on the side and just kind of getting our feet wet," Cindy said.

The Summers have decided on a release schedule for their work in order to keep the process manageable.

"We've been trying to put out two designs every season. So we just got done doing two designs for the winter and, so now, we'll probably put out another two designs for the spring," Cindy explains.

The husband-and-wife duo work together to put the designs out. After the initial release last year by Curtis, Cindy began to design as

"The first two [designs] he did, and then I started messing around on the program. This last time I put out one of the designs and he put out the other design, So I did the girly stuff and he did the guy stuff," Cindy joked.

The summers are currently selling their designs out of their Green Bay home. They also have merchandise at the Oneida Nation Museum and Bear Paw Keepsakes. If all goes well, the couple intends to set up shop at the Powwow this July at the Norbert Hill Center.

If you are interested in purchasing the summers' designs, you can reach them directly at: Home: 490-1073 Curtis' cell: **321-8089** Cindy's cell: **321-6978** or by e-mail at: lakhi1summ@yahoo.com csummer3@oneidanation.

Entrepreneurship, innovation are focus of conference

GREEN BAY – The third annual Green Bay Area Entrepreneur's Connection will celebrate entrepreneurship and innovation Thursday, Feb. 15 at the KI Center in downtown Green Bay.

The Entrepreneur's Connection brings small business resources together, all under one roof and in one day. The conference will provide important access to resources and information about launching or expanding a business.

Entrepreneurs will meet with experts and gain needed resources to help their businesses succeed. The event will make a significant contribution to the region's entrepreneurial spirit by matching resources to companies starting up or going to the next level.

Dave Anderson, founder of the Famous Dave's Legendary Pit Bar-B-Que Franchise, will be the keynote speaker. Anderson overcame personal hardship and bankruptcy before achieving his success in business. He has helped create three publicly traded companies.

Dick DuBois, the founder of Jo To Go America, Inc., also will share his story. DuBois, who attended the University of Wisconsin-Madison and UW-Green Bay, opened Wisconsin's first drive-through espresso bar in 1998 and now operates a successful franchise.

The conference will include an Elevator Pitch Contest, one of the latest business crazes. Business people will pitch their ideas to a panel of judges. The contest is called an "Elevator Pitch" because it is to be delivered in the time span of an elevator ride.

The Elevator Pitch Contest also will be the program for the February meeting of the Wisconsin Innovation Network (WIN) chapter in Northeast Wisconsin. WIN is a community-based economic development organization dedicated to fostering innovation and entrepreneurship. Emerging and existing

entrepreneurs will have opportunities to hear from their peers with panel discussions. Panel members will share how they have successfully taken their products to market. Participants will be able to ask specific questions of panelists.

In addition, 35 information booths will offer information in a variety of areas, including technical expertise, intellectual property, financial management and business plan development.

The Entrepreneur's Connection was organized after Inc. magazine identified Green Bay as the No. 1 medium-sized city in America for doing business. The conference supports entrepreneurial development and growth in the New North.

For more information about Green Bay Area Entrepreneur's Connection, contact Christina Trombley at the Business Assistance Center by phone at (920) 496-2117 or by e-mail at tromblec@uwgb.edu. More information also is available online at www.gbaec.org.

Enter the Governor's New Product Award by Feb. 12

MADISON – There is still Wisconsin has won the top time to enter the 2007 award eleven times since Governor's New Product Awards (GNPA) competi-

For more than three decades, the Wisconsin Society of Professional Engineers (WSPE) GNPA competition has recognized Wisconsin's leading manufacturers who have contributed to the state's economic growth through the development, manufacturing and marketing of new and innovative products.

"As an entrant, companies compete to be named the 2007 GNPA winner in the mega, large, medium or small company employment categories," says Department of Commerce Secretary Mary P. Burke. "It offers a terrific opportunity for manufacturers to showcase their new, innovative products."

The four Best of State winners will compete in the 2008 Society National Professional Engineers (NSPE) New Product Awards for national recognition.

1993. All entrants will be invited to attend the Governors New Product Awards Banquet, Thursday evening, April 19 at the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield. To view the

brochure/application, visit: http://www.wenportal.org/ uploads/OFFICIAL%20CAL L%20FOR%20ENTRIES%2 02007.pdf.

The 2006 Wisconsin winners are listed on page 2 of the call for entries, page 3 gives entry instructions and the actual entry form is on

Applications are due by February 12, 2007.

Please contact 2007 GNPA Chair Dale Swenson if you have any questions. He can be reached at: 414-343-8452 (work phone) or email at

dale.swenson@harleydavidson.com <mailto:dale.swenson@harle y-davidson.com>

Assistant to the Vice-President

The College of Menominee Nation, Green Bay Site, seeks FT Assistant to the Vice-President. Associate degree and/or 5 yrs. related experience required.

Review all qualification & application requirements at: www.menominee.edu. 1st preference given to complete application

materials submitted by February 8, 2007.

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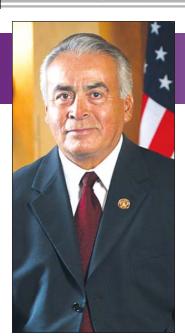
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Chairman Gerald Danforth

Sagoli,

This month I would like to share with you the issues highlighted during the delivery of the "The State of Indian Nations Address." This annual address was delivered to Congress in Washington, D.C. by Joe Garcia - President of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) on Thursday, January 25, 2007.

Chairman's Corner...

President Garcia identified six key areas for Indian country to consider in 2007 and those areas include Strengthening Tribal Governance, Public Safety, Health, Economic Development, Education, and Natural Resources. Strengthening tribal gover-

nance and sovereignty is something each individual tribe works toward regularly. President Garcia iterates the importance of updating Tribes' codes and regulations to deal with the challenges of Oneida has a today. Legislative Reference Office that manages, codifies and publicizes Oneida's laws. The Operating Legislative Committee, consisting of the five elected Council members, manages the development and implementation of those laws.

In the State of Indian Nations Address, President Garcia highlighted the importance of education and how

essential it is for tribes to support teaching culture and language in their school systems. Oneida supports and believes in that philosophy and for more than a decade, Oneida has actively supported the integration of our culture and language into the everyday curriculum of the Oneida school system.

Another issue President

Garcia noted, is the need to increase awareness on public safety issues throughout Indian Country. According to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, an additional 2,000 officers across the country are needed in order to bring public safety to a level which can begin to show results to the public. Oneida has seen these challenges throughout the years and is continually working toward solutions to those challenges. Such solutions practiced by Oneida are the intergovernmental agreements with local law enforcement agencies and the counties. These types of agreements acknowledge the studious and professional contributions our Oneida law enforcement makes to the surrounding communities.

Health Care is another critical issue being addressed by leaders throughout Indian country. President Garcia points out that the Indian Health Care Improvement Act went to congress for re-authorization last year, but time ran out in the 109th legislative session and the act was not passed. This year Health Care remains on the agenda and will go to Congress again for consideration. This legislation is important, as it directly affects us here at home. Statistically the Bemidji area, which Oneida is a part of, receives the fewest federal health care dollars, even though we have the largest per capita of people compared to other regions throughout the country, so the passage of this act will be critical to the ongoing care for the people in our

On the subject of Economic Development, President Garcia noted that Indian country needs clear policies which respect and support tribal regulatory authority and selfgovernance. Clear policy will help ensure that tribal governments are included in their rightful place in business at the national level, including the Streamlines Sales and Use Tax agreement as well as other key business related leg-

Development of renewable energy to lessen our nation's dependence on foreign oil will be key in the Natural Resource area. President Garcia notes that Congress should adopt legislation that will create a "Production Tax Incentive" that will allow Indian tribes to develop alternative energy sources in an economically feasible man-

President Garcia expressed his wish to see Indian Country come together as "many tribes with one voice" to promote progress for our people. He pointed out that today, sixtyfour (64) Native Americans serve as state legislators in 14 states across the country. Oneida understands

importance of voting and doing all we can to increase native voter turnout. Oneida votes have made a difference in local elections and with spring elections just around the corner, we will once again be calling on our community to "Get Out the Vote."

2007 will be a year of challenges and opportunities. Indian Country is moving forward to address the matters of strengthening tribal governance, public safety, health care, education, economic development, and natural resource management which was outlined in the "The State of Indian Nations Address." I extend my appreciation to President Garcia for delivering his message to Congress and all of Indian Country and I am confident that Oneida will continue to rise to the challenge of managing issues in way that further solidifies and exercises our sovereignty.

Treasurer's Report

Greetings,

FY 2006 Budget

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2006 came to an end September 30th, 2006. The organization has closed out all expenses for the year and the annual audit has been completed.

I would like to congratulate all of the personnel that were involved in completing the audit for doing such a great job! Thank you! Your dedication and hard work is greatly appreciated! I know that it is always a challenging time during the audit process, but once again you have all worked together for a job well done. The Business Committee approved the Gaming portion of the audit on January 17th and is expected to approve the remainder of the audit on January 31.

FY 2007 Budget The FY2007 Budget was approved by General Tribal Council September 16, 2006. The first quarter of the fiscal year has closed and the organization is off to a good start with a positive variance. We are working on analyzing the first quarter performance and will present the Treasurer's Report to the Business Committee in upcoming

weeks. FY 2008 Budget With the FY 2006 closing and the audit being completed and FY 2007 underway, we are beginning to look at the development of the FY 2008 budget. At this time there are no targeted dates for the budgets to be complete. With the FY 2007 approval there was much discussion in regards to the involvement of the community in the development of the budget, we will be looking at how to incorporate this input in the beginning stages of the FY 2008 budget cycle.

Oneida Nation School

As many of you are aware, the Oneida Nation School Board made a decision to close the Oneida Nation High School during the week of January 22, 2007. The Oneida Nation High School was closed Monday and Tuesday for staff training and Wednesday through Friday to



Treasurer Mercie Danforth

allow students and staff to participate in Mid-Winter ceremonies. The Oneida Nation Elementary School was also c l o s e d Wednesday through Friday to support participation Midwinter cere-

monies. Winter ceremonies are a traditional time in which we recognize the new beginning of life and focus on renewal. There were many events that occurred to trigger this decision but the timing of an ending semester and mid-winter ceremonies provided the school system with a great opportunity to take a step back and refocus the students, administration and board in the mission of the Nation Oneida School System. Although Business Committee was not involved in the decision of the Oneida School Board, we have taken the role of supporting them and are grateful that they are taking such a proactive approach. Students were welcomed back to the Oneida Nation School System on Monday, January 29th with renewed commitment and focus on the mission and direction of the Oneida Nation School System. Although this time has allowed the Oneida Nation School System to begin fresh, it is just the beginning of what will require a lot of commitment and dedication from the staff, students, administration, board, the Oneida Nation, and the community to ensure the students and the school are receiving the support and encouragement they need to thrive. Thank you to the Oneida School Board, community, students, administration, and staff for your continued support and dedication to

outstanding youth. Your comments and questions are always encouraged and most welcome. We can not continue to improve without your input. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

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Yaw^ko Mercie L. Danforth

Legislative Update

Dear Oneida Community,

The Oneida Nation School System has been a topic of discussion in our community and in the media for the past few weeks due to the Oneida School Board making a decision to cancel classes the week of January 22-26, 2007. The decision rendered by the School Board was not based on any single incident occurring in the school system but due to a pattern of negative behaviors occurring over a extended period of time. The Talent Show being the most recent incident before occurred Christmas break was performed which was deemed inappropriate as it included vulgar language and other indicators which reflected a potential for more serious unacceptable activity.

That incident was the final red flag indicating it's time for the School Board to take measures addressing behaviors and reviewing the current environment of our school system. At this point, the School Board began hav-

discussions with various Tribal organizations, conducted investigations reviewed incidents from the high steered Board into comprehensively reviewing the current school's

policies procedures. Following the School Boards announcement which came at the end of the work week, allowed for the news media to specu-December of 2006. During late and begin airing misthe course of program, a skit leading information. As an They also reviewed the curaction step, the School Board and Business Committee called for a joint press conference to provide accurate information to the community. The School Board also held three parent meetings and I want to thank those parents and community members whom took the time to voice their concerns or perhaps just came to listen and understand. One of the

most interesting comments



Councilwoman Melinda Danforth

She expressed how she would like to see more parents community involved school events and just be their to support them. It was very evident, this is very important to our youth today.

received came

from a student.

Following the school closure, the first two days the staff met with a consultant to review concepts of team leadership, team building, and consensus building. rent policies/ procedures and the staff provided input in how they collectively could achieve maintaining a safe learning environment for the students. The actual redrafting of policy will take place over the course of the next few weeks. Finally, the remainder of the week off was provided so that students and their parents could attend and participate in Midwinter Ceremonies. This

is a time of renewed commitment to ourselves, our comand creation. Midwinter ceremonies were seen as a good time to allow for reflection, clearing of minds and a new beginning which will assist in making our educational system the best it can be. To compliment this renewed sense of fortitude, the Oneida community, School Board and Business Committee welcomed the students back to the school on Monday, January 29 with a welcoming ceremony and proclamation which is also included in this article. In conclusion, many steps were taken, many lessons were learned, and we do have many changes that still need to occur. With your continued support, I believe we are heading in the right direction as our children are our most valuable resource.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at 920-869-4461 or email me at mdanforj@oneidanation.org

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Oneida Nation School System Proclamation "KastastAsla"

Boarding schools, beginning in the late 1800's and public schools as recent as 50 years ago, restricted and hindered the learning of tribal traditions and culture in the classroom.

Today however, indigenous peoples' formal education venues which support and foster tribal values have only recently

The Oneida Community, the General Tribal Council and the Oneida Business Committee hold education in the highest regard. Education is a National Priority and a primary pillar in Oneida's philosophy.

Oneida's "Turtle School" opened its doors for the first time in 1995 and the Oneida High School followed in 1996. We understand the importance of teaching our traditions and culture, and have incorporated those teachings into our school system.

The teaching of Oneida's traditional value system emphasizes the importance of the family, the community and the Oneida culture, such as demonstrating respect for oneself, respect for each other and respect for creation.

A decade has passed since the Oneida Nation school first opened its doors and has grown into what it is today. That growth creates a need to revisit the Oneida teachings and philosophies that underscore our nation's core values since time immemorial.

We must nurture and support our youth in all they do, be it academic or social. We must support the educators entrusted to accomplish the goals placed before them, and we must acknowledge, reinforce and practice the educational mission and philosophy of the Oneida Nation School System.

As parents, as relatives, as students, as a community and as a government, we must do all that is within our power to ensure educational success for our youth; they are the future of the Oneida Nation.

Here after, we commit to revisiting the goals, the mission and the philosophy of the Oneida Nation School System in January of each year, so as to not forget what has brought us here today, and so that we look with certainty to a bright

Signed this 29th day of January, 2007 by:

Oneida Business Committee

Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting • December 20, 2006 **Business Committee Conference Room**

Present: Gerald Danforth-Chair, Kathy Hughes-Vice Chair, Mercie Danforth-Treasurer, Patty Hoeft-Secretary, King-Council member, Paul Ninham-Council member, Vince DelaRosa-Council member, Melinda J. Danforth-Council member and Edward Delgado-Council member.

Excused:

Others Present: Barbara Skenandore, Cletius Ninham, Noel Cleven, Jan Frion, Ron Green, Carol Silva, Wanda Diemel, Racquel Hill, Dottie Krull, Brenda John, Marton Antone, Gina Buenrostro, Katy Katch, Ron King, Judy Cornelius.

Opening Prayer: Oneida Singers Special Recognitions: - None

1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth

2. Oath of Office

ONVAC - Administered by Gerald Danforth Carol Silva and Cletus M. Ninham - PRESENT

Oneida Pow Wow Committee John Teller-NOT PRESENT

Miss Oneida Committee - Administered by Patty Hoeft Racquel Hill - PRESENT

<u>Audit Committee</u>

Karen Coffey - Administered by Patty Hoeft in the Secretary's

Oneida Child Protective Board

Beverly L. Skenandore – Administered by Patty Hoeft after Resolution was approved.

3. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Additions **b.** Deletions
- c. Moves

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the agenda with the addition of doing an Oath of Office regarding the Child Protective Board, Section 8.3; resolution in Executive Session, if adopted, will be discussed in open session, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Paul Ninham, Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Trish King, Kathy Hughes. Abstained: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.

4. Minutes to be Approved

Regular Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2006.

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the December 6, 2006 minutes, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unani-

Special Business Committee Meeting Minutes of December 13,

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Special meeting minutes of December 13, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Tabled Business 1. Chief Counsel

RE: Review of Fee To Trust MOU and any recommended changes

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to table the Fee to Trust MOU, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion

carried unanimously. Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to take this item from the table, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the FY2007-2008 Midwest Fee to Trust Consortium Memorandum of Understanding, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unani-

6. Reports-None

7. Travel Reports-None

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. General Manager **RE: Print Shop Recommendation**

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the next Business Committee Meeting of December 20, 2006, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Mercie Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth: Abstained: Trish King. Motion carried.

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to move the Print Shop recommendation to the Business Committee Planning meeting, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Trish King. Motion carried.

2. Patty Hoeft

RE: Draft Proposed BC Regular Meeting Procedure

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to next Business Committee meeting of December 20, 2006, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to delete the draft proposed Business Committee Regular Meeting Procedures from the agenda, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Gerald Danforth

RE: Oneida Child Protective Board Resolution 12-20-06 A

Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this resolution to the next Oneida Business Committee meeting, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to adopt resolution 12-20-06-A, appointing Beverly A. Skenandore to the Oneida Child Protective Board, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business:

a. Resolutions

1. Gerald Danforth RE: Endorsement of Ernie Stevens, Jr. as NIGA Chairman

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt resolution 12-20-06-B, endorsing Ernie Stevens, Jr. as NIGA Chairman, seconded by

Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously. 1. Fred Muscavitch RE: Rescinding Prior Resolution and Approving corrected Resolution -7-5-06-OO, 7-5-06PP, 7-5-06-RR,

12-7-05-S Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to rescind Fee to Trust resolu-

tions: Former John and Karen Binkowski Property, 7-06-06-OO; Former Gary E. Cornelius and Sharon R. House Property, 7-05-06-PP; Linsmeyer Property, 7-05-06-RR; and Gordon J. Roffers Property 12-07-05-S, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried

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Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve correcting resolutions for: Former John and Karen Binkowski Property, resolution 12-20-06-C; Former Gary E. Cornelius and Sharon R. House Property, resolution 12-20-06-D; Linsmeyer Property, resolution 12-20-06-E; and Gordon J. Roffers Property resolution 12-20-06-F, . seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously

b. Requests

unanimously.

RE: Letter of Support for Development 1. Marty Antone of a Joint Public Safety Facility

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the letter of support for the Development of a Joint Public Safety Facility, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft RE: VFW Building and Space Needs **Action:** Motion by Patty Hoeft to move the VFW building and space needs item to the March 2007 Business Committee Planning meeting and that the General Manager provide a report for that meeting that assesses the use and condition of the Robert Cornelius Post 7784 VFW building and the Tribe's Veterans Services current office space and proposes recommendation as to how to provide better space needs for all veterans in our community so that any recommendations can be considered in the FY2008 budget, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Patty Hoeft RE: Request for Special Meeting, January 17, 2007

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to schedule a Special Business Committee meeting regarding the GTC meeting on Proposed Elimination of Oneida Housing Authority's Community Program Area on January 17, 2007, at 5:00 p.m., due to lack of a December 4, 2006 GTC quorum, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Gerald Danforth RE: Recommendation for Oneida Personnel Commission

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the appointment of Brenda Skenandore to the Oneida Personnel Commission, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Gerald Danforth RE: Recommendation for Oneida Housing Authority Board

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve deferring the recommendation to the Oneida Housing Authority Board to the next Business Committee meeting, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Patty Hoeft RE: Cancellation of the January 3, 2007,

Oneida Business Committee Meeting

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to cancel the January 3, 2007 Regular Business Committee meeting to allow Business Committee members to attend the Inaugural Events in Washington, DC, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Travel Requests

1. Melinda J. Danforth/Paul Ninham

RE: Commissioner Certification Series March 25-28; May 8-9; June 12-13, 2007

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the travel request for the Commissioner Certification Series, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Patty Hoeft (BC) RE: Governor Doyle's Inaugural Event, Madison, January 3, 2007

Action: Motion by Trish King to approve Business Committee blanket travel and procedural exception if necessary, to attend Governor Doyle's Inaugural Event, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Mercie Danforth RE: Procedural Exception – Dynamic Planning & Budgeting – Putting Your Money Where Your Strategy is, February 6 - 8, 2007 (Accounting Department)

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the procedural exception travel request for Dynamic Planning & Budgeting Strategy, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Gerald Danforth, Paul Ninham RE: Retro Approval – Terra Madre Trip Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to retro approve the Terra Madre

Trip, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Kathy Hughes RE: Travel to H.O.N.O.R. Meeting, Minneapolis MN, January 4, 2007 Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the H.O.N.O.R

meeting travel request, seconded by Trish King. For: Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

6. Gerald Danforth, Paul Ninham

RE: Travel Approval to attend the Nancy Pelosi Inauguration, Washington D.C., January 3 & 4, 2007

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the travel request for Nancy Pelosi Inauguration, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Gerald Danforth RE: Travel Approval to attend the tribal leaders meeting "2006 Mid-Term Elections & What they Mean for Indian Country", San Diego, CA, January 7-9, 2007

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the travel request to attend the Tribal Leaders Meeting 2006 Mid-Term Elections and What They Mean for Indian Country, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

10.Finance Committee

Finance Committee Minutes of May 15, 2006 Finance Committee Minutes of June 23, 2006 Finance Committee Minutes of July 14, 2006

Finance Committee Minutes of August 11, 2006 Finance Committee Minutes of September 8, 2006

Finance Committee Minutes of November 17, 2006 Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Finance

Committee minutes of: May 15, 2006, June 23, 2006, July 14, 2006, August 11, 2006, September 8, 2006 and November 17, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)

1. For Consideration: LOC Minutes of November 20, 2006. **Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the LOC minutes of November 20, 2006, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

for Amendments to the Drug and Alcohol Free Work Place Policy. Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the Public Hearing

2. For Consideration: Public Hearing date of February 6, 2007

date of February 6, 2007 for Amendments to the Drug and Alcohol Free Work Place Policy, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3. For Consideration: Public Safety Pension Board Bylaws. **Action:** Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Public Safety Pension Board Bylaws, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Trish King, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado, Vince DelaRosa. Opposed: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.
- 4. For Consideration: Amendments to the Emergency Services Ordinance Resolution.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt resolution 12-20-06-G. amendments to the Emergency Services Ordinance, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Treasurer's Report - None

13. Oneida Business Committee Planning

Planning Committee Minutes from December 12, 2006 Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the December 12, 2006 Business Committee Planning minutes, seconded by Trish King. For: Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Ed Delgado. Motion carried. For the record, Ed Delgado abstained due to not attending meeting.

14. Executive Staff Meeting

Executive Staff Minutes from December 7, 2006

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the Executive Staff Minutes of December 7, 2006, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Paul Ninham, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.

For the record, Ed Delgado abstained due to not attending meeting.

15. Legislative Affairs Update

1. State Budget Presentation (Verbal Update) – FYI. Excerpt from December 6, 2006: Motion by Mercie Danforth to

defer the State Budget Presentation to the next Oneida Business Committee Meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously. Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the verbal update on the

State Budget Presentation as FYI, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

2. IRR Testimony - Retro Approval Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to table the IRR Testimony, second-

ed by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Local, Municipal & County Report - Approve Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Local, Municipal & County Report, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Executive Session

- a. Tabled Business None
- **b. Old Business** None
- c. New Business 1. Patty Hoeft
- **RE:** Records Management Restructure Proposal Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer this item to the January 17, 2007 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa.

For: Paul Ninham, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried. 2. Mike Olujic **RE:** Sixth Amendment to the 401K Plan Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adopt resolution 12-20-06-H, Sixth Amendment to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

Retirement Savings and 401K Plan and the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Plan, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried. 3. Mike Olujic **RE:** Welfare Benefit Plan Amendment

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adopt resolution 12-20-06-I, Pension Protection Act (PPA) compliance amendment to the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin Employee Welfare Benefits Plan, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Paul Ninham, Kathy Hughes, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion car-

4. Mike Olujic

RE: Request the Previous Action

Approving the Budget Modification Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to rescind the August 30, 2006 motion regarding Health Center Budget Modification for FY2006, seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Paul Ninham, Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion car-

d. Legislative Affairs Update - None

e. Attorney Brief

1. Filing for declaratory injunctive relief

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to accept the Filing for declaratory injunctive relief as FYI, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously. 2. Appeals Commission

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt resolution 12-20-06-J to

direct non-participation in Oneida Appeals Commission Docket # 06TC019 and direct the Chair to meet with CJO per the MOA to discuss this resolution and to schedule a GTC meeting at the earliest date possible to present this decision, seconded by Paul Ninham. For: Mercie Danforth, Melinda J. Danforth. Opposed: Vince DelaRosa,. Ed Delgado, Patty Hoeft. Motion carried.

See Page 8A

Business Committee Minutes

Business Committee Conference Room

Present: Gerald Danforth-Chair, Kathy Hughes-Vice Chair, Mercie Danforth-Treasurer, Patty Hoeft-Secretary, Trish King-Council member, Paul Ninham-Council member, and Melinda J. Danforth-Council members.

Excused: Vince DelaRosa, and Edward Delgado-Council members

Others Present: JoAnne House, Bill Gollnick.

1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth @ 8:35 a.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

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New York Development Agreement & Negotiation Team

Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the agenda, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Into Closed Session: 8:35 p.m. **Back in Regular Session:**

9:50 p.m.

3. Executive Session

a. New Business

1. Joanne House/Bill Gollnick RE: Review of Development

Agreement Recommendations

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept update from negotiation team to move forward, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Gerald Danforth RE: Designation of Negotiation Team Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept recommendations from the negotiation team to consist of the Vice Chairwoman, Chief of Staff and Chief Counsel, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

For the Record: Trish King arrived at 8:49 p.m.

Recess/Adjourn

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to adjourn, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

> Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Oneida Business Committee Special Meeting Executive Session • December 29, 2006 **Re: New York Development Agreement Resolution** NHC

Present: Gerald Danforth-Chair, Kathy Hughes-Vice Chair, Patty Hoeft-Secretary, Paul Ninham, Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, and Edward Delgado-Council members. Excused: Mercie Danforth, Treasurer, Trish King, Council member

Others Present: JoAnne House, Bill Gollnick, Mike Olujic.

1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth @ 11:06 a.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda: New York Development Agreement Resolution

Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to approve the agenda, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Into Closed Session:

Back in Regular Session:

11:07 p.m. 12:00 p.m.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to recess until 3 p.m. today, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Call to Order by Gerald Danforth @ 3:05 p.m.

Excused: Mercie Danforth, Treasurer, Trish King, Melinda J. Danforth, and Paul Ninham, Council members.

Into Closed Session:

Back in Regular Session: 3:26 p.m.

New York Development Agreement Resolution

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to approve the New York Development Agreement Resolution 12-29-06-A with corrections, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously. For the Record: Vince DelaRosa said he approved the resolution with

necessary technical corrections to ensure that the tribe is in compliance with NIGC requirements.

Recess/Adjourn:

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adjourn, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

> Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Oneida Business Committee Minutes Special Meeting

December 13, 2006 • 1:30 p.m. **Business Committee Conference Room**

Present: Gerald Danforth-Chair, Kathy Hughes-Vice Chair, Mercie Danforth-Treasurer, Patty Hoeft-Secretary, Trish King, Paul Ninham, Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, and Edward Delgado-Council members.

Others Present: JoAnne House, Peggy Schneider.

1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth @ 1:35 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda: Appeals Commission Cases Action: Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the agenda, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

Into Closed Session:

1:35 p.m.

Back in Regular Session:

3:40 p.m.

3. Executive Session

a. New Business

RE: RAppeals Commission Cases 1. Gerald Danforth **Action:** Motion by Vince DelaRosa to direct the Law Office to bring back recommendations at the Attorney Brief on Wednesday, December 20, 2006, seconded by Paul Ninham. Abstained: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.

For the Record: Ed Delgado abstained due to arriving at 2:45 p.m.

Recess/Adjourn: 3:43 p.m.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adjourn, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

> Approved on: December 20, 2006 Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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Submitted by Tana Aguirre

Local Government Liaison

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> Why Your Vote is **Important**

Oneida citizens, Oneida employees and the Oneida Community in general, are at a critical turning point. For too many years, we have faced attack after attack on our sovereign rights, some subtle, some unwittingly and some deliberate. Today we

are faced with a broader more complex set of circumstances than ever before. The situation today demands an Oneida presence at local, state and national arenas. Serious questions loom about our economic and cultural well being for the years to come. Will we be able to continue to govern our own communities, making decisions to best serve the needs of our people? Will we have vital governmental services,

healthy communities and people, with strong and proud cultural roots?

The time has come for us put the power of the ballot democracy's true trump card - to work for the Oneida Nation citizens, employees and community at large by electing those individuals who will work cooperatively with the Oneida Nation leaders, and also respect the inherent SOVEREIGN rights of the Oneida Nation.

From Page 1A/Seymour Referendum

Schenk.

The proposed \$9.9 million project would expand the west wing of Rockledge to house kindergarten through second grade classes. It would also update the heating and ventilation at both schools.

"Rockledge is 37 years old, Black Creek is 50, they're both in need of some

renovation and upgrades," said Schenk.

The second part of the referendum would increase the school district budget by \$150,000 a year to accommodate operational and maintenance costs of the expanded space.

If the referendum were to pass, construction could begin immediately, wrapping

bility of management and

oversight of the Oneida

Nation School System.

up ideally before the fall session of 2007.

Eligible voters living in the Seymour School District can vote in the February referendum. According to Schenk, 139 Native American students make up 20% of the Rockledge population.

Letters...

Oneida Nation School Board stands by decision to close schools

The events over the past several weeks have been both trying and difficult as the Oneida Nation School Board was faced with some very difficult decisions - decisions which the Board as a whole felt were made with the best interest of the school, the staff, and the community at heart. Speculation continues whether the decision of the Board was based solely on the incidents of the videotape of the talent show or other incidents, which contributed to our decision! However, our decision to close the High School was based not just on this one incident but an even greater concern for the overall long term safety, security and stability of the school system.

The Board has consistently remained committed to improving school performance expectations and the need to for the School System to grow in a more positive direction - One of placing the school system at the "center" of our community. As a Board, we have labored many long hours in discussion of how to make our school the learning system of choice for our children by embracing the guiding principle that all young people have limitless potential and opportunity! We took this action based upon our own mission statement, which states that:

"The Oneida Nation School System upholds this philosophy through implementation of the highest standards of excellence in academics, culture, and an integrated, holistic, collaborative approach to life long learning for the individual student, community family, Nation" Our decision, reached col-

lectively by the School Board, was based upon these principles which each of us have committed to. The events surrounding

the decision were based on This has been and continseveral factors, not just a ues to be an opportunity for video performance! The each and every one of us video and the events surwithin the school system and rounding how the video surour entire community to look faced raised several other to the future and move our concerns which the Board Educational system in a posihad to address and raised tive direction! As a Board, several "red flags"! we cannot do this alone but Basically, the main focus on are challenging each and every one of you to assist us consistency within school system. In review of in shaping the future of our the situation, the Board recschool system and ultimately ognized the fact that there our community. were glaring weaknesses within our school has been within our system, which embraced and must be required immediate action to embraced by our community assure the security and safety of our entire school system. We did take into consideration the recent national and local media focus on increased violence within many schools. Although an immediate threat to the safety of our students and staff was not an issue, the "perception" that there was a threat

by some people within our

community existed and this

had to be dealt with! The fact

that individuals within the

community felt that process-

es did not have to be fol-

lowed by NOT bringing their

concerns directly to the

school board was also a fac-

tor which had to be

addressed! However, the

Board felt that BEFORE the

situation grew worse, we

needed to take action

whether drastic or not, it was

an opportunity to bring

everyone - students, staff,

parents, and community

together to refocus and read-

dress the direction our school

system was headed and to

turn the situation positive!

As a Board, we did not want

to be in a position to be asked

later, "we could have, we

should have or why didn't

we" if a tragic situation were

to have occurred! We felt our

actions were warranted based

upon the General Tribal

Council who elected each of

us as board members and

charged us with the responsi-

The Oneida Nation School **Board**

Member supports school board

To whom it may Concern,

Because of the recent events of the closing of the school January 22-26, 2007. It is very unfortunate that

this happened in the first place, but it did. It's sad! Maybe it was good that the school board decided to close the school, and maybe not. Time will tell. We don't want an incident to occur like the one on the Red Lake Reservation in Minnesota to happen here. I'll probably get repercussions from stating my opinion, but that's ok. People, don't take this lightly! This is serious!

> Bruce King Enrollment #3105



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Next Regular Business Committee Meeting...

Wednesday • February 14, 2007 • 9:00 A.M. **Business Committee Conference Room**

Norbert Hill Center • 2nd Floor

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) -Charges will not be filed against University of Illinois students accused of threatening an American Indian student on a Web page devoted to the school's Chief Illiniwek mascot, police and a prosecutor said Monday.

University police investigating the threats made late last year on a Web page dedicated to the mascot on the social-networking Web site Facebook had earlier this month asked the Champaign County State's Attorney's Office to evaluate the case.

"Our opinion is there are no charges to be filed," State's Attorney Julia Rietz said.

One posting on the Chief Illiniwek-related Web page included a posting that read "I say we throw a tomahawk into her face," in reference to the American Indian student.

To merit criminal charges, such a threat would have to have been made directly to the student - via an e-mail message to her, for instance rather than in a forum that amounts to conversation,

Facebook is restricted to users with university e-mail addresses.

The students who made the posts still face possible discipline through the university, Assistant Chief of Police Jeffrey Christensen said.

Citing student confidentiality, Dean of Students William Riley would only say that the cases had been referred to a discipline committee made up of faculty and students. The committee, he said, "would have heard it by now and ren-

The school has said at least three students are believed to have been involved but hasn't identified them.

In addition to the reference to the American Indian student, at least one other student wrote on the Facebook page that "... i hate redskins and hope all those drunk casino owning bums die."

The page, before it was taken off line, was titled "If They Get Rid of the Chief I'm Becoming a Racist."

Another Facebook page,

Plain and Simple," contains language inflammatory directed toward Chief Illiniwek. A post written by one student last month mentioned shooting the mascot

with a revolver. No criminal complaints have been filed about that page, Christensen said.

Chief Illiniwek, portrayed by a student, has performed at Illini sports events for 81

Opponents call the chief and other American Indian teams offensive, while supporters defend the mascot's use as a way of honoring American Indians.

The NCAA has barred Illinois from hosting postseason sports since 2005, deeming Illiniwek and his dance a "hostile and abusive" use of American Indian imagery.

University Board of Trustees Chairman Lawrence C. Eppley said last week that the board will decide this year whether to continue using the

From Page 4A/OTJS Defined

Currently, the trial court is comprised of the following five judicial officers: Mary Adams, Anita Barber, Robert Christjohn, Gerald Cornelius and Leland Wigg-Ninham. Once Gary Jordan completes his judicial training he will begin serving on the trial court and Anita Barber will advance to the appellate court.

The original hearing body of the judicial system utilizes rules of civil procedure and consists of three judicial offi-

The original hearing body adjudicates cases concerning Indian preference, tribal elections, gaming, housing, tribal debt and contract issues.

Appellate Body

The Oneida Tribal Judicial System appellate body consists of the following five Judicial Officers: Janice McLester, Dorothy Ninham, Lois Powless, Winnifred Thomas and Jennifer Webster. The appellate body is authorized to review the decisions of any lower hearing body in the Oneida Judicial System.

Review of a lower decision means that the OTJS will examine the written decisions of lower hearing bodies, the record of the contested case and the laws involved that provide the basis for the original hearing body's decision.

The appellate body will examine the decision and record to make sure that the lower hearing body's findings of fact are supported by the record and that the lower hearing body properly interpreted the applicable law to the case.

The appellate body may affirm, reverse, or modify the decision or remand the case back to the lower hearing body for a new hearing on any or all of the issues that the contested case presented. This appellate body has adjudicated cases concerning employment, Indian preference, tribal enrollment, contract enforcement, housing, and tribal elections.

Jurisdiction

Note: Discussion of any legal issue in this article is for the purpose of informing the public about general principles of common legal issues. These comments should not be considered to be the opinion or legal position of the OTJS. This discussion is for general informational purposes only.

Jurisdiction refers to the power of the court to hear cases. It is among the first questions that must be answered before a case can progress beyond its initial proceedings. If the court does not have jurisdiction, or the power to hear the case, then the case will be dismissed. Generally speaking, there are two forms of jurisdiction. The first is personal jurisdiction, the second is subject matter jurisdiction.

to the power of a court over a Law. particular person. This juris- • The Coming Together of diction is typically based upon residency or activities in the court's territory by the person over whom jurisdiction is

sought. The territory of the Oneida Nation consists of the area within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Reservation.

Subject matter jurisdiction refers to a court's power to hear a specific type of case, or a case that raises a particular issue. Most state courts have general subject matter jurisdiction. The OTJS's subject matter jurisdiction is defined the Administrative Procedures Act, Resolution 8-19-91-A and its addendum. and the tribe's laws.

Federal courts, and administrative or agency hearing bodies have limited subject matter jurisdiction. For example, the Oneida Personnel Commission is what would be considered an administrative or agency hearing body. The type of case that can be heard before the Personnel Commission is limited to employment related contested cases. Federal courts are usually limited to hearing cases that raise a federal question or involves diversity, which means that the parties to the case are from different states and have a dispute that exceeds \$50,000.00 in dam-

Upcoming Conferences

The following are some of the many upcoming confer-Personal jurisdiction refers ences that relate to Indian

- Peoples Conference: Madison Wisconsin, 23-24, 2007. February Sponsored by the Native American Law School Association, University of Wisconsin Law School.
- Federal Bar Association Indian Law Conference: Albuquerque, New Mexico April 2007.

Spitzer reimburses donor \$110,000 for fundraising, travel costs cost of flights, hotel and car

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) -Gov. Eliot Spitzer's campaign returned about \$110,000 to a contributor who is part of a group bidding for the state's lucrative thoroughbred racing

A filing with the state Board of Elections shows Spitzer's campaign reimbursed \$52,579 to SG Management, a company run by casino developer Richard Fields. The money paid for the costs of a July 18 fundraiser thrown for Spitzer at Fields' home in Jackson Hole, Wyo.

Spitzer sent payments of \$51,292 and \$4,610 to another Fields-controlled company, Coastal Development, for the expenses. He also reimbursed Coastal Protective Service \$1,491 for security at the Wyoming fundraiser, the Times Union of Albany reported Thursday.

Fields was reimbursed because his companies exceeded the \$50,100 limit on individual donations allowed under state law, spokeswoman Christine Anderson said Thursday.

In November, a state racing committee recommended awarding the thoroughbred franchise to Excelsior Racing Associates, a group headed by New York Yankees partner Steve Swindal and Fields.

Last summer, Republican

candidate for governor John Faso accused Spitzer of a conflict of interest for taking campaign contributions from Fields because he was also representing the Wisconsin Oneida Indian tribe.

Spitzer, as state attorney general, was defending the state against the tribe's effort to secure ancestral land in New York. The tribe hopes to build a casino in the state. In 2005, Spitzer's running

mate, now Lt. Gov. David Paterson, accepted a flight from Westchester County to Albany from Fields. Paterson had to pay Fields \$4,500 last year after originally paying

Fields agreed to pay a

From Page 1A/Indian Health access

If you don't give people the opportunity to move up and out of poverty with a good job that pays well, what's going to happen is that poverty will continue to be pervasive."

- Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D.

Indian reservations."

The committee approved the nomination last year but it never moved to the Senate floor because of an unidentified Republican senator who used a procedural move to block it.

Dorgan said the committee also will push initiatives to help the many Indians who suffer from diabetes, and to curb teen violence and boredom on reservations.

The committee also will be saddled with looking for ways to settle a 10-year-old classaction lawsuit against the Interior Department. A group of Indians accuses the government of mismanaging

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more than \$100 billion in oil, gas, timber and other royalties from Indian lands, dating to

Dorgan and the previous committee chairman, Sen. John McCain, R-Arizona, introduced legislation last session to try to settle the dispute. But all sides still have not come to agreement.

Dorgan said he has talked to Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne about the lawsuit and is waiting for the department to send the committee a

proposed settlement estimate. "I would hope if there's a way to settle this between the plaintiffs and the government out of court and get it behind

us, I would hope we would do that," Dorgan said.

Wyoming Sen. Craig Thomas, the top Republican on the committee, has less enthusiasm for a congressional role in the dispute.

"It's pretty much up to the tribes and the administration," he said. "I don't think it ought to be up to us to decide how it

happens." Thomas said economic development on traditionally poor reservations will be his top priority. Both Dorgan and Thomas said they would like to convene an economic policy conference to figure out better ways to bring jobs to

"Some of the highest rates of unemployment are on Indian reservations," Dorgan said. "If you don't give people the opportunity to move up and out of poverty with a good job that pays well, what's going to happen is that poverty will continue to be

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Trumpeting the Stone by Brent Michael Davids A Trumpet Concerto written for Oneida trumpet player, Christopher Moore.

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The Oneida Nation Arts Program is seeking 40+ singers to perform Trumpeting the Stone with the Green Bay Civic Symphony. If you are a hymn singer or a singer interested in learning how to hymn sing, please come.

To find out more about the event: Sunday, February 18 at Parish Hall from 3:00 - 4:00 pm

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South Eastern Oneida Tribal Services News

M-T-W-TH-F: 8-4:30PM

Call for hour availability on the weekend, 384-7740



Monthly **C**alendar

Special Events... in March

State of the Tribes Van Trip - The State Capitol in <u>Madison</u>

Van trip to Madison to hear our Native Representatives address current issues to the Wisconsin State Senators, Assembly, Governor Jim Doyle and the Public.

Room for 10 - Please call ASAP to reserve your seat - You must sign up. Date: Thursday, March 1st, Time: Van will leave at

8:00am - Will return by 2:00pm, Cost: Money for lunch <u>Meeting with Councilman Vince DelaRosa</u>

Date: Saturday, March 3rd, Time: 10:00am, Place: Seots <u>Dance Class</u> Learn pow-wow dance! All ages are welcome! (Children must

be accompanied with a parent) Date: Thursday, March 8th, Time: 6:30pm, Place: Seots

Workshop on First Aid and Essential Oils

Explore the potential use of essential oils!

Date: Sunday, March 11th, Time: 1pm, Place: Seots

Contact List for Seots Seots Board would like the community to sign up on a contact

mailing list. This would help the office to inform you of any changes and or short notices for meetings and classes etc. Please call Seots at 414-384-7740 <u> Its Your Choice Program for Teens - Reading "The Giver"</u>

(Program for enhancing reading skills, home-work help, developing leadership skills, making healthy choices and also extracurricular activities. Incentives will be provided for attendance along with evening meals and bus tickets to attend) Please call the We Indians program for sign-up 304-6111

Date: Thurs, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Time: 4-6pm, Place: Seots

Craft: Beginning Sewing - Project will be a Pillow with

Cost: \$5.00 for Supplies, Time: 6 - 8pm, Place: Seots

Cultural Heritage with Randy Cornelius

Date: Thursday, March 15th - Topic: "Ohki=we - Feast for our Ancestors". Time: 6 - 8pm, Place: Seots

Diabetes Support Group

Date: March, Time: 10:30-12:00 - Lunch will be served

Place: Seots - RSVP - 384-7740

Attention:

Kalihwisaks

The SEOTS office will no longer be open on Saturdays except for Oneida Language Classes. Beginners- 9 am, Advanced - 10 am

SEOTS Mission...

Our mission is to provide for the well-being of On yote? a ka in southeastern Wisconsin; preserving our culture and environment for the next seven generations.

The Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! Check your Kalihwisaks for **SEOTS** *News* once a month for a listing of events. The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

For Your Information...

Housing Information

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

FYI - Sweat Lodge

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

Attention all Community Members----

One of our young community members is in need of a kidney transplant. Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. Its possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at (414)385-2550. Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who knows you may be a match?

Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers. Information around the city

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

Pow Wow AA Group - All Welcome - Thursday's - 8:00pm, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 383-9526

Domestic Violence - Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132/Ext.153

Urban Circle of Voices - Milwaukee's Native American Newspaper: 643-5510 - Vicky Rank Interfaith Program for the Elderly - Meals on Monday and Friday -11:30am , 631 N. 19th St. - First Friday of the month at 5pm.

Special Notice -- Be sure to check your Kalihwisaks

Regular Events...

Oneida Singers

Date: Mondays, March 5,12,19 & 26th, Time: 6:30pm Place: Seots - Contact person John House (414) 443-0301 Oneida Language Class

Date: Saturdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31St

Time: Beginners & 10:00 Advanced

<u> Veterans Walk-in with Rodney Pearsall - Benefits</u> <u>Specialist</u>

Date: Tuesday, March 6, Time: 10:00 - 1:00pm, Veteran's contact person for Color Guard - Leon House (414) 543-1622 Circle of Healing Group Information

Please Call Rodney Pearsall for registration, information, and time of meeting, Rodney Pearsall - Milwaukee Vets Center -414-536-1301. Meeting will be held at SEOTS. **Computer Lab**

Open Daily for use (unless reserved for class) <u>Mairn Meeting</u>

Date: Wednesday, March 28, Time: 12:00 - 2:00pm,

Place: Ignace Indian Health Ctr. 1711 S. 11th St. The Gathering Place

Seots Board Meeting

Date: Tuesday, March 13 & 27th, Time: 6:00pm

Van Trip

Date: Wednesday, March 21st, Time: Departs Seots at 8am and returns by 6:00pm

Med Pick-up

Dates: Wednesday, March 7, 14, 21, 28th

MEDICATION MUST BE CALLED IN THE FRIDAY

BEFORE THE WEDNESDAY PICK-UP

Oneida Nation Community Education Center Classes

By Bob O'Donnell

Oneida Nation Community Education Center has announced their February schedule of computer and business classes. Classes are free for all tribal members and employees, and held at

our location at 2632 South

Packerland Drive.

In addition to introductory and advanced training in Microsoft Office, Corel WordPerfect Office and other software programs, the Community Education Center also offers classes for those new to computers or who would like to learn more using computers at work or

"Computer for Beginners" class begins on Monday, February 5. This three-session class provides those who have little or no prior knowledge with a basic understanding of how to use computers. A class on improving typing skills will begin on Tuesday, January 30.

July 4, 2007 ★

July 18, 2007

★ Holiday

their typing skills or speed can participate in the class or work at their own pace using the award-winning Mavis Beacon training software.

February, Community Education Center will offer two classes entitled "Introduction to Microsoft Windows XP." There will be a morning class starting Wednesday, February 14, and an evening class starting on Monday, February 12. For wishing to learn more about how to use the Internet at home or work, there will classes entitled "Introduction Microsoft Internet Explorer" starting February 6 and March 1.

To learn more about word processing, there will be a three-session class Microsoft Word beginning on February 13 and a six-session class on Corel WordPerfect is scheduled to begin on February 5. Both classes will provide students with an understanding how to use

Those wishing to improve computers to type letters,

resumes, reports and more. Beginning on Monday, February 5, the Center will offer a three-session introductory class on Microsoft Excel the and six-session class on Corel Ouattro Pro. A two-week. eight-session class on Intuit QuickBooks software for small business accounting is scheduled to begin on Monday, February 19.

Also in February, the Community Education Center will offer classes on Adobe Microsoft Photoshop, PowerPoint, Corel Presentations, Microsoft FrontPage, Corel Paradox and Microsoft Access. In addition to regular classes, one-on-one training and assistance is available by appointment during our regular business hours.

Oneida The Nation Community Education Center is open Monday thru Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Friday. On Saturdays, the Center is open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. For more information on computer classes or assistance, contact the Oneida Community Education Center at 496-

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Update information with Elderly Services

Submitted Claudia Skenandore

Oneida Elderl Services

Calling all Elders - please update your contact information at Oneida Enrollment Department and Oneida Elderly Services.

Oneida Elderly Services:

Every DRUMS issue features an Elderly Services Database form on the last page or feel free to call us to have a form mailed to you. Our phone number is (920) 869-2448 or 1-800-567-1551. We use this form for our birthday listings in each DRUMS.

Oneida **Enrollment Department:**

Included in this issue is an Enrolled Member Address Update form. If your mailing information has changed, please complete this form and return to the Enrollment Department. You can also obtain a form by calling the Enrollment Department at (920) 869-6200, (920) 869-2083 or 1-800-571-9902 to have a form mailed to you, or go to the following website http://enrollment.oneidanation.org

FOR YOUR **INFORMA-**TION:

1.Confidentiality is essential to both our programs, therefore, we cannot share this information between programs without written consent from the member.

2. Our DRUMS newsletter is

becoming very costly. For this reason we have changed to black and white print. Your donation to our DRUMS would be very appreciated, however, we are gladly continuing this service free of charge for all of our elders.

- 3. If your address is current and you would like to add your name to the DRUMS DISTRI-BUTION list, please call the Enrollment Department. They will ask for your name, address and either your date of birth or enrollment number. If your address has CHANGED - the Enrolled Member Address Update form will need to be completed, signed and returned to the Enrollment Department first.
- 4. If the DRUMS is returned to the Enrollment Department with a "wrong address" - this members name is removed from ALL Enrollment Department mailing lists.
- 5. Enrolled Member Address Update has a specific box to check, if you would like to receive the DRUMS. Please check this box to be added to the DRUMS mailing list. Failure to check this box will result in your name being removed from the mailing list.

Thank you from Oneida Elderly Services and Oneida Enrollment Department.

Oneida Business Committee February 14, 2007 August 1, 2007 February 28, 2007 August 15, 2007 March 14, 2007 August 29, 2007 March 28, 2007 September 12, 2007 September 26, 2007 April 11, 2007 April 25, 2007 October 10, 2007 May 9, 2007 October 24, 2007

2007 Meetings

May 23, 2007 June 6, 2007 June 20, 2007

November 7, 2007 November 21, 2007 December 5, 2007 December 19, 2007 January 2, 2008

'Honor Song!" at Milwaukee Repertory Theater

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"Honor Song!, The Dr. Rosa Minoka-Hill Story" was written by Oneida Nation member and grandaughter of Minoka-Hill Carol O. Smart.

Take a journey through the life and times of Dr. Rosa Minoka-Hill, Wisconsin's first Native American medical doctor. Laurie Birmingham, Milwaukee Repertory Theater

veteran, will perform this inspiring homage to one woman's indomitable spirit. Tickets include homemade Native American desserts and coffee after the show!

Enjoyed most by those ages 12 and up.

The shows begin Thursday, February 1 and end Sunday, February 11.

Shows held Thursday through Saturday start at 7:30pm.

Matinees are held on Sunday, February 4 and Sunday, February 11 at 2:00

- -\$18/reg; \$16/students, seniors (60+), groups of 10 or more
- -Exchanges upon availabil-

ity. Reservations highly recommended For tickets call: 414-444-

All performances at the Brumder Mansion located at 3046 W. Wisconsin Avenue.

For more information, go to www.intandemtheatre.com

Partners in Education **Prom Fashion Show**

Submitted by Nancy Schopf

Vice President-Education & Leadership

Raises Funds for Parent Network Post-**Prom Parties**

Partners in Education Prom Fashion Show featuring Trunk Show from Chicago DuBois hosted by Formalwear and Elaine's will be Sunday, February 18, at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center. Doors open at 2:00 p.m., with the fashion show from 3:00-4:30

Dresses and tuxedos will be modeled by high school students from the ten area school districts. Funds raised from the event will help sponsor post-prom parties hosted by parent networks at area high schools. There is a \$5 cover charge, which includes refreshments, show, door prizes, and give aways. Tickets are available at DuBois, Elaines, Radisson Hotel, Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, and at the door.

In addition to the Chicago Trunk Show, other vendors will be showcasing prom

related accessories and ser-Vendors include: Yikes Hair Salon, Flowerama, Sassy Girl, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Elite Music Service, Balloons by Us, Lamers, Tranquility Spa, Jo to Chamberlain Photography, Radisson Conference Center, and more.

Drug Alliance, a program of Partners in Education, is a coalition of schools, agencies, and businesses in the Greater Green Bay Area working to address underage drinking and drug abuse in our community. Partners in Education Drug Alliance raises funds to help sponsor alcohol-free safe, fun parties for our teens following prom and gradua-

NOTE: The week of the show, student models and committee representatives are available to appear on morning and noon news shows.

For more details about Partners in Education activities and the Drug Alliance Prom Fashion Show`, contact Nancy Schopf, Vice President - Education & Leadership, Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, 437-8704 or schopf@titletown.org <mailto:schopf@titletown.org>.

Traveling Exhibit at Appleton Library

Beginning February 1st, "Bittersweet Winds", a traveling exhibit on Native American imagery will be on display at the Appleton Library. The exhibit will run the whole month of February and is presented by, "Changing Winds Advocacy Center" based in Fairfield,

With just over 100 items including photos, crafts and items used by schools, colleges and major merchandising forms of marketing, "Bittersweet Winds" brings to life, "The good, the bad and the ugly", of using Native American images, in the words of Richie Plass, Board member of Changing Winds.

"Since the time of Europeans landing on the eastern shores of the United States, names and images of Native Americans have been used in both positive and negative forms. 'Bittersweet Winds' is just one form of education on this part of American history."

On February 1st at 6:30 pm, there will be presentations from various people on the exhibit, education and meaning of this process. Even though there are still many schools in Wisconsin who still use names and images of Native Americans, the State has given directions to schools to change the names because of the negative effects. The NCAA has mandated several schools across the United States to change their names, and not all schools have complied.

"Bittersweet Winds" should be seen by everyone to get a real feel of what still goes on today, not only in America but even here in Wisconsin. Richie Plass will be on-site one day a week while the exhibit is in Appleton and also is available for on-site visits to schools and colleges.

To learn more about Changing Winds and the exhibit, please go to: www.changingwinds.org

Flap Jack Flippin' Larry is back! Saturday • March 24th, 2007 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the Parish Hall

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Remembering Gerald Ford

By Nick Cantu

ONHS junior

Gerald Ford, the 38th U.S. President who died on December 26, was certainly a first. He was the only Vice President chosen under the terms of the Twenty-Fifth Amendment and, in the aftermath of the Watergate scandal, succeeded the first President ever to resign.

Ford was quite an athlete. He grew up to be an outstanding football player. He was captain of his high school

team and then played at the and stayed there for twenty-University of Michigan. At Yale University, where he attended law school, he worked on the side as a football coach.

In World War II, he served as a combat officer.

When Ford was younger he said he wanted to become president and as he grew up, he work hard in social studies and history classes. Then, one day, he happened to follow through with his dream.

He started off in Congress

five years. He became House Minority Leader. He served as president from 1974-1977.

Ford's first major action as president was also his most controversial. In September 1974, Ford pardoned Nixon for all crimes that he may have committed during his presidency. The move was very unpopular.

President Ford also offered to all the draft evaders and deserters from Vietnam conditional amnesty.



ONHS math teacher Lisa Zdrazil works with seniors Crystal Metoxen and Shakira Stevens. In the background are seniors Eddie Metoxen and Freddie Hernandez. Second semester started on Monday, January 29.

JV team done for the season

By Randall Danforth ONHS junior

basketball, at least in terms of putting a varsity and JV team on the floor, has come to an

It's a continuous problem for a small school like ours. You barely have enough players and the team rests on the

shoulders of each and every one. We only had five players What started off as a on the JV squad to begin with. promising season for boys Two players quit and head coach Scott Murray called the season over.

A WIAA rule says that you can only five quarters playing time, so a player played on both JV and varsity, they could only play one quarter

on varsity.

The varsity team will continue through the season with eleven players with three or four players moving up from the JV team. But the JV players will obviously see less playing time while gaining experience for next year.

- Willy? Johnny une, Patsy

"Ring of Fire" and "Crazy" Part of the semester exam in journalism was some onthe-spot review writing. But the reviews were a little bit different. Here's the who, what, when, where, why and

Everyone has heard Johnny Cash sing "Ring of Fire." Everyone has heard Patsy Cline sing "Crazy." What most people don't know, however, is that those songs were both written by someone else. "Ring of Fire" was originally written and performed by Cash's wife, June Carter Cash. "Crazy" was originally written and performed by Willie Nelson.

We listened to the originals, side-by-side with the more famous versions and reviewed the different versions. Here are a few of the student's thoughts:

"Ring of Fire" - Johnny or June?

Comparing it to the version of Johnny Cash, I think that her's wasn't very good. She should not have sang the song. The words of the song

were meant for a guy. There was a little Mexican beat going to Johnny Cash's

version and the one to June's was just too plain.

I think that I didn't like it because I have never heard of it before. And that goes for the rest of the people that don't don't like it. They have grown up to Johnny Cash's version.

– Brett Metoxen "Crazy" - Patsy or Wille?

I think that the song "Crazy" is a very good song. I personally like it better when Patsy Cline sings it.

I think Willie Nelson doesn't sound good at all when he sings it. Even though Willie is the original songwriter and performer, Patsy still sounds better. Girls usually do sound better than guys anyways so it doesn't surprise me that she sings better. - Debbie Santiago

The vibe that I get from the girl version of the song 'Crazy," is that it was meant to be sung by a woman. Willie just isn't making it

in this one. Yes, he is one of the best. But this song just wasn't for him.

It probably would have sounded better if Elvis had sang it from the guy's point of

I guess I can cut to the point. I didn't like it.

The song was tiring and it was too slow for the type of classic music I listen to. - Brett Metoxen

"Crazy" - Patsy Cline

The song "Crazy" written by Willie Nelson, but sung by Patsy Cline was a great hit in 1961. Willie Nelson was mostly a songwriter from 1960-1966. When he wrote this song, it was meant for Billy Walker to sing, but he rejected it and so Patsy Cline picked it up and made it a hit. With this songs success, it helped launch Nelson as a performer as well as a songwriter.

I like the way both of them sing the song. I don't have a favorite on this song. Cline showed of her vocal talent perfectly and widened the crossover audience she had established with the complex melody. The lyrics in the song, describe the singer's state of bemusement at the singer's own helpless love the object of his affection.

There was a different title for the song, but Willie said it

was "stupid." - Twyla Danforth

Four and a half years at ONHS

By John Christjohn, III ONHS senior

Well, I guess I had some good years of high school, beside the fact I was here for an extra year. Coming back was my decision, because I just thought I would be kind of a dolt to drop out my senior year when I only need 3 credits.

Smart, I know. You're probably asking if that's so smart why am I still here for an extra year, and I'll say "Because I got lazy." Yeah, I didn't do anything for my Sophomore and Junior year. I should have not been messing those two years because it affected my sports and I which now like every person says that they wish they could start over those two years so I could play sports.

Well, past is past and you can only work on making a future. So, that's what im doing.

I start college next fall. I got accepted into Orange County, California. I'm also working on getting a job so I can save up for the trip, and maybe I'll save up enough money to pay for my own tuition. That would be sweet.

Well, that's it about me bye now. So long, ONHS!

Super **Bowl**

By Randall Danforth

We'll take the Colts in this one. Like a lot of NFL games, this one is going to come down to a tale of quarterbacks. Peyton Manning is too good not to win and Rex Grossman isn't good enough. Sorry, Bear fans.

Grossman seems calm enough in interviews, but on the field it's a different story. And in a high pressure game like this, it comes down to mistakes by your quarterback. If he's the nervous type, you're in for a long day.

The Bears' defense has no room for mistakes. If they show even a sliver of an opening, Manning will exploit it. As good as they are, they're going to have to carry the day because their offense won't.

Final score: 21-17. It won't be as close as this score suggests, the Bears will pick up a few "gimme" points at the

The Creator made life

By Andrew Sitting Bear ONHS senior

At Mid-winter ceremonies last week, I listened to the speakers: Bob Brown, Leander Danforth and Sonny

They were speaking about the Creator.

The speakers talked about how the Creator put life on the earth.

The life put on the earth by the Creator is good life

Becky responds to new rules

By Douglas Reed **ONHS Sophomore**

How are you enforcing the rules in your

classroom?

This week is about explanation and discussion. If a student does not act appropriately, they will be given a warning opportunities to correct behavior. The next step would be a conse-

the discipline plan. Do you think the rules are better?

quence as outlined in

The rules are better because for each there are specific, logical consequences.

Are you letting the rules go to your head?

I'm committed to this school's positive change. The rules are the same with some minor changes. Those changes reflect areas where certain students constantly push limits, are argumentative, and challenge teacher authority. There are only a few students, the majority of ONHS students are top rate.



ONHS Biology teacher, Becky Nutt, responds to student questions.

> Do you think there will be more or less kids dropping out from the ONHS? I think the students who

> have problems with account-

ability for their actions may leave. Those students that are here to learn will be pleased with the changes. Do you think the rest of the

staff is taking it the same way?

Some staff would like even more stringent rules. The key is we want this to be the best school and that takes a team

Winter Wonderland

By Shakira Stevens ONHS senior

Snow has finally come to our

part of the hemisphere. That means winter activities and hats and gloves. An winter activity I suggest is sledding. Now who could turn down sledding, it's a classic winter fun. Of course

who could forget building a snowman. I also heard carrots were on sale at Festival. Snowball fights! To me a good game of throwing balls of snow at each other is my personal favorite. Have fun in the snow and be safe while doing your own winter activities.

NWA Wrestling corner

By Russell Powless

ONHS senior

This month, we are going to take an even closer look at a local outfit, the NWA-Wisconsin.

These guys also have matches scheduled February 10, March 10, April 14 and May 12 – all Saturday nights.

All the matches are at Baba Louie's at 419 Main Street in

The action may not be as "big time" as Vince McMahon's show, but you get up close and personal with it.

Events are sponsored by Howard Johnson, 96.9 Radio

- Wisconsin's New Rock, Subway of Denmark, Hanrahan's, Mojo's and Maria's Restaurant.

Baba Louie's is a bar, but all ages can attend the matches. The legal drinking age is strictly enforced.



by: Shakira Stevens

ONHS senior

Scandal sells or, in this case, scandal gets the channel changed to your station.

This situation is obviously blown way out of the water. Exaggeration, lies, and twists is what made this story so entertaining. The news carved our school out to be bunch of hooligans. Other schools are – if not the same – maybe a little worse. Schools that have people try to shoot it up don't close, but a few swear words closed our school.

All the news channels, the worst being Channel 26, made up what they thought was a good story, even if it wasn't the truth.

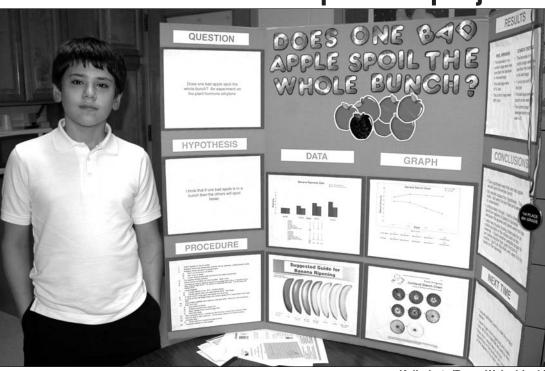
Basically, everything we have done that is good for our school is overlooked, but a few mistakes this school has made is scrutinized and distorted under a microscope.

By Dawn Walschinski

Dustin Skenandore was top banana at the Einstein Expo held at Shopko Hall Saturday, January 13. The sixth grader from Resurrection Catholic School took first place in the individual project category with his science project "Does One Bad Apple Spoil the Whole Bunch?" taking home a medal and a \$50 prize. Dustin was the only sixth grader to garner a win in a competition dominated by eighth graders.

Dustin studied wether putting an overripe apple in a bag of unripe apples would cause them to ripen faster. He ran into a couple of hurdles, one of which was he couldn't get iodine for his experiment.

"He worked really, really hard, and he had a couple of moments when he couldn't find the chemicals, they only sell them to schools in this day and age," said Dustin's mother Sara Skenandore. "When he had trouble finding



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Dustin Skenandore credited his success to following the scientific method.

unripe fruit, he was a little Dustin learned that the ethylstressed, but I though he did real well." Dustin switched to using bananas for the project, and he found an alternate solution for iodine.

ene gas given off by the overripe fruit does indeed speed up the other fruits' ripening. He also learned some pointers for his next science project Through the experiment, which he plans to do on kite

To apply for the program,

you must meet the following

1) You must be entering your

high school in fall 2007.

junior or senior year of

qualifications:

"I would start sooner and finish a little bit sooner, and I would speak up a little bit more to the judges," said Dustin.

Princeton Summer Journal Program The Philadelphia Inquirer,

A 10-day all-expenses-paid summer journalism program will be held in August at Princeton University for students from under-resourced financial backgrounds. All expenses, including travel costs to and from Princeton, will be paid for.

This is the program's sixth year. The five previous classes were taught by writers from The Washington Post,

Small Gym.....

Small Gym...

The Miami Herald and The New Republic. Participants also toured The New York Times and ABC News, met with editors and producers;

attended and covered Yankees, Mets, Jets and 2) You must have at least a Liberty games; and reported,

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SYSTEM SCIENCE FAIR

Grades FACE - Grade 4

Schedule of Events

February 28, 2007

Special Awards Presentation

March 1, 2007

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3.0 grade point average wrote, edited, designed, and (out of 4.0). produced a 12-page edition of 3) You must have demonstrat-The Princeton Summer ed an interest in journal-Journal on the program's final

4) The combined income of your custodial parent(s) / guardian plus child support payments, if any, must not exceed \$45,000. This program is intended for stufrom dents underresourced financial backgrounds. If the combined income of your custodial parent(s) guardian(s) plus child support payments, if any, exceeds \$45,000 and you still wish to apply, you can attach a note explaining why you believe your family qualifies as financially under resourced.

The application must be postmarked by Feb. 15. More information and the application materials are available online: http://www.princeton.edu/~

sjp For more information, contact: rinderle@princeton. edu In your correspondence, please include a phone number and an e-mail address at which you can be reached.

College of Menominee Nation Fall 2006

Academic standings

Honors 3.50-3.74

Archiquette, Neva N. Banaszynski, Nicole Boyd, Davey J. Danforth, Gerald A. Denny, Marcus A. Hohn, Kasey A. Kaquatosh, Calvin K. Kaquatosh, Mitchell F. Madosh, Dion J. Otradovec, George V. Pieper, Mavis M. Pleshek, Megan Pleshek, Reynold P. Reed, Wanda A. Smith, Lola J. Spruce, Destiny M. Webster, Tiana B. White, Ryan C.

High Honors 3.75

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Highest Honors 4.00 Grosskreutz, Angela M. Hansen, Patricia L. Hargrove, Jennifer S. Hopfensperger, Kari S. Kakkak, Cedar E. Mills, Jillian D. Self, Cameo Smith, Theresa L. Sticka, Amber M. Tucker, David W. Vang, Maiko Warrington, Nicole J. Warrington, Rebecca A.

Scholarship Opportunities

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WIEA Indian Education Association

Scholarship Amount: \$1,000 (\$500.00 a semester) Four scholarships will be awarded, one in each category:

- 1. New or continuing student attending a vocational/technical/
- 2. Entering freshman at a four-year college.
- 3. Undergraduate at a four-year college (second semester freshman, sophomore, junior or senior)
- 4. Graduate or Ph. D. student.

Requirements: Must be a Wisconsin resident and proof of Tribal Enrollment

Application Procedures:

1. Completed Application form.

- 2. Copy of current or most recent school transcript. GED/HSED students are eligible only as continuing undergraduate or continuing technical college students.
- 3. Two sealed letters of recommendation, one from a teacher, employer or other professional familiar with your academic
- 4.A one-page typed only personal essay focusing on how you will apply your education.

Application Deadline: March 16, 2007.. Faxes will not be accepted!! Only Complete applications will be reviewed and are based on a points system,

Letter of recommendation-10 points

Personal Essay- 25 points

GPA-2.5-2.99 5 -pts. / 3.0-3.49 -10 points / 3.5-4.0-15 pts. Recipients will be announced at the Annual W.I.E.A Conference. Students Can Only Receive the Scholarship Award One Time!

For an application an contact: Virginia Scholarship Coordinator-WIEA, P.O. Box 910, Keshena, WI 54135, 715-799-5110

You may also contact the Oneida Higher Education office for an application.

St. Mary's Hospital Minority Health Care Scholarship Program

The objective of the program is to provide financial assistance to individuals with interest and commitment to pursuing a health care profession. Scholarships will be awarded to two minority students who meet the eligibility requirements. The program provides tuition scholarships up to \$2,500 annually for minority students enrolled full time in a baccalaureate or associate degree program at Edgewood College, Madison Technical College or University of Wisconsin- Madison.

The scholarships are available in the areas of; dietetics, medical laboratory technician, nursing, occupational therapy, pharmacy, physical therapy, radiography technology, respiratory therapy. The next scholarships will be awarded for the fall semester of 2007 and the application deadline is March 1, **2007.** For information on eligibility requirements or to receive an application form Please call Ester Lowery at 608-258-6632 or **800-236-6106.** You may also contact:

Human resources Department St. Mary's Hospital 707 S. Mills Street

Madison, WI 53715 608-259-5566

Opportunities for American Indians and Alaska Natives

The National Center for Cooperative Education in Natural Resources (NCCE) was established in 1997. This program of the Bureau of Indian Affairs is administered by the USDA Forest Service at Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas. The purpose of NCCE is to better serve American Indian and Alaska Native students who are interested in pursuing careers in natural resource fields with tribes, the BIA or other natural resources agencies.

Students accepted to the NCCE program receive tuition assistance of \$5,000 per year, summer employment, and noncompetitive conversion to BIA or tribal positions upon graduation. Applicants must be majoring in a natural resources field and pursuing a bachelor's degree or higher at an accredited college or university. Must have finished the freshman year in college, and be in good academic standing.

For more information contact Dr Doug Eifler, 785-749-8414, daeifler@fs.fed.us or Brenda Woods-Brown, 785-749-8493, bwoodsbrown@fs.fed.us or Elaine Kiefer, 785-749-8427, ekiefer@fs.fed.us. Deadline for applications is March 5th of each year. You can visit the web site at www.itcnet.org/ncce.html

Bacone College in Oklahoma

Bacone College in Muskogee Oklahoma is proud to announce a new scholarship opportunity for Native Americans. The program, called Students of Promise, was announced at the November meeting of the Bacone College Board of Trustees. The scholarship provides 35% of tuition, plus 35% of room and board costs, to any Native American student who is new to Bacone College. This includes freshmen and transfer students who will reside on campus. The scholarship is renewable if students maintain a grade point average of 2.0 and carry 12 credits per term. For more information, contact Kyle Taylor, Director of Native Concerns and Native Recruitment at 918-781-7270 or write to him at taylork@bacone.edu

Community Meeting Notification

..3:00 P.M.- 6:00P.M. ♦

PURPOSE: To present survey results regarding a new high school and family recreation center. Rescheduled from January 25.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2007

The Radisson Inn • Iroquois South • **Directly across from the Casino**

TIME: 6:00 PM TO 8:30 PM

We invite all who are interested in the development of a new high school and family recreation center to come to this meeting. We will present the results of a survey given to Oneida Nation High School students and also from surrounding school districts. We will also be presenting results from a survey given to the members of the Oneida Family Fitness Center in Green Bay.

There will be an opportunity to ask questions and discuss the project. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

Any questions, please contact Troy Parr, Project Manager at 869-4529, or Leanne Doxtater, Project Planner at 869-4534.

Getting ready to go back to school? Contact the Oneida Higher Education Office

> at 1-800-236-2214 or 920-869-4333 **Located in the Norbert Hill Center**

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Wisconsin's bird of the night



There are six species of owl that inhabit northern Wisconsin, from the robin-sized saw-whet to the great horned owl.

By Bill Koonz

Specialist Environmental

Owls are poorly understood and often mis-identified. Some consider them bad omens and as indicators of death. Many people believe that all owls hoot, but they are often blamed for night sounds they do not make. Truth is that owls come in many sizes (from robin to eagle), some lay eggs in open nests, some nest on the ground, and some use cavity nests. Most owls are primarily active at night. All rely on meat, primarily rodents, as their main food source. Some species make sounds that are seldom identified with owls. Some migrate, some visit only in the winter and some stay paired and on territory throughout the year. Owls are opportunistic and if food is abundant they may nest in high densities and produce large clutches.

Six species of owls regularly nest in northern Wisconsin, one additional species nests in the southern half of the state. Two additional species regularly visit in the winter and another two visit during winters when food fails to the north. The smallest breeding Wisconsin owl is the sawwhet. Adults are robin-sized and nest in tree cavities. The name saw-whet comes from its call, similar to the noise made when a file strikes the cutting surface of a saw tooth. In modern terms its call is like a piece of road machinery when it backs up. The call is repeated many times. The saw-whet is the only small resident owl that does not have ear tufts.

The next size larger is the eastern screech owl. They are barely larger than saw-whets and also nest in tree cavities. These are the smallest local owls that have obvious ear tufts. Screech owls have a few calls, the most common sounds like a horse whinny. They are often identified as making a sound like a baby's scream in the night. The screech owl gets a bum rap as that sound is really made by a red fox. Both the screech and saw-whet owl are year-round residents.

The next larger locally nesting owl is the long-eared. They use stick nests made by crows, hawks, etc. Long-ears can mimic sticks by looking long and slim. They are opportunistic feeders; sometimes being abundant in an area for a season then being rare there for many years. They will stay in a location throughout the year if food is available but do not maintain a year-round territory. They are one of a few owls that sometimes roost communally in the fall and winter. Long-ears are named after their long ear tufts. They make a variety of hoots, whistles and shrieks but the most common and most easily identified call is a series of drawn

The next marginally larger breeding owl is the shorteared. They nest on the ground in open areas and look

long wings, small heads and tendency to be active during the day. Short-ears here may sound during the breeding sea-

The barred owl is our second largest resident owl. They are very similar to the spotted owl of the northwest. Like the spotted owl, they require large blocks of forest in order to breed. They typically use the nests of other birds, but tree cavities may also serve for nest sites. They can remain on territory throughout the year. Their common call is a series of HO's ending in a loud HO-AH. They are forest owls that decline when forests are frag-

owl is the great horned. They are year-round residents that inhabit the forest edge. Great horned owls dominate other owls and few will venture near to a great horned owl's territory. They use other birds nests and may initiate nesting here in February. Their call is typically 4-7 low hoots but they can make loud shrieks and whistles. They are our most aggressive owls, feeding on everything from mice to house cats and skunks.

Watch for all these owls on the Oneida Reservation! For more information, please call

If you are uncertain how this new recommendation may affect your child or if you have additional questions, please contact your

Oneida Community Health Nursing department does offer a weekly walk-in immunization clinic. Clinics are held every Tuesday from 1:00 PM-4:00PM at the Oneida Community Health Center, 525 Airport Drive, Oneida WI 54155. Please call 869-4840 with additional questions.

stay year-round if food is available. A portion of the population breeds on the Arctic tundra and migrates through Wisconsin. Short ears have tilted wings like northern harriers and can clap their wings together above their backs as a breeding display. They lay eggs according to food availability and may produce six or more young in a season. One of the most silent of owls, they make a barking

The largest, most often seen

increase fuel consumption. That impacts your wallet. Transportation makes up 66% of the US consumption of oil, mainly in gasoline.

That is the Question...

To Idle or Not to Idle?

How long should you let

your car warm up on a cold

day before driving it? The

answer to this age old ques-

tion will likely surprise you.

Only 30 seconds of idling is

recommended before dri-

ving! We've all heard at

some time or another, it's

better to let your car idle for

five minutes to make sure

the engine is warm before

driving, but in fact, this is

not true. You only need to

let your car idle for 30 sec-

onds to get the oil circulat-

ing through your engine.

Other components of your

car, including the wheel

bearings, tires, and suspen-

sion system will warm up

only when the car is mov-

ing. The best way to warm

We all idle our cars when

we go to the ATM machine,

drive-through restaurant, or

wait to pick the kids up at

school. It's just easier. But

if you are idling more than

10 seconds, it's better to

shut off the engine and

restart it (except in traffic).

And it's better for your car

too. Some people think that

its harder on your engine to

restart it many times. The

reality is frequent restarting

has little impact on the bat-

tery or starter motor. In fact,

idling does not allow for

complete combustion and

can cause build up of fuel

residues on cylinder walls

and spark plugs, as well as

water condensation in the

exhaust system that leads to

corrosion. Idling can dam-

age engine components, be

costly in repairs, and

Idling gets you zero miles

per gallon. For every two

minutes of idling, it uses

up your car is to drive it.

about the same about of fuel it takes to drive one mile. Research indicates that the average person idles their car five to ten minutes a day. Idling more than 30 seconds to start your car or 10 seconds once it's warmed up simply wastes fuel.

Beyond the money it costs, why do we care? It affects the air we breathe and emits carbon dioxide into the atmosphere. For every gallon of fuel that is burned in a car or small truck, 20 pounds of carbon dioxide is produced. Carbon dixoide is a "greenhouse gas' that traps heat in the atmosphere. If you are a typical motorist, driving 13,000 miles per year, you are emitting about 4.5 tons of carbon dioxide.

There are plenty of other ways to improve gas mileage: avoid high speeds, rapid acceleration and hard braking, use overdrive or cruise if you have it, clear out excess weight in your car, carpool whenever you can, keep your tires properly inflated and aligned, replace clogged air filters, and combine many errands into one trip. And a long term way to improve gas mileage is to consider buying a highly efficient or hybrid vehicle. All these tips will save you money and reduce pollution

For additional information, please check out www.fueleconomy.gov.

into our environment.

Protection from chicken pox

Submitted by Jenny Jorgensen, RN, BSN

Community Health Immunization

Attention Parents!

Remember having chickenpox as a child? Many missed days from school, daycare or work until all the lesions were crusted over and it was safe to

go back into the community.

Chickenpox (also called varicella) used to be a common childhood disease. For the past several years, children have received a single dose of varicella vaccine at 12- 15 months of age, significantly reducing cases of

chickenpox disease among children.

The virus that causes this disease can be spread person to person through the air, or by contact with fluid from chickenpox blisters. Disease is usually mild, but can be serious especially in young infants and adults. Some of the symptoms include rash, itching, fever and tiredness. It can also lead to severe skin infections, scars, pneumonia, brain damage, or death.

Recently, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has made the recommendation for children to receive 2 doses of this vaccine to provide the best protection against dis-

1st dose: 12-15 months of age

2nd dose: 4-6 years of age

There is a catch up schedule for children beyond 6 vears of age and have never had chickenpox disease. Getting varicella vaccine is much safer than getting chickenpox disease. Most people who get the vaccine do not have any problems with it. Mild problems can be soreness or swelling where the shot was given, fever, or a

child's medical provider.

seat check up offer

Submitted by Michelle Myers

Community Health Nursing Department

Oneida's Child Passenger Safety Program will be offering a FREE car seat check up event at the Oneida Police Department garages on Thursday February 22, 2007 from 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Participants will be served on a first come first serve basis. This is an excellent opportunity to find out if your child is riding as safe as he/she could

A new law on child passenger safety went into effect June 1, 2006. On January 1, 2007 law enforcement officers began issuing citations for violation. Summary of the new law is as follows:

- 1. Rear facing child safety seat in the back seat is required when the child:
- Is less than 1-year-old or weighs less than 20 pounds 2. Forward-facing child safety seat in the back seat is required when the child:

- Is at least 1-year-old but
- Weighs at least 20 pounds but less than 40 pounds.

less than 4-years-old.

- 3. Booster seat is required
- when the child: • Is at least 4-years-old but
- less than 8-years-old. • Weighs at least 40 pounds
- but less than 80 pounds.
- Is not 57-inches (4 feet, 9-
- inches) or taller. 4. Safety belt is required increase the number of chil-

when the child:

mild rash.

- Is 8-years-old or older or
- Weighs 80 or more pounds
- Is 57-inches or taller

Also under the new law, drivers may be cited for allowing passengers of any age to be unbelted in their

This law was designed to

dren riding safely in vehicles. However, children don't always fall neatly into categories. To find out if your child is safely riding in your vehicle, please stop in on Thursday February 22, 2007. If are interested but cannot attend this event, please call Oneida Community Health Nursing at **869-4840** to schedule an appointment

Come all Families to a FREE Car Seat Check as Oneida Celebrates

National Child Passenger Safety

- Do you understand the new booster law?
- Are your children riding safely in your car?
- Do you have the right car seat for your child?

Thursday • February 22, 2007 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. **Oneida Police Department Garages**

Get your questions answered by coming to the **Free** car seat check

2783 Freedom Road

Event is sponsored by:

• Oneida Community Health Center • Oneida Police Department • Oneida Safe Community Coalition • Safe Kids Greater Green Bay

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blood.

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Saturday February 17th, 2007 8 am - 11:30 am **Oneida Family Fitness** 2640 West Point Rd.

Call the Oneida Family Fitness Center today for an appointment at...

490-3730

American Red Cross

HUNTER SALETY

Space is limited to 30 students

Hunter Safety Class will be held **every**

Monday and Wednesday, from 6:00p.m.-8:00p.m., beginning February 19,2007 and ending on March 21, 2007.

> Classes will be held at the Oneida Police Department

2783 Freedom Rd, Oneida

Contact the Oneida Conservation Department at (920) 869-1450. Registration Deadline: February 2, 2007.

To my sweet little girl

Kaliegh



If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, middle & last) name, parents (first & last), d.o.b., weight (lbs. & oz.), length, grandparents (maternal/paternal), siblings (names only). Also, if the baby was given an Indian name, please include the correct spelling and meaning. Please include phone number where you can be reached during the day!



Elyez Fredy Garcia

E 1 v e zFredy Garcia was born to proud parents Fredy

LaToya Garcia-Segura on December 17th at St. Mary's Hospital weighing 5 lbs. 7 oz. 17.5 inches

Maternal Grandparents are Kristie Stevens & Rodney Trepanier Sr., and Leo Matson Sr.

Paternal grandparents are Essen Garcia, Casique & M Carmen Segura-Nunez in

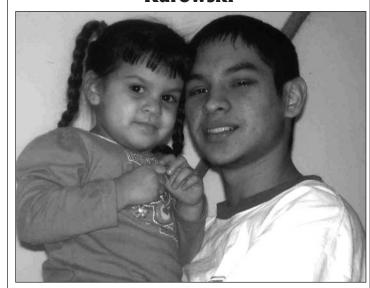
Great Grandparents: The late Israel & Phyllis Stevens & Jimmy & Mary Doxtator.

Email us at kalihwisaks @oneidanation.org



to 2 very special people

Nasiah Grace Hill & Jerrel Ross Kurowski



(Yetsis ta hawi) (Lawhotakwas) Love, the Kurowski's and Hills.

kalihwisaks

NEXT DEADLINE

is...Wednesday

February 7th, 2007

@4:30 p.m.

with a **PUBLISH DATE**

of....Thursday,

February 15th, 2007

Questions, please call: 920-869-4277, 4279 or

4280 or email us at:

kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org

To all who thought of us...

For all who sent flowers, plants, donations, and helped with

the food preparations your generosity will always be a comfort to us. Our prayers go out the Cheryl and Gary and their families and a special thanks for all their support and comfort.

Tanya for all the things she did for us, things we didn't think

that they did. Denis, Rosemary & Luanne, there are no words

to express out thanks, we're so blessed to have you in our fami-

ly and such a good friend to Sam. To Tina Cottrell and Jennifer

of Tanya did. To the firekeepers who where there day and night- Teddy and Little Man I can't thank you enough for all

...at such a difficult time in the loss of Sam & Joey

Happy 30th Birthday February 5th



Love Mom, Richell, Beautiful & the Gang





Mom & The Gang

Love Paddy **Love from**

Happy 4th Birthday Lordy, Lordy look who's 40! Logan



Love Mommy, Daddy, G-mas, Aunties, Uncles & the Cousins



Love Ya Mom

Happy 5th Birthday (MMathations)

Julia Skenandore Congratulations on your graduation from Marion College in Fond du Lac in graphic design. Best of luck with your Bright **Future**



Love, Jim , Kelly & Kyle Skenandore and all your friends and family

La Nah



Love Mommy & Daddy

Want to learn the ONEIDA Language? Go to...

www.oneidanation.org

Click on Departments (at the top). Select Language Revitalization and then

Tune in to... Kalihwiyose **WPNE 89.3**

Thursdays 10:00рм to mid-

language lessons.

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

Submitted

by Diedrich Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

Public Snowshoe Hike: Walk through the Winter Wilderness

Saturday, February 3, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. and again at noon

Snow is on the way! Join the Sanctuary staff for a hike snowshoe of the Sanctuary grounds! Snowshoes will be provided. Participants must wear flatbottomed boots. Meet at the Observation Building. Cost is \$2 per Green Bay resident and Friends member or \$3 per non-resident.

Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3671. Animal Stories for

Winter **Preschoolers:** Animals - How do they live in the cold?

Monday, February 5, 2007 at 10 a.m. and again Monday, February 19, 2007 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families can learn about winter animals during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the stories "In the Snow" by Lindsay Barrett George and "When Winter Comes" by Nancy Van Laan. After the story, the youngsters will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is \$2 per Friends member and Green Bay resi-

dent and \$3 per non-resident.

February-March Calendar of Events **Kim** Pre-registration is required by

> calling (920) 391-3671. Public Candlelight Cross-**Country Ski**

> Tuesday, February 20, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

Can you get your hands on a pair of cross-country skies? Have you ever wanted to ski on a beautiful winter evening? If you answered yes to both of these questions, then plan on skiing the Sanctuary trails on the west side of Danz Avenue. Cost is \$2 per Green Bay resident and Friends member and \$3 per non-resident. Preregistration is required by

calling (920) 391-3671. For more information, call (920) 391-3671.

Visit the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary web-site at: www.baybeachwildlife.com

Animal **Stories** for Preschoolers: Eagles and Hawks-Birds of Prey

Monday, March 5, 2007 at 10 a.m. again Monday, March 19, 2007 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families can learn about birds of prey during Animal Stories for Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff will read the stories "Brother Eagle, Sister Sky" by Chief Seattle and "Hawk, I'm Your Brother" by Byrd Baylor. After the story, the youngsters will participate in a fun craft project. Cost is \$2 per Friends member and Green bay resident and \$3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by

calling (920) 391-3671. Party with the Animals

Wednesday, March 21, 2007

at 10 a.m.

The Sanctuary has lots of resident animals with lots of different birthdays so we decided to throw one big birthday party for all of them! Meet the live animals and join the Sanctuary staff for games, activities hands-on and refreshments. It's fun for the entire family. For children 8 years old and younger. Cost is \$2 per Green Bay resident and Friends member and \$3 per non-resident. Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-3671.

RPAWS Training Session Saturday, March 31 at 8 a.m.-

If you love animals and are interested in learning about wildlife rehabilitation, make sure to sign up for the RPAWS session. Every year, the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary and RPAWS members nurse more than 3,000 animals back to health. Come to this session and learn how to get involved. RPAWS is a volunteer program. Must be 18 years or older. Cost is \$2 per person. Pre-registration is required by calling (920) 391-

3671.

CAPPS looking for men to be honored

Stevens. The Oneida singers, Brucie for her thoughts and kindness, the pallbearers, and

Leander Danforth for his help at the feast, Father Silas, Deacon heckle, Deacon Powless.

Everything that was done for us is such a comfort to us knowing someday we will see Sam

We would like to alert you to an up coming event for Good Mind - Great Future community dinner Wednesday, February 28, 2007. We are going to be asking community youth and the women brought forward last year, to bring forward names of men in the community to whom they can go to in a time of trouble or need. Other community members can also join in the recognitions of men in the community. Names will be collectbetween now February 15.

Each man who's name is brought forward along with those who identify him will

receive a special invitation to the February dinner.

So everyone will have an opportunity to honor each man brought forward, a tshirt will be hung under his name along the walls at the dinner. Markers will be provided so that anyone who wishes to write a special message to one or more of the men can do so by writing or drawing on his shirt. For example: a t-shirt might be hung for "John"- then anyone who has wishes to give a special message to "John" can go to his t-shirt and write or draw a message on it. The each man will be presented his t-shirt at the end of the

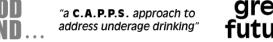
If you have someone in mind please fill out the attached form. Then return it to Oneida Social Services to attention of Tracy the Metoxen or e-mail it to Tracy @ tmetoxe2@oneidanation.org.

The family of Tami "Sam" Cornelius:

Brenda, Wayne, Brandon, Cory, And Stephaine and family

CAPPS Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, and information surrounding an issue.

This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Dept. of Justice.



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Legal Notice

Oneida Appeals Commission **Original Hearing Body Notice Of Judgements** Granted

Re: Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin vs Various Individuals

A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by the Oneida Tribe for judgement against them. Notices were returned by U.S. Post unclaimed, Office as unknown or no forwarding address.

11-28-06: Pech, Samuel, 06-TC-095; Stevens, Kelly, 06-TC-097; Storzer, Rick, 06-TC-099; Webster-Bodway, Anthony, 06-TC-093.

Hearings were held on the date stated, for all parties listed, at the Commission office; located at Ridgeview Plaza, Suite # 1; 3759 W. Mason St.; Oneida WI 54155

For specific questions about this judgement, settlement or payment arrangements, please contact:

Diana Westcott, Accounting Department: (920) 490-3556. If you have questions on the process, feel free to contact The Clerk or Administrator, Oneida Appeals Commission office at (920) 497-5800

Setting Time and Notice to Creditors: Request for information.

The following estates are being prepared for probate by the United States Department of the Interior and/or the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Appeals Commission. Office of Hearings and Appeals. All creditor claims must be filed on or before March 14, 2007.

> **Bertha Cornelius** DOB 06/22/1915 DOD 04/05/2006

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

Tina L Figueroa, Probate Clerk, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin of Division Land Management, P.O.Box 365, Oneida WI 54155

Public Hearing

February 1, 2007

Oneida Nation Public Hearing Notice

Purpose:

Amendments to the Drug and Alcohol Free Work Place Policy to address back pay for lost wages and personal and vacation time accruals when an employee tests negative for drugs or alcohol. Other proposed amendments would clarify and reformat the policy.

When: February 6, 2007 Where: Business Committee Conference Room (BCCR) **Times: 11:30AM**

Public Hearing Process I. Testimony:

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

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

If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidanation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-

The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this law are also available on the LOC Website: www.on-loc.org

Land Claims Meetings

Land Claims Commission Regular Monthly Meeting Schedule 2007

February 1 & February 15 March 1 & March 15 April 5 & April 19 May 3 & May 17 June 7 & June 21 July 5(Tentative/Holiday) & July 19 August 2 & August 16 Sept. 6 & Sept. 20 October 4 & October 18 Nov. 1 & Nov. 15 Dec. 6 & Dec. 20 All Meetings At 5:00 PM (Open to GTC)

LCC Office/Conference Area-NHC Basement Room

No Quorum Commissioners)-Meetings Are Cancelled

Any Questions Contact LCC Coordinator, Jennifer M. Stevens at 869-4403

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Atty. Jim Joannes 435-8159

Board Vacancy

Oneida Arts Board: Two (2) Vacancies

Qualifications:

- Shall be seven(7) members of which four(4) shall be enrolled Members of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.
- Shall serve a term of three (3) years. The maximum amount of time a board member can serve will be two(2) consecutive terms.
- Shall provide the opportunity for people to explore and enhance lifestyles which involve the arts by providing assistance in program development and design

The Oneida Nation Arts Board shall act in an advisory capacity which maintains a cooperative and communicative relationship with program staff and upper manage-

*Deadline date of 3/5/07

Oneida Cemetery Board: One(1) vacancy

Qualifications:

• Their shall be six (6) members who shall make up the Oneida Tribe Cemetery

- Shall serve a lifetime term • Shall meet whenever a burial is requested by the kin or other interested party for a
- deceased Oneida Indian or other person permitted Shall be responsible to

maintain vital statistics of the deceased and to report such information as may be required by the Oneida The board or it's delegates

shall control the cemetery and beautify the same and may establish regulations respecting it.

* Deadline date 3/5/07

Oneida Library Board: One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:

- Shall serve a three (3) year term • Must be on the official roll
- of the Oneida Nation of Indians of Wisconsin and eligible to vote
- Shall be a patron of the Oneida Community Library who is on the official patron of the Oneida Community Library
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See the Oneida language site

We encourage everyone to become involved in the Oneida Language. Please visit our website at: http://language.oneidanation.org/about/history

Committee Vacancy

Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee (PAC): Five (5) Vacancies

- **Qualifications**: • Shall serve a two (2) year
- Shall be a parent of the Airport Road Child Care Center or be a member of the Social & Human Services Program (Indian

Child Welfare, Child Protective Board, Oneida Community Health Center, Legal or Educational Institutions, etc.) or a member of the community

Purpose:

We provide the highest quality educational and support services to all children and families. We empower the children through the use of developmentally appropriate practices.

Our practices reflect the unique culture heritage of the Oneida Community and build the foundation for the next Seven Generations.

*Deadline date of 3/5/07

Miss Oneida Committee: One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:

- Shall serve a two (2) year
- Shall be an enrolled Oneida
- *Deadline date of 3/5/07

Committee Vacancy

Oneida Personnel Commission: One (1) Vacancy

Qualifications:

- Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
- The entire combined membership may not consist of more than two(2) members from any one division of the Oneida Tribe, nor less than seven (7) community mem-
- Shall serve a full term of 3 years.

The membership may not be such that a conflict of interest or nepotism is created as defined in these by-laws:

- A. Nepotism is created by the following relationships: Father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, daughter, son father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, son-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, step-children, step-parents, or significant other.
- B. conflict of interest is a conflict between the private interests and the official responsibilities of a person in a position of trust. A or any other recognized hearing body within the Oneida Tribe.
- *Deadline date of 3/5/07

Notice of Availability

Project Description:

The Oneida Tribe is proposing to enhance a wetland system by constructing berms, cleaning out ditches, creating uplands and lowlands, pools and islands, as well as native plantings. This property is located in Outagamie County, south of Reformatory Road in Township 24 North, Range 19 East, portions of Section 13, 14, 18 & 19. It is approximately three miles south of State Highway 29 and six miles west of Green Bay. The site is within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Indian Reservation.

A draft environmental assessment (EA) has been prepared regarding this proposed action in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The draft EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters.

Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, Oneida Cultural Heritage Department about possible impacts to historic properties and Army Corp of Engineers for permitting. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these

sources will be followed. **Need for Project:**

The property contains headwaters from the South Branch of the Suamico River and from Trout Creek. Restoration of the proposed wetland will have an overall effect favorable for hydrologic, habitat and biochemical functions in the area. Recreational, cultural, and educational values for the Oneida community will be enhanced from restoration of this wetland. This project will help to ensure that water quality in these two streams is improved, allowing them to provide habitat for trout and other sought after fish species. Tribal members will benefit from this improved water quality when participating in recreational or other downstream activities. In addition, this area of 524.9 acres of breeding habitat for waterfowl and upland game will be available for Tribal members to hunt, hike, photograph, gather, and recreate.

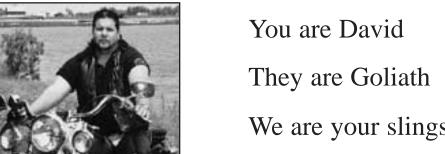
Alternatives:

The **PREFERRED** alternative will be to construct a diverse wetland complex with uplands and lowlands, pools, nesting islands and planting native vegetation. A large berm will be constructed in the south ditch to retard water and allow for slow release. The ditched tributaries to the South Branch of the Suamico River will be cleaned. This restoration will increase the size of the largest wooded wetland complex on the Oneida Reservation. Large blocks of contiguous habitat with travel corridors help to engender genetic diversity by allowing for larger species populations access to distant habitat blocks.

The **NO-ACTION** alternative does not move the Tribe forward with its goal of restoring wetlands or assisting with preserving and enhancing the Tribal culture. No action would result in a continued degradation of the environment including surface and ground water resources.

Comments & Availability:

Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents from the above address. Comments regarding the proposed action may also be submitted within 30 days of the date of this NOA. Contact Bill Koonz at (920) 495-5350 or write Oneida Environmental Quality Department, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 for additional information.

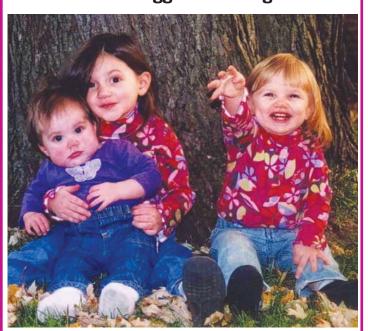


222 Sweetheart messages.



Kennedy, Lauren & Brooklyn

You make our lives complete & are the worlds biggest blessing to us!



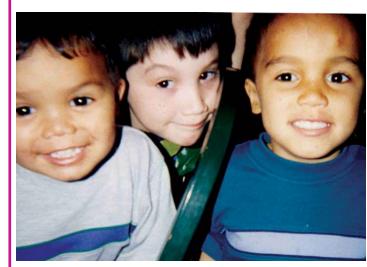
Love & X O X O's **Love Grandma & Papa Johnson**





Dante, Pedro & Devonte

You'll always be our little sweeties



I hope you all have a great day! Love & X O X O's Mom, Gramma, Auntie Dawn & Uncle **Chris & Dexie**



February is Library Lovers Month

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The Oneida Community Library encourages everyone to come use the library and all of it's great services. To celebrate, the Oneida Community Library and Green Earth Branch Library will run a new program from February to May 2007. Every time you check out books you will get an entry in a drawing to become the "Patron of the Month."

What does it mean to be "Patron of the Month"?

If chosen as "Patron of the Month" you will receive a fifteen-dollar gift certificate to Barnes and Nobles. In addition you will also receive a library goodie bag of library promotional items, and a signed and sealed certificate of honor by the Oneida Community Library Director and Assistant Director. Finally with your approval, we will display your picture in the library for the whole month.

Everyone is welcome to participate. All that you need is a library card. The more times you checkout library materials the more chances you have to enter. Good luck.





Come have fun on Valentines day with your friends

FEBRUARY 14TH ~ VALENTINES DAY

at the

Senior Center 11:00 ~ 1:00

We will be having games...

Including...

Staff taking an elder to lunch

There will be a luscious lips contest

Many door prizes!

Laugh and have a good time

Brighten your world with friendships and love

Come join us!

For more information contact Cindy: 869-2448



Families.... Bring your little Sweethearts to the

Photo courtesy of Howard

Check out the News

From Indian Country Pow-Wow cover to

see Tracy Pecore and baby getting

ready for the tiny tot contest in Milwaukee

last fall.

2nd Annual Family Fun Night

Oneida Nation Elementary School

Sponsored by: Special Diabetes Program for Indians

Where: Turtle School

When: February 14th, 2007

Time: 4:00-7:00 PM



DJ with Dance

Dance, Dance Revolution Stomp Dance

Face Painting Valentine's Cookie Decorating

Snacks & Popcorn Family Preparedness Games & Give Aways



Oneida Recreation TEEN VALENTINE'S DANCE

Teens (13 and older) that are current Recreation members are invited to join us Friday, February 16, 2007 at the Civic Center from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m.

There will be a dance contest from 8:15 to 9:15 p.m. Raffles will be held throughout the night - must be present to win. Dance Contest participants will receive two extra raffle tickets for prizes. Food will be provided by the CAPPS Program. All youth attending will need to have a ride by 10:45 p.m.



Dance rules are as follows:

- If dancing in groups, 5 or less per group please.
- There will be a $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 minute time limit.
- Early sign up for the dance contest is encourage, however, you can sign up the night of the dance until 8:00 p.m.
- When signing up early, please include the song you will be using to make sure that the DJ has your music. If DJ cannot provide your music, you can bring your own. NO FOUL LANGUAGE or sexually
- explicit lyrics allowed. Bring edited versions only.
- Sexually explicit dancing will be cause for disqualification of the entire team. Disqualification of a team will be the judges decision.

Dance Contest Prizes: First Prize

\$ 50.00 prize Second Prize \$ 25.00 prize

Third Prize \$ 10.00 prize

If you have any questions or would like to sign up for the dance contest, please contact Kim at 833-0010.



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is...Wednesday
February 7th, 2006 @
4:30 P.M. with a
PUBLISH DATE
of...Thursday,
February 14th, 2007
Questions, please
call: 920-869-4280,
4279 or 4277

Toll Free:1.800.236.2214
ext. 4277, 4279 or
4280

CORRECTION

The wrong "Civic Center Learning Center" article was submitted to the Kali for the January 18, 2007 issue. Following is the correct article.

Civic Center Learning Center

Submitted by Mandy Schneider

Oneida Recreation

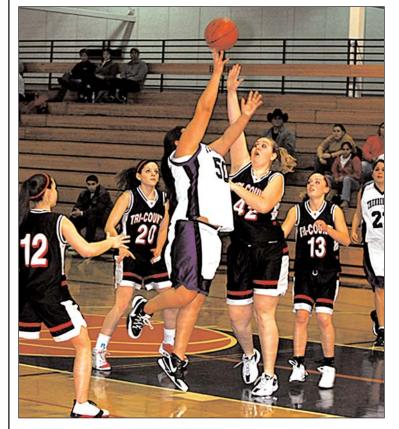
The Learning Center at the Civic Center is in full motion right now. The youth of the Civic Center are 5 character development badges away from their next good behavior field trip, and Current Events, Brain Busters, and Books and Beyond are off to an excellent start.

The first Reading Challenge came to an end on January 5. It was quite a competition, but the overall winner of the \$100 gift certificate to the mall for reading the most minutes and being able to fully explain what they read to me is Jairica Christjohn. Jairica wins by a small margin, believe it or not, with a total of 2,703 minutes read. WAY TO GO JAIRICA!!!!!! The next reading challenge begins January 15 and goes through the first Friday in May. Good luck to all of the competitors.

As you can see we have a lot to offer here at the Civic Center Learning Center. I encourage everyone to stop in get some homework help and try one of our many

activities.

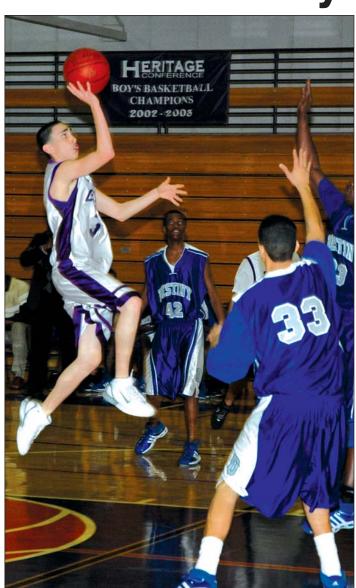
T-Hawk girls victorious



The lady Thunderhawks of Oneida went into overtime in Tuesday nights game versus Tri-County. The game came down to the last seconds of that ovetime for the girls to come out with the 52 - 50 win. The girls final two games of the season are at home. The first is February 2 against Milwaukee Maasai Institute at 6pm; the second is on February against Lac Courtes Oreilles.

Submitted Photo/Dennis

Thunderhawks defeat Destiny



Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandv

The T-Hawk boys defeated Milwaukee Destiny on Friday January 26 at home. The final score was 66 - 56. The Thunderhawks will be on the road until February 16 when they return to their home court against Lac Courte Oreilles and finish their season the following week at home against Menominee Indian.

Want to learn the ONEIDA Language?

Go to...

www.oneidanation.org

Click on Departments (at the top).
Select **Language Revitalization** and then language lessons.

ATTENTION RECREATION

MEMBERS

All Recreation memberships expired on December 31, 2006.

If you have not renewed your membership fees, please do so as soon as possible.

Access to either Recreation facility will not be allowed until the \$5.00 fee is paid.

Thank you to those members who have already renewed their fees!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Recreation Department at 869-1088.

TRAILS Babysitting Group

For youth 12 years and older interested in becoming a trained babysitter FREE of charge!

When: February 13, 20, 27, & March 6

Time: From 4:30 to 5:30

Where: Three Sisters Community Building 2790 Onaste Street, Oneida

Must register on...
Tuesday, February 6, 2007

The group will meet every Tuesday for four (4) weeks

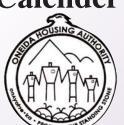
Must attend all four days to be certified (No Exceptions)

For more information contact Violet RedHail of TRAILS at

490-3844

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Calender



February 2007 Site II Community Center

Tuesday	Wedneday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Drug/Gangs Awareness 5:30pm 4-H Meeting 6:00pm-8:30pm	2 Roller Skating 5:30pm	3 Honor the Youth Pow Wow 12:00pm
6 Tutoring 4:30-5:30pm Onkyote?a·ka Youth Meeting 5:30-8:00pm	7 Air Brush Nails and Craft Night 5:30-8:00pm	8 All Tenant Neighborhood Watch Pot Luck 5:00pm-8:00pm Site II	9 Youth Bingo/Prizes 5:30pm- 8:00pm	10 Movie Day 1:00pm
13 Tutoring 4:30-5:30pm Onkyote?a·ka Youth Meeting 5:30-8:00pm	Valentine Party/ Birthday of the Month 5-8:00pm	Arts and Crafts nights/ Drug Prevention 5-8:00pm	16 Sledding 5-8:00pm	17 Bowling 3:00-6:00pm
20 Tutoring 4:30-5:30pm Onkyote ⁹ a·ka Youth	Domestic Violence Program 5:00-8:00pm	22 Arts & Crafts/ Beading Class 5:00-8:00pm	23 Lock in- Videos/ Board Games All Night	24 Closed

at Norbert Hill

Center

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Arts & Crafts/

Beading Class

5:00-8:00pm

Meeting

5:30-8:00pm

Tutoring

4:30-5:30pm

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Youth

Meeting

5:30-8:00pm

Closed Sunday and Monday
For more information call Breezy or
Isabel at 869-6669
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