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# State liquor board denies licenses to **NY Oneidas**

VERONA, N.Y. (AP) ~ The state Liquor Authority said Wednesday that it will not issue liquor licenses to the Oneida Indian Nation while sovereignty issues between the tribe and the state remain

The upstate New York tribe was seeking liquor licenses for its six golf related properties at its Turning Stone Casino and Resort complex in Verona, 35 miles east of

The liquor board had listened to more than an hour of opposition testimony at a hearing last month and Chairman Daniel Boyle said the panel reviewed large amounts of documentation on the applications.

"Numerous questions are raised as to whether the applicant is complying or must

> See Page 3A **No Liquor**

# Budget meeting attracts a large turnout tives for FY2008 in each of not passed. The only amend-

By Nate Wisneski Kalihwisaks

Nearly 800 General Tribal Council (GTC) members approved the fiscal year 2008 budget after nearly four hours of banter.

The budget itself passed with no changes after two hours of presentations and discussions. The FY2008 budget will be \$527,390,086, up \$91,948,171 from fiscal year 2007. FY2008 includes the special one time per capita payment in December 2007 and the \$100 GTC stipend that begins in January 2008.

The FY2008 budget is highlighted by the above mentioned one time per capita payment and meeting stipend. In addition, the budget features the continued emphasis on health care for the Oneida community. The health care area has increases to support plans to extend hours of the Oneida Health

FY2008 budget is mainly funded by leveling off gaming revenues. Tribal revenues make up \$312.4 million of the total \$527.4 million of funding. Grants make up \$29.6 million, tribal allocations make up \$70.9 million, and other sources make up \$114.5 million.

The presentation section of the budget meeting featured Tribal Secretary Mercie Danforth's tribal Controller, Wendy Charnon; Gaming General Manager, Neil Cornelius and Assistant General Manager, Lloyd Powless. Charnon discussed the overall budget, while the discussed major accomplishments and initiatheir areas.

The discussion portion of the meeting focused mainly on how the large one time per capita payment has affected the FY2008 budget. Due to the language of the one time per capita ordinance, jobs and services were not affected in the FY2008 budget. To fund the \$89.6 million per capita payment, many investments will be liquidated.

A few adjustments by GTC members to the FY2008 budget were attempted but were

ment to the FY2008 budget was a request to provide a complete itemized list of all assets and debits of the Oneida Tribe available to the GTC no later than January

With an approved budget tribal leaders will now be able to officially submit their request for the December per capita payment to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). The BIA requires a passed budget for any changes in per capita requests from tribes.

# October **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

By Dawn Walschinski

If there is one message Gene Redhail would like to get out during the month of October to the victims of domestic violence, it is "you are not alone."

"Women live in isolation. even kids live in isolation because they think their family is the only ones living with it," said Redhail who is the Domestic Abuse Coordinator at Oneida Social Services.

The department is hosting a dinner Tuesday, October 30 at 5:00pm at the Social Services Building at 2640 West Point Road in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. They are also holding weekly sweat lodges on Wednesday nights at 5:30pm to reach out to the community.

Native American women suffer a disproportionate amount of violent crimes against them compared to other races. According to the Department of Justice (DOJ), one out of every three Indian or Alaskan Native women are raped in their lifetimes. Indian woman experience battering at a rate of 23.2 per 1000 compared to 8 per 1000 Caucasian women.

Issues such as a lack of police and jurisdiction issues can make it difficult for law enforcement to protect the victims of domestic abuse. Rural isolation, mistrust of county governments and poverty can hinder someone on the reservation to leave an abusive relationship.

To take on these barriers, Social Services works with the Oneida Police Department and the Outagamie and Brown County Sheriff's departments through the Coordinated Community Response.

"The whole point behind the Coordinated Community Response is to hear from the advocates and the victims as far as what their needs are, how they don't feel protected, where they're not being heard," said Redhail. Often when a woman

leaves an abusive relationship, she has little more than the clothes on her back. Wise Women Gathering will be

See Page 4A **Abuse** 

Tsyunhehkwa's annual corn harvest returns



Kali Photos/Nate Wisneski and Steven J. Gandy Above, braids of white corn hang in the drying building at Tsyunhehkwa. The tins above the braids are used to

keep rodents away from the corn Left, Students participate by husking corn during Education Day at Tsyunhehkwa.

By Steven J. Gandy

Tsyunhehkwa is a symbol of organic food within the Oneida community and this time of the year it is also the main source of Oneida's white corn supply.

During Tsyunhehkwa's annual Harvest and Husking Bee, the public is invited to help the staff at the organic farm pick, husk, braid and hang the white corn

Although the area sustained drought-like conditions through-

out July and August, Ted Skenandore, Agricultural Supervisor at Tsyunhehkwa, said the corn yielded a good crop this year.

"Even though they weren't as long or as full as they could have been I think we really had a good production. We did a lot of cultivating this year and I think that really helped."

> See Page 8A **Husking Bee**

# Lake project design plan finished

By Steven J. Gandy Kalihwisaks

Planning for the Oneida Fishery Restoration Project has wrapped up and the final plans were unveiled during Fall Fest on September 28,

Oneida initially received \$400,000 dollars from the Fox River - Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) in 2002 to design a lake that would restore fishing within the boundaries of the Oneida Reservation. The NRDA is funded by local paper companies by mandate of federal to help restore Wisconsin's waterways that were polluted by PCB's

(Polychlorinated Biphenyls). Betsy Galbraith, Oneida

Environmental Restoration Specialist, said "They are required by federal law to fund restoration activities to restore the environment because they dumped PCB's in the Fox River which eventually caused contaminated fish to come up into Duck Creek and the tribe's water-

Restoration of the waterways is what the lake project is all about. It is a way for Oneida's to return to a tradition that was lost years ago due to the contamination.

"One of the big turning points was the 1950's and 60's when tribal members

> See Page 8A Lake project



**Submitted Photo** 

Jennifer Hill-Kelley presents the final design plans to the community during Fall Fest on September 28.

# **OBC** extends thanks to OPD



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

L to R, Chris Powless, Chief of Police (OPD) Richard VanBoxtel, OPD Officer Dale Metoxen, and Oneida Chairman Gerald Danforth.

#### By Steven J. Gandy Kalihwisaks

The email threat that was addressed to the Oneida Nation website has been resolved.

The threat was received on October 2 and was investigated by the Oneida Police Department in collaboration with the Green Bay Police Department.

According to a brief statement by Oneida Chairman Gerald Danforth to staff members working at the Norbert Hill Center on October 3, the threat was directed toward members of the staff and community members in general.

"The message threatened to do physical bodily harm to me and threatened physical bodily harm to the General Manager and...to Oneida members generally. That was the substance of the message," Danforth said.

Police had originally questioned a person of interest in the case but determined that person was not involved with the incident.

Through their investigation, police were led to another individual who turned out to be the person they were looking for.

According to an email sent out by the Oneida Communications Department a 30 year old man named Douglas R. Erdmann was apprehended and is being charged in Brown County Court with unlawful use of a computerized system.

The individuals involved with the investigation, as well as the entire Oneida Police Department, were recognized by the Business Committee during the regular Business Committee meeting on Wednesday October 10. Chris Powless, Oneida Police Chief Richard Van Boxtel and Officer Metoxen from the Oneida Police Department were present for the recognition.

# **General Tribal Council** SPECIAL GTC MEETING √ Saturday – Nov. 3, 2007 10:00 A.M. √ Oneida Turtle School Gym **N7125 Seminary Road** Oneida, WI 54155 √ Doors Open at 8:30 A.M. √ Must have your Tribal **Identification to attend the** meeting!

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# Honoring 25 years of childcare



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Education and Training Area Manager Thelma McLester, at right, congratulates Childcare Director Dorothy Skenandore for 25 years of service.

#### By Dawn Walschinski Kalihwisaks

Dorothy Skenandore was honored for 25 years working for Oneida Childcare on Friday, October 5.

program as a parent volunteer and then as a teacher's assistant. She worked at each level of the department to her

Skenandore started at the current position as director.

Skenandore stated that she misses teaching, but still visits the children in the program for an uplift.

The article on 'Invasive Species' that was published on the Environmental page (9B) in the September 27, 2007 issue was written by Meghan Merryfield. Also, Jonas Hill was not properly identified in the photo of this submission.

The name of the author of the letter titled "GTC out of order?" was inadvertently omitted in the September 27, 2007 issue. The author was Jackie Smith. The Kalihwisaks apologizes for the omission.

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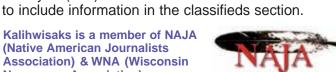
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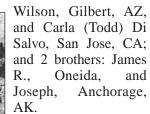
# Begay, Dennis Stuart December 20, 1955 – September 28, 2007

Dennis Stuart Begay, age 51, of San Jose, California, passed away on September 28, 2007. He was born December 20th, 1955 to James and June (Cornelius)

Begay in Oklahoma.

Stuart graduated from Camden High School in San Jose and later married Candace Hodge. He was employed as an electrician until his retirement due to ill-

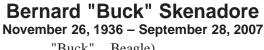
In addition to his wife, Stuart is survived by his parents James and June Begay of Oneida; 2 daughters: Diane and Laura of San Jose; 1 son Edward of San Jose; and 3 grandchildren: Catalina, Manuel, and Gabriella. He is also survived by 3 sisters: Candace (John) Walton, Orem. UT. Susan (Dean)



Stuart is also survived by several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Car and Nesbah Begay and his maternal grandparents Raymond and Lydia Cornelius.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, October 20th at 11:00 A.M. at Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, Seymour, with President Ryan Cropper officiating. Visitation will be held at 10:00 A.M. until the time of services. Online condolences may be expressed at www.boettcherfuneralhomes.com.



Bernard "Buck" Skenadore, 70 age of Keshena, passed away Friday, September 28, 2007 at his home. Buck was born on November 26, 1936, the son of the late Clayton and Myrtle (Grignon) Skenadore. On July 25, 1964 he was united in marriage to Lynn Waukau at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Keshena. Buck worked at Menominee Tribal Enterprise as a dry kiln operator for 40 years, retiring this past January due to his illness. Buck enjoyed spending time with his wife, children and granddaughters. He was also an avid Green Bay Packer and

Buck is survived by: his

NASCAR fan.

wife of 43 years, Lynn; his Michael (Rose) Skenadore; his daughter, Nell (special friend, Terry Strebel) Skenadore; and his 3 granddaughters, Catherine, Anna and Ella. Buck is further survived by: 3 sisters, JoAnn Skenadore of Oneida, Chyrl Irving of Keshena, Jeanette Teller of Green Bay; 2 brothers, Mike (Arvella) Lepscier of Gresham, Ron Skenadore; sisters-in-law and brothers-inlaw, Mona Skenadore of Keshena, Lisa Waukau of Keshena, Candy & Joe Villagomez of Buffalo, NY, Leslie & John Teller of Bonduel, Matthew Seestedt of Keshena; many nieces and nephews; and his faithful companion, BB (Bucky's Beagle).

Buck was preceded in death by: his parents; 4 sisters, Edith Waukau, Jean Mahkimetas, Marlene Keshena, Lenore Skenadore; 3 brothers, Clayton "Brokie" Skenadore, Richard "Dick" Lepscier, Alex Lepscier; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Dolores and John "Mani" Boyd, Lloyd Waukau; and his stepfather, Richard Lepscier.

Funeral services were held at 11:00am on Tuesday, October 2, 2007 at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Keshena with the Rev. David Barrett officiating. Military Rites were conducted at the church by the Menominee American Legion Post #497 and the Veterans of the Menominee Nation.

Lynn, Michael and Nell would like to thank Dr. Kevin Culhane, Dr. Amy Slagle, Dr. J.K. Kinnard and Nurse Marie from the Menominee Tribal Clinic, all the wonderful people from Shawano Community Hospice, and everyone else who supported and helped over the last year. And an extra special thank you to Michelle for all the time and energy you gave us over the last year!!

Swedberg Funeral Home, Shawano assisted the family with the arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at: www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

# Skenandore, Chauncey J. December 2, 1947 – October 3, 2007

Chauncey J. Skenandore, 59, Green Bay, died October 3, 2007, after a short battle with cancer. He was born December 2, 1947 in Oneida.

Chauncey was a veteran of the United States Army. He was a chef and had been employed at various restaurants throughout his career. He married Jennie Tzystuck on February 27, 2007. Chauncey was very creative in making crafts and jewelry,

and will be remembered for his sense of humor.

His wife Jennie, four stepchildren, his sister Mary, and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends as well as foster brothers and

sisters, aunts and uncles sur-

vive him.

His parents, and a foster brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held on Friday, October 5, 2007 at the RYAN FUNER-

AL HOME, 305 N. Tenth Street De Pere, at 11am with Deacon Bob Nooker officiating. An Oneida Veteran VFW service immediately followed the service with burial in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Oneida.

Please go to www.ryanfh.com to express online condolences to the family.

Chauncey you were baptized into the Holy Roman Catholic Church on Tuesday, and we are very proud of you. Love, Your Family

#### Price, Hannah E. "Sweede" February 15, 1921 – October 4, 2007

Hannah E. "Sweede" Price, 86, Green Bay, died Thursday, October 4, 2007. She was born February 15, 1921. She married

James Price and he preceded her in death. Sweede had worked at numerous jobs throughout the area. She was an avid Packer fan and loved to play Bingo.

She is survived by her daughter Diane (Stan) McKissick, her granddaughters; Jacqueline (Kaelua) Lautaimi, Lisa McKissick, Suzanne McKissick. Her grandchildren; Nicholas Frances McKissick, DeLaCruz, Kaelua Lautaimi Jr., Valerie Lautaimi, Jesse McKissick, Joseph McKissick, Pooi Lautaimi, Diego Vasquez, Hannah Lautaimi, Jessica McKissick, James Lautaimi, Diane Lautaimi, Erica McKissick, Adrian Salia, Marquez, Lautaimi, Sosaia Lautaimi, Jacqueline Lautaimi. nieces; Pearly Mae Peters, Helen Doxtator, Ruth (Ken) Kulow and family, Lulu Belle (Elbert) Walls, Linda (Randy) Crabtree, Rose (Chris) Tower; her nephews Lawrence (Darlene) Peters and family, Alfred

(Bonnie) Peters and family, Steve Peters, Dale (Tina) Peters, Travis (Brenda) Peters, and Raymond (Tracy) Walls and family.

Her special friend Herman Parker, and her great niece; Marion Weideman. She was preceded in death by her brothers Nelson and Finley.

Friends may call from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, October 11, 2007 at RYAN FUNERAL HOME, 305 N Tenth Street in De Pere. The Oneida Hymn Singers will sing at 5:30 p.m. Visitation will continue after 9 a.m. Friday, October 12, 2007 at the Funeral Home until the funeral service at 10 a.m. with Rev. Walter Reed officiating. Burial will take place in the Church of Christ Cemetery, Oneida. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to send online condolences to the family.

# **Lopez, Rose**August 9, 1931 – October 5, 2007

Rose Lopez, 76, Green Bay, died October 5, 2007 at a local hospital. She was born August 9, 1931 to the late Wallace and Emma (Antone) Cooper. She married Henry Ortiz Lopez. She enjoyed spending time with her kids, whether it be fishing, dining

out or shopping, or gambling.
She is survived by her children; Virginia Garza, Alvin (Valerie) Lopez, Henry Lopez Jr., Preston Lopez and his fiance Betsy, Linda (Greg) Davis, Maverick (Mary Jane) Lopez; her brothers Martin Cooper, Salvador Sanchez Jr., her sister Irene De Nasha. She is further survived by 11 grandchildren, her great-

grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Henry Ortiz Lopez. Friends may call at RYAN

FUNERAL HOME 305 N Tenth Street, De Pere, from 5:00 p.m. Sunday October 7, 2007; with the Oneida Hymn Singers singing at 4:00 p.m. and a prayer service at 4:30 p.m. to bring the afternoon to a close. Services to be held Monday October 8, 2007 at the Oneida United Methodist Church at 11:00 a.m. with visitation after 9:00 a.m. at church. Please visit www.ryanfh.com to express online condolences to the family.

# From Page 1A/No liquor license

comply with state and local law and regulations," Boyle said at a meeting in New York

"The authority is aware that the state and federal governments differ as to whether the property is on a reservation. There also are conflicting opinions as to whether the courts have clearly determined whether the property is on a reservation. It is not for this authority to make this determination, particularly while the issue is still being litigated," he said.

Although it denied the Oneida's applications, the authority said the tribe could reapply if the issues are resolved. Boyle also said the authority would continue to consider on a case-by-case basis catering permits that allow third parties to have alcohol on casino property.

"The federal district court already resolved this issue and it is not for a state to ignore it. This is reservation land," the tribe said in a statement.

Nation spokesman Mark Emery said the tribe's attorney, Peter Carmen, had addressed the reservation question in a seven-page letter sent to the authority in August. In that letter, Carmen contended that both the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court had issued rulings in 2003 and

2005, respectively, that effectively said the casino was located on reservation land.

Even in light of Wednesday's decision, Emery said the tribe did not plan to withdraw its pending applications for liquor licenses for the casino's nightclub and one of its hotels.

Turning Stone has been dry since it opened in 1993. The tribe has been trying to get a state liquor license for its restaurants and hotels since 1999, but the liquor authority has never acted on its applications.

This time the Oneidas were seeking liquor licenses for only the clubhouses at their championship golf courses \_ Atunyote, Kaluhyat and Shenendoah.

At the September meeting, Carmen told the authority that the resort's growth was limited without alcohol.

During that meeting, a dozen opponents, speaking from Albany via a videoconference, urged the authority to deny the applications. They argued that the Oneidas routinely violated state laws by refusing to pay sales and property taxes and by operating the casino illegally. Opponents also said granting a liquor license to the Nation could harm other local businesses.

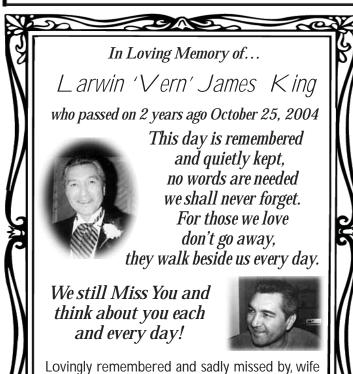




who passed away three years ago on...

~ October 11, 2004 ~

We Will Always Love You & Miss You Your wife Carol, Family & Friends



Rena, Children Annette & Lisa, their spouses,

Grandchildren Raquel, Tiffany, Michael, and

Family & Friends



## Little Grace Elijah

January 12, 1978 ~ October 9, 1998

Because she was so dear to us her memory will live on,

Just as the fragrance of a flower still lingers when it's gone



The beauty that was her's alone, in thought is with us still...

And in the hearts that love her, She lives on....

And Always will!

Sadly Missed and Loved by Family and Friends XXOO '07





NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) ~ The Schaghticoke Tribal Nation has asked a federal judge to throw out the decision that denied it federal recognition, citing what it calls unprecedented political interference.

In a motion seeking summary judgment from U.S. District Court Judge Peter Dorsey, the tribe argues that powerful political forces opposed to a third Indian casino in Connecticut caused the U.S. Department of Interior to act in an "unprecedented and arbitrary manner" by reversing a decision to acknowledge the tribe.

"Our motion shows unprecedented illegal influsome Connecticut's highest elected officials and Bush White insiders," Schaghticoke Chief Richard Velky told the Connecticut

The tribe, which has a reservation in Kent, appeared to win recognition in January 2004 from the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs. But State officials appealed, arguing that the tribe had substantial gaps in evidence related to its social continuity and political

An agency appeal panel overturned the BIA's decision and the Interior Department upheld the reversal in October

In January 2006, the Schaghticokes asked a federal court to overturn the Interior

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"A lot of men don't even

gas," said Redhail.

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"It would help them get

hold goods.

From Page 1A/Abuse

Department's decision.

In its motion for summary judgment filed last month, the tribe details a March 30, 2004 meeting attended by three Republican members of the Connecticut Congressional delegation, U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf, R-Va. and then-Interior Secretary Gale Norton.

In a deposition, Norton said that Wolf and the Connecticut delegation which included U.S. Rep. Christopher Shays, and former Reps. Nancy Johnson and Rob Simmons - pressed her to overturn the decision.

She said Wolf threatened to ask President Bush to replace

The tribe also details other instances of what it argues were illegal political attempts to influence the process.

Attorney General Richard Blumenthal said the tribe raises no new issues in its motion.

"They've attempted to invoke a smoke screen of speculation and guesswork. That kind of argument is insufficient to overturn the lawfully reached administrative decision that they failed to meet the criteria for recognition," he said. "There is a heavy burden on anyone raising these arguments to show hard facts, not just guesses or

Blumenthal said that he plans to file a motion for summary judgment early next month. Dorsey has not indicated when he will rule.

One of Redhail's main

duties is to council men who

abuse women and to get

them to change their behav-

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violence was never a part of

Redhail stated people

often blame the victim in an

abusive relationship rather

than hold the man account-

"That's the one question

that a lot of people who

don't understand domestic

violence, 'Why do you keep

this," he said.

able.

"You're trying to get men

# Meet your Oneida Appeals Commissioners

Ninham is currently a Judicial Officer for the Oneida Judicial System of Oneida Wisconsin and also serves as a Mediator/ Peacemaker. Most recently he was elected to the position of

President of the Wisconsin Tribal Judge's Association of Wisconsin. He has lived in or near Oneida Wisconsin all his life. Leland has been married for nineteen years to Rebecca Wigg-Ninham and has seven children, five grown and two at home. Leland served as a Special Deputy for the Brown County Police Department for five years. He was employed in Green Bay Wisconsin for 35 years in the paper industry as a Production Supervisor and machine technician, before semi-retiring in 1995. Leland has been employed for the Oneida Nation from 1995 to present. He has served on various boards and committees for the Oneida Nation for a number of years and was elected to the Oneida Gaming Commission and Oneida Appeals Commission in 1999. Leland also facilitates the "Talking Circle" using

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Leland Wigg-Ninham

Wigg-Ninham is currently involved in helping to create a Peacemaking System for the Wisconsin Tribal Judges Association using traditional methods and concepts. He also has his own consultant business, "Consensus Ltd." where he works with organizations, communities, and individuals to help them resolve conflict. Leland received Peacemaker Certification in 1995, Mediation Certification in 1996, and Civil Mediation Training at the National Judicial College in Reno, NV. in 2002. After being out of school for thirty-three years, Leland obtained an Associate Degree Management/Communication

Leland received a B.A. in Management/Communication

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> Tsyunhehkwa. The past four years, I've been elected as member of the Appeals Commission and

I have been active

with the Oneida Tribe



Lois Powless

recently re-elected to another four year term. My judicial training for the past four years has been with the National Judicial College and J. Dalton Institute.

My parents were the late Simon and Irene Moore. I married the late John Powless Jr. I have six children, all who live in the Oneida area. My children are, John Powless Jr., Patricia Lassila, David Powless, Mark Powless, Dale Powless and

2007



### Calendar

October 18

Michelle Hill.

Agapes Acupuncture Open House WHEN: October 18, 2007

3:00 PM to 7:00 PM TIME: PLACE: Agapes Acupuncture, (Agapes means God's

> 2020 Riverside Drive • Green Bay (in the same building as Eve's Supper Club)

WHAT: Dr. Carl Poley will provide free acupuncture demonstrations and be available for questions. Nicole Twork, C.R, will also be explaining the benefits of Reflexology. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided. Please call

(920) 430-1300 for more information. October 13

Huge Rummage & Food Sale WHEN: October 13, 2007

TIME: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM **PLACE:** Norbert Hill Center Cafeteria, Oneida WI.

Menu includes: Tamal Plate – \$6.00

A variety of desserts, soda, water & coffee. Come Join us!

October 20

30th Annual Autumn Powwow

WHEN: Saturday, October 20th, 2007 TIME:

Fireside Lounge in the UW-Milwaukee

PLACE:

Union Ceremony will honor all UW-Milwaukee American Indian Alumni. We are calling on all of our alums to come and cel-

ebrate. For further information contact Jenelle Klumb or Diane Amour at 414-229-5880. Email: Klumb@uwm.edu

October 26th & 27th

Halloween at Heritage Hill

WHEN: Friday, October 26 & Saturday, October 27 TIME: 5 - 8 PM

**PLACE:** Heritage Hill State Historical Park 2640 S. Webster • Green Bay, WI

Admission is only \$5/person (children under 4 free) For more information call Heritage Hill at 920-448-5150, or visit www.heritagehillgb.org

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.

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Gregory D. S mith Greg was not just any person, he was a son, brother, grandson, cousin and friend.

Although he has now been gone for a year, it still seems like it was just yesterday he was here.

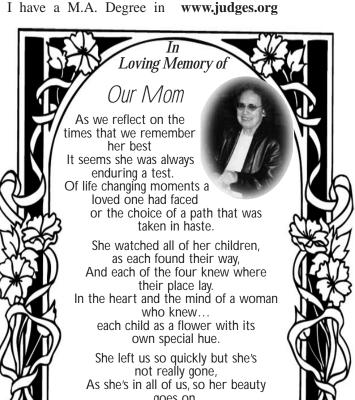
We miss him so much and cherish him with our whole hearts.

He was a great man and he will never be forgotten.

While he may not be with us physically, he will always be here in our hearts.

Greg made such a great impact on so many lives, his death hurt people in many ways. He was an outstanding person and for that, he will always be remembered.

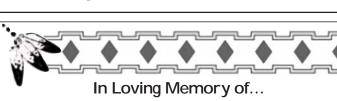
We love you Greg! You are forever in our hearts. Your sister Chantre



goes on. And the wisdom and humor she showed through her days, Is in each of is and displayed in many ways She lives on in her children and in their children as well, and all the great grandkids the uniqueness we'll tell. Of the very special lady with a heart made of gold Who left with us memories to cherish and hold.

Celebrating her 78th birthday in Heaven, "Happy Birthday, Mom" (Dolly Fish)

Sadly missed by, Larry & Joylyn Cornelius, Burnell & Daryl Reiter, James Fish, Gary & Cheryl Fish, Candi, Kristy, Kala, Kyle, Darlá, Franny, Melissa, Daryl, Josanna, Jade, Jenna, Caydence, Kaylyn, Jermain



January 17, 1985 to October 13, 2006

Those we love remain with us. for love itself lives on. Cherished memories never fade because one loved is gone.

Those we love can never be more than a thought apart, for as long as there's a memory they live on in our heart.

Greg, we've been without out you for a year now, the hardest year of our lives. There's nothing that takes away the pain that we feel. We miss your smile, laughter, kisses and hugs.



You are forever in our hearts. VVe miss you! VVe love you Greg!

Mom, Dad, Marques, Chantre', Grandma and all your family and friends.



# Legislative Review LXX



Chairman Gerald Danforth

# Chairman's Corner...

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to those members of the General Tribal Council that support the notion of orderly GTC meetings. Orderly meetings maximize the potential for everyone to understand the information being considered and allow informed decisions to be made.

On Saturday, October 6, 2007, seven-hundred and ninety-five General Tribal Council members convened once again, this time to discuss and approve the fiscal year 2008 budget. For the most part, the meeting went well, at least through the presentation and discussion parts of the agenda. There were a few incidents initially that I felt the need to address, and your overwhelming voice indicated that you too prefer orderly and respectful meet-

As we got to the part of the agenda to vote however, there were a few individuals who seemed intent on causing confusion and disruption. This is

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Since that GTC meeting, I've had feedback from elders of the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging. Some of their concerns/recommendations were, unsupervised children causing distraction, microphone management for those who talk beyond the agreed time limits, and the Elders be provided an opportunity to speak without disruptions.

I intend to address these and other concerns at future meetings, and will do my best to chair our meetings in the manner that I believe you expect of me. I will continue to ask for your support in that regard.

Working together, we can continue to make positive adjustments that will allow us to come together in General Tribal Council meetings and make informed decisions about our Nation. Increased participation during General Tribal Council sessions can have a very positive affect on our community, and I need your continued support to do

that.

Thank you once again for your patience and your help at the October 6th meeting. If you have any suggestions or recommendations please write or call me at P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155, Ph 920-869-4478 or 1-800-236-2214.

I look forward to seeing you November 3, 2007.

P.S. - We will have a much better process for registration, and doors will be open at 8:30 AM.

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# **Legislative Update**

As the fall season is upon us, I hope everyone enjoys the beautiful colors and warm temperatures outside. This is also the season for community harvesting, high school homecoming events, and fun community activities being planned around Halloween.

#### **Youth Summit**

At the beginning of my term in office, I, as well as Councilman Paul Ninham, committed to holding a Youth Summit that focused solely on the youth. Our goal was to garner information that would tell us demographically where and who our youth are, how we currently meet their needs, and

what challenges (socially, physically, mentally and spiritually) they face today, so that we are able to identify how we can improve and change our programs to meet the needs of our youth.

I am proud to announce that

this Youth Summit did occur September 14-15, 2007. The summit had a diverse group of 84 area high school students in attendance. It was an exciting time for me as I was actively engaged and participating with all the students.



Councilwoman Melinda Danforth

experience on how to work within the clan system. In their clans they identified some problem areas in our community, then they learned how to develop solutions to those problems, and they were able to effectively and constructively communicate those problems and proposed solutions to the Oneida Business Committee.

Right now, the team continues to gather and analyze the information that was gathered. We hope to report back our findings to both the youth and the organization in the near future. I would like to thank all the tribal departments and the many volunteers for making this year's Summit a success. Anita Barber, YES Director was selected by the General Manager as the Project Manager for the summit and she did an excellent job forming an awesome team to engage in this project.

Yaw^ko!

Councilman DelaRosa and myself. The Act was submitted to the OBC for approval. The Act allows for the fol-

discriminating against military persons when applying for employment.

rights to part-time and fulltime permanent employees

• Entitling a re-employable remained

 Providing health plan coverage options for employees on a military leave of

Outlining an enforcement process for a person who has been denied employment, reemployment or

strophic "sky is falling" mess.

Thank you

# Treasurer's Report

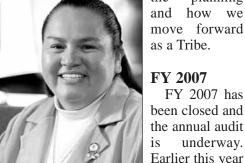
FY 2008 **Budget** 

On Saturday, October 2007, General Tribal Council approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 bud-

I want to give a big THANK YOU to the that people assisted me to get the budget and the pack-

et prepared. After identifying that an approved budget was required to prepare the Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP) to be sent to the Bureau of Indians Affairs (BIA) for the Special onetime per capita payment, many hours were spent to meet the deadlines established. Wendy Charnon, Controller and Jennifer Skenandore, Budget Director, spent many late nights to complete this task. The Print Shop worked throughout the nights to get the printing complete and packet prepared for mailing. Thank you very much for all that you done and the time you spent working to accomplish this task. I also want to thank my Assistant, Carole Liggins, for just being there for me and listening to me.

It was great to see so many people attend the Community Meetings (approximately 50 people at each meeting) and the General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting (795 people signed-in). It is important that everyone keep this interest to provide input on the National Vision, Mission and Goals of the tribe. Although we received the approval of the FY 2008 budget, it is going to be important that we immediately begin working on the FY 2009 budget. The planning is the most important part of the budget process. Membership's input will be very critical to the success of



Treasurer

Mercie Danforth

the annual audit underway. Earlier this year the Audit Committee hired a new auditing firm,

which may require the audit to take longer than normal due to the auditing firm needing to understand the diversity of the Tribe.

#### Per Capita

As we continue to prepare for the December special one-time per capita payment, I continue to recommend that individuals verify for themselves what kind of effect this may have on you. There is no intent to scare people but it is very important that you know and understand that effect and to plan accordingly.

### **Special Recognition**

I would like to recognize the angels that reside within the Accounting Department. An emergency situation occurred where an employee had a heart attack. The staff kept calm and did all the necessary steps to help save this individual's life. The employee is doing well and is on the road to recovery. Great job Diana Westcott, Mary Olson, Cheryl DeJardin, Mike Farrell, and Dorothy Cornette! Thank you for being the caring people you are.

I would also like to take this time to introduce our new Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Paul Van Noie. Paul began working for the Tribe on September 17th. He came in with a lot of activity occurring and is learning about the Tribe very quickly. I feel Paul will be a great asset to the Tribe. Welcome aboard, Paul.

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and investments and other

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Our present tribal resources

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Steve Mittag

### Respect struggles

Dear Editor,

Previous generations of our Oneida leaders and tribal members worked hard to bring us the success we have, not only in casino revenues,

mean something again. Thank you.

There seems to be a lot of people among us who have little appreciation for how much our Oneida Nation has achieved in the last 20 years. A lot of them seem to have little respect for the sacrifices made that brought us here

**Letters** 

#### nation, not just to divide among 16,000 individuals. Our economic and political strength comes from holding See Page 7A

#### FY 2008 Budget On October 6th, about 800

General Tribal Council attended members the General Tribal Council meeting and passed the 2008 Budget. The Budget is the most comprehensive in the history of the Tribe. I think it's an awesome budget, especially for the membership of the Tribe.

The budget includes the funding of: (1) programs that serve Oneidas and their families; (2) governmental initiatives necessary to protect and exercise our inherent sovereignty as an Indian nation, and (3) the granting of direct financial benefits to the Tribal membership far beyond any amounts ever distributed in the Tribe's his-

The General Tribal Council is made up of all members of the Oneida Tribe who are at least twenty-one years of age. The funding for the 2008 budget came from Oneida Tribal funds,

which belong to the General Tribal Council (the adult members of the Tribe).

My final c o m m e n t regarding the October 6th Budget Meeting, I feel that is was unnecessarily lengthy.



Ed Delgado

#### 3 **GTC** November Meeting

As many Oneidas are aware of, a petition has been received calling for a Special GTC meeting to overturn the \$5,000 / \$10,000 per capita payment and replace it with a \$2,000 payment. Those Tribal members who have supported the larger payment thus far, have one more meeting to attend (Nov.3 @ 10 A.M.). If you show up to protect your interests and

Councilman

motion to not hear the presentations and/or not allow for a lengthy question and answer period. You may instead, motion to delete presentations, questions and answers, and have the GTC move straight to a vote on the action requested by the petitioners.

#### Service Military

The Military Service Employee Protection Act sponsored

#### previous your votes, the \$5,000 / \$10,000 payshould ment become a reality. lowing: Please be

advised that the Agenda for that meeting may be

unnecessarily lengthy. If anyone believes that Agenda's length is unacole, they can make a

# **Protection Act**

- Prohibiting the Tribe from
- Granting re-employment who are in the military
- person to the same seniority, status, pay and other benefits, along with any additional seniority and benefits as if the person had continuously employed
- absence
- benefits under the law

# Letters...

#### Turn out for meetings Dear Oneida Nation,

Congratulations for staying together as one voice! You made your wishes heard once again. Special thanks go to everyone who spoke and brought a lot of issues to light. I was ready to speak if necessary, but these courageous citizens were saying the same things I have been saying for years here in the many letters I have written. We may have won a couple of "battles" but the war continues. Remember on November 3rd, there are still "forces" out there that will attempt to stop your 5/10,000 profit sharing plan and replace it with a "government friendly" plan. We MUST turn out like these last two meetings to ensure the 5/10 plan stays and gets paid

by December12th. All Tribal Members should DEMAND of the BC that the letter and plan that they insist on sending to the BIA and the Interior (which is NOT required of this payment plan) be published in the Kalihwisaks for ALL Members to see. I hope that you all were very disturbed at a half a BILLION dollar budget. Realistically, should it have passed?? No. This was the most bloated, "pork-filled", backward thinking, "non" budget I have ever seen. Unfortunately, we as the GTC had to give up a half billion to get a few thousand. The only justifiable spending as far as I'm concerned is for our Elders, our kids, our families, the front line employees who do the REAL work that makes this

Nation run and the Updated Slot Data System (which has been required since 1993 and not working correctly for almost as long. Where was the planning for this?). Our "payment plan" share of this total budget is 17%...yep, just 17%!! Please remember too, that the reference or wording (per capita) can be tied to gaming revenue and the December PROFIT SHAR-ING PAYMENT has NOTH-ING to do with gaming revenue directly. Even the "wording" could be used against us.. In July of '08 please remember this and these days...this is the "government" putting the blame on us for this budget, for their out of control spending and saying that OUR decision caused this so called cata-

No friends, the blame falls squarely at their feet! They are charged with being fiscally responsible and making responsible decisions on behalf of the membership, so don't blame anybody BUT your bloated, liberal spending government. Those of us that are trying so hard to defend all of you, believe in telling the truth and believe in fiscal responsibility are here...and some of us will be "in the mix" come July '08. We need you now more than ever GTC. Stay together, stay strong and continue to "turn out" in large numbers at ALL meetings and especially the election in July'08!! I hope you agree.."It's time for change." Let's work together and get this Nation running "honest-

# **Oneida Business Committee Meeting Minutes**

#### Regular Meeting Minutes • August 29, 2007 **Business Committee Conference Room**

Present: Gerald Danforth - Chair, Patty Hoeft - Secretary, Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair, Trish King - Council member, Mercie Danforth - Treasurer, Edward Delgado - Council member

Excused: Vince DelaRosa, Paul Ninham, Melinda J. Danforth

Others Present: Dottie Krull, Kitty Melchert, Richard Van Boxtel, Chris Ness, Nathan Ness, Bill Cone, C. Metoxen, Lisa Ness, Gary L. Ness, Heather Denny, Lance Denny, Conrad King, Debbie Danforth, Thelma McLester, Fred Muscavitch, Michelle Hill, Wanda Diemel, Julie Denny, Cindy Thomas, Janice Hirth, Linda Glaser, Peril Huff, Brenda John, K. Katch, Barb Skenandore, Chad Webster, Rebecca Webster, Pearl McLester, Barb Dickson, Don Lilly, Roy Skenandore, Brenda Skenandore, Marge Funmaker, Sherrole Benton, Ronald King, Harlan King, Pat

Pelky, Charlene Smith, Bernard Stevens

Opening Prayer: Curtis Summers

Special Recognitions: None

1. Call to Order by Gerald Danforth @ 9:07 am

2. Oath of Office

Oneida Police Department administered by Gerald Danforth Heather Denny - Present Nathan Ness - Present

Christopher Ness - Present 3. Approval of the Agenda

a. Additions

Executive Session New Business # 2., Amendment to Assets Protection Solutions, LLC Contract Resolution # 4., Interpreting the Application of the Per Capita Ordinance to the General Tribal Council Action of August 11, 2007

**b.** Deletions

Resolution #3., IHS

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt the agenda of August 29, 2007 with the addition of Executive Session New Business #2. Amendment to Assets Protection Solutions, LLC contract, resolution #4. Interpreting the Application of the Per Capita Ordinance to the General Tribal Council Action of August 11, 2007 and the deletion of resolution #3. IHS, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Minutes to be Approved

• Regular Oneida Business Committee Minutes of August 15,

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to defer the August 15, 2007 minutes to the next Oneida Business Committee Meeting, seconded by Kathy Hughes.

Motion carried unanimously. • Special Business Committee Minutes of August 15, 2007

**Action:** Motion by Ed Delgado to approve Special Business Committee minutes of August 15, 2007, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously. • Special Business Committee Minute of August 20, 2007

**Action**: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve Special Business

Committee minutes of August 20, 2007, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Tabled Business - None 4. Reports - None

7. Travel Reports

1. Kathy Hughes RE: Requesting Approval of the MAST

Ieeting Travel Report and Approve Recommended Act Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the MAST meeting travel report and direct the General Manager to appoint a person as the official contact for the Census Bureau and provide an update to the Joint Executive Staff agenda on the Bureau request regarding LUCA, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

2. Kathy Hughes RE: Request Approval of NARCH Meeting Travel Report, August 16, 2007, Lac Du Flambeau, WI **Action**: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the NARCH meeting

travel report, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

3. Kathy Hughes RE: Request Approval of NIGA Tribal Leaders Mtg Travel Report, July 24-26, 2007, Washington Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the NIGA Tribal Leaders meeting travel report, seconded by Trish King. For: Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Abstained: Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

8. Follow up Reports/BC Directives from Previous Meetings

1. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Proposed Process for the Tribal Vendor Listing to Be Released to Other Tribal Entities for the Purpose of Requesting Donations/Sponsorships for Tribal Events

Excerpt from July 18, 2007:

Motion by Mercie Danforth for the Jet Team to evaluate the process of requesting donations from our vendors and to comeback in 30 days with a written process on how to do that, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to approve the proposed process for the Tribal Vendor Listing to other tribal entities for the purpose of requesting donation/sponsorships for tribal events, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried

2. Mercie Danforth RE: Plan On How to Fill the CFO and Assistant Positions

Excerpt from May 23, 2007:

Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the Treasurer's office to bring back a plan on how to fill the CFO and Assistant position in 90 days, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

Next Regular Business Committee Meeting...

**Action**: Motion by Trish King to accept the report on the plan on how to fill the CFO and Assistant positions, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously

Minutes

3. Trish King RE: OAHC Charter Amendment Jim Van Stippen Excerpt from August 15, 2007:

Motion by Kathy Hughes to defer back to the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation for submission with a resolution attached, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation Charter Amendment and Resolution 8-29-07-A to increase the board of directors terms of office from 4 years to 5 years effective with each new appointment, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Bill Gollnick RE: Letter to State and Federal Representatives Excerpt from August 1, 2007:

Motion by Mercie Danforth to direct the Chief of Staff to develop a letter to state and federal representatives that addresses the issues raised by Hobart and other relevant issues, with draft letter brought back in two weeks, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Excerpt from August 15, 2007:

Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve a two week deferral regarding letter to state and federal representatives, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously. Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the letter to state and

federal representatives with the editorial change of the last paragraph, seconded line and other proofreading edits that might be necessary without changing the substance of the letter, seconded by Trish King. For: Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Abstained: Patty Hoeft. Motion carried. 5. Debbie Thundercloud Re: Evaluation of the Child Care Parent

Advisory Committee

Excerpt from May 23, 2007:

Motion by Melinda J. Danforth to approve the recommendation not post the vacancy for Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee and to refer back to the General Manager for further analysis report on the status of the Oneida Child Care Parent Advisory Committee and recommendation on dissolution considering General Tribal Council action taken on September 13, 2003 regarding the fees, back in 60 days, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

**Action**: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the evaluation of the Child Care Parent Advisory Committee and approve the recommendation to dissolve and adopt Resolution 8-29-07-B with the last resolves stating; NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Oneida Business Committee directs that Oneida Child Care tuition rates be approved by resolution to the Oneida Business Committee, NOW THEREFORE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Oneida Child Care tuition increases continue to be governed by the September 13, 2003 General Tribal Council decision requiring that increases are limited to 10 percent of the current rate in any prior 12-month period and approval by the Business Committee must be obtained 90 days prior to implementation of any tuition rate change to ensure that customers are provided adequate notice, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 9. New Business

**b.** Resolutions

1. Fred Muschavitch RE: Approval to Rescind Fee to Trust Resolution #12-07-05DD, Former Martin & Annette Bargabos Property for Incorrect Property Location & Incorrect Land use of Existing Residential & Agricultural.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve to rescind Fee to Trust Resolution #12-07-05-DD, former Martin & Annette Bargabos property for incorrect property location 201 North Main street, Canastota, New York 13032 and incorrect land use of existing residential & agricultural, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Action**: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the corrected Resolution 8-29-07-C Former Martin and Annette Bargabos property for correct property location 2897 State Route 31 Canastota, New York 13032, and correct land use of tribal office, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unani-2. Bill Gollnick/Chris Johns RE: CY2008 Self Governance

Reprogramming Request and Funding Agreement

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to adopt Resolution 8-29-07-D CY08 Self Governance Reprogramming request and Funding Agreement resolution and approve the FY08 Memorandum of Understanding with the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians for Real Estate Appraisal Services, seconded by Mercie Danforth. **Motion carried unanimously**.

3. Bill Gollnick/Chris Johns RE: IHS Resolution - Deleted 4. Patty Hoeft/ RE: Approve Resolution Conforming the Aug.

11, BC Planning 2007, Per Capita Motion to the Requirements of the Per Capita Ordinance

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to adopt Resolution 8-29-07-E conforming the August 11, 2007, Per Capita motion to the requirements of the Per Capita Ordinance, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously

RE: Interpreting the Application of the Per Capita Ordinance to the General Tribal Council Action of August 11, 2007

**Action**: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer Interpreting the application of the Per Capita Ordinance to the General Tribal Council action of August 11, 2007 to the end of agenda, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to request the LOC to draft an emergency resolution describing how the August 11, 2007 one time special per capita payment will be processed in order to meet the deadlines and be brought back to the next Oneida Business Committee meeting, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft, Vince DelaRosa, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham. Opposed: Ed Delgado, Mercie Danforth. Abstained: Trish King. Motion carried.

c. Requests

Wednesday • October 24, 2007 • 9:00 A.M.

**Business Committee Conference Room** 

**Norbert Hill Center • 2nd Floor** 

1. William Gollnick RE: Town of Pittsfield Proposed Water Use

Agreement

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the Town of Pittsfield Proposed Water Use Agreement, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Melinda J. Danforth RE: Proclaim September as "National Native American Wellbriety Month

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Proclamation for September as "National Native American Wellbriety Month, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unani-

3. Debbie Thundercloud RE: Proposed Radio Station

**Action**: Motion by Patty Hoeft to direct the General Manager to put together a well developed plan for proposing a Radio Station that would include the filing of a licensing application with the FCC so that we are prepared with a frequency that is available in this area in the future and bring back a status report to the Business Committee January 2008, seconded by Trish King. For: Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Abstained: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

4. Debbie Thundercloud RE: IRPCC Board Nomination Butch Rentmeister

Action: Motion by Trish King to approve the recommendation and nomination of Bruce Danforth of the Oneida Nation for the position of primary member to the Indian Reservation Roads Program Coordinating Committee (IRPCC), seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado, Trish King. Abstained: Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

c. Travel Requests

1. Kathy Hughes RE: Canceled Travel to National Indian Health Board Conference, Portland Oregon, Sept 24-26,

Action: Motion by Trish King to accept the cancellation of travel to the National Indian Health Board Conference as FYI, seconded Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously. 2. Melinda J. Danforth RE: Request for 3 O.N.E.S. Staff to

Attend National Indian Education Association National Conference in Hawaii, October 25-28, 2007.(Funds Provided through grant funds) Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the request for three

O.N.E.S. staff to attend the Nation Indian Education Association National Conference as FYI, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Note: Mercie Danforth stated the Travel Policy states that departments will limit themselves to three people from the same department to travel and also states on special occasions if needed, additional personnel from the same department to attend, provided that written approval is given by the General Manager or Business Committee. When there is more than three, that is when you need approval.

3. Patty Hoeft RE: Tribal Secretary Request to Attend the Honoring Nations Symposium, Sept. 26-28, 2007 -Cambridge, MA(Travel Costs Will Be Covered by Secretary Hoeft Personally)

**Action**: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Tribal Secretary's request to attend the Honoring Nations Symposium, Cambridge, MA, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Kathy Hughes RE: Request to travel to Indian Affairs Modernization Consultation, Sept 17, 2007, Pryor Lake, MN.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve travel to Indian Affairs Modernization Consultation, seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously. For the Record: Trish King stated she will oppose any travel

requests during scheduled retreats.

**10. Finance Committee** - None 11. Legislative Operating Committee (LOC)

For Consideration - Status of APA Amendments

Excerpt from August 1, 2007: Motion by Mercie Danforth to refer the Administrative

Procedures Act back to LOC to review and that it be brought back to the August 29, 2007 Business Committee meeting, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to accept the status update and to defer the APA Amendments to the September 26, 2007 meeting, seconded by Patty Hoeft. For: Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Trish King. Abstained: Ed Delgado. Motion carried.

For the Record: Ed Delgado, states for the record I am abstaining because I am uncertain as to whether or not it needs to go back to General Tribal Council for approval, from my understanding it does but I am not sure, would like more time to review the information. It is my understanding that General Tribal Council created the APA but I am not sure, I didn't do the back up research on all of this, yet.

For Consideration - LOC Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2007 Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to accept the LOC Meeting minutes of July 9, 2007, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

For Consideration - LOC Meeting Minutes of July 23, 2007 Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the LOC Meeting minutes of July 23, 2007, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

For Consideration - Adopting of the Amendments to the Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Law

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the adoption Resolution 8-29-07-F amendments to the Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Law, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Treasurer's Report 1:30 pm

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado, Vince Dela Rosa, Trish King. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

13. Oneida Business Committee Planning

August 14, 2007 BC Planning Minutes Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Oneida Business

Committee Planning minutes of August 14, 2007, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Executive Staff Meeting

Executive Staff Minutes of August 2, 2007 Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to defer the Executive Staff minutes

of August 2, 2007 to the next Business Committee meet

See Page 7A

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ing, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Legislative Affairs Update

1. Federal Legislative Issues in Indian Country - FYI

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to support the Federal Legislative Issues in Indian Country as FYI, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to recess until September 4, 2007, Tuesday at 1:30 p.m., seconded by Kathy Hughes. For: Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado. Opposed: Trish King. Motion carried.

Reconvened September 4, 2007@ 1:40 p.m.

Present - Gerald Danforth, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft, Trish King, Paul Ninham, Melinda J. Danforth, Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado Action: Motion by Paul Ninham to go into

Executive Session, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to go back into regular session, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Executive Session

**b. Tabled Business** - None

c. Old Business - None

d. New Business

1. Patty Hoeft RE: 76 New Enrollment Applications and 4 Cheryl Skolaski Relinquishment Requests Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the

76 new enrollment applications and 4 relinquishments, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. For: Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft, Ed Delgado. Vince DelaRosa, Trish King, Paul Ninham. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried. 2. Gerald Danforth RE: Amendment to Assets

Protection David Webster Solutions, LLC Contract

Action: Motion by Kathy Hughes to approve the amendment to the Assets Protection Solutions, LLC Contract to not exceed \$16,000.00, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Kathy Hughes, Ed Delgado, Merice Danforth, Trish King. Abstained: Patty Hoeft, Melinda J. Danforth, Paul

Ninham. Motion carried.

e. Legislative Affairs Update 1. Equestrian Estate Issue

**Action**: Motion by Kathy Hughes to refer the Equestrian Estate issue to the Chief of Staff Office for follow up, seconded by Mercie Danforth. For: Kathy Hughes, Patty Hoeft, Mercie Danforth, Ed Delgado, Vince DelaRosa. Abstained: Melinda J. Danforth, Paul Ninham. Motion carried.

f. Attorney Brief

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the Attorney Brief, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

g. Audit Committee

Approval of Audit Committee Minutes of May 24,

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the Audit Committee minutes of May 24, 2007, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Audit Committee Minutes of June 11, **Action**: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the

Audit Committee minutes of June 11, 2007, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously. g. Oneida Enterprise Development Authority -

Recess/Adjourn **Action**: Motion by Kathy Hughes to adjourn,

None

seconded by Mercie Danforth. Motion carried unanimously. Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on

September 26, 2007.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Special Business Committee Meeting Regarding: Review of FY08 Budget **HUD Office of Inspector General** request for Internal Audit Reports -September 18, 2007

10:00 a.m.

PER CAPITA QUESTIONS... ANSWERS...

Since the August 11, 2007 meeting, the Treasurer's Office and the Finance

Department reviewed and revised the proposed budget for FY2008 in order to implement the August 11 directive. The Oneida Business Committee, at a

Regular Meeting on September 26, 2007, approved the revised draft budget. The

Oneida Law Office began drafting the Revenue Allocation Plan as soon as the

On October 6, 2007, the General Tribal Council approved the budget for fiscal

On October 8, the Oneida Business Committee called a Special Meeting at 1:30

We anticipate that this plan will be approved within the 60 day review period and

final draft budget was approved by the Oneida Business Committee.

• There were three Community Meetings held to present the budget information to the

• On October 8, the Trust Committee met at 8:00 a.m. to review and approve the final draft

• The Revenue Allocation Plan was sent, overnight, to Diane Rosen, Great Lakes Agency

will allow the tribe to mail the checks as directed on December 12, 2007.

There has been a lot of hard work and long hours put in to make sure that the special

one time payment is completed as directed by the GTC. The Business Committee, Joint

Executive Team Law Office, Accounting Staff and Business Committee staff have spent

countless hours and utilized all resources to ensure compliance with the GTC resolution

on August 11, 2007. With their hard work and dedication, this special one time payment

Will garnishments be taken from the special one time payment?

If an individual has garnishments attached to their previous payment in September, then

How much will I actually receive for this special one time pay-

The tribe is obligated under law to with hold 10% from any payment over \$8,750 for

Can I voluntarily have income taxes taken out for the one time

is on track to getting the checks to the membership by December 12, 2007.

**Update on Implementation Actions...** 

membership and to answer questions about the budget.

p.m. to approve the Revenue Allocation Plan.

of Bureau of Indian Affairs to begin the review process.

garnishments will be taken from this special payment.

year 2008.

ment?

income taxes.

Under 62 – \$5,000

special payment?

Age 62 and older – \$10,000

of the Revenue Allocation Plan.

Present: Gerald Danforth - Chair, Trish King -Council member, Cathy Hughes - Vice Chair, Vince DelaRosa - Council member, Mercie Danforth - Treasurer,

Melinda J. Danforth - Council member, Patty Hoeft - Secretary and Edward Delgado - Council member.

Excused: Paul Ninham - Council member

**Opening**: Bill Gollnick Agenda:

**Regular Session:** 

1. Review of FY08 Budget **Executive Session:** 

1. HUD Office of Inspector General request for Internal Audit Reports

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to adopt the agenda with moving the Executive Session item as the first item on the agenda, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried.

**Motion** by Patty Hoeft to move into Executive Session, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Patty Hoeft to go back into Regular Session, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion carried.

Back into regular session 10:40 a.m.

The Chairman left at 10:55 a.m. for an appointment with the Vice Chair chairing the meeting.

Recessed until 4:00 p.m. Back in regular session at 4:07 p.m. Chairman returned to chair the meeting @4:07 pm Regular Session:

1. Review of FY08 Budget

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to rescind the previous Business Committee action to support Option 1 listed in the Treasurer's memo dated September 12, 2007, seconded by Kathy Hughes. Motion car-

Motion by Patty Hoeft to recess for 30 minutes, seconded by Trish King. Motion carried.

Recessed at 4:55 p.m. for 30 minutes-until 5:25 pm Back in regular session at 5:50 p.m.

Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to recess until 10:00 p.m, seconded by Patty Hoeft.

Motion carried. Back in regular session at 10:33 p.m.

Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adopt this FY08 budget packet to be sent to General Tribal Council with the recommended changes, seconded by Ed Delgado. For: Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado, Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth, Patty Hoeft. Abstained: Trish

King, Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried.

For the Record, Vince DelaRosa acknowledged on behalf the Business Committee that the Statement of Effect in the packet was done on a very limited time basis and may not be as explanatory as they would have liked it to have been.

**Executive Session:** 

Kathy Hughes, Vince DelaRos excused from Executive Session portion of the meeting.

1. HUD Office of Inspector General request for Internal Audit Reports

Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft that we accept the update from the Internal Audit director and Chief Counsel and that we submit to the Business Committee agenda of September 26, 2007, final copies of letter to be sent to the Office of Inspector General, seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. For: Patty Hoeft, Melinda J. Danforth, Trish King, Vince DelaRosa, Ed Delgado. Abstained: Kathy Hughes, Mercie Danforth. Motion carried.

Recessed/adjourned @ 12:00 a.m. September 19, Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to adjourn, sec-

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on

onded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried.

September 26, 2007.

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

10-10-07

10-15-07

10-18-07

10-19-07

### Per Capita Impact Community Meetings To provide general information and resources regarding Per Capita Impact for the Oneida membership.

2907 S Overland Road • Oneida, Wisconsin

Oneida Community Health Center - Main Conference Room 525 Airport Drive • Oneida, Wisconsin

Site II Community Building

W1144 Park Drive • Oneida, Wisconsin

ONCOA - Specific to ONCOA

Oneida Social Services Building - Emp. Breakroom - 1st Floor 10-17-07

525 Airport Drive • Oneida, Wisconsin **Elderly Session - Mealsite** 

134 Riverdale Drive • Oneida, Wisconsin

Amerindian Center - Community Building 235

407 Dousman Street • Green Bay, Wisconsin SEOTS - UW Milwaukee - Green Hall

3347 N Downer Avenue • Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Oneida Housing Tenant Meeting - Three Sisters Community

**Building (Specific to Oneida Housing Tenants)** 

10-19-07 6:00рм - 7:30рм 11-01-07 6:00рм - 8:00рм

10-09-07 1:00рм - 2:30рм

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11:30ам - 1:00рм

7:00рм - 8:30рм

### 2790 O na ste Lane • Green Bay, Wisconsin From Page 5A/Letters continued

our national revenues and Aug. 11th per capita motion bundle of arrows we are strong, but as individuals we're weak and break as easily as does a single arrow.

It was unbelievable to see that 571 people voted for the

resources together. Like our of \$5,000/10,000 dollars per ancestors said, united like a tribal member. A per capita distribution of this size will hurt the tribe for years to

> Draining the General Reserve fund, endowments, and investments to pay out

\$89 million in per capita weakens our nation. It not only hurts the most vulnerable among us, but it severely impacts our economic standing and political power as a

nation. The 571 Oneidas who voted for the Aug. 11th per capita came mostly from Brown and Outagamie counties and few came from Milwaukee. This number of people represents about 14% of eligible voters from Brown and Outagamie Counties and Milwaukee combined; or about 5% of all Oneidas 21 and older. This doesn't represent an overwhelming number

of Oneidas. Why is there so little appreciation for what we have? At one time, our reservation only had about 200 acres of land. Our people lived in substandard homes. They had dirt roads with very little income.

Our Oneida Elders set up our tribe to achieve what we have today for their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. They went without to give us a better life. They didn't look for the immediate pay back from the

It's just plain disrespectful to undue what they have put into place for us. We must honor their sacrifices for this nation and keep building upon what they made for us.

Sincerely, Patricia A. Cornelius

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### Forms are available at the Oneida Enrollments office. Forms must be completed and returned to the Enrollments office by November 3, 2007. Contact the Enrollments office

at 920-869-2083 for more information. If an individual elected to have taxes taken from their September payment, then taxes

will be taken from this special payment unless the individual fills out a new form.

#### Is there a new per capita meeting next month? There is a second petition and the meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 3, 2007

at 10:00 A.M. at the Turtle School. Information packets have been sent to the Print Shop for printing and will be mailed out no later than October 19, 2007. More information on the meeting will be published in future Kalihwisaks and available on the Business Committee website at www.oneidanation.org.

# From Page 1A/Husking Bee corn harvest

The goal at the farm is to get 30 bushels of corn per acre. There are six acres of white corn planted at the Tsyunhehkwa farm and with a bushel of corn weighing 56 pounds. That equals a total of

10,080 pounds of white corn per year harvested.

The Harvest and Husking Bee is officially over with for this year, but Skenandore says that there is still plenty of work to be done and plenty of room for people to still lend a hand.

"We have about a little over half of it picked. So I still want to invite people to come out if they have free time to help us do braids. We have almost three acres to still pick," Skenandore said.

Once the white corn is picked, it is braided into long columns and hung on hooks to dry to a moisture content of 11 percent. The building used to store the braids of corn has about 207 hooks in it. The number of hooks in the building is limited by the integrity of the building itself.

"We can only put so many hooks in because of the structure of the building," Skenandore said. "We don't want to damage the structure of the building by hanging too many braids. We've already have put supports in there."

There are about 40 more hooks to fill in the building and

with almost half the crop left to pick, Skenandore said the rest of the corn will be husked in the field and dried using another method.

"We take (the corn) up into the green house and we lay them out in single rows to dry. We have to make sure they don't touch because if they are touching they'll start sprouting."

Seed corn for next years crop was chosen about a one week before the Husking Bee began. The corn picked to be seed is the best of the crop and must meet certain criteria.

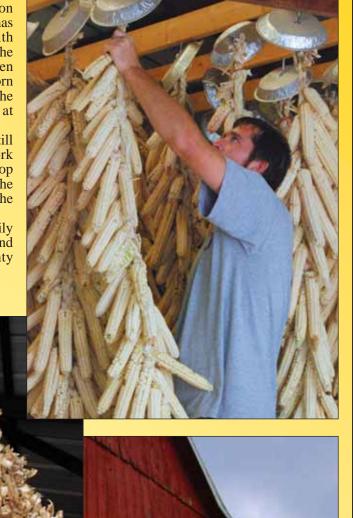
"We look for ears that have eight rows of corn and don't have any dents or discoloration on them," Skenandore said.

Dents and discoloration mean that the white corn has been cross-pollinated with another variety of corn. The cross pollination occurs when pollen from neighboring corn crops makes its way to the white corn fields at Tsyunhehkwa.

Skenandore said there is still a couple weeks of work remaining on this year's crop and welcomes all the help he and his team can get from the

Tsyunhehkwa is open daily from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and is located just off County Highway J

community.





Kali Photos by Nathan Wisneski and Steven J. Gandy

# From Page 1A/Lake Project ready to restore fishing tradition in Oneida

were fishing from Duck Creek and still eating their catch and then they started to realize that...something's wrong with the fish...and they really did go away from the traditional diet in being able to consume those fish and then teaching the next generation how to fish,"

With the planning complete, Galbraith is now waiting for additional funding to complete the project.

"Completion really hinges on getting additional funding for construction. Our goal was to get the design ready and have it ready and waiting so when our funding comes in for construction we pull (the plan) off the shelf and [we will] be ready," she said.

Galbraith is also proud of the fact that the lake project has not used many tribal dollars to get this far.

The total amount estimated for construction, according to Galbraith, is \$11 million dollars. The planning team is actively looking for grants to cover the construction costs and is hoping that the construction itself will actually help offset the net cost of construction.

"Two million yards of sand, silt and clay need to be moved to build this lake so the largest costs are in the earth moving activities and it is possible that some of those materials can be sold to off-set the cost of the \$11 million," Galbraith explained.

The idea for the lake began back in 1987, since then many community meetings have been held to ascertain the needs and wants of the community.

"We held a lot of community meetings and events to get feedback on what this would look like over the past few years. This is definitely the community's lake and they're going to be the ones using it so they had a heavy hand in designing it," Galbraith said.

In 2002 Oneida received \$400,000 for the planning and design of a community lake from the NRDA.

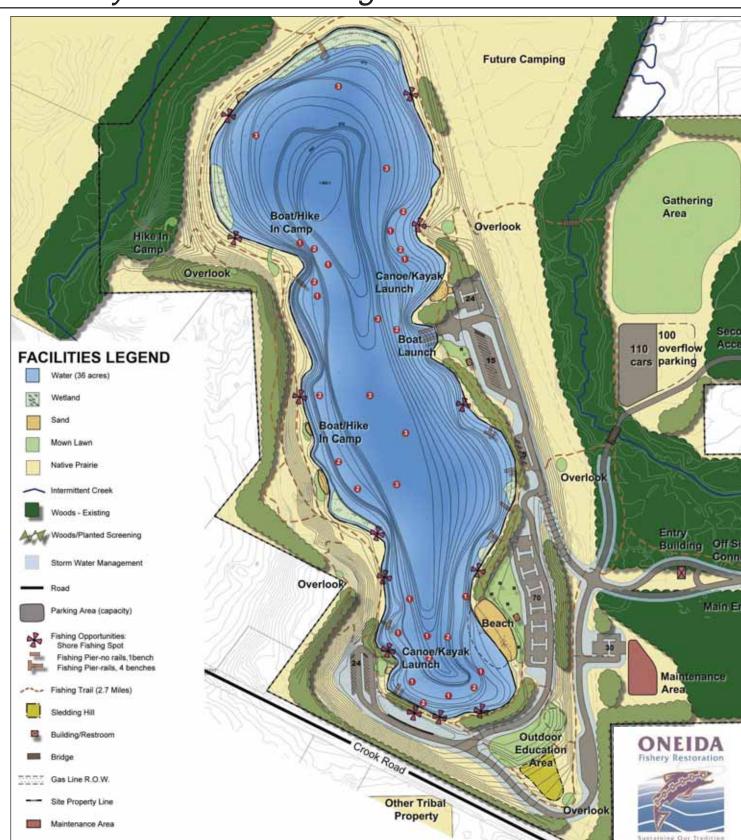
"That's when we looked around the reservation for a site for the lake at tribal properties and then, this particular property, which was a former sand pit, became available in 2005. So we started testing that site to see if it would make a good lake...once we got that site we were able to tailor something and design it," she said. "We have used up the \$400,000 to design a concept plan for the lake and a report on how to build the lake and what type of features and amenities will be out there."

The amenities for the lake are designed around the conservation of fishing. There have been numerous requests by the community for additional amenities not related to fishing, but Galbraith said including those amenities would exceed their mandate, "It's a lake primarily for fishing. A lot of people ask about, 'Can we have soccer fields? Can we have whatever?' But our funding through the Fox River NRDA is really focused on... fishing... because that's what was damaged, the tribe's fisheries by the PCB's."

The lake will be located just of County Highway U and Cook Road. It will be 36 acres and sit on a 60 acre site. The lake will be 24 feet at its deepest point on the north end.

The overall goal of the lake, according to Galbraith, is, "to be able to catch clean, safe fish that can be consumed; to be able to take kids to the lake to teach them how to fish again; to get people out here recreating, walking these trails around the lake to fish and getting exercise

and getting out there in nature."



Rendering Courtesy of Oneida Environmental

The final design plan for the Oneida Fishery Restoration Project has been completed and now waits for additional funding for construction of the lake.

Oneida Environmental Health and Safety has spent \$400,000 designing the project. Money for that portion of the project came from the Natural Resource Damage Assessment fund.

#### Submitted by Sherrole **Benton**

Oneida Nation Arts Program

The artistic duo, "Dancing Drum," will present their "Drumming Up World Music" program. This show takes audiences on an exciting tour of the world to experience the rhythms and music in Oneida, WI. Tickets are \$8 of West Africa, the Caribbean, for adults and \$5 for students. New Orleans, New York City, and more.

The Oneida Nation Arts Music" show in the Norbert Friday, Oct. 26, at 7:00 p.m.

Group and family rates are available, call for more info.

Students from the Oneida Program will present the Nation Elementary School "Drumming Up World will join Dancing Drum onstage to perform drum Hill Center auditorium on rhythms and dances from each destination. This perfor-

mance is the culmination of Dancing Drum's week-long residency at the school.

In December 2006, Dancing Drum traveled to Thailand at the invitation of a family of musical instrument makers. Spending two weeks in Bangkok, we designed and produced a "Dancing Drum

djembe and djupromon-djun drums and drum stands made from sustainably harvested

Initially conceived as educational level instruments to fill our needs in schools, the drums came out so well that they debuted as a professional quality line at 2007 NAMM Show in Anaheim. Since the spring of 2007, we have been proud to say that the drums we use in our school programs and performances are not contributing to the enormous problem of deforestation in West Africa, where djembes and djun-djun drums are traditionally made from old growth wood taken from poorly managed forests. The Dancing Drum Signature Series drums provide an environmentally friendly alternative to solid shell drums with an authentic sound and feel.

Dancing Drum was found-Artist/Educators

**Drumming Up World Music at Oneida Nation Elementary** Signature Series" line of Stephen Campbell and Lindsay Rust in 2002. Since then, Dancing Drum has worked with over 50,000 peomunity-building.

> For more info, call the Oneida Nation Arts Program at (920) 490-3830.

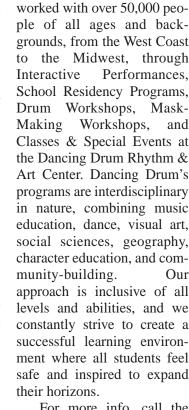




Photo courtesy of ONAP Steven Campbell, standing at left, leads a class of students in Cleveland through the Dancing Drum







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# Thanks for visiting us at Fall Fest

**Sylvia** Cornelius Waupoose Eco Services

The weather was perfect this year for Oneida Nation Environmental, Health and Safety Division's third annual Fall Fest September 28 at the Oneida Conservation Office.

About 250 community members and Oneida students toured the conservation grounds, visited with staff at educational displays and tried an educational project or two. It was a great day to learn about department programs and projects such as: bird species, community food assessment, restoration projects, invasive species, hybrid cars and solar energy. Others tried fishing, visiting the smoke house demonstration or tried their luck at archery. The Environmental Division would like to thank the following for helping us have a successful event:

- Oneida Apple Orchard for apple and pumpkin donation Wilber & Nancy Lewis for pumpkin donation
- Tsyunhehkwa Retail for doorprize donation
- Oneida Casino for doorprize donation
- Coca Cola for providing the drinks

We'd also like to thank the Oneida High School for participating this year with a display on their arsenic project. This event was funded by the Brownfields 128 grant intended to increase public awareness of services and capacity provided by Environmental Health & Safety Division. For more information feel free to call Sylvia at 496-5352.





Photos courtesy of Eco Services

Top: Visitors had a chance to try their hand at archery during the Oneida Nation Environmental, Health and Safety Division's third annual Fall Fest September 28 at Oneida the Conservation Office.

Left: Young artists make decorations from pinecones and other natural objects.

Land Claims Commission Corner



# Highlights of the **New York Homelands Tour**

#### Submitted Jourdan

Land Claims Records Technician Greetings Everyone,

We're back from the New York Homelands Tour 2007 and what a wonderful experience it was. As many of you know, we visited areas that have had a major influence on us as Oneida people. The tour was intended to be educational, and it was. It was intended to be fun, and it was. And it was intended to evoke in us a sense of who we are as Oneida people and where we came from, and it did. Before we left I put together an activity booklet in which I did a historical sketch of each of the locations that we were to visit. Over the next couple of issues I would like to share our trip and those glimpses of our history with you.

#### Day 1: Verona Beach

We arrived at Verona Beach State Park by mid afternoon Monday. Verona Beach State Park is located on the East end of Oneida Lake just a short drive from our Nation House. It was beautiful. The weather great. And the water was magnificent. We spent the afternoon there, then we dropped off the campers for their three day stay at the campsite, took the rest of the crew to the Days Inn in Canastota and to the Nation House to rest up.

#### Day 2: Chittenango Falls

Between 1795 and 1846 there were 26 treaties imposed by New York State which deprived the Oneida Nation of all but a few hundred acres of its ancestral homeland in what is now the state of New York.

In 1795, ignoring federal law, an illegal "treaty" enacted by New York State transferred 100,000 acres of land

within the Oneida reservation recognized by the Treaty of Fort Schuyler and guaranteed by the Treaty of Canandaigua. This was one of several such actions by the state to diminish and assimilate the Oneidas and take their land, while clearing the way for westward expansion. Chittenango Falls was one of the sites lost in this transaction. The action was taken within a year of the guaranteeing U.S. the Oneidas that their homeland would be protected. New York State was advised by the federal government that the transaction was illegal, but went ahead with it anyway.

Chittenango Falls is located in Madison County, east of Cazenovia Lake. The 167 foot waterfall cascades over a series of limestone terraces roughly 40 million years old. A scenic, but rugged trail leads to a wooden bridge which spans the meandering Chittenango Creek at the bottom of the gorge. Halfway down is a resting bench from which there is a "camera-perfect" view of the falls. Continuing down this trail, there are a great variety of interesting ferns, wild flowers and shrubs which grow along the steps and ledges. The waters of Chittenango Creek were thought to have healing powers by the Iroquois peo-

From the bridge is a spectacular view of the falls in one direction and a the view of scenic Chittenango Creek in the other. You may be able to spot the remains of the viewing "turntable" built in the late 1800's. The "turntable" was a stone terrace viewing area just large enough to turn a horse and buggy around. When Route 13 was relocat-

> See Page 5B **Homelands**

# It's a plane, it's an eagle, no, it's a turkey vulture!

By Bill Koonz Specialist-Environmental Protection Turkey vultures are some of the most common summer birds seen soaring over the Oneida Reservation. Often mistaken for bald eagles, they are large black birds with an America. In September or un-feathered head and upper neck. They have a wingspan of nearly six feet (bald eagle wingspans approach 7.5 feet). The name turkey vulture comes from the exposed neck and head skin which is dull to purple-red in adults, black in immature birds. They are part of natures clean up crew feeding on carrion (the carcasses of dead animals), and are most often seen quietly soaring on thermals with wings held in a flattened V.

Vultures are one of the few bird species' groups known to have a keen sense of smell which they use to find food. The chemical used to make us able to detect a natural gas leak is very similar to the smell of carrion. Natural gas pipeline company staff in California used vultures to find pipeline leaks. Until then, all birds were thought to have a poorly developed sense of smell (where the myth that touching a bird's egg will cause the nest to be abandoned comes from).

Turkey Vultures breed throughout the lower 48 states and southern Canada. Some winter in the southern portion winter in South and Central October area birds migrate south where they compete with the non-migratory black vulture for the winter. The turkey vulture's spring arrival is anticipated at some localities, e.g., Hinkley, Ohio's "Buzzard Days".

When searching for food, turkey vultures typically fly just above the tree-tops but during migration, individuals may soar to heights of 5,000 feet or more. Their low altitude soaring, human tolerance, and inability to take flight rapidly make them vulnerable to disturbance, toxic chemicals, shooting, and trapping. They congregate near a food source and it is not uncommon to see six or more in the air at one time.

Two dull white to creamwhite eggs are laid on the bare floors of caves, among the rocks of cliffs, on rotted wood inside hollow logs or stumps, on the ground inside dense shrubbery, or in abandoned buildings. Both parents may

roost inside the dark nest cavity after the eggs are laid. When the nest is approached, adults may feign death; if caught by hand at the nest of their range while others they may regurgitate foul smelling food. Incubation (38-41 days) is by both adults. Young fly when 70-80 days old and adults typically travel

many miles to find food. Turkey vultures are long lived (30 years or more), but only lay two eggs in a season. They have the longest nesting period of any locally breeding species (over 110 days) and it is often September before the young leave the nest. Breeding is likely more common than has been identified as the docile, quiet nature of

this species near the nest allows it to be easily overlooked. The fact that the young are fed regurgitated food often results in nests being detected by smell rather Turkey than by sight. Vultures may be seen throughout the area from April through October. Road kills provide the best opportunity to see them on the ground. They use traditional roosts but the roost location has not been identified for the Oneida Reservation area.

For more information on Oneida Reservation wildlife or article requests, contact Bill Koonz (920-496-3349) or bkoonz@oneidanation.org

# Hunter's Choice Permit

Don't forget to purchase your 07' Oneida Sportsman License by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 25, 2007.



Elderly or Disabled Sportsman license must be purchased by 4:30p.m. on Friday, November 2, 2007 to be eligible for a

Hunter's Choice Permit.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Oneida Conservation Department at (920) 869-1450

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**Apple Workshop** Thursday • October 18, 2007 • 5:00рм

White Corn Workshop Thursday • November 3, 2007 • 5:00PM (Corn Bread, Corn Soup, Corn Mush)

Please call to reserve your spot. All workshops will be held at the Norbert Hill Center



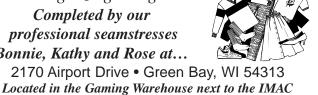
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# **American** Indian **Alumni** Homecoming

On Saturday, October 20th, the American Indian Student Services and the American Indian Student Association at UWM will host the 30th Annual Autumn Powwow. Upon this thirtieth anniversary, AISS will proudly honor all UWM American Indian alumni. We are calling on all of our alums to come to celebrate. Bring your dance outfit! The doors will open at noon. Grand Entries will be held at 1:30 and 7pm, with UWM Alumni leading the powwow. An Honor dance for alumni will be held in the late afternoon.

Please join us for a reception to be held in the Fireside Lounge in the UWM Union that will be held throughout the day. This will be a wonderful opportunity to renew old friendships, and to meet the current students at UWM.

We would love to hear from you so please call or email us to update what you have been up to and to inform us of any change of address. If you have a funny story to tell or a fond memory of your days here at UWM, please share it with us. Also, send two business cards so that we can update our files to UWM, American Indian Student Services, P.O. Box 413, Milw, Wis. 53201.

For further information, contact Jenelle Klumb or Diane Amour at 414-229-5880.

klumb@uwm.edu.

# Oneida Higher Education

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# **Native student athletes** wanted for new TV series

Challenger Films is accepting recommendations for high school and college age Native American athletes to be featured on The Real Winning Edge television series for teens.

The Winning Edge is a reality show that features three real life high school and college students each week who have triumphed over Hardships and challenges. Each of these young people is introduced by a celebrity, such as Jeff Gordon, John Smoltz, Matt Hasselbeck, Devers, Gail Evander Holyfield and Dwight Howard. The purpose of the program is to provide good role models for teens through the latest high quality entertainment.

The series is in syndication and is airing this year on the Midwest Sports Network, the Southeast Sports Network, the New England Sports

Francisco. We are currently filming our 2008 season.

More information may be found at www.challengerfilms.org and www.realwinningedge.com

In order for a candidate to be selected for The Real Winning Edge, he or she

- 1. Be articulate and able to express himself (herself) well
- 2. Be enrolled in high school or college.
- 3. Be actively competing in a sport (not football, basketball, swimming or mens track).
- 4. Have good moral character, including faith.
- 5. Have a story of dealing with adversity.

Please email Kathleen Watson at Challenger Films, kwatson@challengerfilms.o rg if you have a recommendation for the series.

# **Shakespeare on the Pow Wow Grounds**



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

The Oneida Nation Arts Program sponsored the AandBC Theatre Company's performance of William Shakespeare's The Tempest on Saturday, October 6 at the Norbert Hill Center Pow Wow Grounds. The play was performed outside and within the seating area of the audience. The actors hailing from England sometimes used the spectators as props.

# Marian College to hold graduate information sessions in Fond du Lac

**Submitted by Steve** starting in January. **Prestegard** 

Fond du Lac, Wis. — Marian College will hold information sessions on its graduate programs in Fond du Lac.

The sessions will be held at the MAAP office, 60 S. National Ave., Tuesday, Oct. 9 and Thursday, Nov. 1 from 1 to 7 p.m.

Information sessions will feature information on Marian's Master of Science Organizational Leadership and Quality, Master of Arts in Education and Master of Science in programs. Nursing Counselors will be available to discuss the programs, all of which will have sessions

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1shelbyj@uwm.edu \* The UAITTP partners are the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the Indian Community School,

The Spotted Eagle High School, and the Milwaukee

Youth Summit organizers honored



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Persons involved with the Youth Summit were recognized for their efforts on Wednesday October 10 during the regular meeting of the Oneida Business Committee. The Youth Summit was a multi-district collaboration of local schools designed to ascertain the mental, social, educational and health challenges that face Oneida youth. Eighty-five students attended the day-and-a-half summit that was held at the end of September.



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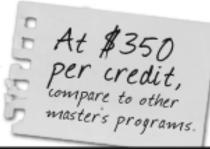
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# Spirit week schedule set

By Paul Gutierrez ONHS junior

ONHS' Homecoming is set for the week of October 15. student council announced the week's activities. Here they are:

Monday, October 15 Pajama Day.

Tuesday, October 16

Friday, October 19

 Opposite Day. Wednesday, October 17

• Spirit Day-Purple & White Thursday, October 18 Crazy Hair/Crazy Hat Day

 Super Hero Day. Hall Decorating will take place from Monday, October 8 through Friday, October 12.

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**ONHS Class** 

for 2007-2008

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There will also be a bonfire on Tuesday night, October 16. Class competitions will be Friday morning, October 16 and the annual Homecoming Lock-In will be that night from 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. the next morning. Activities for the lock-in

will include contests, fun, and games. Tickets are \$1 in advance and \$2 at the door. If you attend the lock-in, you are not allowed to leave and come back.

Finally, the Homecoming football game is set for Wednesday, October 17 at 5 p.m. at the field behind Norbert Hill Center.

# **ONHS 2008 Senior Update**

**By Yasiman Metoxen** 

This year, there are twenty-three seniors attending ONHS.

Since our sophomore year, we have been fundraising money. This will be our last year to make money for

our senior trip.

In order to make this trip, the class decided that each person will have to have helped out on almost everything we did. Everythingmeaning taco sales, bake sales, or any other type of fundraising we do. If you have not helped on 75% of the activities we have already done, you will not be able to go. With that, not every senior will be going.

We are not yet sure of where we will be going, but we do know it will be somewhere fun and exciting.

Our next taco sale is coming up. Be sure to look out for our signs, and to stop by and help us out. This trip gives us something great to look forward to. As senior Neset Vega said, "The trip bring our class closer together."

# Dear Cookie...

Dear Cookie,

I am 17 years old and I feel that my weight is tearing me down. I feel like I am the ugliest person ever just because my weight. I can't even look at myself in the mirror because I look like a pig. My rolls are huge, and I feel like every time I put on clothes my stomach is rolling out of my shirt. I want to be able to look at myself with pride. I want to be able to call myself beautiful. How do can I be able to look at myself with

Kindly

Dear Kindly,

It sounds like you are a beautiful young lady. I think that you need to tell yourself that more often. It doesn't matter how you look, it matters how you are on the inside. If you really feel bad about yourself you should work out or try different healthier foods. Working out brings your brain endorphins and endorphins make you happy. You should try that. Working out is doing two things at once; it is making you happier and you are losing weight. Just remember hold your head high and look your best, then you will love yourself much, much more.

Dear Readers,

This is Cookie and if you need help or advice "Bring it to

# Thunderhawks taste success

#### **Evander** Ву Delago

ONHS senior

The Oneida N a t i o n Thunderhawks have recently achieved their first winning season since 2001. Some alumni have suggested that it's because this year's squad has been playing weaker teams then they did. Some say it's just a plain old fluke.

This year's coaches, however, say it's because this year we have a strong line all the way through even though there were individual standout linemen in the past.

ers, many of us

would say it's because we realized that if we lose a game we are done, our playoff hopes are done!

We also have done a lot of team bonding this year such as team Mohawk (haircuts) and the running backs throwing pizza parties for their linemen.

RB/LB Sean Senior Metoxen says, "With this



**THT Photo** 

Three senior football players sport the Mohawk haircuts sev-If you were to eral members of the team got to build team unity. I to r. Sean ask this year's play- Metoxen, Frank Clary and Evander Delgado.

> bonding, it makes every game special because we will never play with this group of guys again. It sort of feels like a brotherhood.'

Senior DE/TE Frank Clary says, "It actually feels like we're one big family compared to the past few years I've played." Frank says this makes him try his hardest because he doesn't want to let one of his teammates down.

Also, because he knows the guy next to him "is giving

The T-Hawks will be taking on Bark River Harris Broncos on October 17th for their final homegame of the year. This will be the most intense game of the year because not only is it homecoming game, it's either win or go home for the seniors.

# Teen Parenting-Joys and Difficulties

by Luanne Funmaker

ONHS senior **Part Two: Teen Fathers** 

In the last issue, we looked at teen parenting from the mom's point of view. Following that article, I was told that I had seemed to glorify teen parenting. I was just reporting what I was told.

This time, I tackle the same issue, but from a completely different angle. This article will talk about teen fatherstheir joys and struggles. Two young teen fathers were interviewed for this issue. Daniel A. Gutierrez was 16

years old when he had his first child, "a beautiful little girl." He then had another child at the age of 17, "a bouncing baby boy."

Daniel feels that along with the cons of being a teen father, there "are always pros." Some of his pros are "watching the children grow." He also enjoys the thought of "always having someone there" for him. He feels that having the children has

helped him with his anger

issues, that they have taught him how to better control it.

Daniel also says that the children do not affect his day to day life. He also says that if he didn't have the children his life "would be boring."

On the other hand, Daniel says that he feels he was too young to have children when he did. He planned to go to the school of culinary arts before having his children and he says that he can still do this, the children have not affected this part of his life. As far as his relationship with the children's mother goes, Daniel says having the children has "brought us closer together." But he also feels that it has tied him down a little more.

Mesaen W. Wheelock, 17years old, is the father of a two-month old girl. Mesaen says he feels the biggest positive is "that the things the baby is learning at a young age makes everything worth it." He also says that he likes the idea that he'll "be the one to teach the child."

However, Mesaein also feels that having the child at such a young age "puts a lot of responsibility" on his shoulders. He can't hang out with friends as much because the child needs him more.

As far as his future education goes, Mesaen planned on "going with the flow" so he says that having the baby "did not interrupt his plans at all."

Mesaen says that having the baby has brought him and his baby's mother closer and that the relationship has "grown stronger because of the child."

Over the last two issues, we've looked at some of the issues of teen parenting from perspective of the young mothers and fathers. We've presented both the joys and the difficulties. From our interviews it is safe to say that these teen parents don't think that having children at an early age is easy, but they've also come to know the joys of

parenting as well.



# Per capita!

**Bv Maria Guerra** 

ONHS sophomore and Thunderhawk Times assistant editor

I think people really need to stop looking at this per capita as just an opportunity to get more money and think of the community as whole. This is something I, as an Oneida stu dent and resident, was taught growing up.

We need to stop focusing on what we're going to buy with the money and how it could help you out. We are a community and, as Native Americans, are watched closely by those people around us to point out anything we've done wrong, more so than other groups. (Which we all witnessed last year with the incident of the school being closed for a

With the money (whether it's the five thousand dollars or just the two), we need to vote no to it and let tribal leaders use it to help build a new school, to keep our culture going. I don't know about all of you, but I want to see our culture grow, and flourish!

We also need the money to help build our Health Center bigger, so we can take care of our people.

I want to see good come of this money, and not just people spending it on things that only they need and want. I want to see this money (and I'm sure there are other people who agree with me) help our community grow stronger.

This is a test, the way I see it. We've been given this money and the decision to use it for ourselves or for the people of this community. Keeping our culture strong and going, is what I want to see happen. Don't you?

# **Native American Nike** just okay...

By Brittany Bateman ONHS senior

Who, What, When, Where and How?

Nike Shoe Company began making a shoe specifically for Native Americans in Beaverton, Oregon Tuesday morning of last week,. The shoe is called Nike Air Native N7. The "N7" stands for the seven generation story. This shoe is designed on the width and length of the shoe.

The shoe is said to try and prevent high obesity rates amongst Native Americans and promote more physical work. Doctors' compared more than 200 feet to a regular Nike shoe and most Natives had 3x's the normal width. Inside the shoe has fewer seams for sock line irritation. With the money from the shoe, Nike said it is going to put it back in the funding and start making health programs for the diabetics and elderly.

This is a good idea. I just don't like the look of the front of the shoe.

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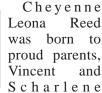
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If you have a birth announcement, please send it to the Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO Box 365, Oneida ŴI 54155 or call Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 for more information. There is NO CHARGE for birth announcements. Please include baby's full (first, 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!



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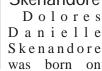
Reed, on September 10, 2007 at West Allis Memorial Hospital. She was 5 pounds 14 ounces and measured 18

The maternal grandparents are Rose and David

The paternal grandparents are Sandra and Robert Reed. She has one brother, Shiloh, and one sister, Sheniah, at home.



Dolores Danielle Skenandore



September 15, 2007 to proud parents Robert and Dolores Skenandore at Rush Hospital in Chicago, Ill. She weighed 7 lbs. 4 ozs. and measured 20.5 inches Grandparents are Maria and David Garcia and Fidencio and Esperanza Gonzalez. She has 3 siblings, Cheryl, Bobbi and Thomas.



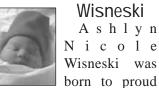
Johnathan Michael

Smith Johnathan Michael Smith was born to proud parents,

Amber & Johnathan Smith, on September 21, 2007 at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital. He was 8 pounds and measured 20 inches.



Ashlyn Nicole

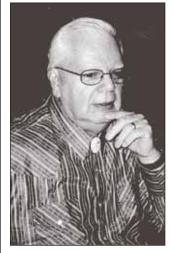


parents, Nicki and Nate Wisneski, on Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 3:07 a.m. at Bellin Hospital. She weighed 9 lbs. 8 oz., and measured 21.5 inches in length.

The proud maternal grandparents are Don and Amy Calmes. Proud paternal grandparents are Debbie Melchert, and Dan & Linda Wisneski.

Great Grandparents are John and the late Alrita Wisneski and the late Betty and Robert Young





Love, Linda, Mike & Guin

To my precious baby Sonja **Sweetgrass** on October 10th



Love Always, Mama



Love, Grandma, Grandpa's and Family

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To my #1 Granddaughter Carmella Arianna on October 18th



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# Happy 25" Birthday

To my Godmother **Daylanne** on October 31st



I Love You with all my heart! Your Godchild Carmella Arianna And...Aunt Von, Kirby, Cousins Rob, Kristi & Craig, Trevor, Liana & the rest of the Family

# Happy ?? Birthday

**Crystal Holtz** on October 10th From the Communication's

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We wish you the best of luck and happiness with your new future together. Love Always,

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Questions, please call: 920-869-4277, 4279 4280 or 4090 or email us at:

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most of the remnants of the turntable. The upper section of this trail also provides scenic views of the falls. Those desiring longer treks should follow the trail which retraces the old path of Route 13, when it was a wooden plank road and was located on the west side of the falls.

Chittenango Falls is the home to the endangered Chittenango Ovate Amber Snail. Live specimens of the Chittenango snail cannot be found anywhere else on Earth. The Chittenango Ovate Amber Snail has a translucent shell with 3-1/2 whorls on an elongated spire. Maximum size is about .9 inch (23 mm). The shell is glossy, off-white to pale or pinkish yellow and is marked with growth wrinkles and lines. The soft body of the snail is a pale, translucent yellow. The outer covering of the soft parts, called the mantle, is pale yellowisholive and is often marked with black streaks and blotches. A

prominent dark blotch can be found on the upper side of the foot. All visitors were asked to respect the safety of these endangered snails by not entering the water or disturbing any plant or wild life or removing fossils or rocks.

The weather was not nearly as hot as we had anticipated so it was again another beautiful day. We picnicked in the park for the rest of the afternoon, then went back to Canastota for dinner at Gratzianos, a lovely Italian restaurant.

In the next issue Kalihwisaks, look for Day 3: The Champlain Battlefield.

Also, the Land Claims Commission would like to extend a very warm welcome to our newly elected commissioner, Rita Summers. As part of her orientation she came along with us to New York. Because of her energy and background we think she will be an asset to the commission.

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of appointment

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> Deadline for receipt of applications is October 19, 2007.

#### **Oneida Child Protective Board**

One (1) Vacancy **Qualifications:** 

Nation of Wisconsin

- Any tribal member who is on the roll of the Oneida
- Must be eligible to vote in the election of the Oneida Nation
- Must reside in Brown or **Outagamie County**
- Shall serve a four (4) year
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- a. Employment related to child protection matters
- b. Foster parenting experience c. Guardian Ad Litem experi-
- d. High School Diploma/ GED, an individual over the age 50 is exempt from this requirements
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- g. Post Secondary Training

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#### **Hannah Stead** DOB 12/28/1933 DOD 10/15/1999

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 Division of Land Management, P.O.Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 Dated October 1, 2007

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Piano, console, \$900 OBO; GE Electric Dryer, 7 yrs old; \$75 OBO

Leave message and telephone number at 920-833-1627.

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# HING GIVEAWA The Oneida Pantry is having a Tommy Hilfiger clothing giveaway!!!

When: Monday, October 22-

Thursday October 25 Time: 1 - 4 p.m. daily

Where: Parish Hall Basement All Community members are welcome. The

Giveaway will go until the clothing is gone or until further notice. Everyone in the Oneida Community is welcome.

# **Gamming Commission Vacancy**

## **Gaming Commission** One (1) Vacancy

### Remainder of term ending July of 2010

- Shall serve the remainder of term of vacancy
- Must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe
- Must be atleast 21 years of age
- Must have a minimum of five (5) years of any combination of the following:
  - A. Post-secondary education
  - B. Gaming Training
  - C. Gaming Licensing
  - D. Auditing
  - E. Gaming Laws or Indian Laws
  - F. Administrative Hearings of Decision making
  - G.Background Investigation
  - H. Surveillance
  - I. Law Enforcement
  - J. Business Administration or Business Management

All candidates for the office shall submit to a through background investigation conducted by the Oneida Tribe and completed prior to eligibility for appointment. In addition, prior to eligibility for appointment, all candidates shall disclose all conflicts of interest as required by the Oneida Conflict of Interest Policy. No individual shall be eligible for appointment to the Commission if:

- 1. He or she has been convicted or, entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to any of the following offenses and the conviction has not been pardoned by the Tribe or otherwise removed from the record by executive pardon or state court order:
  - a.
  - b. Any offense involving fraud or misrepresentation
  - Any gaming related offense, including a violation of a provisions of any State gaming law made applicable to the Tribe pursuant to the Compact or a Tribal gaming law.
- 2. His or her prior activities, criminal record, or reputation, habits or associations pose a threat to the public interest, threatens the effective operation of gaming, or enhances the dangers of unsuitable, unfair, or illegal practices, methods, or activities in the conduct or gaming; or
- 3. He or she has a present interest in the conduct of any gaming enterprise or in any business which provides goods or service to a Gaming Operation of the Tribe, or he or she has any personal, business, or legal relationship which places him or her in a conflict or Interest
- 4. He or she been convicted or a crime involving theft, fraud, or conversion against the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
- 5. He or she been removed from office pursuant to the Oneida Removal Law.

All qualifications are state in the Oneida Nation Gaming Ordinance adopted by the GTC on July 5, 2004 & Resolution GTC #7-5-04 & OBC #7-14-04. Deadline date for receipt of applications of October 25, 2007.

### Oneida job training program after school youth employment 2007 - 2008

The Oneida Job Training Program is taking applications for the After School Youth Work Experience Program. Five work slots are available for the school year program. The program includes work experience, tutoring, and career orientation. The youth will be paid \$5.90 hr, and are eligible to work a maximum of 10 hours a week.

Requirements for the program are:

- Youth ages 14 21 years who are attending school, or returning to school full-time, and
- Enrolled with a federally recognized Tribe, member of an Alaskan village or Hawaiian Native, and
- 30 -day resident of our service area, and
- Meet federal household poverty income guidelines, receive MA, WIA, TANF, food stamps, or
- Medically-diagnosed disability (cognitive, emotional or physical) which includes ADD, ADHD, LD, and ED (will be considered a household of one for income purposes), or
- Youth living out-of-home through a courtordered placement (will be considered a household of one for

income purposes) To obtain an application contact

Sandi Skenadore at 490-3789, sskenado@onei-

danation.org. Dianne McLester-Heim 490-3897, dmclest3@oneidanation.org.

The priority deadline to apply is Wednesday, October 17. 2007. All names will be entered into a drawing to be held on October 18th, and the first five youth will be contacted for employment.

# Health Topic Sessions return

Submitted by Patricia Kolhman

OCHC After a short break for the Oneida summer, the Community Health Center will again provide a monthly health topic to the community. On Tuesday, October 23, George J. Kamps, MSW, ACSW, LCSW from the Oneida Behavioral Health cover "Stress Management and Seasonal Depression." Session will begin at 5:00 p.m. in the Main Conference Room at the Oneida Community Health Center.

George Kamps earned his

B.A from the University of Certificate of Recognition as WI - Green Bay, including the two years of active duty in the Person/Veteran of Year from United States Navy where he the received his Honorable Discharge in 1972. In 1974, Mr. Kamps received his Directors MSW from the University of WI - Milwaukee. He has 23 years of experience in the Northeast Regional Chair specific area of assessment Person from 1994 to 2000. and treatment of Posttraumatic Disorder. Among his recognifor providing services to per- room at the

Social Services Oneida Amvets Organization. Mr. Kamps, also, served on the Board of of National Association Social Workers, WI Chapter as the

Make plans now to attend Stress the health topic "Stress Management and Seasonal tions are the 1990 Mental Depression" on Tuesday Health Association of Brown evening October 23 at 5:00 County Mental Health Award p.m. in the Main Conference sons with Posttraumatic Community Health Center. Stress Disorder and a Refreshments will be served.

# Time for flu shot season

Submitted by Eric Krawczyk

Community/Public Health Officer

November thru January is a prime time for individuals to get the flu. Symptoms include fever, cough, runny nose and muscle aches. The single best way to protect yourself against the flu is to get vaccinated each year. There are two types of vac-

The "flu shot" - an inactivated vaccine that is given with a needle, usually in the arm. The flu shot is approved for use in people older than 6six months, including healthy people and people with chronic medical condi-

FluMist - a vaccine made with live, weakened flu viruses that do not cause the flu. This vaccine is approved for use in healthy people two years to 18 years of age who are not pregnant.

Unique to this year, the Oneida Community Health Nursing Department will use flu clinics to practice and prepare for events such as pandemic flu, that require treatment of community members in mass numbers. To accomplish this, we have limited the number of flu clinics offered, hoping to practice serving mass numbers. We have used State and Regional Consortia guidelines in the planning of these clinics. In our practice exercise in early October, most patients were served in 15 minutes or less after being greeted at the front entrance.

Practicing for mass immunization clinics will better prepare the Oneida Community, as well as, meet our objectives for our Public Health Preparedness Grants.

In advance, we are asking for your patience, understanding and cooperation during these clinics. Please come wearing a loose fitting, or short sleeved shirt, as this will help to improve efficiency. We will also be asking for your feedback in improving our processes to make these clinics more effective. We encourage you to be a participant in this exciting preparedness event for the Oneida Community.

This years Community Flu Clinics are listed below:

•Thursday, November 1st from 8:00am-11:00am •Wednesday, November 14th

•Friday, December 14th from 12:30pm - 3:30pm

from 3:00pm - 6:15pm

If you have any questions, please call the Community Health Department at 869-4840 or Eric Krawczyk, Community/ Public Health Officer at 869-4812. Thank you.

# The Wisconsin Home Energy **Assistance Program**

Is available to all income eligible persons who pay a heat and/or electric bill.

Please schedule an appointment before your December per capita impacts your eligibility for benefits!

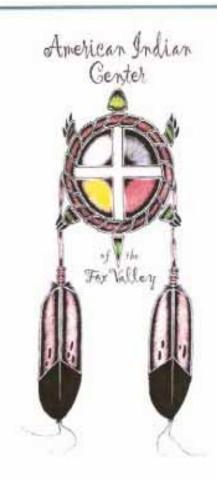
To be income eligible, you must not exceed the listed gross three month income.

Income guidelines for the 2007-2008 wheap heating season 150 percent of federal poverty guidelines

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If you reside within the Reservation boundaries, please call the Center for Self-Sufficiency at (920) 490-3170 to schedule an appointment. If you reside in Brown County contact Integrated Community Services at **(920) 448-4540**.

If you reside in Outagamie County contact (920) 735-0010 for assistance. For all other counties in Wisconsin please contact your local social service office for assistance.



# The American Indian Center of the Fox Valley needs your help!

The American Indian Center of the Fox Valley (AIC-FV) wants to create wellness programs that you want to see in the Fox Valley. AIC-FV is conducting a 10 minute survey about your health and the health of our Native community. If you are an American Indian adult, at least 18 years of age, living in the Fox Valley and would live to participate in our survey please call Lisa Hurst at (920) 882-4059 or Katie Gruner at (920) 277-5393 by November 15th.

All participants will receive a \$5 gift card to Wal-Mart!

## Are you, a friend or relative in need of Vocational **Rehabilitation Services?**

If you reside in the Milwaukee area please contact the G.L.I.T.C. (Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council).

G.L.I.T.C. in coordination with the State of Wisconsin Division of Vocational

Rehabilitation (DVR), has developed a program specifically geared towards Native Americans living with disabilities. It is designed to assist individuals with disabilities to obtain, maintain or improve employment.

If you live in Milwaukee County and are interested in more information about this program, please feel free to call Lynette Paull (414) 389-6451 or Oralann Caldwell (414) 389-6454.



#### To the 9th Annual Event for Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Event held at Social Services Building

5:00 p.m. Opening Prayer and Dinner to follow 5:30 p.m. Presentations Speakers: Community Members providing a selfproclamation Child Care Provided

~ T-Shirts to give-away

An Honoring of Oneida Tribal Member Closing at 7:00pm

Wednesday through the month of October there will be a sweat lodge ceremony to provide for all community members interested. times are at 5:30pm and located behind the Social Services Bldg Cottage #1240

If you have any questions please contact Gene Red Hail at 490-3736.

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### **ONEIDA Food Distribution Program Monthly Net Income Limits FY 2008**

Effective October 1, 2007

#### HH SIZE INCOME LIMITS \$ 985.00 2 \$1,275.00 3 \$1,565.00 \$1,864.00 5 \$2,178.00 6 \$2,492.00 \$2,782.00 8 \$3,072.00

- RESOURCE LIMITS • \$3,000 for household
- of two or more, in which one is over 60 years old.
- \$1,750 for all other households including elderly living alone.

# **DEDUCTIONS**

- \$200.00 for childcare under 2 years old.
- \$175.00 for any other dependent care.
- Medicare payments.
- Court ordered child support.

#### Add \$290.00 for each additional member **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday thru Thursday

Friday

8:00 a.m. to Noon 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. to Noon

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# Ometida Rec. 2007 Civic Center, 5:00-8:00 pm ake a stroll through our spooktacular trick-or-treat maze enjoy a snack, and enter the costume contest. Prizes awarded for 1st.-5th. place. Ages groups: 0-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 ategories: Funniest, Scariest, Superhero, Fairytale, & Most Creative Each child may enter only one category at registration Maze closes and Final entries taken at 8:00 sharp!! For more info, call Kim @ 833-0010 Fielday, October 26th



# Softball is a Denny family affair

By Nate Wisneski

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Julie Denny plays softball for more than just the thrill of a win; it has always been a family thing.

Denny's love for softball grew watching numerous games of older family members. "I thank my five brothers for passing on that passion (for softball) to me. Growing up I got to be a longtime spectator of their games," said Denny. She also credits her father Arthur Webster, Jr. who played baseball for the Oneida Braves in the 1960's for her love of the game. By the early 1970's she joined her first team, Van's Valley of Oneida.

Denny, 50, is still playing competitive softball and is now carrying on the family tradition to her children. "It's an exciting time of our life for my husband and I to share our love for the game with all our children," she said. "Years

ago, I carried this dream in the back of my mind of someday playing the game on the competitive level with all of our children, this year we were able to accomplish our dream."

For Denny and her family the game of softball took on a different meaning about eight years ago. Denny's son and centerfielder, Josh Webster, passed away unexpectedly and now the family plays in his memory. "We now play the sport to honor Josh. Josh was such an accomplished player until his untimely death, and I walk out on the field still today and in the back of my mind I see him in centerfield, I feel his presence. I see Josh's talent and gifts playing on in his brothers. It is bittersweet," said Denny. "It is a healing process."

Denny, in her 2007 Howard League Champions t-shirt, displayed the table and cabinet full of softball trophies and awards. It appears the time spent playing has been paying off for Denny's family. They play in Josh's honor but they are also out to win as

Softball creates very busy summer months for Denny's family. Her along with her husband Brian Sr., and children Jerome, Jermaine, Jason and Brian Jr. play softball daily. "We could be somewhere watching one of the boys or playing softball almost every day of the week. We played in five tournaments and two leagues as a family this summer. We always enter under the team Webster name, Josh Memorial," Denny said.

Denny and her family see no end in sight to the days of softball. "As long as we can play we are going to do so. We always want to make sure we are honoring Josh," said Denny.

# Recreation's Jack Krebs says goodbye

Submitted by John "Jack" Krebs

Sagoli and warmest of greetings,

This is my final article for the newspaper as Recreation Fine Arts and Crafts director for the Civic on Artley. I am sad to relay my news of my new position as 4H program agent for San Miguel County, Colorado. I have truly appreciated the time spent here and found that I could rely on the local community members and families for support and terrific ideas. The time spent on the job and in the community of Oneida has been a valuable investment in getting to know brilliant and awesome youth. This is for you; I learned a great deal of how a successful recreation program should be run. I have come to rely on members of the recreations department as part of my second family. I spent

my final week finishing up art projects which were focused on the personal side of art. The kids attempted with great success I might add to create spoon dolls, and beaded bracelets. Conversations were a springboard into self discovery.

In final thought, I would like to commend the Oneida Nation and its entities for their continued efforts to foster a bond between the youth of its community and the Oneida Nation as a whole. You have taught me a valuable amount of lessons = Strength is shown in organizations who strive to include the youth and all of their needs. Families and their children are together at activities and have a chance to "just be". I encourage the older teens and youth of Oneida to take advantage of all the positive options that

you have, and don't settle for second best. Fight for what you know is right and be proud of who you are.

I urge you all to do your personal best - and that is what is good enough. I have had an incredible time working with you and for you in my role. Look forward to hearing from me again because you are part of me - I will long see your smiles burning bright - please keep in touch and don't hesitate to be curious and find out more about my new role and my new location.

Seek your own creative outlet and be proud of all your accomplishments. Pledge your heart and mind to a greater knowledge because you are worth it!

Yaw^ko to a truly fantastic batch of youth and all of your families

# **Upcoming Oneida Recreation** Department Athletic Leagues

By Amanda Riesenberg

The Oneida Recreation Department will by hosting a Men's Basketball League starting Monday, November 5th. There will be a \$75 team fee plus each team member must be a current recreation member (\$5 fee). Each team can have up to 4 non-natives per team, with a roster limit of 8. Registration deadline is October 30th.

A new program this year is Introduction to Sports 101. This program is open to 4 year olds only. There are two sessions available on Tuesday nights beginning November 6th. Participants will learn

the basics to sports: Handeye coordination, balance to throw, tumbling, dribbling, etc. Space is limited so sign up early. Each participant must be a current recreation member (\$5 fee).

We will once again be hosting basketball leagues for Kindergarten – 1st grade and 2nd – 4th Grade. The Kindergarten – 1st grade league will be held on Wednesday nights starting on November 7th at 5:00 pm. The 2nd – 4th Grade league will be held on Thursday evenings starting November 8th at 5:00 pm. Both leagues will start the session off with basketball fundamentals and drills and end each session with games. Players must be current recreation members (\$5 fee). Registration deadline is October 31st.

The Oneida Recreation Department will also have a 5th and 6th Grade Girls traveling basketball team and a

Boys traveling basketball team. The two teams will travel to different area schools to compete in the Green Bay Area Schools League. Days and times vary depending on practices and games. Coaches are needed for these teams. Each player must be a current recreation member (\$5 fee) to participate. Games start in December and run through February.

We will also be having a teen basketball league on Thursday nights. Games start at 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 8. Form your own teams. All teens must be current recreation members (\$5

All leagues will be held at the Civic Center. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Recreation Department at 869-1088. Forms can be picked up at the Civic Center or County H Recreation Buildings.

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Saturday • October 27, 2007

**Oneida Nation Elementary School** Doors open at 11:00 AM **Grand Entry** 1:00 PM and 7:00 PM Feast at 5:00 PM

Raffle, concessions, give away, vendors

**Master of Ceremonies:** Myron Pyawasit **Arena Director:** William King **Host Drum:** Str8-Across

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# The Enrollment Office

will **NOT** be open on Saturday, Nov. 3, 2007

due to the General Tribal Council meeting.

Please plan ahead for any services you may require.