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Delgado temps for Kalihwisaks

Cathy Delgado is helping out the Kalihwisaks this summer as an emergency temporary photographer/reporter.

Delgado graduated from Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado with a major in English and a minor in mass communication.

Delgado dove in to her reporting duties head first as she went on assignment in Denver, Colorado to cover the Indigenous Games July 2-8th. You can see an update on page 8A with more to come upon her return back home.

"I am really thrilled to write for the paper," said Delgado, "I really enjoy this kind of work."

Delgado is a faith keeper for the Oneida Longhouse. She has three children; Kalhaku McLester, 19, Lakwaho McLester, 16 and Yuntle>kalau McLester, 14.

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Small businesses get low rate

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwisaks

While the interest rates have been climbing steadily nation wide, The Oneida Business Committee (OBC) decided to reverse the trend for Oneida owned small businesses.

Three weeks ago, members of the OBC passed an emergency adoption to freeze the interest rate for loans made through the Oneida Small Business Project at five

percent.

"It's probably the best small business rate that anyone can get in the state, in the country," said OBC Councilman Vince DelaRosa. Most interest rates for small business loans start at eight to thirteen percent.

Owners of Bear Paw Keepsakes, Stan and Loretta Webster, currently have a loan through the program at Bay Bank in Oneida.

"This will certainly help

on the monthly bills that we have to pay," said Loretta as she took a break from setting out T-shirts at her stand at the Oneida Pow Wow.

The couple has been in business for a year-and-a-half selling Native American art-work.

"I think that there's a lot of businesses, including us, that could probably use this loan, because there's so much more you would like to do," said Stan.

The Oneida Small Business Project was created to help encourage more tribal members to open and expand their own businesses.

"What we've done with the Small Business Project is, first of all, we crafted a very small owner equity up front requirement. Normally a bank would want over 20%,

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Businesses**

Doyle's hiring of lawyer to negotiate compacts questioned

MADISON, Wis. (AP) – Gov. Jim Doyle's hiring of an attorney to negotiate casino agreements with Indian tribes three weeks after he took office has been questioned by the administrator of legal services for Wisconsin Attorney General Peg Lautenschlager.

Michael Bauer said the law, in his view, requires the governor to ask the attorney general for legal help before hiring an outside lawyer. Bauer said Lautenschlager would have gladly helped negotiate the deals.

State law states the governor can hire an attorney to "assist" the attorney general if he believes it is in the public interest. It does not explicitly say he must get her approval, but it does say he can replace the attorney general in limited circumstances, such as when there is a conflict of interest.

Doyle hired Milwaukee attorney William Jennaro shortly after taking office, and the state Supreme Court ruled 11/2 years later that the governor did not have the authority to sign the sweeping compacts Jennaro helped negotiate.

The governor said recently he had the authority to hire Jennaro.

Doyle aide Dan Leistikow noted that then-Gov. Tommy Thompson hired Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr in 1995 to represent the state in a court case on school vouchers over the objections of Doyle, who was then attorney general.

Stan Davis, who served as Doyle's chief legal counsel when the governor was elected, said Assistant Attorney General John Greene urged him to start negotiations promptly because some tribal compacts were about to expire and because of the issues raised in a lawsuit filed by Dairyland Greyhound Park.

In that lawsuit, still pending before the state Supreme Court, the Kenosha dog track argues Indian casinos are operating illegally because of

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Doyle**

34 years of Honored Tradition



Kali photos/Julia Skenandore(above)&Dawn Walschinski(right)

Oneida celebrated 34 years of pow wow tradition June 30-July 2. Community members reunited with relatives and friends from near and far at the Norbert Hill Center Pow Wow Grounds. People enjoyed the sounds of the drums, the smell of the fry bread and the taste of Indian tacos.

It was a feast for the eyes as well with dancers of all ages in beautiful outfits. The old drum pavilion was removed to create a more open dancing area and additional seating on risers were added for more visibility.

Top: Members of the Oneida Veterans bring in the feather staffs for grand entry on Friday evening, June 30.

Right: Fancy dancer Rick Cleveland, Jr. show his moves during an intertribal song. Check out more photos on pages 4B and 5B.



USDA volunteers help build America's Dream

By Dawn Walschinski
Kalihwiskas

Volunteers wearing burgundy T-shirts buzzed around the construction site of Tammy Metoxen's house on South Overland in Oneida putting in windows and a patio door.

They were from the state office of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development commemorating Home Ownership Month on Wednesday, June 28th and making the connection between their office work and the end product.

"Often times you're sitting in an office behind a desk pushing paper, and it's a real rewarding experience for the employees, primarily of the housing section, to actually see what benefit they're doing back at the office," said Peter Kohnen, Housing Program Director for Rural Development in Wisconsin.

Metoxen is building the three bedroom house with a loan from America's Dream, Inc. which is funded by a grant through the USDA Rural Development. As part of

the low interest loan, Metoxen puts in 65% "sweat equity" or about 30 hours a week working on constructing the new home in lieu of a down payment.

"I'm a single mom with three kids, and just wouldn't be able to come up with the down payment. This is something that I would never be able to do without this program," said Metoxen.

Housing Assistant for Rural Development Sandy Braun traveled from the

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USDA**



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

America's Dream, Inc. has three houses in development in this area on South Overland Road.

Scenario tests Emergency Operations Plan Workshop

By Cathy Delgado

Kalihwisaks

Image this, Orders are shouted out by a mom, “Grab the emergency back pack, and get under the stairs!” She just heard a tornado has just touched down southwest of the Oneida Reservation and is heading towards her home. Under the stairs is the safest place in her house where there are no windows. The sirens at the Oneida One Stop are going off and she knows a tornado is heading in her direction.

Dan King, Safety Coordinator for the Oneida Tribe said, “The emergency back pack is just one of the things that families need to have in their house.”

A tornado is just an example of an emergency disaster. This is considered only part of an emergency operations plan for a family. King also said, “Families have to be prepared to take care of themselves for up to 72 hours in

case help can’t get to them right away.” Some of the things in an emergency back pack should include water, first aid kit, water proof matches, nutritional energy bars, flash light, batteries, poncho, toiletries, etc.

Since the attack on the Twin Towers, incident has heightened the awareness and safety of the Oneida Reservation and even more so after Hurricane Katrina.

The Emergency Operations Plan Workshop was the topic of discussion when it came to the protection of the Oneida Nation on June 27, 2006. This training was provided by Dan King, Safety Coordinator for the Oneida Nation.

Mercie Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Business Committee Members, William Gollnick Chief of Staff, for the Oneida Nation along with many other upper management employees such as Geraldine Danforth, Human Resources Director, Neil Cornelius,

Gaming Manager attended this training to learn about how to best serve the Oneida Reservation in case of an emergency like a tornado, hazardous chemical spill or when there’s an emergency and your emergency help is not available, who is in charge.

Twelve years ago the Tribe put in place an emergency plan and after the 9/11 attack, Hurricane Katrina and some heavy wind damage last fall on the Oneida reservation the Business Committee wanted to improve on the emergency operations plan, said King.

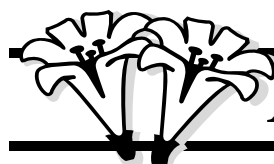
An Emergency Management Manager position is soon to be filled and will report to the Chief of Staff. “There is a lot of work in coordinating services for the reservation because the reservation is located in both Outagamie and Brown County.” said Gollnick. “We have to use all the resources efficiently.”

There is currently an Emergency Operations Committee consisting of

twelve members with key departments and volunteer community people. Key departments include Law Enforcement, Tribal Government, Social Services, Fire Department, Utilities, Shelter Coordinator and a Public Information Officer. The Emergency Management Manager would coordinate services for the Oneida Reservation and coordinate assistance received from both counties. One of the issues that need to be addressed is, “Team members have to pursue clarification if the Tribe has ability to declare an emergency.” said Gollnick.

Brown and Outagamie County and the City of Green Bay all have emergency plans in place.

Retired Deputy Chief of Police for the City of Green Bay James Taylor is a nine year volunteer on the Emergency Planning Committee. “We’ll have a plan to save lives, preserve life in case of an emergency disaster.” he said.



Passing On

Webster, Arthur “Archie”

Aug. 3, 1934 – June 27, 2006

Arthur "Archie" Webster, 71, Oneida, passed away peacefully with his wife, children and grandchildren by his bedside on Tuesday, June 27, 2006. Art was born on Aug. 3, 1934, to the late Josephine (Wheelock) and Arthur Oliver Webster Sr. He was united in marriage to Rita R. Schuyler on Sept. 3, 1955, at the Oneida Methodist Church. They recently celebrated their 50th anniversary together. Art worked his entire life at U.S. Paper Mill, De Pere, and retired after 43 years of service. He was a graduate of West De Pere High School. Arthur was baptized and confirmed at the Oneida United Methodist Church and a member of the Oneida United Methodist Men's Club.

Art had a passion for singing - he had a song to sing for every occasion. He was always cheerful and he had a very good sense of humor. His laughter just filled his home with love. He loved to cook and inspired his children to have food stands at community events called "Archie's Weekend Warriors." His greatest enjoyment came from spending time with his family and taking care of his birds in the backyard.

He is survived by his wife, Rita; their 11 children, John (Rosalind) Webster, Julie (Brian) Denny, Melvin (Lori) Webster, Jeannie Webster, Janet (David) Danforth, Joannie (Steve) Ventura, Jackie Webster and Joe King, Karl Webster and Donna Hill, Judy Webster, Jeff (Carol) Webster, Bill Webster and Bridget John. He is further survived by his seven brothers and sisters, Martin Webster, Marie Scott, Irvin (Bunny) Webster, Donald (Alma) Webster, Shirley Blum, Clifford (Wanda)

Webster, and Audrey Webster. Arthur has 33 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; many brother and sister-in-laws, Pearl McLester, Eva Danforth, Mary (Nick) Metoxen, Barbara (Donald) Denny, Evelyn Elm, Harriet (Warren) Reiter, Cleo (Wayne) Cornelius; also many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Webster; and two grandchildren, Joshua Webster and Imaesia Crumble; also his mother and father-in-law, Hattie and James Schuyler; his brother-in-laws, Lester and Joseph Schuyler, Lee McLester, and Lesley Danforth.

The visitation for Arthur will be held on Friday, June 30, 2006, at the Oneida United Methodist Church, beginning at 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., with the Oneida Singers at 6:30 p.m., and prayer service at 7 p.m. The funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2006, at the church, with visitation from 9 a.m. until the time of services at 11 a.m., with the Rev. Julio A. Alvarado officiating. The burial will be in the Oneida Methodist Cemetery. The Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, Seymour, is assisting the family. Online condolences may be expressed at www.boettcherfuneralhomes.com.

The family wishes to express a very special thank you to the St. Vincent Dialysis Center, St. Vincent Hospital nursing staff, Unity Hospice, Dr. Ali Mardan and nurse, Debbie; Dr. Anupama Verma, and Arthur's special neighbors, the Al Bain family.

Donations appreciated and can be dropped off at the Methodist Church.

Charles, Wilson D. “Buster”

April 4, 1908 – June 6, 2006

Wilson D. Charles “Buster” 98, passed away at home in Phoenix, Arizona. Buster was born April 4, 1908 in DePere, Wisconsin. He attended schools in Tomah, Flandreau, Haskell, and then University of New Mexico.

Buster was preceded in death by his wife of 72 years, Nola on May 29, 2006. Buster, a member of the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin was a Grandson of Sophie Metoxen and Julius Charles, son of Wilson B. Charles and Elizabeth Knudsen Charles. Buster is survived by one sister, Edna Charles Gillette of Scottsdale, Arizona, one niece Elizabeth Gillette Leach (Kent) and one nephew, Wilson Gillette of Casa Grande, Arizona.

Buster and Nola are survived by three daughters, Nola Dee Lodge Hurford (Andy) of Murray, Utah. Michelle Walls and Melinda Hicks of Phoenix, Arizona. One son, Jim Charles (Ambie) of Camp Verde, Arizona.

They leave 13 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren, and many relatives and friends in the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin. Buster proudly brought honor and fame to the Oneida Tribe throughout his years in school and life. He was the AAU National Decathlon Champion in

1931. After severe injuries and broken back playing football for the University of Mexico in 1931, Buster competed in the Los Angeles Olympics in 1932. After leading for two days his finishing total placed him 4th.

Buster was a certified civil engineer having worked for the Bureau of Reclamation, New Mexico State Highway Dept., U.S. Army Engineers, and Benham Engineering of Oklahoma City and Phoenix. Buster retired in the early 1980's and then Nola and him enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing, and travel. He particularly enjoyed Haskell reunions at Lawrence, Kansas and Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Buster and Nola's Memorial celebrating their love and lives, well-lived was held July 8th at A.L. Moore Grimshaw Chapel, Phoenix, Arizona. Respecting their wishes Buster and Nola were cremated and their ashes will be scattered at their favorite camping site on the Mogallon Rim of Arizona.

May They Walk In Beauty

A Special Thanks

The family of David C. “Joker” Moore would like to take this time to thank all his friends who gave their heartfelt condolences and were there for us while we mourned the loss of our father, grandfather, great grandfather and best friend.

We would like to thank all who donated food, drink, firewood, plants and flowers, etc.

Thank You to those who helped in the kitchen preparing, serving and cleaning up before and after the meals. Thanks to Father Dewey Silas, Deacon Edmund Powless and the Oneida Singers for the memorable service.

A special thanks to Oneida V.F.W. post 7784 for the beautiful military honors service at the cemetery.

In Loving Memory of...

Joshua Webster

Who would have been 26 on June 26, 2006

Happy Birthday
Joshua

Our hearts still ache in
sadness
and tears still flow...

I Love You and Miss You!
Love, Grandma King

Please Vote For

Jennifer Webster

**Current member of the
ONEIDA APPEALS
COMMISSION**

Seeking Re-Election



EXPERIENCE

- Knowledge of Oneida Court System and Tribal Laws
- Experience in developing By-laws and Policies + Procedures
- Informed member of Oneida Community
- Unbiased and equal decision maker
- Leadership, Management and Communication skills
- Business Marketing and Promotion skills
- Successful Business owner “Web’s Kustom Touch Auto Body”

EDUCATION

- Travelers World Omega - Certificate Program -Travel Agent Series
- University of Wisconsin- Oshkosh - Certificate Program - Small Business Management Marketing Management Series
- University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh - Certificate Program - Essentials of Management Oneida Tribal Management Program
- Certificate Training - Tribal Court Seminar
- Certificate Training - Conducting Fair Hearings, Due Process, Ex parte Communication
- Certificate Training-Roberts Rules of Order
- Certificate Training-Public Law 280 Jurisdiction in Indian Country

BACKGROUND

- **Family:** Husband Don Webster, Son's, Marcus & Zack, daughter Olivia
- **Parents:** Lee Gordon and Betty McLester
- **Grandparents:** Lee (deceased) and Pearl McLester, Ted and Mamie Benson (deceased)

Authorized and paid for by Jennifer Webster

Sample Ballot of 2006 Special Election

ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN
JULY 22, 2006
2006 SPECIAL ELECTION BALLOT

<div>APPEALS COMMISSION Choose Four (4)</div> <div>Janice Skenandore-McLester Rick A. Cornelius Ronda L. Skenandore Anita Barber Wesley (Wes) Martin Jr. Gary Jordan Jennifer Webster Julie Barton Pamela Harms Rochelle A. Powless Beverly Jean Skenandore</div>	<div>GAMING COMMISSION Choose One (1)</div> <div>Julie Barton Stanley Webster Pamela Harms Rochelle A. Powless</div>
	<div>ONEIDA NATION COMMISSION ON AGING (ONCOA) Choose Three (3)</div> <div>Dellora R. Cornelius Warren Skenadore Vera D. Wilson Rochelle A. Powless Josephine (Jo) Oudenhoven Donald D. McLester Jacqueline R. Thomas</div>
<div>LAND COMMISSION Choose Seven (7)</div> <div>Beverly A. Skenandore Arlene Danforth Carolyn Miller (Skenandore) Ron Hill Jr. "Tehassi" Amelia Cornelius Judy Cornelius Lisa (Oudenhoven) Summers Wendell W. Mclester David A. Webster Corinna Charles James "Jim" Martin Rochelle A. Powless Patricia A. Cornelius Terry J. Thompson-Hetzel Dorothy A. Skenandore Cathy L. Metoxen Linda S. Dallas</div>	<div>LAND CLAIMS COMMISSION Choose Two (2)</div> <div>Gina Powless Buenrostro Wendell W. McLester Loretta V. Metoxen Leyne Orosco Hugh Danforth</div>
	<div>ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD Parent Position Choose Two (2)</div> <div>Stacey Nieto Ron Hill Jr. "Tehassi"</div>
<div>TRUST COMMITTEE Choose Three (3)</div> <div>Gina Powless Buenrostro Arlene Danforth Carol (Caroline) Smith Carole Liggins Dellora R. Cornelius Shirley Barber Josephine (Jo) Oudenhoven David A. Webster Barbara J. Cornelius Lois Metoxen Strong Loretta V. Metoxen</div>	<div>ONEIDA SCHOOL BOARD At Large Position Choose Two (2)</div> <div>Linda Mercier James "Jim" Martin</div>

Referendum Question

The Trust-Enrollment Committee requests your approval for the development of a separation plan. The Plan would require the General Tribal Council's ratification. Since 1974, the functions of the Trust-Enrollment Committee have grown in complexity and scope. The Committee addresses issues on trust fund investment responsibilities with the Trust Department, and administers all Tribal enrollment responsibilities with the Enrollment Department. Each Department has it's own focus separate from each. To better meet the growing needs of the Oneida Nation, the Trust Department, the Enrollment Department, and the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee recommend creating two (2) separate committees. The two Committees would still remain under the direct authority of the General Tribal Council.

I approve of the development of a Plan to separate the Oneida Trust/Enrollment Committee.

YesNo

Standing Stone Design named Business of Year



Submitted photo

Above, Karl Lusis, President of Standing Stone Design proudly displays the recognition plaque his business received as Business of the Year by the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin.

Special to Kalihwisaks

Standing Stone Design is pleased to announce that we have been awarded the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin Business of the Year. Standing Stone Design, Inc. is an Indian-owned, architectural design firm that looks to

provide quality architectural designs with a special emphasis on Indian communities. Standing Stone Design identifies design and construction opportunities in Indian Country and shares that information with other Native-owned businesses to work on the projects. Our desire to

work in Indian Country and support other native businesses helps fulfill our mission of giving back to the Indian Community.

Karl Lusis, President of Standing Stone Design, became Wisconsin's first, and only, licensed American Indian in June of 2003. He is an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and is very active in supporting Indian communities throughout the Great Lakes region. Standing Stone Design brings a passion and understanding of Native people to each project and utilizes its talents to facilitate a teamwork environment. Standing Stone Design has worked on numerous projects in Indian country including, the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin's groundbreaking Age-In-Place facility, Museum and Town Homes, the Little River Band of Ottawa Casino, Bad River Nation Community Center and the Ho-Chunk Nation Rainbow Casino and Bingo Hall to name a few. Standing Stone Design has two employees Joel Doxtator an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and Jen Dudzek-Heidenreich. Please call Karl Lusis at 262-786-9723 with any further questions or visit our website: www.standingstonearch.com.



ATTENTION

Governmental Service Division

NO employee of the Governmental Services Division shall take time away from the duties and responsibilities of the position in which they were hired in order to serve on a Board, Commission or Committee during regular duties hours (7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) Monday – Friday.

Those employees who choose to do so must take Personal, Vacation Leave or use their lunch hour!

Calendar

EVENTS

July 14

Oneida Pendleton Blanket Unveiling
WHEN: July 14, 2006
PLACE: Oneida Smoke Shop – Isabell
There will be a limited number of blankets available and the first 250 numbered blankets will arrive in October of 2006. Pre-orders are being taken by Angela Moore at: (920) 490-8000 x1906 or e-mail to: amoore@oneidanation.org

July 17

Audition Workshop
WHEN: July 17, 2006
TIME: Sign in - 5:15-5:30 Workshop - 5:30 - 7:45
PLACE: Green Bay Downtown Library
Anyone over age 18 welcome. Opportunity to read for director, work on voice and diction, and learn what directors are looking for. Stage presence (tips on how to audition)
920-660-2816 or byrnedb@earthlink.net

August 2

8th Annual Diabetes Event
WHEN: August 2, 2006
TIME: 4:30pm to 8:30 pm
PLACE: Lambeau Field Legends Room
Evening of good food, information and motivation to improve your health. Register for prizes including a Recumbent Bike and a Treadmill. Tickets Available at the Oneida Community Health Center. Diabetes Team office (869-4864) WIC/Nutrition office (869-4829)

August 4–5

18th Annual Burger Fest & 6th Annual Balloon Rally
WHEN: August 4-5, 2006
TIME: Various
PLACE: Downtown Seymour, Wisconsin
Hot air balloons fly at 6:00pm Friday and Saturday with a balloon glow, and then at 6:00am Saturday and Sunday. Saturday, August 5th -World's Largest Hamburger Parade 11:00am Hamburger Press Weightlifting Contest, 1:00pm, 60lbs Mini-Burger served at 3:30pm. Admission is \$3 in advance and \$6 the day of the event. Children under 12 are free. Call **920-833-6688** for tix.

Ongoing

Women Reaching Women Support Group
WHEN: Every Thursday
WHERE: Three Sister's Comm. Center, 790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.) Three Sisters Housing Site
TIME: 12:30–2:30 PM
Please come and join us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch, and child care provided. YMCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to See you there! For information, please contact Isabel Parker at **498-3340** or Georgia Burr at **592-8682**.

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Any future announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Notice

The Vacant seat for the Gaming Commission election to be held in July will be a PART-TIME position.

You be the judge

Submitted by the Oneida Appeals Commission
To Oneida General Tribal Council Members:

On July 25, 2006, the Oneida Nation Legislative Operating Committee will hold a public hearing on pending tribal legislation to strengthen the Oneida Tribal Judicial System. The importance of this historic moment cannot be overstated: at the heart of sovereignty is the right of a people to resolve their own disputes in accordance with their values and laws. The pending Judiciary Law, if enacted, will strengthen our tribal sovereignty. A nation’s people express their values through their laws and judicial system. The current tribal judicial system is limited in the types of cases it hears. Many cases that could be heard in tribal court are heard in state court. Oneida members appear in state court, where state law is applied and administered by state judges. The state judicial system is not necessarily wrong, but it does not

embody Oneida ways and values. Oneida culture is important in all tribal matters, especially when addressing the future of the Tribe, our children. Ten out of eleven tribes in Wisconsin have courts set up to handle their own child abuse and neglect cases. The Oneida Tribe does not. Despite being a national and state leader in so many areas, the Oneida’s judicial system is lagging. The enactment of this law will help correct this deficiency. Through the law, we will be charting our own path as a people, and helping to preserve our culture. While there may be disagreement about the manner in which disputes should be resolved, a strong allegiance to sovereignty does not permit any reasonable objection to resolving those disputes ourselves. We are a sovereign nation with a right of self-government. The Judiciary Law will improve the tribal legal system and we encourage tribal members to participate in the public hearing on **July 25, 2006**.



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Back Row: Mary Adams, Anita Barber, Leland Wigg-Ninham, Robert Christjohn, Gerald Cornelius, Marjorie Stevens.Front Row: Jennifer Webster, Janice McLester, Winnifred Thomas, Dorothy Ninham, Lois Powless.

Peacemaking is sovereignty

The following is an excerpt from an assessment conducted by Tribal Judicial Institute. The Oneida Appeals Commission would like to share this information with our community.

This management review was performed under an agreement between the Oneida Appeals Commission and the Tribal Judicial Institute. The opinions expressed in this report are solely those of the Tribal Judicial Institute and the on-site review team members. The Tribal Judicial Institute is a non-profit corporation organized to design and deliver education, research, training, and technical assistance programs which promote the improvement of justice in Indian country and the health, well-being, and culture of Native peoples. To improve the quality of judicial services, tribal judicial systems should be reviewed periodically to determine the strengths and weaknesses of operations and procedures. We are pleased that we were selected to conduct the management review of the Oneida Appeals Commission. We would like to thank the On-site Review Team members for the extensive time and effort they put into this review: Honorable Robert Grey Eagle, J.D. and Tahira Hashmi, J.D.

Conclusion of Report:
The operations of the Oneida Appeals Commission include tradition and culture which is an essential and political distinction characteristic of a bona fide sovereign nation. What’s needed, at present, is to expand the sovereign characteristic of the Commission to a Court of General Jurisdiction. It is important for a sovereign nation to have its own system of laws covering an array of subject matters so as to display their own culture and traditions in their contemporary laws. Allowing a legal

system outside of the nation’s own culture and tradition erodes on the nation’s culture and eventually its sovereignty. The Oneida Appeals Commission is a true depiction of the best of both worlds in terms of Indians and non-Indian categories. The conventional Anglo-Saxon adversarial process in most non-Indian judicial systems may not be appropriate for resolving the conflicts existing between or among tribal members or even tribal members and non-members doing business or living within the jurisdiction of the Tribe. Additionally, having a winner and loser is not always conducive to fostering peace and harmony in a close-knit cultural society. Traditional peacemaking through cultural methods and processes is a reflection of the classic win-win scenario. Our recommendation is that in addition to the existing process and procedures in place by the Commission, it should have the ability to order parties to attempt to resolve their differences through their inherent cultural methods. Expansion of methods like peacemaking and restorative justice techniques can be utilized in resolving disputes among tribal members. At present, the Oneida Appeals Commission is prepared both through staffing and enabling and organic documentation to expand to a Court of General Jurisdiction. Constitutional Amendments, Ordinance Drafting and physical expansion of court building are needed for expanded subject matters that the Commission decides on. Traditional peacemaking methods for tribal dispute resolution can be explored and made part of the expanded court system. Similarly situated tribes with PL 280 governance may include the Prairie Island Indian Community of Minnesota and the Shakopee Mdewakanton Dakota (Sioux) Tribe of Minnesota.

LOC UPDATE

LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE JULY 2006

MEET THE LOC

The LOC consists of the 5 Council member positions of the Oneida Business Committee (OBC):

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The members of the LOC serve 3 year terms consistent with the Tribal election of the OBC.

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The LOC website contains all of the Oneida Laws and includes:

- ★ LOC biographies
- ★ Oneida Tribal Constitution
- ★ Active Files List
- ★ LOC approved minutes
- ★ Public Hearing Notices
- ★ Policies

LOC ACTIVE FILES LIST

- ☐ APA (New)
- ☐ Back Pay Policy
- ☐ Child Protective Board Bylaws
- ☐ Education Code
- ☐ Election Law
- ☐ Election Law: Primary Elections for OBC Positions
- ☐ Emergency Services Ordinance
- ☐ Format for Laws
- ☐ Hall of Fame
- ☐ Higher Education
- ☐ Hunting, Fishing & Trapping
- ☐ Housing Ordinance
- ☐ Internal Security Issues
- ☐ Judiciary Act
- ☐ Labor Code
- ☐ Law Enforcement Ordinance
- ☐ LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)
- ☐ Legislative Procedures Act
- ☐ Military Service Employee Protection Act
- ☐ New York: Building Code
- ☐ New York: Plumbing Code
- ☐ Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance
- ☐ Oneida Passports
- ☐ Pardon Ordinance
- ☐ Per Capita Ordinance Amendments
- ☐ Preventative Health Care Bill
- ☐ Real Property Law
- ☐ Salary Structure
- ☐ SEOTS Bylaws
- ☐ Small Business
- ☐ Termination of Appointment
- ☐ Travel Policy
- ☐ Truancy Ordinance

Latest News

Emergency Adoption of Amendment to the Oneida Small Business Project 2000. On June 21, 2006, the Oneida Business Committee adopted an amendment to the Oneida Small Business Project 2000 Policies and Procedures which fixed the interest rate charged to Tribal members at 5% for business ventures.

Adoption of Amendments to the Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy and Procedures. On June 21, 2006, the Oneida Business Committee adopted amendments to the Oneida Trust Scholarship Fund Policy and Procedures which included:

- ☐ An increase in the scholarship amount from \$1,000 to \$2,500 and removes the requirement that requests have to be “a resource of last resort.” However, the amendments only allow a one-time (\$2,500) scholarship.
- ☐ Allowing additional time to complete applications
- ☐ A provision that requires unexpended funds be reverted to the Education Endowment Fund.
- ☐ An amended appeal process.

Public Hearings

When: July 25, 2006
Where: Our Lady of Charity (OLC) Chapel
Time: 11:30AM

Adoption of a Judiciary law which would establish a Tribal court system.

Amendment to the Oneida Small Business Project 2000 which would fix the interest rate charged to Tribal members under the Oneida Small Business Project 2000 at 5%.

Adoption of Termination of Appointment Amendments to the Comprehensive Policy Governing Boards, Committees and Commissions, the Code of Ethics and the Conflict of Interest Policy to allow for the termination of an appointment by the Oneida Business Committee because the recently adopted Removal Law only addressed elected officials.

When: August 8, 2006 11:30AM
Where: Our Lady of Charity (OLC) Chapel

Amendments to the Emergency Services Ordinance so that an Emergency Management office can be implemented and have the “appropriate authority to enforce emergency management programs and practices.”

LOC Member Spotlight - Paul Ninham



Councilman Paul Ninham was first elected to the Oneida Nation’s nine member Business Committee in 1999 and re-elected in 2002 and 2005. Serving his third term as Councilman, Ninham is committed to continue his efforts to preserve and protect the sovereignty of the Oneida Nation. In addition to his tribal government obligations, Paul focuses his efforts on the education and social upbringing of native youth, the environment, and the preservation of language and culture. He believes that native children are the future leaders and need love, nurturing and teachings by adults so they are able to lead our world into the future.

Councilman Ninham is the Vice-Chairman for the Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council, the EPA Region 5 representative to the National Tribal Operations Committee, and the Trustee for the Oneida Nation for the Fox River/Green Bay Natural Resource Damages. Councilman Ninham is also honored to serve on the Executive Board for the Native American Rights Fund and the Executive Board for the Board of Regents for Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas. Councilman Ninham has broadened his focus to some of the national issues impacting Indian country through his involvement with national Native American affiliations. Paul keeps himself abreast of Indian initiatives that may impact the Oneida Nation through proposed legislation both nationally and in Wisconsin.

He believes that in order to enjoy personal well-being, we must first concentrate on securing the health of the natural environment. Paul also feels that in order to sustain our culture, we must pay close attention to the language and the importance of it’s restoration in the community. He believes that if we acknowledge all of these components, then we are living in a holistic world as we practice the Oneida Nation’s Seven Generation philosophy. A philosophy that we not only take care of today’s business, but also the business and citizenry of the Oneida Nation Seven Generations from now.

Paul is married to Jill and they have one daughter, Jamie. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education from Arizona State University and has completed additional course work at the University of New Mexico in Parks and Recreation Administration MA Program. Prior to being elected as a council member for the Oneida Nation, Paul held Recreation Director positions in Oneida, the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, NM, the Indian Community School in Milwaukee, WI, as well as, a Specialist position for the City of Durango in Colorado.

Councilman Paul Ninham holds the highest regards for Oneida culture; a great appreciation of all mediums of Indian art; and enjoys participating in all outdoor activities.

State/National

SEOTS News

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.*

Annual Seots Picnic and Pool party!
Theme is Oneida Colors, Purple and White. Wear purple and white clothes, be creative, use paints, sew, stencil etc. The most unique will win a prize! (One adult and one child) Bring your Swimming Suit, Pool will be open from 6 -7pm for Community Members use that are attending the Picnic. Life guards will be on duty and the pool is Ours for one hour! Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. (Pinata for children at 2:45, followed by contest judging, bingo, food and swimming.) Basketball, Volleyball, Pinata, Raffles, Entertainment and Bingo! Bring a dish to pass, lawn chairs, sports equipment, swim suits **Parents are responsible for their children and please no alcohol** . Be there or be square!

Date: Sunday, August 6th
Time: 2pm - 7pm
Place: McCarty Park, 8214 W. Cleveland, in the Pavilion

Language Class
(Note summer hours) No Saturday Classes Language Class Date: Monday, August 7, 14, 21 and 28th Time: 6 - 8pm Place: Seots office, 2778 South 35th Street **Volunteers needed for Indian Summer in September 8, 9 & 10th**

Please call the Seots office at an early date and sign up. Call 414-384-7740.

Trip to Princeton Flea Market
Come along for a fun day at the Flea Market! Wear your walking shoes, money to spend for all the goodies you will want and a smile for the ride! And don't forget your jokes! We will leave early. Call to reserve your spot on the van! 414-384-7740

Date: Saturday, August 19
Time: Van leaves at 7:00am sharp!

Raised Beading Class
Raised beading class with Jim Kelly. Jim will do a basic raised beading class. You will have a finished piece of work when you are done with the two classes! There is no fee for this class. Date: Wednesday, August 23rd Time: 6:30 - 8pm

Green Corn Harvest and Soup Making in Oneida
Trip to Oneida to learn how to make green corn soup. Please call the office to reserve your spot on the van, 414-384-7740. Date and time are yet to be determined.Craft Class will continue in September Oneida Cultural Heritage -classes will resume in the fall **Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office** Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the

Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and information available to Veterans without an appointment once a month at SEOTS. Rodney is a counselor with the Vets Center. His specialty is working with war veterans and their families, although he will try to help any veteran with any questions they may have. The Vet's Center does with work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations in order to provide the best care for veterans. -- All Veteran's Are Welcome-- Date: Tuesday, August 1Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm Place: SEOTS **For Your Information - 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 know's you may be a match?

Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Computer lab now available for use

Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Open lab every day and Saturday 9 - 12pm. **Veterans**

SEOTS Office Hours:
M-T-W-TH-F: 8-4:30PM
Saturday: 9AM-12PM
Call for hour availability on the weekend, 384-7740

SEOTS Staff

Mark Denning.....*Director*
Anne Kreutzinger.....*Administrative Asst.*
Carmen Flores.....*Administrative Asst.*
Deb Ushakow.....*Community Education Specialist*

The Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalihwisaks for SEOTS *News* once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us.

The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

Support Our Veterans! Veterans have served our county since the Revolutionary War. They are also requesting that we support our Veterans where ever they are serving. The contact person for the Color Guard is Leon House (414)543-1622. **We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans. Keep up the good work!** **MAIRN Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network Meeting**

If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information about our community, such as: contacts, what's happening in Indian country regarding health, community education, and other important issues that affect our community. Guest speakers will present topics of interest and will share their resources that are available for the community. This is a must for area Indian agencies and businesses. Date: August 30th Time : 12:00-2:00pm Place: Next Meeting will be held at "The Gathering Place" at the Ignace Indian Health Center, 1711 S. 11th Street , alternate place will be Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street. **Notices will be sent to members** (Others interested please call 384-7740)

Potluck---Potluck—Potluck Tsyunhehkwa

If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're

looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If there is anything you would like that we don't carry we would be happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida..

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings

The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.

Date: Tuesday, August 8th and 22nd Time: 6:00pm Please call and inquire before attending 384-7740.

Information around the city

211 Impact - Simply call 211 for help with life/food/shelter/health/crisis intervention, etc.
Pow Wow AA Group
All Welcome - Thursday's - 8:00pm, 1st Baptist Church, 1576 So. 78th
Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center: 383-9526
Domestic Violence - Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132/Ext.153
- Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case Manager/Advocate and available to assist women or family members
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.

Weekly Events

Movies and Library

The SEOTS office has a collection of movies and library books for check-out. A large selection of Native American books fiction and non-fiction. Books and movies can be checked-out free of charge. Also, please return any past due books or movies so we can update our library.

Oneida language class - Summer Hours

Oneida Language class is taught weekly by teachers from Milwaukee and guest teachers from Oneida! Families and children are welcome! Language teacher Mark Powless would like to see you come with your children. Part of the class is planned for fun and easy learning for our children. They are our lifeblood for the Oneida language. Please try to attend! Oneida language classes are taught at SEOTS on a weekly basis with Oneida instructors. You can also access the language program during the week on computers available at SEOTS. Dates: Monday, August 7, 14, 21 and 28th Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm Place: Seots

Oneida Singers

Oneida singers meet every Sunday at 6:30pm at the SEOTS office. They are available for events and services. Please contact John House 443-0301or Seots 384-7740 Date: Monday, August 7, 14, 21, 28th Time: 6:30pm Place: Seots

Van Trip

Date: Wednesday, July 19th Time: Van leaves at 8:00am sharp and returns at approximately 5:30pm **SEOTS transports Oneida tribal members to Oneida every third Wednesday of the month.** Staff will make two stops in Oneida. The Casino and the Health Center. If you wish to visit family members or do other business, arrange for transportation or you may ride the Oneida Transit for the fee of \$1. Please bring lunch money or brown bag as we are in Oneida for the day. The pick-up for return is at the Oneida Casino at 3:00pm. Returning to Milwaukee between 5-6pm. Please plan appropriately and remember to call ahead to put your name on the reservation list. 384-7740.

SEOTS van trip and script pick-up

Script pick-up: Wednesday, July 5, 12, 19 and 26th **Last day to call in meds for the following Wednesday pick-up is no later than 4:00pm each FRIDAY!** You must order meds the week BEFORE each pick up. You can not order the same week you are requesting a pick up unless you are going to pick up your meds or arrange to have someone else pick them up for you. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions about this. Always make 2 calls - SEOTS & PHARMACY (If you don't get your name on the SEOTS List, your meds will not be included in the pick up.)

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Oneida Breaks Ground on Walk of Legends

(Oneida, WI) – The Oneida Nation will broke ground on the first monument to be constructed in the Oneida Nation Walk of Legends project on Thursday, June 22, 2006 in front of Brett Favre's Steakhouse on Brett Favre Pass.

The first monument will be a tribute to Brett Favre and the Oneida Nation Seven Generation Philosophy.

The monument will feature photos of Brett Favre and will include a brief history of his hall of fame caliber career. It will leave appropriate space for additional career highlights as Favre continues his legendary career with the Packers.

The monument will also be inscribed with the Oneida Nation Seven Generation philosophy, "The Oneida Nation strives to improve the quality of life for it's citizens. The Nation strives to create a standard of living that will provide Oneida children with a vision for the future and an appreciation for the past. Family, unity and respect for all gifts from the Creator make our Nation strong. All that we do and all that we say, must be done in a way that acknowledges our impact on the next seven generations."



Photo courtesy of Garth Webster

Members of the Oneida Business Committee join with mayor of Green Bay Jim Schmitt to break ground in front of Brett Favre's Steak House for the first Walk of Legends monument.

The monuments will be created in two divisions, 12 will feature players and 12 will highlight different eras in Packer history. Other players will include Reggie White, Ray Nitschke. Bart Starr and Tony Canadeo.

The player monuments will be constructed on an 8' concrete base with engraved black granite facings. A 4-4.5' brushed steel number will top each monument. The era monuments will be similar with a football topping the monument.

The monuments will also highlight Oneidas who played during the Packer's beginnings. Football players such as Jonas

Metoxen, Tom Skenandore, Taylor Smith and Martin Wheelock returned from boarding schools out east with much needed gridiron experience.

"This project has been in the works for nearly three years now and I thank the Oneida Nation for stepping up and joining us in making this dream come true," said Sandi Campbell, project originator and facilitator.

"The Oneida Nation is honored to be a part of Green Bay football history and now our history will be intertwined with theirs forever," Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes said.

American Indian casinos now a \$23 billion-a-year industry

By Juliet Williams

Associated Press Writer
SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) ~ Gambling revenue at American Indian casinos nationwide grew to nearly \$23 billion last year, climbing at a rate more than three times faster than traditional gambling operations.

California tribes accounted for nearly a third of the money, according to a comprehensive report on Indian gambling to be released Wednesday.

Nationwide, Indian gambling revenue grew by 15.6 percent in 2005, even though no major casinos opened last year, according to the Indian Gaming Industry Report, compiled by economist Alan Meister. It was the 10th consecutive year in which revenues increased by about 15 percent.

The growth can be attributed to expanded offerings at existing casinos and stepped-up marketing by tribes that are adding Las Vegas-style amenities to lure more visitors.

The report shows tribal casinos closing in on the amount of profits taken in by other casinos, which had \$29.6 billion in revenue in

2005, a 4.6 percent rise from the previous year.

California's tribes saw revenue climb by 24 percent, to \$7.2 billion, in a state where 55 tribes operate 57 casinos. That rate of growth isn't likely to slow any time soon, Meister said.

Nebraska led all states in growth last year, at 228 percent, after adding a third casino and other offerings at existing facilities. Only four states saw a decline in revenue: Alaska, Louisiana, Maine and South Carolina.

Meister, an economist with the Analysis Group in Los Angeles, uses data from government agencies, Indian tribes and casinos, gambling associations and other studies, as well as some proprietary financial data that tribes are not required to publicly report.

Wednesday's report also found the nation's 420 Indian casinos are responsible for the equivalent of 310,000 full-time jobs and about \$10.5 billion in wages. Meister said Indian gambling directly and indirectly accounts for \$6.9 billion in tax revenue.

Shawano Folk Music Festival 2006 to feature Mark Denning & Oneida Dancers

The 28th annual Shawano Folk Music Festival will be Aug. 11 to 13 at Mielke Arts Center in Shawano.

The event will feature performances by Tom Pease, Mark Dvorak, Randy Sabien, Dean Magraw, Bill Jorgenson, Robin Pluer, Kitty Donohoe, Small Potatoes, KG

& the Ranger, Mark Denning & the Oneida Dancers and the Whistlepig String Band. (See performer biographies below.)

Tom Martin-Erickson, host of Wisconsin Public Radio's "Simply Folk," will emcee at the Aug. 11 concert and Jacquie Manning and Rich Prezioso, also known as Small Potatoes, will do the

honors Aug. 12.

The concerts will be at 7 p.m. in the air-conditioned Mielke Theater. Due to limited seating, the festival committee recommends ordering concert tickets in advance.

Daytime workshops will be under tents in the wooded park at Airport Road and County Road H. Daytime workshops will feature how-

to sessions, sing-alongs, mini-concerts, dancing and more. An open mic stage will provide an outlet to show off musical skills, test a new song before an appreciative audience or just chime in on a tune.

New this year will be a day to focus on children. On Sunday, Aug. 13, children will find activities geared

toward them from art to music.

Crafters will demonstrate their talents and sell their wares along the park's wooded paths.

Food vendors will have everything from homemade soup to kettle corn to brats to coffee for sale.

The festival committee will raffle off several prizes, with the two top prizes being handmade, colorful quilts. Other prizes include CDs from the musicians and crafts from the crafters.

Weekend pass tickets are \$50, which includes both concerts and both days of workshops (\$38 for seniors age 65 or older). Concert tickets are \$18 for each evening (\$16 for seniors and children). Daytime tickets are \$10 for each day (\$5 for seniors and children). A family daytime pass is \$25 for each day (two adults and two or more children).

Tickets are available online at www.shawanofestival.com

(via PayPal) or by contacting Linda Blohowiak at (920) 822-5042. Ticket requests can also be mailed to: SCAC – Tickets, N1829 S. Saint Augustine St., Pulaski WI 54162. Tickets are available in Shawano at M&I Bank and the Shawano County Chamber of Commerce.

For information, call publicity chairman Donna Hobscheid at (715) 526-5311 or dwhobscheid@charter.net or festival director Dori Jerger at (715) 276-6942.

Mark Denning and the Oneida Dancers will show the color and symbolism of Native American dance. Denning, head dancer and leader of the Oneida Dancers, was born on the Menominee Reservation and began dancing when he was 17. The troupe has performed around the state, educating audiences about the importance and spirituality of this art form. They will perform at the Aug. 12 concert.

Summer House Party Series Presenting.....

Mohawk Singer to perform in Concert in Oneida



renowned fiddler/violinist nominated for GRAMMYS in both Best Folk/Country Artist and Best Instrumental Recording categories. The first half of the show will include Arvel's original compositions guaranteed to delight both young and old. In the second half, Arvel will be joined by Cherry Bounce Band for some good old jigg-ing music.

Concert is free; \$5 suggested donation for the meal. Meal provided by the DoDo Club. Meal starting at 5:30 p.m.; music at 6:00 pm and show ends at 7:30 p.m. in the Norbert Hill Center North Lawn, N7210 Seminary Rd. Oneida, WI. 54155, (rain location in the Norbert Hill Center Auditorium) Info: 490-3830

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and make yourself comfortable for great Native entertainment and Oneida hospitality. Join us in the little apple orchard on the corner of Seminary Road and Hwy 54 in Oneida where families of generations ago held their "Going Home Day" picnics. For more information, call 920-490-3830.

The Summer House Parties Series is made possible through funding from the Wisconsin Arts Board, Coca Cola Fund, and the Oneida Tribe of Indians.

The Summer House Party Concert location, in the north lawn of the Norbert Hill Center, Seminary Rd and Hwy 54, in Oneida, was the site of the "Going Home Day Picnics," held in the early 1900's. There was a U.S. Indian Boarding School at the location. At the end of the academic year, parents and extended families would pick up their children from the boarding school. The occasion created the "Going Home Day Picnic".

The third concert in the series is with Arvel Bird and Cherry Bounce, August 10, 2006.

Arvel Bird, of Paiute and Scottish heritage, is a

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LIVE IN CONCERT AUGUST 5 – FREE!

70's rockers **Redbone** perform live for one free show on Saturday, August 5th. Hear classic hits like "**Maggie**" and "**Come And Get Your Love**" from one of your favorite Native American bands.

Motorcycle giveaway on Aug. 31st.
Win entries Thursday through Sunday!

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Must be 21 to enter casino or attend the show. Mohican North Star Casino and Bingo management reserves the right to alter or cancel any promotion at any time and without prior notice. See Star Club for details.

Health/Environmental

Zebra mussels confirmed in White Rapids Flowage, Menominee River

AMBERG, Wis.- Adult zebra mussels have been found in the White Rapids Flowage on the Menominee River in Marinette County leading the DNR to place the flowage on its “List of zebra mussel infested waters” and urge boaters to take precautions to make sure they don’t accidentally spread the invasive species to new lakes.

Staff at WE Energies reported finding adult zebra mussels on equipment at their hydro generating facility on White Rapids Flowage. “The size range of the zebra mussels found at the plant indicates that there is an established zebra mussel population in White Rapids Flowage,” says Dick Sachs, Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator for the Department of Natural Resources.

Placing White Rapids Flowage on the list of zebra mussel infested waters means that the DNR will post “Exotic Species Advisory” signs at the boat landings on White Rapids Flowage to notify the public that zebra

mussels are present. The department will work with local units of government to increase public awareness and outreach efforts to control the further spread of zebra mussels.

Concerned citizens can help stop the spread of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species by volunteering for “Clean Boats Clean Waters,” a volunteer watercraft inspection program. Contact the DNR’s Clean Boats Clean Waters Program Coordinator at 715-365-2659 for program information.

Zebra mussels attach to hard surfaces and form dense clusters. They can decimate native mussel populations, decrease the oxygen that fish and other aquatic species need, and worsen algae blooms. They can clog boat engines and intake pipes for utilities and industrial facilities. In addition, their sharp shells can cut the feet of swimmers and beach walkers.

Zebra mussels first arrived in the Wisconsin waters of Lake Michigan in the Racine

harbor in 1990 as stowaways aboard foreign freighters entering the Great Lakes. Since then, they have become established in 70 inland lakes in Wisconsin. Invasive species are transported to new waters by “hitching a ride” on boats and equipment that move between waters.

“The key to preventing the spread of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species is not to transport anything - plants, animals, mud, or water—when moving from one water body to another,” says Sachs. “Mud and water can harbor seeds, and microscopic eggs and larva.

Everyone can help prevent the spread of invasive species by reporting suspected new infestations to a local DNR or Sea Grand office, and by following four simple yet highly effective prevention steps. Every time you remove a boat or equipment from the water:

1. Remove plants, animals, mud, and debris from your boat, trailer and equipment;
2. Drain all water from your boat’s live wells, bilge, motor,

etc.;

3. Don’t take bait or water used in one water body to another water body. Dispose of unused bait in the trash, not in the water;

4. Dry the boat and equipment thoroughly for five days - or - spray/rinse the boat and equipment with high-pressure and/or hot water. Washing should be done before transporting boats or equipment that has been moored for more than a day.

For more information on the discovery of the zebra mussels in White Rapids Flowage or on how to prevent the spread of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species contact Dick Sachs at 920-662-5187, or Greg Sevensen at 715-582-5013.

Wisconsin coalition seeks to reduce youth suicide

MILWAUKEE (AP) – Bolstered by a federal grant, efforts are under way to reduce youth suicides by at least 10 percent in Wisconsin, where about one young person dies each week.

Wisconsin has one of the highest rates of youth suicide in the nation.

The state trails only Alaska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah and Nevada for numbers of death per 100,000 youths, according to the latest numbers published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in 2003. According to the CDC, Wisconsin recorded 53 suicides by people ages 10 to 19, an average of 6.6 per 100,000 youths.

Experts point to high risk

factors like living in isolated areas, keeping guns in the home and alcohol or drug abuse.

A new coalition is using \$1,125,000 in federal funds over the next three years to help increase awareness of why youth commit suicide.

“This is not a mystery,” said Fred Sutkiewicz, a school psychologist in Sheboygan.

The areas that will be targeted heaviest in the new campaign are Sheboygan, Green County, Lafayette County, Marathon County, Portage County, an American Indian community not yet

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GOOD MIND... great future!

“a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking”

Elders and Story Sharing

Attention All Elders!

We want the youth to hear your words....

We want to know what you think of today’s lifestyle....

We want to see a better relationship between the next generation and our elders....

Do you have something you want to say to today’s youth?

Any advice to give? If so... Sign up today! We want to hear YOU!

C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, & information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

Strengthening the community through story

Wednesday, July 26, 2006 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Oneida Turtle School

On Wednesday, July 26, at 5:00PM, Oneida’s Good Mind-Great Future and area Spiritual Leaders invite you to join us in a Traditional Indigenous meal and an evening of story- telling. “Strengthening Community Through Story” will be an opportunity to hear from anyone who has a story to share. By meeting new and old friends, we reconnect with ourselves, our family and our community. Hopefully, sharing with each other will inspire us to live happier and healthier lives.

The evening will begin with an opening by Randy Cornelius and a traditional meal. Then, a brief story of Oneida’s journey from creation to today by Ron Hill followed by a Friendship Greeting. Finally, group facilitators will be introduced and all attending will be asked to take part in a circle, where the story-telling will continue.

Bring your aunties and uncles, your grandmothers and grandfathers, your children, your parents and your neighbors. See you there.

For more information contact Justine Souto or Tracy L. Metoxen at 490-3854.

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. Department of Justice.

Annual Tenant Board Meeting

The Community is invited to join Oneida Housing Authority & Oneida Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

*July 27th, 2006
*4 - 6
*At The Parish Hall

Light refreshments will be served

Put the Points in Your Favor

Please join us for the 8th Annual Diabetes Event at the Lambeau Field Legends Room, for an evening of good food, healthful information and motivation to improve your health.
August 2, 2006 4:30pm to 8:30pm

Master of Ceremonies:

Tim Moureau, RN, NP, CDE

Featured Speakers:

Dr. Michael Flood, Internal Medicine, OCHC

Panel discussion with community members affected by diabetes and Bill McConkey

Motivational Speaker and Humorist

Register for Prizes including: Recumbent Bike (2) Treadmill

Sponsored by: Oneida Community Health Center Diabetes Grant

Tickets Available at the Oneida Community Health Center: Greeters Desk, Diabetes Team office (869-4864) WIC/Nutrition office (869-4829)

Tickets Price \$5.00 Per Person - CASH ONLY

Education

Funding cuts may hurt program that helped Indian med students

DULUTH, Minn. (AP) – A summer program that encourages American Indians to enter health professions was in full swing last week, as students like Otis Bitsuie learned how to measure blood pressure.

Bitsuie, a 21-year-old Navajo who came from the University of Utah for the summer program, said he will probably pursue a medical profession. He said it's important for Indians to have Indian doctors.

“A lot of natives don't have the trust there (with doctors from outside their culture),” he said. “That can make a very big difference. It can ease apprehension if they see a native.”

But programs like Native Americans into Medicine could be at risk after Sept. 1, when funding ends for the Center for American Indian and Minority Health, one of three centers in U.S. medical schools that promotes health professions for Indians. The loss in funding will cut the center's budget by 83 percent, from \$1.325 million to \$225,000.

The programs helped the University of Minnesota graduate more than 100 Indian doctors since 1990, more than all but one other American university.

Dr. Ed Haller, a now retired faculty member in Duluth

who started recruiting Indians into the Medical School, called the federal budget cut “unconscionable.” Nationwide, funding was cut for all centers of minority health, except those at historically black colleges.

“The people who have been here have been role models and an inspiration to students,” Haller said. “I remember one student who said he had been told that he should be a truck driver. That sort of thing just brings tears to your eyes.”

Medical School Dean Deborah Powell said university officials hope to redirect enough money to restore at least half of the cut funds. The school is lobbying Minnesota's congressional delegation to try to get fund-

ing restored next year.

Powell said the program is the reason that 17 of the 200 students who start medical school on the Twin Cities and Duluth campuses this fall are American Indian. Those students, from across the country, are drawn by the opportunity to work on reservations, study with Indian doctors and take classes dealing with issues such as medicine and traditional healing practices.

“To provide the best health care to patients, be they Caucasian or Somali or Hmong or American Indian, one has to understand their culture and beliefs,” Powell said. “We have to have students who come from those cultures.”

Annual Board

Tenant Meeting

The Community is invited...

to join Oneida Housing Authority & Oneida Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

Thursday • July 27th, 2006

4 – 6 p.m.

Parish Hall

Light refreshments will be served

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selected and the Wisconsin School for the Deaf in Walworth County.

Officials say young people who are deaf or hearing impaired are at risk because of the emotional difficulties

resulting from their disability. The Mental Health Association in Milwaukee County will lead the effort

with help from the state Department of Health and Family Services, the state

Department of Public Instruction and the Medical College of Wisconsin, which will also research and analyze the results of the three-year program.

Planned efforts including surveys of school children on their attitudes toward suicide, increased use of gun locks, new educational materials for the hearing impaired, better mental health services for American Indian youths and training teachers to recognize warning signs.

“We have learned that schools alone can't seem to sustain a project,” said Martha Rasmus, president of the Mental Health Association. “This goes broader and deeper than what we've been able to do before.”

Oneida Nation Elementary School

4th Quarter Honor Roll students named

Submitted by Yvette Peguero

Assistant Principal, ONES

Honors 3.0–3.49

Third Grade

Carleigh Skenandore – 3.438
Isis Croston – 3.299
Ruby John – 3.228
Dayton Sanapaw – 3.228
Karissa Cornelius–Waupoose – 3.089

Fourth Grade

Jairica Christjohn – 3.317
Sequoyah Morgan – 3.298
Muriel King – 3.254
Tyler Stevens – 3.193
Paul Christjohn – 3.190
McKenna Pyawasit – 3.158
Matthew Powless – 3.106

Fifth Grade

Diego Metoxen – 3.333
Eveyonna Ortega – 3.157
David White – 3.123
Kayla Danforth – 3.017
Paige Ninham – 3.000

Sixth Grade

Bradley Sievers – 3.364
Anna Cornelius – 3.333
Michael Santiago – 3.276
Brandon Andrews – 3.271
Chelsey Cornelius – 3.245
Colleen Cornelius – 3.021
Brent Huff – 3.009
Phillip Starr – 3.001

Seventh Grade

Shane Skenandore – 3.501
Jaylee Godfrey – 3.476
Jade Doxtater – 3.333
Chelsea Jorgenson – 3.222
Lily Smith – 3.222
Janace Christjohn – 3.123
Salene LaRock – 3.048

Eighth Grade

Alexandria Redhail – 3.476
Cheyenne Starr – 3.218
Shanica Hill – 3.135
Angelina Redhail – 3.111
Ericka Behringer – 3.070

Highest Honors 3.5–3.79

Third Grade

Briana Doxtator – 3.791
Shantel VanDyke – 3.755

Oneida Nation Elementary School

4th Quarter Attendance

Submitted by Yvette Peguero

Assistant Principal, ONES

Perfect Attendance F.A.C.E.

Chayton Mousseau

Kindergarten

Joseff Cornelius, Alex Denny, Jack Mehojah, Danielle Dessart-Skenandore, Christian Thomas

First Grade

Taliah Fredrick, Jadin Sitting Bear, Sadie Wilber, Esaias Bautista, Lanora Danforth, Olivia Pigman, Michael Robinson, Florence John, Sonny Nacotee, Tabbitha Ninham

Second Grade

Travis Stevens

Third Grade

Rebecca BrownBull, Isis Croston, Shakonahla Elm, Byran Halona

Fourth Grade

Matthew Powless, Shania Stewart

Fifth Grade

Cayman Berg-Morales, Heather Stevens, Timothy BrownBull, Matthew Skenandore

Excellent Attendance Kindergarten

Jada Sitting Bear, Ethan Schuyler, Skyler Joy, Dylan Wilber, Mason Hebb, Miguel Hernandez, Orville Summers

First Grade

Anthony Arce, William Merrell, Marissa Cornelius, Sandra Torres-Mejia, Donald Counard Jr.

Second Grade

Kyle Beechtree, Niko Pocan, Kasey Counard, Brittney Hill, Eric Denny, Kasy Counard, Louisa Mehojah

Akacia Muscavitch – 3.738
D’Anna Cornelius – 3.614
Byran Halona – 3.578
Yen<stahawise Brooks – 3.561

Fourth Grade

Josanna Cornelius–Daubon – 3.790
Brandon Joy – 3.682

Fifth Grade

Carissa Metoxen – 3.563
Aleah Jimenez – 3.543
Noelle Metoxen – 3.518

Sixth Grade

Guadalupe Martinez – 3.751
Haley Hill – 3.608
Jordan Smith – 3.583

Highest Honors 3.8–4.0 Fourth Grade

Yewanak>yu Brooks – 3.930

Fifth Grade

Cayman Berg–Morales – 3.824

Eighth Grade

Maria Metoxen – 3.835

Third Grade

Ruby John, Dante Thomas, Shantell Van Dyke

Fourth Grade

Sequoyah Morgan, Marcus Skenandore, Shy House, Avery King

Fifth Grade

James Hebb, Diego Metoxen, Kaylynn Powless, Corina Lara, Noelle Metoxen, Fredrick Miller, Paige Ninham, Eveyonna Ortega, Devonte Pointer

Seventh Grade

Maurense Beans

Eighth Grade

Maria Metoxen, Ericka Behringer

Number of students with Perfect Attendance: 27
Number of students with Excellent Attendance: 38

Canning Workshop

Thursday, July 20th • 5:30 p.m.

In the Cannery at the Norbert Hill Center

The class will be limited to the first 15 who sign up.

Call 869-4379 to register, weekdays from 8 to 4:30 p.m.

Re-Elect

Janice SKENANDORE-McLESTER

to the ONEIDA APPEALS COMMISSION

- Over 6 Years Judicial Experience – Trial and Appellate Branches
- Lead Judicial Officer
- Certified State of Wisconsin Mediator
- Completed Introduction to Tribal Legal Studies Course
- Completed Real Property Law Course



Extensive training in...
– Logic and Legal Reasoning
– Decision/Opinion Writing
– Appellate/Bench Skills
– Grant Writing

- Over 30 years in Supervisory Management
- Member of National American Indian Court Judges Association
- Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association

“Here to protect our Nation and it’s people”

Authorized and paid for by Janice Skenandore-McLester

WHAT IS THE ONEIDA NATION WORKING ON?

Come and find out at the next:

Business Unit Informational Meeting

*Oneida Community Health Center

525 Airport Road

*Monday, July 31, 2006

1:30PM - 4:00PM

Tentative Agenda

*Human Resources Update

*MIS Update

*Treasurer’s Report

*Gaming Update

If there are any specific topics you would like information about, please contact me at:

490-3537 Yaw^ko Lee Thomas

Summer Arts for Kids!

Young Artist Camp

July 24-26, 2006 • 8:30 am-3:30 pm

For children 8-12 years old • Cost: \$5.00 per child

Create works of art for permanent display around the community. Includes lunch and snacks.

Band Camp

August 7-11, 2006 • 12-4:30 pm

For children entering 5th-9th grade • Cost: Free

Learn how to play a band instrument (must provide own instrument.) Includes snacks.

Teen Apprenticeship

July 31-August 11, 2006

For teens ages 14-17

Applications available through Oneida Human Resources Dept.

Register NOW!

Sponsored by the Oneida Nation Arts Program. For information or to register, contact Beth Bashara at 920-490-3833.

34th Annual Pow Wow Celebration



Kali photos/
Julia
Skenandore
and Dawn
Walschinski



It was a new look for the 34th Annual Oneida Pow Wow held Friday, June 30th to Sunday, July 2nd. The canopy that once shaded the drummers in the center of the dance grounds was removed for more dancing area and greater visibility, as can be seen in the photo of Saturday's grand entry in the upper right corner. The pow wow also welcomed a new Little Miss Oneida on Friday evening. At far right, former Little Miss Olivia Webster crowns the new 2006-2007 Little Miss Tianna Hackett, age seven. Something that didn't change was the large number of talented dancers who competed for \$49,000 in prize money. Below right, LaDonna Parker and oth-

ers practice their moves during an intertribal. Below Center, Traditional Women Dancers enter the pow wow ground during Friday's grand entry. And where would they all be without fry bread? At the far left bottom, mother and daughter team Doreen and Amanda Perrote shape dough for the Cornelius Clan Stand which has operated for 24 years. At far right top, a little fancy dancer is all business during grand entry. At right, a grass dancer takes a nap to escape Saturday's heat. On top, Patrick Madrid, Sr. shows his traditional dancing moves. Results from the pow wow will be in the July 20th issue of the Kalihiwisaks.



What to do with TRAILS?

What would you like to see happen with the Oneida Railroad and other trails within the reservation? Please come share your ideas and concerns with us.

Tuesday, July 11, 2006
6:00pm - 8:00pm

RidgeView Plaza,
Suite 4
3759 West Mason St.

Culture Fair

Oneida Museum celebrates decade of Culture Fairs



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

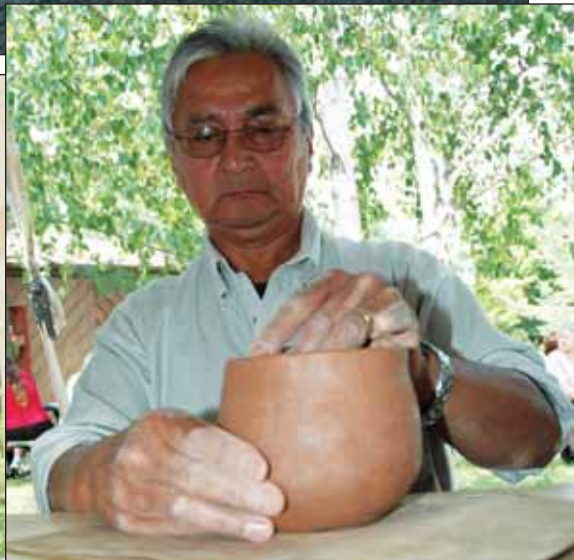
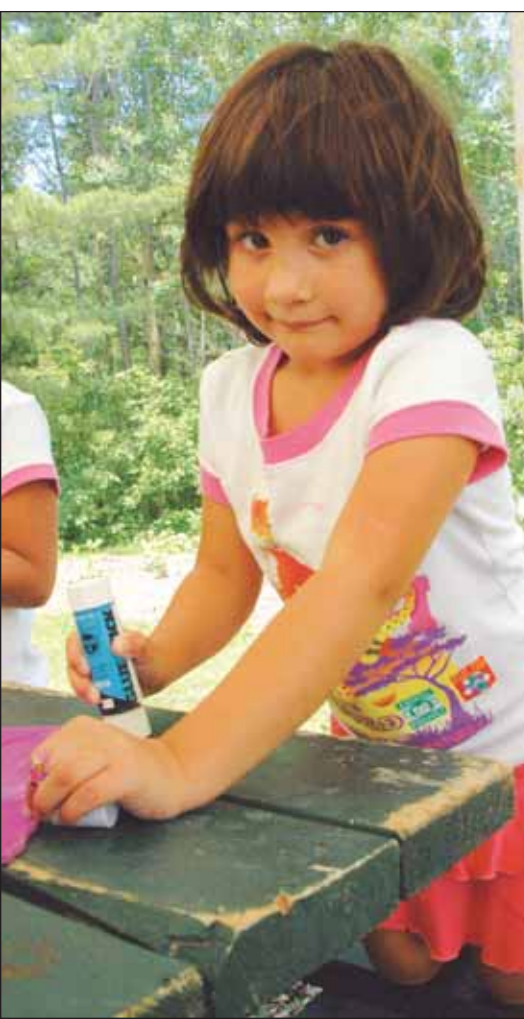
The Oneida Museum held its 10th Annual Culture Fair on its grounds Thursday, June 29th. Community residents and visitors from all around the country enjoyed Iroquoian music, dance, art, food and fun.

Oneida Language Trainees were on hand to teach words and phrases that participants could memorize to win prizes.

Left: Shanna Danforth and Michelle Hill let their feet fly for a competitive Smoke Dance. Danforth came in first in the adult category.

Right: Randy Cornelius teaches nine-month-old Xavier Thunderfist Escamea the finer points of Social Dance Singing.

Below: Jacob Johnson took first place for the youth category in the Smoke Dance.



Above: Onondaga artist Peter B. Jones makes a clay coil pot with traditional Iroquoian designs.

Left: Four-year-old Hanna Skenandore creates her own art with glitter and glue.

There were several activities for the youth in attendance including a demonstration of live birds of prey.



Protesters gather at Bear Butte

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — American Indians have started gathering at Bear Butte for a summer-long encampment to protest the encroachment of large campgrounds and other venues that cater to bikers at the annual motorcycle rally in nearby Sturgis.

Tribes from across the country have been invited to camp at the butte, which is sacred to Indians.

Protest leaders say the encampment will include a

summit meeting for Indian tribes Aug. 1-4, and they also plan to march down Main Street in Sturgis during the motorcycle rally.

Indians are upset that Meade County officials have approved alcohol licenses for large campgrounds that plan to feature concerts during rally week, which begins Aug. 7.

Carter Camp, a member of the Ponca Tribe of Oklahoma, said the protesters are not ask-

ing to stop the motorcycle rally - just keep it away from sacred land.

"We know that it's a driving economic force in this county to have 800,000 bikers come to the state. It doubles the population. That's why we aren't trying to stop the rally; we're not trying to interfere with bikers," he said.

They say their main goal by camping out through the rally is to raise awareness of their position.

GOOD MIND...

"a C.A.P.P.S. approach to address underage drinking"

great future!

Date: Wed. July 26, 2006

Time: 5:00-8:00 PM



Strengthening Community Through Story

Place: Oneida Nation Elementary School (Turtle)

Share your joys, sorrows, tall tales, or just how things used to be... By meeting new and old friends, we reconnect with ourselves, our family and our community.

Join us for a traditional meal & a brief story of our Oneida journey from creation to today by Ron Hill. Story-telling will be facilitated by area faith & spiritual leaders.

FMI contact Justine or Tracy at 920-490-3854

CAPPS (Community Analysis Process for Planning Strategies) is the national model used to mobilize the community to share resources, ideas, & information surrounding an issue. This project is supported by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.