



Gov. Doyle signs seven new gaming compacts with tribes

MADISON, Wis. (AP) - Gov. Jim Doyle signed new gambling compacts with six Wisconsin tribes that would pay the state an additional \$105 million over the next two years to help solve the state's massive budget deficit, Administration Secretary Marc Marotta said Friday.

In exchange, the compacts clear the way for a new Ho-Chunk Nation casino in Madison, give the tribes expanded casino hours and the right to offer more games, including roulette and craps, and have no expiration dates. Old compacts expired every five years.

Doyle signed the deals with the Ho-Chunk, Oneida and Menominee tribes and the Sokaogon, Lac Courte Oreilles and Bad River bands of Lake Superior Chippewa. The Red Cliff Chippewa also signed a compact and sent it to Doyle late Friday but would likely pay the state nothing because their casino brings in so little revenue.

They mark another round in the governor's bitter political feud with Republican legislators who want to strip him of his power to negotiate

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New Compacts

Tribe, State reach amended compact



Top photo by Keith Skenandore/Bottom AP photo by Andy Manis

Oneida Nation Chairwoman Tina Danforth, above, signs the new amended gaming compact on April 24 that was agreed upon with the State of Wisconsin. Following Danforth's signature, the compact was hand delivered to Gov. Jim Doyle's office. Doyle signed the compact the following day and the compact was then forwarded to the Department of Interior for their review. Below, Marc Marotta, administration secretary for the State of Wisconsin, announced seven new gaming compacts that included the Oneida Nation's agreement, at a press conference in Madison on April 25. The other Wisconsin tribes joining Oneida with new agreements are the Ho-Chunk, Menominee, Sokaogon, Lac Courte Oreilles and Bad River bands of Lake Superior Chippewa, and the Red Cliff band of Chippewa.

Agreement forwarded to DOI following signatures of both parties

By Keith Skenandore

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A new amendment to the Oneida Nation's gaming compact has been reached between the State of Wisconsin and the tribe.

Oneida Nation Chairwoman Tina Danforth, signed the new gaming compact on April 24, and the compact was delivered to Gov. Jim Doyle's office for his signature on April 25.

"The amended compact increased the Nation's potential for future expansion and stability," said Danforth.

The amended compact expands the scope of games from blackjack, gaming machines, and pull-tabs to a wide range of games such as poker, craps, keno and roulette. Danforth said the

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Compact



Metoxen to bring unity among veterans



Kerry Metoxen

By Phil Wisneski

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Taking over a Veterans office during these times of war can be looked at two ways. The first way is that it will be extremely overwhelming and difficult and the other way to look would be with hope and determination. The second approach is the one that newly hired Kerry Metoxen is taking as Director of Veterans Affairs for the Oneida Tribe. His first day on the job will be May 12.

Metoxen has a vision that all Oneida veterans can come

together and work together as one unit. He acknowledges that there has been differences in the past among veterans in the community, but he wants those differences to be settled. Metoxen says that the groups seem to want to work together to form a Veterans Park and Monument somewhere in the Oneida community.

"There are three veteran groups in Oneida, and I want all those groups to come together and work as one group," he said.

In an effort to try and get

the groups to work together Metoxen is planning to have a formal ice-breaker type dinner. The purpose of the dinner will be to introduce him to the three groups and hopefully serve notice of what his intentions are as their new director and get input from the community and the veterans on what they want or need from the veterans affairs office.

As Director, Metoxen has many duties and responsibilities to the veterans that he serves.

"I will basically manage and supervise the day to day

State seeks to move gaming compact lawsuit to federal court

The Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. (AP) - Gov. Jim Doyle wants a lawsuit legislators filed against him over gaming compacts moved from state court to federal court, according to papers the attorney general filed Friday in U.S. District Court.

Republican legislators sued the governor April 2, asking the Wisconsin Supreme Court to void a gaming compact Doyle, a Democrat, negotiated with the Forest County Potawatomi and block him from signing deals with any other tribes.

The lawsuit claims the Potawatomi compact violates a 1993 amendment to the state constitution restricting gambling expansions.

Attorney General Peg Lautenschlager said the lawsuit falls under the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

"Both of these issues raise questions of federal - not state - law," she said.

The request to move the lawsuit came on the same day Doyle's administration announced it had signed deals with six other tribes and reached an agreement with a seventh. Compacts with the state's three remaining tribes have not been announced.

"They are clearly racing to the finish line to try and get ahead of any court decision," said Assembly Speaker John Gard, R-Peshigo.

Gard and other Republicans said they would try to block moving the case to federal court.

"I think state courts should resolve state issues," Gard said.

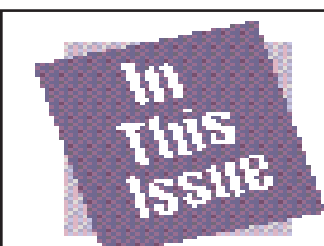
Doyle and Republican legislators have been battling for two months over the compacts.

After Doyle announced agreements with the Potawatomi and the Oneida Nation, lawmakers passed two bills giving Legislature final approval over compacts. Doyle vetoed them both.

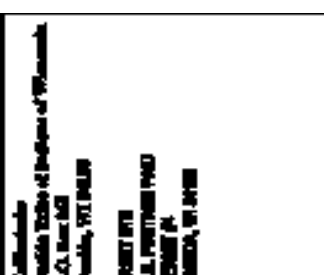
Legislators asked the state Supreme Court to take up the case rather than have it go through the lower courts first to speed the process.

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Sports

Recreation March Members of the Month

Submitted by Recreation
Staff

Juanita Marie Ryan

Congratulations to Juanita Marie Ryan on being selected as the female member of the month. Juanita is eleven years-old and attends Seymour, Rock Ledge Elementary School. Her favorite food is pizza, class is math and teacher is Mrs. W. Juanita's parents are Twilla and Clint Jordan. Her best friends are Briana, Sabrina and Veronica. Her favorite hobbies are playing kick-ball, basketball and hanging out with friends at County H. She has a pet cat named Bubbles and would like to live in California after she graduates from college. Juanita has two brothers, Dakota and Wesley and a sister Becky. This is Juanita's second time being selected as Member of the Month. She exemplifies a great young spirit and has many wonderful qualities that include being a great listener, having a kind vocabulary, showing dedication to guitar classes and many more.

Gabriel Cornelius

Congratulations to Gabriel Cornelius, eleven years-old, for being selected member of the month of March 2003. Gabe also attends Seymour Rock Ledge Elementary School. His favorite food is pizza, class is science and teacher is Mrs. R. Gabe's best friends are Sheldon, Jonathan, Kyle, Alex and Tek. This is also Gabe's second time being selected as member of the month and he deserves this attention he is getting. Gabe walks in with a smile each day and every day. He is always willing to help out if needed. Gabe enjoys playing basketball, riding bike and playing kick ball. His parents are Eileen Smith and Randy Cornelius. His hobbies include the above mentioned and going fast in his brothers car and hanging out with friends at County H. He has a dog named Kayla. When he grows up, Gabe wants to be a professional drag racer and if he could live anywhere in the world it would be Tampa, Florida. His brothers are Randy Jr. and Willard. His sisters are Angela and Julia.

Slow start for Thunderhawk spring sports season

Softball

The Oneida softball team has been in the making for several years now. The team however has never garnered enough interest among the girls to field a team. That trend isn't true this year as the Thunderhawks played their first ever softball game against Bowler on April 29 at the Site I ball diamonds.

The result was not what the coach or the players had in mind, but just getting on the field and competing was an accomplishment in itself. The Panthers won handily 20-2. Reanna Sommers scored the first run in school history and also had a hit against the Panthers.

This years coach is Cathy Brunette.

Baseball

This year's baseball team is really itching to get out and play this season. All of there games have been delayed thus far. Coach Gary Lancelle is anxious to get his team out on the diamond this spring.

"We are going to win some games this year," Lancelle said. "I'm excited to get started."

The baseball team's next scheduled game is next Monday, May 5 at home

against Stockbridge at 4:00 p.m.

Golf

The golf team has gotten off to a slow start this season. They have yet to get out of the cellar in any matches thus far. On April 26 the team traveled to Peshtigo and competed in the stacked invitational that included defending state champion Wrightstown. Oneida finished last with a score of 438. The Thunderhawks fell three strokes behind rival Menominee and four strokes behind Wausaukee and Laona.

On April 28 the team played at the Shawano Lake golf course and tallied a nine hole score of 199. Again, Oneida placed last while Bonduel won the match with a score of 183 followed by Weyauwega-Fremont with a 188 and Menominee with a 197. Latsi Hill placed fourth overall with a score of 46.

The golf team's next match is against Kohler at Black Wolf Run on May 5.

Track

The track team has yet to compete in any events also. There first competition is scheduled for May 9 at the Peshtigo Invite. The meet is set to start at 4:00 p.m.



Photos by Phil Wisneski

Above: Reanna Sommers launches a base hit to right field against Bowler. Right: Stephanie Ortiz tags out a Panther as she slides into third base as Irene Danforth looks on. The Lady Thunderhawks lost the game 20-2.



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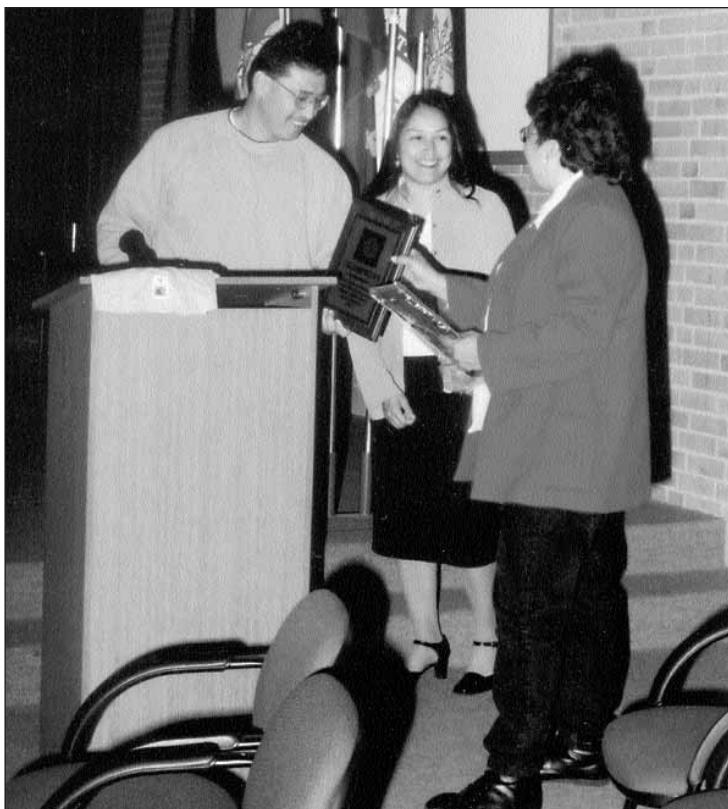


Photo by Keith Skenandore

Paul Danforth, coach of the Josh Webster Memorial basketball team, presents Julie Denny, mother and founder of the Josh Webster Memorial Fund, first place plaques for the Allouez Park and Rec League and Tournament. Julie's son Josh, an Oneida athlete, passed away three years ago. The team consisting of Al King, Scott Cottrell, Kevin Cottrell, Curtis Danforth, Shawn King, John Powless III, Sateko Danforth and Tony Litt. Watching on is Paul's wife, Chairwoman Tina Danforth.

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May 12 (Away)
Marinette Cath. Central
@ Peterson Fld/5:00 pm

May 15 (Away)
@ Stockbridge
4:00 pm

TRACK

May 9 (Peshtigo Invite)
@ Peshtigo
4:00 pm

May 13 (Tri-County Inv)
@ Shawano
4:00 pm

May 22 (Weyauwega Inv)
@ Weyauwega
4:00 pm

May 27
Regionals
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GOLF

May 5 - Kohler.
@ Blackwolf Run
4:00 pm

May 6 - Sevastopol
@ Brown County
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May 9 - Living Word,
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@ Brown County/TBA

May 13 - Coleman
@ Parkway/Coleman
4:00 pm

Triathlon

Family Fitness will hold their first ever mini indoor triathlon event on May 31.

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June 11 @ Kewaunee/7:30 pm

June 14 @ Denmark/2:00 pm

June 18/Algoma @ 7:30 pm

June 20 @ Casco/8:00 pm

June 22/Two Rivers @ 2:00 pm

June 25 @ Howards Grove/8pm

July 9 @ Two Rivers/7:30 pm

July 16/Casco @ 7:30 pm

July 18/Howards Grove @ 7:30 pm

July 23/Denmark @ 7:30 pm

July 25 @ Kewaunee/7:30 pm

July 27 @ Casco/6:00 pm

August 1 @ Algoma/7:30 pm

Shoreland Playoffs

Start: August 6

(Bold denotes Home Games)

Local

From Page 1/Amended gaming compact agreed upon by Tribe, State

scope of games also includes any game involving prize, chance and consideration that is played on tables or electronic or mechanical devices, except for sports books. This would include betting on televised horse and dog races.

"As well as the expanded scope of games, the amendment also allows the Nation to establish the number of games, the hours and locations of operation, and the limits on wagers and pot sizes as may be deemed appropriate in the sole discretion of the Nation," said Danforth.

"Combined, these provisions provide to the Nation a greater level of decision making authority for the gaming it conducts pursuant to the compact."

In exchange for the new amendments, the Oneida Nation has agreed to pay the State \$20 million in 2004 and 2005. Beginning in 2006, the nation will pay a percentage of net winnings, starting at 6 percent. Annual payments will then alternate between 5 percent and 4 percent until the ninth year, which a 4.5 percent will be paid for perpetuity.

"That has been a very hard negotiation process for us," said Danforth, "but we stood our ground with the State on what we had agreed to several months ago when we were able to obtain and accomplish what that principle agreement was back in February.

The deal is similar to a compact Doyle signed in February with the Forest County Potawatomi in exchange for \$84 million in additional revenue to the state over the next two years.

"Every dollar we collect from the tribes is a dollar we don't have to go to the taxpayers for," Administration Secretary Marc Marotta said Friday.

The state faces a \$3.2 billion budget deficit for the two-year period that begins July 1 because projected revenue doesn't cover requested spending. Doyle, a Democrat, has pledged to solve the deficit without raising taxes.

A \$75 million shortfall, a reduction of one third of the \$237 million Doyle had hoped to collect from the 11 Wisconsin tribes that operate 17 casinos in the state, was announced by Marotta on April 29.

Danforth said the State's shortfall is "a state goal, not necessarily a tribal goal."

"This (payment agreement) is what's established for us," she said.

Danforth's announcement of the new amendments received a thunderous applause at a community compact meeting on April 25, held hours prior to a press conference.

She informed the community that the term of the com-

pact has been extended, and will continue in effect, unless the Nation decides otherwise, or unless the Nation and the State mutually agree.

"At five year intervals, either party may propose amendments to the regulatory provisions, and the parties have the obligation to negotiate in good faith regarding such amendments," she said.

At 25 year intervals, all aspects of the compact can be renegotiated.

"The amendment provides the nation with a level of exclusivity for its gaming operation," said Danforth.

In regards to exclusivity, Danforth said if the State passes any law, or approves an amendment to the State Constitution that expands gaming other than that allowed by the Indian tribes pursuant to the tribal/state compact, then the Nation's obligation to make annual payment ceases and the Nation is entitled to a refund. This amendment was met with another thunderous applause by the 100 community members in attendance.

She said financial relief can also be provided in the event the tribe's gaming operations are suspended due to circumstances outside of their control.

Sale of alcohol on-site consumption as well as the sale of carry-out alcohol at its One Stop convenience stores is also provided in the amendment. Danforth said an internal policy developed by the tribe currently prohibits the sale of alcohol on the reservation, and that the policy would either need to be changed, or could receive an exception that proves the prohibition is deemed detrimental to the business. The Radisson Hotel and Convention Center currently is the only venue on the reservation with this exception.

Bill Gollnick, member of the compact negotiation team, said the amended compact was sent to the Department of Interior following Gov. Doyle's signature.

"I'm very pleased that we are very close to having security for the 3,000 people that work for the tribe, and for tribal members who receive services from those people, it's an exciting time," said Gollnick.

"I think we have our stability going forward in a way that we have not enjoyed in the past."

Gollnick said the amended compact will undergo a process of review by the gaming entity, and particularly George Skibine, within the Interior, and will be forward to Secretary of Interior, Gale Norton.

Gollnick referred to the Potawatomi amended compact that went forward to the Interior and resulted in their



Photo by Phil Wisneski

Members of the Oneida Business Committee join the audience in applause following Oneida Nation Chairwoman Tina Danforth, third from left, announcement of a signed amended gaming compact agreement between the tribe and the State of Wisconsin. The agreement has been signed by both parties and has been sent to the Department of Interior for their 45 day review.

approval by non-approval. He explained that the DOI has 45 days to either approve or disapprove the amended compact, and if no action is considered, the compact would then be considered approved.

"The Secretary of the Interior has any time within that window of 45 days to decide favorable or not favorably on the compact," he said. "If she elects not to decide then it becomes effective on the 46th day."

He said the amended compact addresses many of the issues that were problematic in other compacts.

"The review at this point could go forward that we think in a much shorter amount of time," said Gollnick, "but we're confident that this is going to prevail at the end of the day."

Danforth said tribal officials have interpreted the 45 day timeline to be June 12.

Councilman Brian Doxtator said the road that the Oneida Nation has taken "has been a difficult path," and that the June 12 deadline doesn't mean that the tribe's work is over.

"As Indian people, even though we do have a signed compact today, the task is not done," said Doxtator. "Be prepared. The journey is not done yet."

Doxtator referred to the Republican lawmakers who have already have passed two bills giving the Legislature final approval over compacts, but Doyle vetoed them both.

Next they filed a lawsuit with the state Supreme Court challenging Doyle's authority to negotiate compacts.

State Attorney General Peg Lautenschlager filed a petition Friday asking the case be moved into federal court, arguing it falls under the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

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Local

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The office itself helps veterans with entitlements. They first off must receive proof that the person is indeed a veteran. With the proper paperwork the Veterans Affairs office will then follow up and make sure that he/she get what they are entitled to as United States Veterans. This is a very lengthy and time consuming process Metoxen said. But it is what needs to be done to ensure they (veterans) get what they deserve.

The Office is located at 2615 South Packerland Drive, Suite C. It is in the strip mall near Tony Romas Restaurant. The phone number is (920) 405-4489.

Correction

In the April 18 issue, the photo on Page 41, "Fishing ceremony blesses fish netting season," incorrectly identified Ken Metoxen as Ken Hill. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

United States Air Force for twenty years. He is a Desert Storm/Desert Shield Veteran. He has been married to his wife Colleen for 27 years and they are the proud parents of two girls and two boys. Their oldest daughter will receive her masters degree from UW-Madison next month and their other daughter is a junior in Madison. Their oldest son is a sophomore at Northeast Wisconsin Technical College and will also graduate next month, while their youngest child is a sophomore in high school.

During his spare time, Metoxen likes to work in his garden and has developed a little bit of a green thumb. He also enjoys to fish.

"I also like to putz around with antiques on occasion," Metoxen added.

Metoxen would like to thank the Veterans Board, Gary Metoxen and his staff, Don White and Pat Pelky for their support while pursuing his new position.

Powlis honored as Revolutionary War Veteran

By Phil Wisneski
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James Powlis was honored by the Sons of the American Revolution, fittingly on Patriots Day, April 19. His name was added to the list of Revolutionary War Veterans that are buried in Wisconsin. The list is inscribed on a 2 foot by three foot bronze plaque that lists the names, the unit they served and location of grave site. The plaque is permanently displayed in the Patriots Lounge of Wisconsin Memorial Park in Brookfield near Milwaukee.

The ceremony took place at the Wisconsin Memorial Park and was attended by Oneida Business Committee Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes and Councilman Paul Ninham.

Councilman Ninham helped begin the ceremony with a traditional blessing which he spoke in the Oneida language.

Vice-Chairwoman Hughes memorialized the service of Captain Powlis and added his nameplate to the plaque.

Hughes, a Vietnam veteran, said this was the first time she participated in a military event and was honored to recognize Powlis' contribution in the reading of his biography

"I'm glad to see there is this group of people who recognizes the value of the Native American contribution," said Hughes. "This group has a real feeling and value of the Native American participation and its creation of this country."

Powlis was born in 1750 and was also known as Wak-ar-an-thar-aus meaning it

becomes worrisome. He enlisted in the Continental Army in 1777 and served until 1784 when he was discharged. While in the service, Powlis served with Colonel Louis and his New York Line. Lt. Colonel Louis was the highest ranking Native American in the Continental Army. On April 3, Congress resolved that twelve Native Americans of the Oneidas or Tuscaroras be given commissions as Officers of the Line of the Army. Powlis was among the twelve and was one of four Captains commissioned. Powlis died in Oneida at the age of 99 and his grave is somewhere in the Holy Apostle Cemetery.

Tribal Historian Loretta V. Metoxen will be studying the existing cemetery maps to try and identify the burial place. She said the Daughters of the American Revolution will be placing a marker where Powlis is buried once the location is identified.

"This story is important to all of us (Oneida people) as there are very few Revolutionary War soldiers buried in Wisconsin," Metoxen said. "Furthermore, Captain James Powlis was a commissioned officer fighting for what was to become the United States." Metoxen added that Captain Powlis has many descendants in the Oneida community today.



Photos courtesy of Gary Shriver

Robert Lyttle, Stockbridge-Munsee veteran, blesses the two foot by three foot bronze plaque which recognizes the Revolutionary War Veterans. Captain James Powlis, Oneida, had his name added to the plaque at a ceremony held at the Wisconsin Memorial Park. At right, Oneida Councilman Paul Ninham and Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes pose with the plaque.



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Local/State

Doyle says he'll defer to referendum result on Madison casino

MADISON, Wis. (AP) - Gov. Jim Doyle said Saturday he can approve a Ho-Chunk casino in Madison without a referendum, but he wants to know what Dane County residents think before making that decision.

Doyle has signed compacts with seven Wisconsin tribes, including the Ho-Chunk Nation, which operates the DeJoep Bingo Hall on tribal land in Madison as well as casinos in Wisconsin Dells,

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compacts without legislative approval.

"That is a desperate move to just balance this two years," Assembly Speaker John Gard, R-Peshtigo, said.

Ho-Chunk spokesman Mark Butterfield said elimination of expiration dates will help tribes get longer-term financial loans and ends the state's threats of gambling shutdowns whenever compact negotiations bog down.

"The process itself has been bruising," Butterfield said in a statement.

Marotta said opposition from Republican legislators and a GOP Internet cartoon that said taxpayers got "scalped" by Doyle's deal with the Potawatomi hurt negotiations. Marotta said the state will get closer to \$200 million from the compacts.

Under the six new compacts:

-The Ho-Chunk would pay the state \$60 million over the two-year budget cycle.

The deal also would let the tribe convert its DeJoep Bingo Hall near Madison into a casino. According to the compact, the Common Council must pass a resolution by Dec. 1 recommending the Dane County Board put the issue to voters in a referendum.

Even if the referendum fails, Doyle could authorize the casino, although Marotta doubted he would if voters disapprove.

In a joint statement, Madison Mayor Dave Cieslewicz said he opposes a new casino and Dane County Executive Kathleen Falk said she's skeptical about it.

-The Oneida would pay the state \$40 million over the budget cycle.

-The remaining \$5 million would come from the Menominee's \$747,000 one-time payment and percentages of the remaining tribes' profits over the budget cycle.

-The tribes would pay a percentage of their net profits to the state after the two-year budget cycle ends.

Tribes paid about \$24 million to the state last year under old compacts. Under the new compacts, the tribes have agreed to pay about \$190 million in the next two years, Marotta said.

The remaining three tribes

Black River Falls and Nekoosa.

The Ho-Chunk agreement calls for Madison and Dane County officials to approve resolutions by Dec. 1 setting up a referendum that would be held sometime in 2004. If a referendum is held and a casino rejected, the Madison Common Council would have to approve a resolution seeking a casino before the governor could approve it.

But Doyle said if voters

rejected a casino referendum, "I can't imagine I wouldn't defer to that decision."

"That's why I want to have a referendum, to see what the people think about it," Doyle said.

Ho-Chunk spokesman Mark Butterfield said the tribe asks one thing of local officials and voters: "Keep an open mind."

The compacts Doyle has signed with Wisconsin tribes expanded casino hours and the right to offer more games,

including roulette and craps, in exchange for significantly higher payments to the state. The agreements have no expiration date.

Doyle also has reached an agreement with the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa.

"I'd assume any day," Doyle said Saturday when asked when he would sign the agreement.

Under the new compact, the Red Cliff tribe wouldn't pay the state anything unless

its casino brings in more than \$5 million a year. Administration Secretary Marc Marotta said the tribe made \$2 million last year.

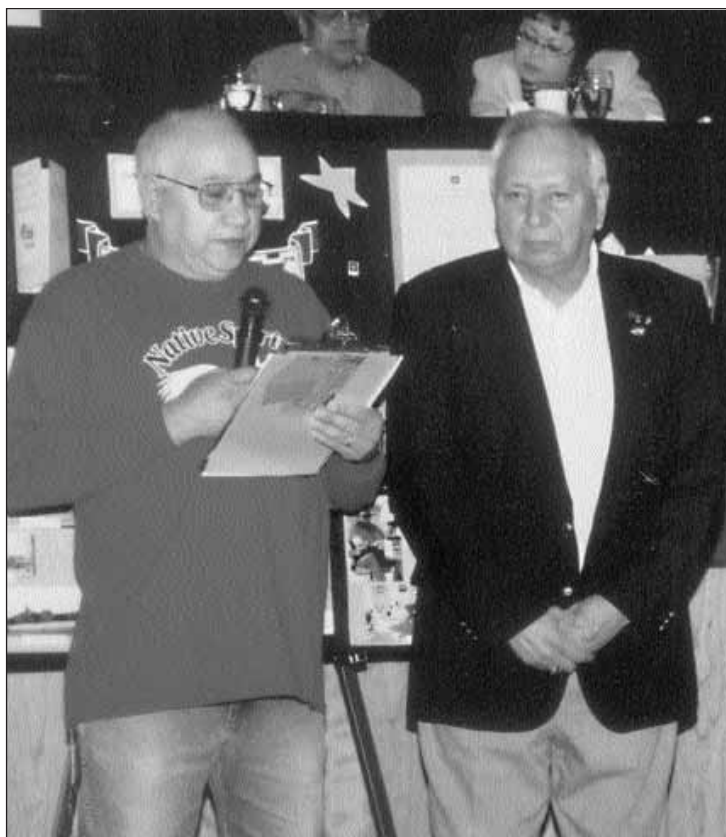
Compacts with the St. Croix and Lac du Flambeau bands of Lake Superior Chippewa and Stockbridge-Munsee have not been signed.

The governor expects the state to receive about an additional \$200 million over two years from the tribes to help balance a \$3.2 billion state budget deficit. That's about

\$37 million less than what the governor had previously estimated. But it's still four times the current payments.

Republicans who control the Legislature oppose the compacts and have filed a lawsuit with the state Supreme Court challenging Doyle's authority to negotiate compacts. State Attorney General Peg Lautenschlager filed a petition Friday asking the case be moved into federal court, arguing it falls under the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

Honoring our elders



Photos by Phil Wisneski

Four Oneida Elders received Life Time Achievement Awards at the Wisconsin Indian Elders Association meeting held at the Radisson Hotel and Convention Center on April 23. Clockwise from upper left; Maria Hinton, Vera Wilson, Valder John and Clifford Doxtator all were recognized in front of their peers. Handing out the awards was Wisconsin Indian Elders Association (WIEA) Chair Virginia Chosa. WIEA provides a forum for elders to speak, learn and grow. It also assists in the improvement of the economic, social, health and spiritual well being of all American Elders.

Oneida's nominated for 2003 volunteer awards

Green Bay, WI The Volunteer Center Of Brown County held there 15th Annual "Golden Rule Awards on Tuesday April 29th, 2003 at the KI Convention Center downtown Green Bay. Bill Jartz of WBAY-TV served as Master of Ceremonies in this

years celebration of Community Volunteers. Arlie Doxtator one of our own was nominated for Adult Volunteer of the Year. Arlie was nominated by Florence Petri, Oneida Elderly Services Director. Petri states "Arlie has been essential in

the success of the Oneida Area Faith in Action Program giving selflessly of his free time to attend meetings and endless hours of community services". Sentiments of appreciation are echoed by the Elderly Services Staff "he is always there for us with

moral support" end quote "you can count on Arlie to help out with anything and he always has a smile". Juanita Kolitsch was a nominee for Adult Volunteer of the Year for her unending support of Guardianship Program in Brown County.

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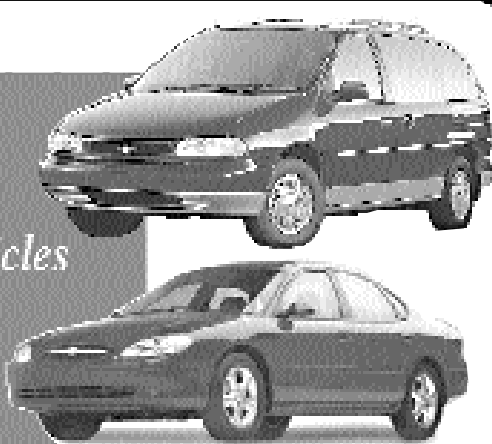
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Tie a yellow ribbon...



At left, BC member Paul Ninham was one of the scheduled speakers at the Yellow Ribbon Ceremony held on Thursday, May 1. He addressed the future leaders of tomorrow with a message similar to other invited speakers focusing on the native military men and women who have served in the past as well as those who are currently serving our country. Ninham also asked those present for a moment of silence in memory of Lori Piestewa, the first Native American woman to be killed in action. Other speakers included: Gary Metoxen-recently retired Veteran's Affairs Director, Caroline Miller-School Board member, and Dan King-Oneida Veteran. Below, grade school students tied ribbons of yarn - to be environmentally friendly, after the ceremony. Jada House, 5th grade, played taps at the conclusion of the event. Kate Pagel, coordinator of the event, opened the ceremony stating, "We want them (military personnel) to get home safely...that is why we are tying ribbons here today."



The original "Code Talkers"?

By Phil Wisneski

Kalihwisaks

Before the Navajo Indians took their place in history with their code talking in World War II, three Oneidas used the Oneida language as code in big maneuvers during war games in preparation for the impending war. In 1941, Lloyd "Sky" Schuyler, Rupert Adams and Rimpton Doxtator used the Oneida language in training missions in the southern United States to spell out objectives and to work with maps to determine proper placement of troops and tanks.

"We were very effective," said Schuyler. "They couldn't de-code us."

The code consisted of Oneida words that was translated into military terms. An example of this was the word a'nowalu or turtle in english which translated to tanks for military purposes. The code also used a lot of numbers to describe locations and quantity of troops, tanks and targets. One problem that arose with the number system was the fact that the Oneida language numbering system does not have a zero.

"We had a hell of a time trying to figure out how to express the zero in all the numbers," said Schuyler.

Our major then came up with the idea of using a sports analogy of that when a team doesn't score any points or



Lloyd Schuyler

runs that it is said that they got a goose egg. So we used our Oneida term egg for zeros, he said.

The three Oneida men were spread out in the field but since Schuyler was the best speaker of the three he stayed with headquarters and answered all radio calls in code.

Schuyler recalls that the three men were unaware of their possible importance in the upcoming war.


"We were teenagers back then and we had it easy, all we had to do was be close to the radio and answer it," Schuyler said.

Looking back in retrospect Schuyler said he imagines this is where the idea came from to use the Navajos in the Pacific during World War II.


"It was very interesting and it was a pretty positive affair," he added.

~ CORRECTION ~

In the April 18th issue of the *Kalihwisaks* Marty Antone's name was not correctly listed below his photo. We apologize for the error.




Son of...
Greg & Nancy Powless



SSGT Shannon B. Powless
Address Not Provided


Shannon, a Ear, Nose, Throat Technician with the United States Air Force, is currently stationed at Colorado Springs Air Force Academy. He is also a Gulf War Veteran. He and his wife Val have three children; Mason, Grace and Waneka.

SSgt. Shannon B. Powless



Daughter of...
Earl & Ann Metoxen


Granddaughter of...
Edward & Agnes Metoxen




CWO2 Rosalie Metoxen
Address Not Provided

Rosalie enlisted in the military June 1980. She reached the rank of Sergeant First Class in 1995, and was appointed as a Warrant Officer in 1999. Her current rank is Chief Warrant Officer Two and her duty position is "Warrant Officer Strength Manager".

CWO2 Rosalie Metoxen




Son of...
Mark & Barb Ninham




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Curtis Ninham



Son of...
Gerald Danforth



Gerald "Jay" Danforth
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Jay has been stationed in Guam for nearly three years. He performs maintenance on SH60 helicopters.

Gerald Danforth

National

States bet on gambling to boost sagging budgets



AP Photo/Janet Hostetter

Gamblers hit the Grand Casino, one of two casinos run by the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe in Onamia, Minn. More than five million people visit the two casinos annually, contributing to revenues that have provided housing, jobs, health clinics and schools to the reservation since the early 90's. A number of states are considering state-owned facilities which could alter the flow of funds from out-state areas to metropolitan areas. State-sponsored gambling centers would draw revenues away from Minnesota's 17 existing tribal casinos.

ST. PAUL (AP) - As lawmakers across the United States weigh hiking taxes and slashing spending to fill budget gaps, many are considering a third option to help dull the pain: state-sponsored gambling.

Almost every state has a deficit, and all but three - Hawaii, Utah and Tennessee - already allow some form of gambling. Many, like Minnesota, already have a dozen or more casinos.

"When you get that many, the opposition has kind of disappeared," said James Hill, a political science professor at Central Michigan University who has extensively studied gambling.

Minnesota lawmakers are considering two proposals this year.

The first would allow slot machines at a privately owned horse track in a southern Twin Cities suburb. The second would permit two American

Indian tribes that have benefited little from the casinos built on their northwest Minnesota reservations to build one in a Twin Cities suburb and share profits with the state.

Softening Opposition

Although similar proposals have been introduced in Minnesota in the past, several forces have converged this year to nudge the issue further than ever.

A \$4.23 billion deficit is

the most obvious driver. Others include the GOP's now-dominant control in the House and the Democrats' shrinking majority in the Senate.

House Speaker Steve Sviggum, R-Kenyon, said he changed his mind on the issue because his "head would have to be in the sand to think that gambling hadn't expanded in Minnesota."

People are going to gamble - it's simply a question of where they spend their money, he said.

For Sviggum and others, it's easier to justify the state getting involved in the casino business than face cutting more money from education, agriculture and health care. And especially for Republicans, it beats raising taxes.

"This is an easy way to get a slice of the action without asking taxpayers to shell out," Hill said.

But big obstacles still stand in the way of expanded gambling in Minnesota, including Gov. Tim Pawlenty, who said he'd likely veto a casino bill.

The Taxpayers League of Minnesota and the Minnesota Family Council oppose casinos in statewide radio ads. And the Mille Lacs Band of

Ojibwe has begun airing television advertisements emphasizing the contribution of Indian-owned casinos to the rural economy.

The state's American Indian tribes run the state's 17 casinos. Those casinos employ more than 13,000 workers, making tribal casinos one of the largest employers in the state.

"Everyone knows that if a state-run casino opens, tribes are going to get hurt," said Don Wedll, long-range planner for the Mille Lacs band.

Big Payoff

Since the Mille Lacs band opened two casinos in central Minnesota in the early 1990s, business has boomed.

"No one thought this would be as successful as it was," said Wedll, who has worked on the reservation since 1973. He's seen it change from a region racked by poverty rates of up to 80 percent to a community that is educating its children, providing work for its adults and tucking money away for the future.

More than 5 million people visit the casinos and nearby businesses each year. The band says profits have helped pay for schools, banks, clinics, homes, community centers, religious halls and assist-

ed living facilities for the elderly.

Overall, tribal casinos are second only to the Mall of America as a tourist attraction in Minnesota, drawing nearly 21 million people in 2000, according to an analysis by Marquette Advisors, a Minneapolis commercial real-estate consulting firm. The same study showed those visitors spent an estimated \$191.2 million on lodging, food, gas and other purchases on and off the reservation.

Twelve of Minnesota's seventeen tribal casinos are the largest employer in their communities, according to the analysis.

Casino Evolution

The casino surge in many states began when the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act was signed into law in 1988. It was an attempt by Congress to strike a balance between the rights of tribes to engage in activities generally free of state jurisdiction and the interests of states in regulating gambling within their borders.

Soon after the act was passed, Minnesota negotiated compacts with the tribes that allowed them to operate casinos and keep the profits, but limited the games to video gambling machines and blackjack.

And the state got the lottery.

Overall, two dozen states have gambling compacts with tribes, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. Minnesota, the first state to negotiate gambling compacts with its 11 tribes in 1989 and 1990, gets only about \$150,000 annually from them to cover the costs of some state regulation.

Jason Pawlina, a gambling industry analyst for Christiansen Capital Advisors, said the biggest push right now is for so-called racinos - slot machines at horse tracks.

The reason, he said, is twofold. Once strong, the horse racing industry has steadily declined in recent years. Adding slot machines in some cases has helped save the struggling tracks. Second, if casino-style gambling is going to happen, it's easier to sell putting slots at an existing facility than building a new one.

Rural Hurt

Proponents of Minnesota's two main casino bills this year say they would provide needed revenue to the state and jobs to the unemployed.

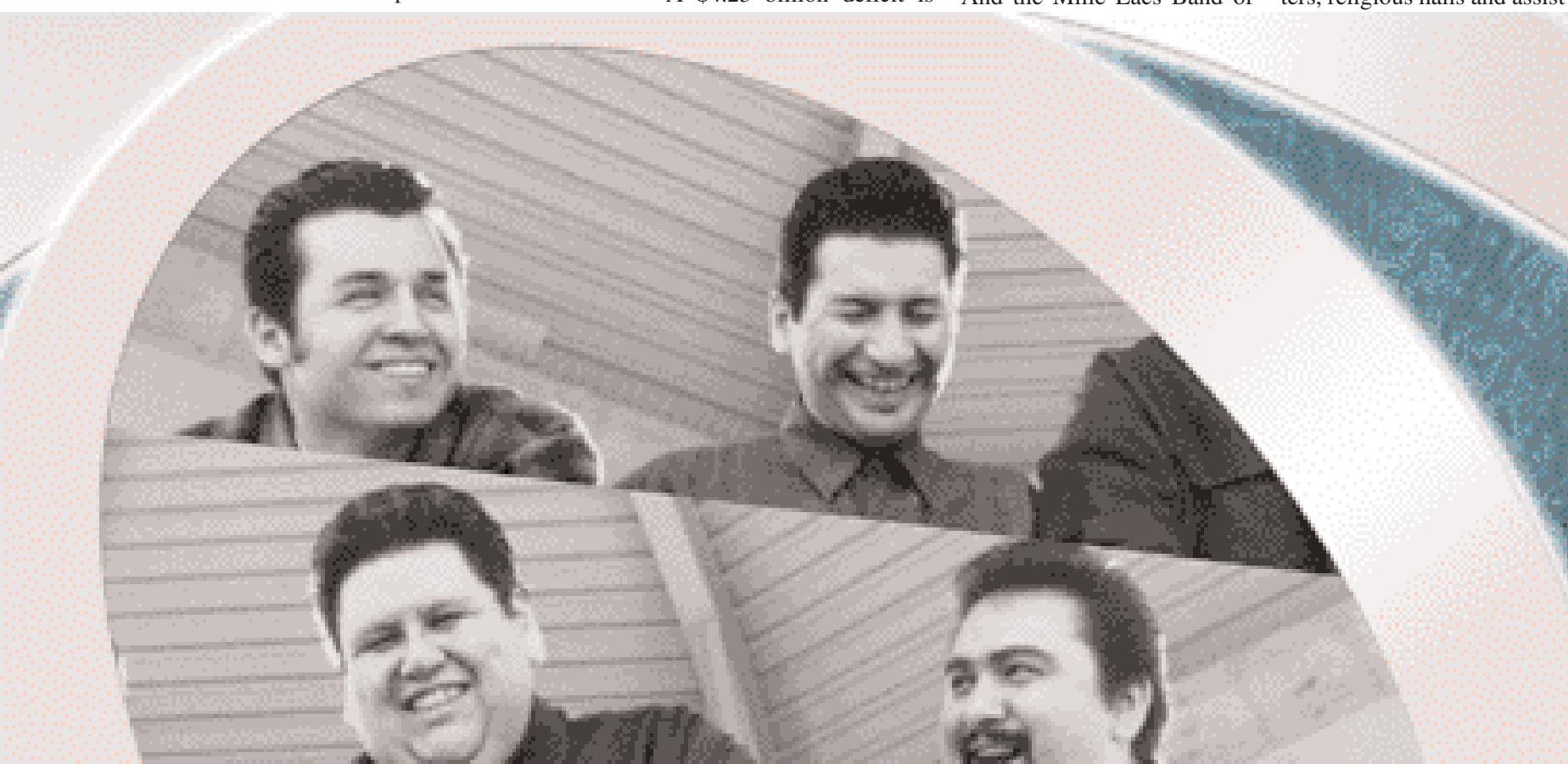
The proposal that would make the White Earth and Red Lake Indian bands partners with the state assumes about 2,400 slot machines, 3,000 employees and up to \$140 million for the state each year.

John McCarthy, executive director of the Minnesota Indian Gaming Association, opposes both casino proposals and contends, a new casino wouldn't create new jobs - it would simply shift them from the existing casinos because there's a finite appetite for gambling.

The Mille Lacs band, for instance, estimates that a north metro area casino would cut its operations in half. A racino at Canterbury is estimated to have a 20 percent impact.

"Casinos came along and really created jobs in outstate Minnesota," Wedll said. "You are pulling those outstate jobs back into the metro area."

The House passed the racino plan on Friday.



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Chairwoman’s Corner

GAMING COMPACT UPDATE

SHEKU AKWEKU
To all of the people in the Oneida community I extend to each of you my greetings and hopes that you are in good health and spirits.

GAMING COMPACT

The Oneida Nation and the State of Wisconsin now have a signed compact! On behalf of the Oneida Nation, I signed the compact on Thursday afternoon, followed by Governor Doyle on Friday morning. There have been five (5) other compacts signed that Friday as well – Bad River, Ho-Chunk, LCO, Menominee, and Mole Lake. Our compact will reach the Department of the Interior (DOI) in Washington, D.C. by Monday. The Department then has 45 days to approve or disapprove of the compact. If they do nothing with the compact, it is then officially approved. However, we anticipate favorable action by the Department before the 45 days are up.

Amendments to the compact include:

- 1) Language which reflects that if the State passes legislation or amendments to the constitution allowing gaming to other entities, Oneida’s payment will cease and payments made will be reimbursed;
- 2) Expanded scope of games such as craps, poker, roulette, etc. with the exception of sports book;
- 3) Restrictions lifted on betting limits and hours of operation;
- 4) Fee - Oneida will pay \$20 million in years one (1) and two (2). In year three (3) will begin a fluctuating per-

centage scale based on net revenue. The breakdown is as follows: In Year 1 & 2 we will pay \$20 million. In Year 3 we will pay 6%. In Years 4 - 8, we will pay 5% and 4% alternately. From Year 9 and thereafter, the percentage will remain at 4.5%

It has been long and sometimes tedious getting to this point. I would like to take this time to express my gratitude to all of those who have been involved with the compacting process – General Manager Bill Gollnick; the Law Office: Attorneys Carl Artman, Jim Bittorf, Jennifer Carleton before she went on leave; Legislative Affairs Director Kevin Cornelius; the Business Committee; our Aides; the United Tribes, and to you, the community, for your continued support and patience. Thank you for showing up in Madison to help in defeating the unfavorable proposed legislation. Also a special thanks goes out to our Lobbyists Jim Tenuta and Ron Hermes for their continued assistance and generous hospitality.

The effort of the United Tribes was helpful in achieving term, scope of games, and lifting restrictions on betting limits and hours of operation. Staying committed to the four (4) main points kept the United Tribes together and was key for all Tribes.

With the compact anticipating federal approval, the Oneida Nation can now look forward to further improving our gaming industry and staying competitive with the surrounding states.

LAND CLAIMS UPDATE

Our efforts to conclude the

compact have not kept us from maintaining activity in our land claim. Quiet discussions have continued to move our initiatives forward. The terms of our claim remain as we had conveyed them at our last GTC meeting. The major challenge has been to ensure that land within the Claim Area continues to be part of the settlement. The formal mediation process has now been extended to November 30, 2003. This should give us the time to come to terms and to review parcels in New York State.

Having tried again to encourage Nation Representative Halbritter to work for the benefit of all Oneidas, we must say that,



Chairwoman Tina Danforth

unfortunately, he has no willingness to move from his former positions. Therefore, as we progress, we should expect that he will again revert to his old tactics to disrupt our progress and perhaps try to destabilize us at home. In the past he has taken out full-page ads in Wisconsin newspapers, tried to get people here to undermine our positions, and employed other tactics to discredit us and the legitimacy of our claim. We must continue to be prepared to deal with these types of antics and respond on our behalf.

EARTH DAY

April 22nd is recognized annually as Earth Day. The

Oneida Environmental Department celebrated Earth Day and to show our appreciation to Mother Earth and all her gifts on Saturday, April 26th. The community joins together to clean up around the Oneida reservation and participate in and learn through other areas of activity planned throughout the day. The Conservation Department held their annual tree giveaway at this time as well. Thank you to all departments within the Environmental area and to the community for doing your part to take care of Mother Earth.

HEADSTART REVIEW

Preliminary on-site reviews were conducted on Oneida’s Head Start Program April 21st - 25th. I attended the exit meeting on Friday, April 25th in which their preliminary report show no findings. Congratulations goes out to the Head Start Director along with the staff for their dedication and commitment to our

children and families. Keep up the good work.

GRADUATION

It’s that time of year to start looking forward to and planning for graduation ceremonies from all ages – from Head Start all the way through college. To all those who are graduating, I commend you for your perseverance. School may seem cumbersome at times, but education is a very important tool to have in life. On a personal note, I’d like to congratulate those in my family who will be graduating soon: Sabrina King from NWTC and Catherine “Cat” Phillips from UWGB. Way to go!!

CLOSING

As Mother’s Day is fast approaching, I’d like to acknowledge all mothers in the community as the caretakers and givers of life. You are the foundation to your families and you should be extremely proud to carry the title of Mom, Mother, or Grandmother. Happy Mother’s Day!!

BC Briefing...

Sweku Akweku
Kukwehuku.

Greetings to all.

Oneida Business

The Oneida Tribe invested, established and financially supported many businesses over our history. As we are aware, some of these businesses did not profit or sustain long term. There are many speculations why these businesses did not sustain, but no one has provided a definite answer why these businesses are no longer

existing. Citizens of the Oneida Nation have continually requested, and directed for the development of small businesses within the reservation boundaries. QUESTION: Do you financially support businesses owned, operated or invested by the Oneida Tribe?

I believe this community needs to continually support small businesses within the reservation boundaries, especially those owned and oper-

ated by Oneida Tribal Citizens or the Oneida Tribe. I did some comparison shopping at three food stores. They are Tower Foods, Festival Foods and Copps. I would like to provide you with a comparison chart of some household items I purchased at Tower Foods. Please keep in mind that some of the prices are reflective of the stories membership program and special deals provided at that store.



Councilman Brian Doxtator

Treasurer’s Report

Spring is here, and there are many things we are preparing for at this time. FY2004 Budget preparation is in full swing and we are in the concluding phases. In upcoming weeks, the Finance Committee will be reviewing the operational plans for Non-Divisional areas, as well as the numbers for Gaming and Retail. All FY2004 Budgets are scheduled to be entered into the system by May 15, 2003. The projected date for General Tribal Council (GTC) budget approval is Saturday, August 8, 2003. I know the fund units will work very hard to meet this deadline.

Currently, the FY2003 Budget is going very well. Gaming is doing better than projected and the majority of the units are either on target, or they are doing better than budget. We do have some units that we continue to monitor their budget. We have also identified that we will need to come forward to GTC for a modification in FY2003 for the Education Fund, which will need more funds allocated to it. I would like to thank everyone for all of their hard work in keeping the organization fiscally on track and encourage you to keep up the great pace.

The Gaming Compact negotiations have concluded, as we have come to agreement and forwarded a signed amendment to the 1991 Gaming Compact to the Department of Interior on April 25, 2003. Although it has been a long struggle, we are pleased we were able to overcome a lot of negative incidents, come together with the State and agree on terms



Treasurer Mercie Danforth

that are a benefit to both entities. To summarize, we identified four points we wanted to include in our amendment to include 1) expand our current scope of games, 2) extend the hours of operation and betting limits, 3) increase the term of the compact, 4) and lower the age to be consistent with the State of Wisconsin’s legal age of gaming. We have been successful in three of our four points. The Governor did not agree to let us lower the age of our clients back down to 18 years old, the same age the lottery permits. The signed agreement now sits with the Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs pending their approval. They can take up to 45 days from the date they receive it to make a decision. This is a very exciting time and we are very please we were able to come to this agreement.

I thank you for your continued support and encouraging words. As always, your comments and questions are welcome. Please feel free to contact any of the Business Committee Members at (920) 869-4364, or toll free 1-800-236-2214.

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Hills Bros French Roast Coffee 10 lb.	\$6.69	\$4.99	\$3.76
Combos Pretzel - 2 Bags Purchased	\$3.38	\$3.18	\$3.26
80% Ground Chuck - 5lbs Purchased	\$5.10	\$4.68	\$5.07
Sun Maid Raisins - 24 oz.	\$2.84	\$2.63	\$2.79
Taco Style Blend Cheese - 8 oz.	\$1.75	\$2.25	\$2.19
Cream of Mushroom Soup 5-10oz cans Purchased	\$4.00	\$4.25	\$4.45
Banana - 1 banana Purchased	\$0.20	\$0.20	\$0.20
Aztec Tortillas - 8.5oz	\$0.99	\$0.99	\$0.99
Schoeps Ice Cream - _ Gallon	\$2.59	\$2.50	\$2.50
Country Crock Butter - 3lb Tub	\$2.39	\$1.99	\$2.25
Kellog Cornflake Crumbs - 21oz	\$3.09	\$2.99	\$2.95
Boneless Sirloin Chops 3lbs purchased	\$5.10	\$4.02	\$4.62
Tropicana O.J. - 2-2qts purchased	\$3.58	\$5.98	\$5.86
Wesson Canola Oil 48oz	\$2.53	\$2.59	\$2.55
Morning Glory Milk 2% 1 gallon purchased	\$2.35	\$2.05	\$2.09
Wild Rice - 2lbs purchased	\$9.18	\$14.36	\$7.78
Golden Grahams Cereal	\$3.87	\$3.49	\$3.59
Glade Carpet	\$2.13	\$1.97	\$1.97
Formula 409	\$3.97	\$3.73	\$1.99
Scrub Bubbles	\$3.73	\$3.59	\$3.49
Chicken Boneless Breast	\$6.29	\$5.59	\$4.49
Wheat Bread - 2 loaves purchased	\$2.58	\$1.98	\$1.98
TOTAL	\$78.33	\$80.00	\$70.82
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The Difference between Tower Foods and Copps is \$8.49. I understand that for some families, this is a major amount of money. However, if we continue to NOT utilize resources within the Oneida Reservation boundaries, places like Tower Foods will no longer exist. If we want small business development and economic diversification within the reservation boundaries, we need to agree to support those businesses.

Travel

Elderly Services - O.N.C.O.A. Oneida, Wi. March 18, 2003. Cost: \$0.00. Benefit: Provide open communication with the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging and Oneida Government.
Political House Party - Oneida, Wi. March 20,

2003. Cost: \$1,200.00. Benefit: To provide an informal setter where political issues can be discussed and factual information is presented to Oneida constituents. 32 Participants.

Oneida Radisson - Oneida Wi. March 27, 2003. Cost: \$0.00. Benefit: Meeting with Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Federal Highways Administration and B.I.A. Highways. Obtained program and grant information specific to North American Indian Tribes.

Social Services - Green Bay WI. March 27, 2003. Cost: \$0.00. Benefit: Represented Oneida Government at H.R.D. quarterly meeting.

Oneida Radisson - Oneida WI. March 20, 2003. Cost: \$0.00. Benefit: LOC had informal discussion on LOC processes and workload. Elderly Services - **O.N.C.O.A. Oneida, Wi. April 9, 2003.** Cost: \$0.00. Benefit: Provide open communication with the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging and Oneida Government. Palmyra Middle School - Palmyra WI. April 11, 2003. Cost: \$32.15. Provided storytelling, historical and cultural information to 125 Palmyra 7th graders.
Oneida Radisson - Oneida WI. April 14, 2003. Cost: \$0.00. Participated in Panel discussion with Local Business Leaders regard-

ing the positive impact the Oneida Nation has on ALL surrounding businesses.

Parish Hall - Oneida WI. April 17, 2003. Cost: \$0.00. Attended Oneida Housing Authority Board meeting as a representative of the Oneida Government.

Acknowledgment

I would like to acknowledge the Tsyunhekwa Center. Tsyunhekwa recently published a 2003 calendar of events. This published calendar was mailed to community members and citizens of the Oneida Nation. I am proud of this program which took the initiative to inform our community of their activities throughout the year. Kudos to you Tsyunhekwa.

Letters/Opinions

Wrongful removal of Oneida elected officials

I regret to inform the Oneida General Tribal Council that on Thursday, April 3, 2003, five (5) Oneida Gaming Commissioners (Louise King-Cornelius; Amelia Cornelius; Shirley (Kurowski) Hill; Mark A. Powless; and Oscar Schuyler, Jr.), removed Rochelle A. Powless and I from our positions as ELECTED OFFICIALS on the Oneida Gaming Commission. Just under 500 tribal enrolled members can vote and elect a person into office and five biased, prejudiced people who are clearly a conflict of interest can remove them without the knowledge or consent of the Oneida General Tribal Council.

Rochelle A. Powless and I deny all charges of unethical behavior, activity and/or involvement. The charges levied against us by the Oneida Gaming Commission are unsubstantiated and in fact, trumped up. The removal itself is not legitimate and is unlawful. Rochelle and I believe that Oneida Gaming Commission Removal Resolution 04-03-03-A (Linda's) and Removal Resolution 04-03-03-B (Rochelle's), are the direct result of the work Rochelle and I did on the Oneida Gaming Commission Facilities License Inspections, Reports and Findings conducted during late August 2002 and November 2002. We also believe we are being persecuted and retaliated against for the work we did and the significant findings that Rochelle and I reported to the Oneida Gaming Commission, Oneida Business Committee, Gaming Management Representatives and the Internal Security Director specific to the Main Casino and Irene Moore Activity Center (IMAC) random facility and slot machine inspections and findings, and resulted in our unlawful removals.

Rochelle and I repeatedly requested the Oneida Gaming Commission to take immediate action to correct the violations that we reported to them. However, our requests were met a strong reluctance (and in some instances a refusal) to cooperate. We also believe we are being persecuted and retaliated against for raising issues and concerns that centered around the inappropriate and illegal process utilized to determine the issuance, denial, suspensions and revocations of employee gaming licenses. The issues and concerns that were raised caused problems of prejudice and bias even before the Oneida Gaming Commission Facilities License Inspections were conducted and reported back to the full Oneida Gaming Commission in late August 2002 and November 2002. We believe the action to remove us is a vendetta by Louise, Mark, Amelia, Oscar, and Shirley; whom Rochelle and I told that they were not following the rules and regulations and needed to get themselves (individually and collectively) and the Oneida Gaming Operations into compliance.

Rochelle and I have always been exemplary elected officials of the Oneida Gaming Commission following all the rules and regulations. We deny wrong doing of any kind.

We have always worked hard to serve our people and will continue to fight for what is right. Rochelle and I each submitted a Request For Reconsideration on Friday, April 11, 2003. To date, Rochelle and I have not received a response from the Oneida Gaming Commission and continue to be unemployed sole providers with ten children to pay for.

Linda S. Dallas
Oneida General Tribal
Council Member

Guest Editorial

"It's no wonder"

By Vince DelaRosa

On Friday, April 10, 2003 I participated in a panel discussion on the Indian gaming compact issue before the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce (GBACC). Also appearing on the panel were Robert Cowles (R-Green Bay), Frank Lasee (R-Bellevue), Green Bay Mayor Paul Jadin and Jerry Menne, Village of Ashwaubenon Board Trustee.

The forum was cordial, but opening comments by Assemblyman Lasee fueled several lively exchanges between myself and some on the panel. Mr. Lasee began his comments on Indian gaming by stating that it "caused a lady to commit a crime" and remarking that "some people get divorced due to gaming." He added "grandmothers cannot send their grandchildren to school, and that people generally waste their money in casinos." This type of "stereotyping and myth building" did nothing for the debate. Astonishingly, he did admit that his comments were merely "anecdotal," with no evidence to support his statements.

The comments and allegations recall a statement once made by President John F. Kennedy, who said: "For the great enemy of truth is very often not the lie-deliberate, continued and dishonest-but the myth-persistent, persuasive and unrealistic. Too often we hold fast to the clichés of our forebears."

I am not sure what the Assemblyman was attempting to do, but his comment (people waste their money) could almost, without exception, be universally applied to any and all businesses. If we buy into his theory, we'd scrap the free market system and have government doling things out to people. I'd envision food vouchers and other governmental handouts replacing free and open capitalism.

The rest of the panel,

besides Mr. Menne, seemed to echo similar remarks. It was the same tired, argumentative myth baiting. They talked in generalities like "gaming has done some good, but on the other hand, it's not good to have an expansion of gaming in the state." This is a classical case of government telling the people what's right for them. This idea that politicians should work to limit societies choices and decide how they spend their own money is a rejected economic principle.

Amazingly, Major Jadin exulted these types of sentiments and he expanded the lines by saying at one point, "it's time for a statewide referendum on gaming." Remember, this is the new leader of the Chamber of Commerce. While chambers all over the country spend their time creating business climates that attract and retain business, this Chamber's leader is calling for one of the largest employers (3,400) in his area to be called before a statewide referenda.

I study this industry very closely. At this point, it appears Indian governmental gaming is on a unique and exclusive target list. Case-in-point, the recent Republican lawsuit which was filed against Governor Doyle and the compact he signed with the Potawatomi tribe.

Now when we think about industry challenges and areas where people need to be protected, I started looking at some headlines. I wanted to see if this was a pervasive business climate in Wisconsin. Surprisingly, I could not find any other business undergoing the types of challenges that are confronting Indian gaming.

This seemed hard to believe, because there are a lot of negative headlines out there. Let me give you a quick overview. I see that paper mills in Green Bay, Wisconsin have so thorough-

ly contaminated the tributaries of the Fox River that residents are not allowed to eat the fish from those waters.

I see numerous environmental, medical malpractice, and gun control issues surfacing. I see volumes of industrial related business issues, vice issues (drug activity, prostitution and gang activity) and medical health care - which are prevalent mainstream issues. Amongst all of these issues, nothing is being pursued in the flamboyant and public manner as Indian gaming is.

"Most amazingly, this state has been recognized for many years as one of the most progressive, large-scale, off-the-book, unregulated gambling (tavern & sport book) states in the Midwest." Coincidentally, most state officials in Madison acknowledge that unregulated gambling is occurring in this state. One police chief recently categorized this activity as a "victimless crime."

Through my review of numerous industry issues, I could not find one lawsuit; no legislation; nothing being directed towards other business interests in this state. It's business-as-usual while tribes are singled-out. "The one regulated and licensed gaming industry is under scrutiny, while unregulated gambling and a host of serious and glaring policy matters are overlooked!"

The flurry of legislative activities and the recent Supreme Court challenge is divisive, and it comes at a time when the job approval rating for the legislature is at an all-time low. Ironically, the tribe's attempts to improve their gaming operations may actually prove to be very beneficial towards the state as a whole. The true result of gaming changes in this state will do nothing more than make Wisconsin reasonably competitive with neighboring states while ultimately contributing to the state's overall tourism strength.

Today's gaming markets in Wisconsin are drastically behind the surrounding states. This has resulted in years of diminished and flat lining tourism revenues for the tribe's and state's overall economies. However, this whole issue seems to fall on deaf ears in Madison. The government in Madison simply does not understand the economics of it all; maybe this explains how we've ended up with such a deep deficit. The consequence of the Republican plan to apply state-sponsored controls over the Indian gaming industry is intrusive, and pursued with no appreciation of the true economic ramifications.

There is also another critical issue to point out, it's the idea that we have public officials trying to serve as "big brother" to grown people. When I hear elected officials demonizing successful businesses in this state while also saying that consumers are "wasting money" while engaging a business, this should alarm the public. What business is next? This is a direct attack on the free market economic system.

This idea that government knows best and free market enterprise will take a back seat when the force of party politics wants to stifle one business in this state is a dangerous moment in this states history. Regardless of your political persuasion, if you're an American and truly alive, "everyone should stand against political forces who would so callously pursue such a reckless and non-American course of political action."

It's no wonder that this state is sitting with a historic deficit (\$3.2 billion) and a drastic loss of public confidence in the institutions of government!

Vince DelaRosa is a councilman for the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin.



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Thursday ~ May 15, 2003

"I MADE A CHOICE TO BE STRONG"

an original play...Collaborative writings by eighth grade Native Students from...Oneida Nation Elementary School and the Menominee Tribal School under the direction of April Turner. The play will be held at the Norbert Hill Center Auditorium at 6 p.m.

Thursday ~ May 15, 2003

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Join us at Doxbee's Supper Club in Seymour for an evening of good food, important information and fun.

May 20, 2003

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The Family Fitness Center gym will close at 6:00pm Tuesday May 20, 2003 to allow us to setup for the National Employee Health and Fitness Symposium May 21, and the Oneida Blood Drive May 22. The gym will reopen at 4:30pm Thursday afternoon. This closing will not effect our other services. Be sure to join us at the symposium for food, fun, and prizes!

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Photo by Phil Wisneski

“Joe Millionaire” star Evan Marriott, announced the Pavilion Nights Concert series at the Oneida Casino Lounge May 1. Marriott was surprised by the quality of the shows that were being held at the pavilion and questioned if the venue was an amphitheater, not a casino. Jay Leno is back by popular demand opening the pavilion on May 30 at 8:00 p.m. Accompanying Marriott at the press conference were casino employees (l-r) Phil Doran and Joe Olujic.

Hot summer nights coming to the Pavilion

By Phil Wisneski

Kalihwisaks

The Oneida Casino announced its Pavilion Nights line up in million dollar fashion May 1.

Evan Marriott of the Fox television show “Joe Millionaire” unveiled the star studded list of performers that will be invading the Pavilion this summer. The season runs from May 30 to September 12. All performances will be held in the 2,000 seat pavilion set up in the casino’s south east parking lot.

Kicking off the summer time festivities will be Jay

Leno on May 30 at 8:00 p.m. Blues artist Johnny Lang will follow Leno on June 6. He has sold more than 1.5 million albums. Rounding out June will be the pavilions first rap act. LL Cool J will take to the stage June 25. He has never sold less than gold on any of his previous eight albums. Tickets for these three acts are currently on sale at the Main Casino. Phone orders will be taken by TicketStar at 1-800-895-0071.

Hootie and the Blowfish open up the month of July with a July 10 appearance. Their Cracked Rear View

album was certified 16 times platinum and tied for the #1 selling debut album of all time. On July 20, Sammy Hagar and Lynyrd Skynyrd will rock the pavilion. Both will perform in one night under the stars. Tickets for both July shows go on sale June 1.

August opens with Peter Frampton on August 7. “The Godfather of Soul”, James Brown will bring his high-energy show to the tent on August 14. Brown, known for his famed dance moves, has been in the industry since the 50’s. David Lee Roth will

close the month with an August 28 performance. Roth, once of Van Halen, symbolizes what a rock and roll front man is all about. Tickets for the August shows go on sale July 1.

Hank Williams Jr. will get Green Bay ready for some football on September 5, just in time for the Packer season. Williams Jr. is a country music legend and has over 20,000 members in his fan club. Tickets are available August 1 for all September shows.

Oneida Elder’s series unveiled

Submitted by Michelle Danforth

Independent Options for Living

On April 2, the Neville Public Museum hosted Native American Film night as part of the film series put on by the Green Bay Film Society. The auditorium was over flowing with people to watch one of the evening’s featured films, “The Story of Woodrow Wilson Webster”.

“Woody”, as he is affectionately called, is 91 and was in attendance greeting guests and signing autographs. He has a very interesting history with his grandfather being an ordained minister of the Episcopal church and his mother being one of the original Oneida lace makers. He was raised on a farm and participated in walk-a-thons that were originally dance marathons created during the depression. Woody is a veteran of the Navy and was in WWII. Woody later worked for the US Postal service and also took photos for a local newspaper. His mother was very important to him and encouraged him to get married saying, “I am getting older and won’t be around.” Woody took that advice and went to Chicago a week later to find and marry his wife, Laverne (whom he had a 20 year relationship with before the wedding). He commented with a chuckle, “That took care of that business.”

Joy Ninham had originally applied for project funding to interview elders from the

Oneida Arts Board in 2000 and was granted funding for the project. Joy and her daughter-in-law, Jill had started the project by interviewing several elders. In 2002, Michelle Danforth became involved with the project to assist in additional shooting and editing some of the elder interviews. Last year, Michelle presented, “She Who Walks” her first documentary about her grandmother and Maria Hinton. “Woody’s video was my second finished piece and I was delighted that the film society wanted to feature another documentary that I had worked on.” She said, “It also was the perfect opportunity to promote Joy’s hard work to complete a dream.”

When asked why Joy thought this project needed to be done? She replied, “(She) gets great enjoyment visiting with elders and have been involved with the elders for over 50 years”. Joy wanted to try and retain as much of the Oneida history as she could for the future.

Woody thought, “The project is a good way of telling the life story of the elders and was really happy with the way his turned out.”

The remaining video collection including Ken Hill of Oneida, Ken Hill of Pamperin Park, Erv Thompson, Rose Kerstetter, Woodrow Webster and possibly others will be available and advertised for sale in the near future.



Photos courtesy of Michelle Danforth

Michelle Danforth, above, displays photos of Woody Webster at Native American Film Night, featuring “The Story of Woodrow “Woody” Webster” held at the Neville Public Museum. Below, Joy Ninham speaks about her interview with Webster.



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Business

Business Unit Informational Meeting—Summary of March 31, 2003

Part 2 of 2

Risk Management

Budgeting for Property and Casualty Insurance, General Liability
Mary Olson

As of October 1, 2002, insurance costs were to be allocated to each Tribal business unit. Usually, Tribal buildings that had multiple tenants were being charged insurance cost through the occupancy charge. All buildings were updated except for Bay Bank and Ridgeview Plaza and these will be reflected in March. The Tribe's insurance policy is from March 1st through February 28th. Each business unit will need to increase their budget (Property and Casualty) for March 1st to September by a 10% increase. Insurance is calculated by the appraised value of the building. Appraisals are done every 2 years. The insurance costs are then allocated to each business unit by square footage.

History of Experiential Education and Adventure

Experiential Education and Adventure Department Update

Susan Majeski

Experiential Education began through Social Services in October of 1994. We came under Social Services as we did activities that would get at issues that different people were facing. With professional people, our services can be used as a diagnostic tool. We were providing services for AODA and other Tribal programs.

In the summer of 1996, we moved to the Recreation Department, because it was recognized that our type of programming could be a significant tool within recreation. At that time, we built an indoor Ropes and Challenge Course at the Sonny King Memorial Center and started doing outside programming where local corporations would come in and utilize our services. We were doing internal programming and external programming which was creating revenue. With these groups, we provided activities that promoted team building, communications and conflict resolution (all using experiential education).

In April of 1996, we started training more people including counselors, trainers, and recreation staff. In 1998, we built an outdoor rope and challenge course and provided more programming for internal departments and outside entities. We did get a lot of return business as people liked what we were doing.

In March of 2000, we began a partnership with the Gaming Training Department in training the employees of the casino. The training included: Team training, guest service training, and customer service training. It was a wonderful partnership; we still work with them, but they have become trainers as they have worked with the program for so long. Now, they can offer the program themselves.

In June of 2000, we started our Adventure Program and hired an expert in education on kayaking and canoeing. We take people on adventure trips where they can do rock climbing, camping, and canoeing.

This is just a little history lesson of where we were and where we are at now. At this

point, the services we offer are: rope course, team training, rock climbing, portable wall, canoeing, kayaking, primitive skills development, year around camping experiences, downhill skiing, cross country skiing, mountain biking, orienteering, river trips, caving, snowshoe making, and snowshoeing.

Come check out the Experiential Education and Adventure Program located within the Oneida Family Fitness center at the Social Services building. We are the best kept secret in the Green Bay area.

State of Oneida Language

Carol Cornelius

Over the years the Business Committee has passed four resolutions supporting the importance of the Oneida language for our Nation. These resolutions acknowledge the significance of the Oneida language and offer ways to implement programs and policies. We encourage EVERYONE to participate in your language and to speak Oneida wherever and whenever you can because speaking Oneida supports our sovereignty as the Oneida Nation.

At one point, certification

for Elders has been talked about, because they were in the Tribal school teaching. Someone told them since the Elders were not certified, they could not be teaching and the Elders are still upset about this. Elders do not need to be certified, they are Elders and they are fluent. There is a process through the Department of Public Instruction that you can do with Elders, and it was designed for people who do not have a bachelor's degree but do have the expertise. Also, we have created Oneida Nation Language Teacher Certification competency based criteria which is on the agenda for the Business Committee. It lists the competencies required for speaking, linguistics, teaching, and creating language material.

What the Oneida Language Revitalization program would like to see is that every employee should be required to take a certain number of hours in language, history, and culture. Everyone would be learning this and be on the same page. Also, It would be part of your yearly evaluation. What would have to happen is that supervisors would have to be willing and support/reward their staff taking these classes. Example: If

you had a half hour lunch and taking a language class, you would be given an hour lunch.

We recognize that there are very few Oneida Language speakers left. It is imperative that we keep our language alive. Please check with the Cultural Center to see how you can learn/encourage the use of the Oneida Language. Please contact us at 490-2472.

Demolition of Structures

Historic Preservation
Corina Williams

Corina Williams has just recently received the position as the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer which is funded by the Natural Park Service. We have assumed the responsibility to preserve, protect, document, and survey all our historical and cultural resources. As part of the community education and outreach, our department will be working with the community on the laws that pertain to the community and the people who will be building the construction of homes, buildings, and any and all earth moving projects.

Tribe is taking on the responsibility to archive and research the cultural resources that we have. They

have not assumed the responsibility for historical structures, but we do have a policy in place as to how we will deal with this issue. These laws apply through Chapter 12 where we are incorporating historical structures into our Tribal plan. We are working with structures that are identified as 50 years or older. We want to make sure that we do not destroy historical structures potentially up for demolition. In the process, we will be looking at the history of the structure, researching and documenting any history attached to the building. It could be that we would register the building with the National Register which enhances protection of the building. In the past, we had structures torn down with no thought of the historical or cultural importance of the building.

At this time, we have four buildings listed in the Kalihwisak's where I am asking for community input and looking for an SOP as to how we are going to look at these buildings. Any building 50 years or older, the process applies and the Law kicks in, anything under 50 years of age; what importance to the community is this? And how does the community want to preserve and restore these resources. Do we want to make a history component of it and publish it somewhere, take photos or make a some type of monument for the building. For example: one is the Tribal Building where all our first Business Committee meetings took place and much history behind this building. If anyone has any ideas, please give us a call at 490-2095.

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Education

College of Menominee Nation opens it's doors in Green Bay



Photos courtesy of CMN

The College of Menominee Nation held their grand opening and ribbon cutting at their new auxiliary campus site in Green Bay. Cutting the ribbon, above, are CMN student Kim Reiter-Summers, CMN Green Bay Coordinator Cynde Yahola Hill, CMN Vice President Paddy Brzezinski, CMN President Dr. Verna Fowler, Oneida BC Member Brian Doxtator, Auxiliary site Director Deanna Bisley and CMN student DeAnna Stevens. At right, Vice President Brzezinski presents traditional corn husk dolls to Hill.



Inspired Native Youth say “I Made a Choice to Be Strong” on stage

Oneida, WI – Current mainstream culture bombards teens with the implication that total sexual freedom is a viable and preferable life style. This influence serves to overwhelmingly glamorize images of teenage sexuality and experimentation. This barrage occurs through media promotion, societal preconditioning, marketing, language, and even the clothes we wear. Popular movies and hit music lyrics refer to sexual activity in a casual and demeaning fashion, portraying teens experiencing great joy in sexual activity. Sex is presented as a natural, ensuant part of most teen couple's involvements. Sex is represented as the ultimate adult goal and therefore carries that enticing-yet-forbidden appeal for teens.

The Community-Based Abstinence Culture (C-BAC) Project is hosted by Wise Women Gathering Place in collaboration with the Oneida



Contributed photo

Play is under the direction of artist in residence, April Turner (above).

Nation Elementary School (ONES) and Menominee Tribal School (MTS). The Grade Eight students at both schools have been doing great work exploring, and discussing issues around abstinence, self-esteem, assertiveness, healthy relationships and healthy choices. This theater production is a part of

their effort to create community awareness and support for our young people making a healthy choice of abstinence.

Under direction of artist in residence April Turner www.LifeAsArtProductions.com these students from Oneida and Menominee created an original play “I Made a Choice to Be Strong”. From their collaborative writings from the past 6 weeks of working with April Turner each school created their own 30 minute act to come together as one play. Donations welcome at Community Performances.

Following are the location and times to view the Community Performance:

- **Wednesday, May 14, 2003, 6:00 p.m. at the Menominee Indian Senior High School Theater, Keshena WI**
- **Thursday, May 15, 2003, 6:00 pm at the Norbert Hill Center Auditorium, Oneida WI**

Scholarships Available

Summer of Academic Refinement

Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah is presenting a college-preparation program through their Multicultural Student Services office. The program is known as SOAR, which stands for Summer of Academic Refinement. Multicultural high school juniors (Native American, Latin, African American, Polynesian or Asian) are invited to participate in this one-week college preparation experience. Students will participate in ACT test preparation and examination, advisement on BYU majors, personal career assessment, leadership training and more. The participation fee is \$200, need-based scholarships are available. Summer 2003 dates are June 23-28, July 7-12 and July 14-19. For more information contact Ann Marie Lambert at 801-422-3065, Email to MSS@BYU.EDU or on the web go to <http://campuslife.byu.edu/ms/s/soar>. **Registration deadline is June 2, 2003.**

Throlson American Bison Foundation Scholarship

The mission of the Throlson American Bison Foundation is to provide scholarship opportunities for students studying bison or fields related to the bison

industry. The foundation will award two scholarships for the 2003-04 academic year, one for \$1000 and one for \$2000. Applicants must be undergraduates with junior or senior status, or graduate students. Must be enrolled in a recognized livestock, animal science, veterinary, or agriculture program in the United States or Canada. Application must contain two letters of recommendation from faculty in your department. For application materials contact the Oneida Higher Education Office at 920-869-4033 or 800-236-2214. **Application deadline is July 1, 2003.**

Wisconsin Private College Week

Students and families are invited to tour the 21 private colleges and universities of Wisconsin during Open House week, July 7th through July 12th. There will be tours on each campus, plus a chance to meet with staff from the admissions and financial aid departments. Stop by and visit classrooms, residence halls and other facilities. Students will receive a waiver of application fees at each college or university they visit. Call ahead to reserve your place on a tour by contacting the admissions department of the school (s) you plan to visit, or call 1-800-4-DEGREE. You can also get more information on the website at www.wisconsinmentor.org.

Sponsors for “I Made a Choice to Be Strong” include Wise Women Gathering Place, Menominee Tribal School, Oneida Nation Elementary School, Oneida Nation Arts Board.

Supported in part by the Abstinence Education Grant Program from the Department of Health and Human Services, Maternal and Child Health Bureau (Wisconsin Abstinence Initiative for Youth) also supported in part by the Office of Population Affairs - Adolescent Family Living Demonstration Projects.

Wise Women Gathering Place's Alice Skenandore invites community people to please support and encourage our youth, by coming to their Community Performance, giving them encouraging words and building assets for youth. Alice says “Come and Give these Young People Support in their Choice to Be Strong!”

For more information regarding the theater production “I Made a Choice to Be Strong” and the Community-Based Abstinence Culture (C-BAC) Project contact Wise Women Gathering Place 2488 Babcock Road Green Bay, WI 54313 (920) 490-0627, Fax (920)490-0922

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Oneida Nation Museum


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Send photos to: Yvonne Kaquatosh c/o Kalilhwisaks-Graduate Special, P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 or call (920) 869-4280 for more information.

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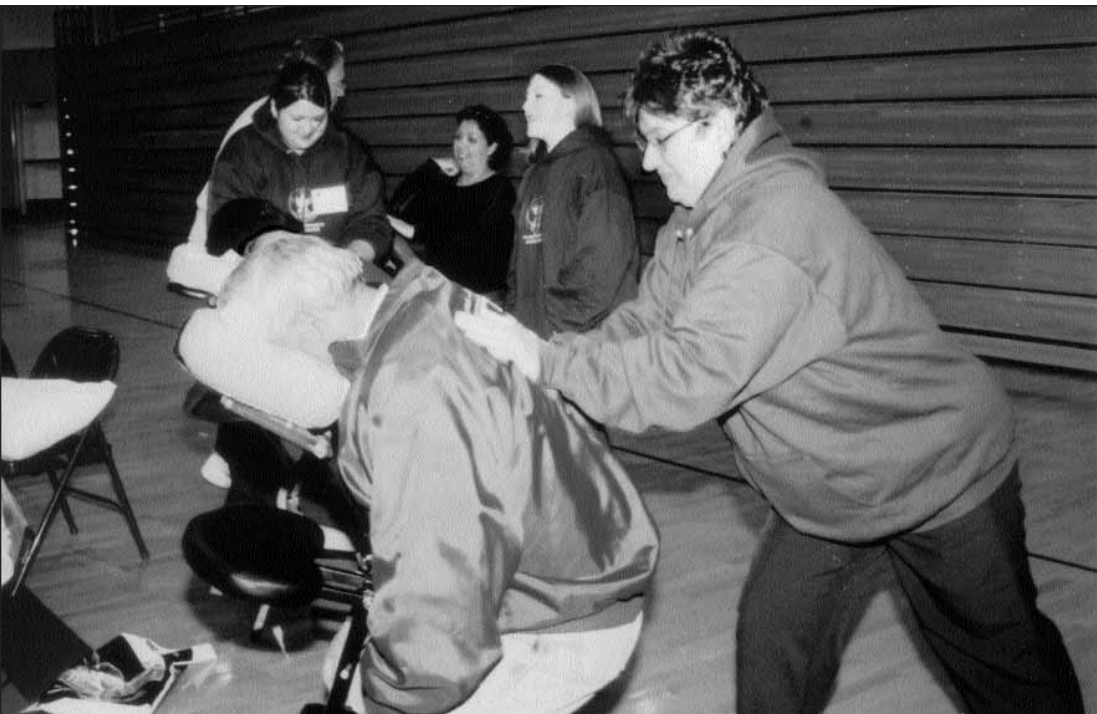


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LeeAnn Laes (right, forefront) puts her massage techniques to work for one of many community members who took advantage of the offer during the Spring Fling event.

The sun was shining and so were the smiles at SPRING FLING 2003 to celebrate National Public Health week in Oneida!

On Thursday, April 10 at the Oneida Nation Elementary School the festivities were Great in number as Oneida came together to share the fun in learning about public health! Over

400 people attended this event. There was fun for all ages including a Giant Inflatable Playroom, a Rock climbing wall, Face Painting, FREE SUBWAY SUBS, Free Massages, educational games, prizes and more! Even the really big kids joined the fun!

Fantastic displays provided by many departments including the host of SPRING

FLING, Oneida Community Health Center! Community Health shared the facts on Immunizations, Car Seat and Seatbelt Safety, Injury Prevention, Reproductive Health and Cancer prevention with the WI Well Woman Program! The Diabetic Team shared exercise and diet information and the Oneida Fire Department who showed us

how to stop, drop and roll, as well as what to do in case of a fire in our home and the Oneida Police Department came in full gear ready meet the community face to face.

Oneida Experiential Education had an awesome rock climbing wall for participants to try and Oneida Family Fitness Center focused on the importance of activity in a healthy lifestyle while providing exciting Tae Kwon Do board breaking demonstrations. Tsyunhekwa had a display of natural food samples and products from the Oneida Farm to share their part in the health of the Oneida community.

Also present Oneida Trust Committee and Bay Bank to explore financial wellness, Elderly Services, Oneida Environmental Services who taught us about the West Nile Virus and Air Quality as well as Oneida Optical department who showed us the importance of regular exams. Oneida Dental Department was a HUGE hit this year with their soda and sugar display. They were at the top of the list this year for most effective interactive display!

Oneida Health Promotion showed us how much we need to exercise to Really work off that Super Size Fry, Health Promotions has also started a very successful pilot program of the 10,000 Steps program with employees. It was such a success that they are not opening it up to the community! Also present at Spring Fling were the Tobacco Cessation Program, Oneida Social Services, Headstart and Even start and the TRAILS program. All this and much more fun than you can imagine all wrapped up into one big day of learning about public health!

Thank you to all departments who participated in Spring Fling. Hopefully we can continue to convey the importance of public health throughout 2003!

Introducing dental early childhood caries prevention clinic

S. Burrell, DDS

Oneida Dental Clinic

The Dental Clinic is pleased to announce that it will begin an Early Childhood Caries Prevention Clinic (ECCP Clinic). The clinic is targeted to begin on May 1, 2003. The Dental Clinic seeks to increase dental access for Native American/Alaska Native expectant mothers in the second trimester of pregnancy. The Clinic is limited to those low risk expectant mothers receiving Obstetric Care at the Oneida Community Health Center.

Studies have shown that mothers with high caries rates possess large amounts of the bacteria Streptococcus Mutans intra orally. The bacteria feed on sugars that remain on the teeth after eating and an acid is formed. It is this acid that causes caries. Mothers often transfer the bacteria to their infants through activities such as sharing feeding utensils. The dental clinic seeks to significantly reduce the rate of caries in expectant mothers and their infants. In order to accomplish this the clinic intends to provide consistent care to expectant mothers. Secondly, the clinic expects to reduce to least 65% the proportion of Native Americans and Alaska Native parents and care givers who use feeding practices that prevent Baby Bottle Tooth Decay. Thirdly, the clinic desires to increase by 45 percent the number of expectant mothers who have never lost a tooth due to caries and periodontal disease.

Routine professional and home dental care can reduce the caries rate in mothers and thereby reduce the caries rate in their infants. Treating mothers early in their pregnancy helps to significantly reduce the amount of decay in the mothers and thereby

reduce the amount of decay in their infants.

The clinic also seeks to satisfy the directives outlined in the Surgeon General's Healthy People 2010 Report. The study noted that "dental care for pregnant females, counseling, reinforcement of health promoting behaviors with care givers of children, and intervention by dental and other professionals to improve parenting practices provide the best available means of preventing serious oral disease."

Moms are invited to participate in a series of activities that are designed to improve their oral health and reduce tooth decay. The first set of activities will involve watching a short film which describes the importance of baby teeth. Secondly, moms will be invited to the dental clinic to receive dental exams which will involve measuring the levels of the bacteria which causes tooth decay. Patients will also receive dental cleanings and restorative work such as fillings. Each participant will also be asked to chew a Xylitol containing chewing gum after delivery. Xylitol chewing gum has been shown to be effective in reducing tooth decay when used on a regular basis. Expectant mothers will also receive care packages designed to assist them in caring for their newborn's mouth. Upon delivery of the baby, mom's will be asked return to the Dental Clinic with their infants so that they may receive instruction on the proper care of the infant's mouth.

Expectant mothers interested in participating the ECCP Clinic should visit the Oneida OB/GYN clinic. Additional information regarding the program and consent forms can be obtained there.

Stress Awareness

Todd Shelto
Assistant Director

Oneida Family Fitness/Recreation

As the month of April, which is nationally recognized as stress awareness passes, I become acutely aware of my own stress level this month and how I have dealt with it.

My internal assessment brings to mind areas that I need to improve in and just what can happen to "the body" if I don't attempt to handle my stressors differently. The effects of stress are serious enough, that it is important that I share them with you, even if the month of May is now upon us. The following are the effects of stress on the general public as reported at the National Wellness Conference in 1998:

• 50-80% of illness episodes

are stress related.

- 2/3 of the appointments with family physicians involve stress related problems.
- Stress costs businesses and industry billions of dollars annually through, illness, absenteeism, accidents, and loss or decrease in productivity.

These effects are significant in themselves, even if they sidestep the more personal issue of stress's effects on our quality of life.

There are two approaches to handling the effects of stress in our lives. We can try to combat the stress reflex after it has started or prevent it from happening altogether.

The first way involves techniques such as deep breathing, taking a yoga or pilates class, exercising, or for some, medication. The second

involves changing the way we think about events. If we look for the good in a situation, it's a lot easier to overlook the bad. Also within this group are good sound principles for coping with everyday life, such as, gaining strength from your religious beliefs, using a day planner, knowing when to say no, and just having a good laugh now and then. All these methods of dealing with stress take an effort on our part, but if we don't make that effort, we will find our health, and our quality of life compromised.

For more information on how to deal with stress please stop into the Oneida Family Fitness center. We will be glad to show you around and give you some viable options for dealing with the stress in your life.

Kick Diabetes Out of Oneida

Join us at D oxbée's Supper Club in Seymour for an evening of good food, important information and fun.

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Oneida Community Health Center Diabetes Team

and...

Darrell Bevell

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May 15, 2003
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Tickets are...

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Sponsored by the Oneida Community Health Center Diabetes Grant

Introducing...

Children of Domestic Violence
Healing the Wounds: A Guide for Moms

[Editor's Note: The following is the beginning of a 8-part series, from the desk of Susan King Red Hail, Domestic Violence Child Advocate a.k.a. Sue Reiter.]

Part 1 of 8

Susan King Red Hail

Domestic Violence Child Advocate

The following information is for you to read if you choose, this is not intended for comments nor feedback - Thank You.

Dear Parents, I would like to provide you with a 8 week series of questions/answers regarding the effects of Domestic Violence on children. The information/education you will receive in the following weeks is from a book that had been donated to all the D.V. programs in Wisconsin, entitled: Children of Domestic Violence, Healing the Wounds: A Guide for Moms by Judith McDermott, MSW and Frances Burck - A Project of Rockland Family Shelter. A Copyright Permission form has been signed by Judith McDermott.

QUESTION #1: How do CHILDREN feel about family violence?

All children are affected in some way by family violence. Even if they have not seen the violence, or if they have not been physically hurt themselves, they "feel" what is going on.

Scared...I lie in bed feeling real scared. I can hear them fighting in the next room, and it's getting louder and louder. I'm just waiting until I hear the smack of his hand, and my mom's cries. I hear it again and again. I put the pillow over my head. I

want to run away.

Guilty...If me and my sister Jenny didn't fight so much, then Dad wouldn't fight with Mom because Mom tells us to be quiet, so it must be us who set him off. It's our fault.

Protective...I tried to stop my dad from kicking mom by kicking him. I didn't really want to hurt him. I love Dad, but I just want him to stop hurting mom.

Ambivalent...I love Daddy - he's fun to be with, he calls me his "special girl", but he scares me when he hits and yells at Mommy. I sometimes hate him for hurting her so much and making her cry.

Unable to concentrate...I'm failing in school. I keep wondering what's going on at home, and what will happen tonight when Daddy comes back. I can't keep my mind on much any more, and I don't care.

Wanting to escape...Right now a joint or a beer would look real good. When I get high, I feel okay.

Angry (Modeling father's abuse)...Mom's dumb. No wonder he beats her up. She shrunk my sweater in the dryer. What the hell does she do all day? Why can't she get it together?

Unprotected...Mommy knows Daddy is being a stinker. Why doesn't she stand up to him? Is she waiting for him to beat the crap out of me again before she does anything?

REMEMBER...THE VIOLENCE IS NOT YOUR FAULT - You are not responsible for the beatings and cannot control someone else's negative behaviors - only your own.

Note: Information provided is not intentionally geared towards female gender only.

Eye on Environment

Report: Oak Creek plants could hurt air quality

MILWAUKEE (AP) - We Energies' plan to build three new coal-fired power generators in Oak Creek could harm the air quality in the area even though the plants would use the best technology possible, according to a preliminary report released Wednesday.

The finding contradicts repeated statements by the company that the new generators would improve air quality in the area, one of the central issues in the debate over whether the plan to build the plants should be approved.

The report also said We Energies plans to ask the Wisconsin Public Service Commission for permission to pass the cost of \$2.5 million annual payments it has agreed to make to Oak Creek to build the plants on to ratepayers.

The PSC and the Department of Natural Resources said in a draft of an environmental impact statement released Wednesday that Wisconsin Electric Power Company's air modeling analysis indicates that the new plants would increase concentrations of soot and sulfur dioxide in the air.

But DNR officials and company representatives said the model used to evaluate the project's effects on air quality assumes a worst case scenario.

The Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act requires state agencies to consider environmental factors when deciding on such projects. The draft report is intended to provide the public and other people involved in deciding on the project with an analysis of the project's potential effects.

Annemarie Newman, spokeswoman for the PSC, cautioned that the study was preliminary and the agency doesn't have all the data yet.

The DNR will conduct a more extensive environmental analysis over the next few months, the report said. Those findings will be included in the final environmental impact statement on the project.

Trees for tomorrow

Photos by Phil Wisneski

Oneida Earth Day was a huge success on April 26. The event was held behind Cultural Heritage near the lake. At the event there was food, fun and sun. There was reservation wide clean-up effort, tree give away, photo contest, demonstrations, displays, games and entertainment for the kids. Right: Daniel Brooks, from Oneida Conservation, plants a tree at the Earth Day Celebration. Below: Amelia Cornelius, along with other Oneida community members, selected from a wide assortment of free trees that were given to people that attended the event.

The event was a collaborative effort from the staffs of Conservation, Eco-services, Experiential and Outdoor Adventure, the Photo Club, the Environmental Resources Board and Environmental Quality.



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2003 Gardening and Horticulture Workshop Series..

- May
- Saturday, May 10th 10 a.m. ~ 3 p.m.
Start: Community Seed & Bedding Plant Distribution
(M-F: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until May 30th)
Community Garden Site Opens
 - Thursday, May 15 ~ 6 p.m.
3 Sisters Gardening / Heirloom Seeds
 - Thursday, May 22 ~ 6 p.m.
Productive Vegetable Gardening
 - Friday, May 30 ~ 4:30 p.m.
Last day: Community Seed & Plant Distribution

- June
- Saturday, June 14 ~ 10 am.
Herbal Gardens & Landscapes
 - Thursday, June 19th ~ 6 p.m.
Compost Happens
 - Saturday, June 21 ~ 10 a.m.
Herb Identification Walk
 - Thursday, June 26~6 p.m.
Seasonal Cooking

- August
- Saturday, August 23~10 a.m.
Green Corn Soup Making

- September
- Thursday, September 11~ 5:30 p.m.
Garden Harvest & Preservation
(At the Community Cannery-NHC)
 - Thursday, September 18 ~ 5:30 p.m.
Herb Identification Walk
 - Saturday, September 20, 5:30 p.m.
Berry Garden Establishment & Maintenance
 - Thursday, September 25 ~ 5:30 p.m.
Salve Making (Part I)
 - Saturday, September 27~10 a.m.
Salve Making (Part II)



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For more information, contact Leland or Jill at
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UW-Green Bay to coordinate Fox River watershed monitoring program

Green Bay - The University of Wisconsin - Green Bay will coordinate a multi-year program for monitoring and assessing water quality and habitat in and around the lower Fox River watershed.

Arjo Wiggins Appleton will provide a \$1.5 million grant to fund the monitoring program , which will provide independent, high quality data that can be used to help make decisions to improve water quality and restore habitat.

Kevin Fermanich, UW-Green Bay assistant professor of natural and applied sciences, will direct the monitoring program. Hallett J. "Bud" Harris, UW-Green Bay professor emeritus of natural and applied sciences, was a major figure in initiating the program.

The program will involve students and researchers from UW-Green Bay, UW-Milwaukee, the Green Bay Metropolitan Sewerage District and the U.S. Geological Service. Area high school students and teachers also will participate.

Sue K. Hammersmith, UW-Green Bay provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, said the program will provide students with opportunities to be involved in high-quality, hands on research.

"I can confidently say that 30 years from now we'll be able to look back and say we did a very good thing and it mattered," she said.

Hammersmith spoke at a news conference at which the grant and program were announced. The news conference was held Monday, April 14 at Green Bay Southwest High School.

Speaking at the news conference along with Hammersmith and Harris were U.S. rep. Mark Green, R-Green Bay; state Se. Robert Cowls, R-Aeolus and Christopher Gower of Arjo Wiggins Appleton.

Arjo Wiggins Appleton is the former owned Appleton Papers. It still owns the Appleton Coated mill at Combined Locks, which employs about 700 area residents.

The collaborative monitoring program will have educational, social, capital and environmental benefits for the Fox River Valley. Students will learn scientific concepts in their own environment, develop skills to become trained environmental professionals and acquire an understanding of stewardship for their community.

Program components include water monitoring, summer workshops, an annual Watershed Summit, student and faculty research, a website and community outreach.

The program will start in 2003 with a summer workshop at UW-Green Bay to organize the high school program and faculty research projects and to conduct continuing education and training sessions. Monitoring will start in the summer and fall of 2003.



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Culture

American Indians promote culture, understanding of Tribe

By Dionne Gleaton

The (Orangeburg) Times and Democrat

ORANGEBURG, S.C. (AP) - American Indians of the Southeast didn't live in teepees, wear huge feathered war bonnets, nor did many of them have long, dark hair, black eyes and caramel complexions.

They didn't yell war whoops while embarking on murderous rampages as often depicted in Hollywood films, but were an ingenious, self-sufficient population whose roots were grounded in a respect for God and his creation.

"We're trying to undo what has been done," Croatan Chief Ricky Running Wolf Bruner said. "A lot of damage has been done to Native Americans by television alone. A lot of what we do today is called 'coming out of the closet.'"

Dressed in full regalia, Bruner and four members of the Croatan Indian Tribe gathered at an assisted-living center to give seniors a glimpse into their ancestors' lifestyle and culture.

A peace pipe, turtle shells which were used as rattlers,

clay bowls and a tomahawk made of black obsidian were among the display of hand-made items that seniors could observe.

A Southeastern long bow, handmade from raw osage and covered with water moccasin hide by John Ross, a direct descendant of Chief John Ross of the Cherokee Nation, was also among the items Bruner explained to the group.

Unlike Western tribes, the Southeastern Indians lived in two- to three-story long-houses that could house hundreds of people. Bruner said these houses were nothing like teepees; they were up to 60 feet wide and 200 feet long, with the bottom portion used as living quarters and the upper story used as a storage area for items including canoes, paddles and blankets.

Bruner said the Croatan Indian Tribe is trying to create its own palisaded village, much like a 225-year-old "living village" in North Carolina, where a group lives and conducts tours while teaching about the history of their population.

"That's our dream, that's

what we're looking at," Bruner said. The tribe is also planning its Native American Gathering at the Orangeburg County Fairgrounds later this year. The chief stressed that it is not a powwow, which is a playful festival; the gathering is a time for tribes to come together to share their history and "get back to the old traditions, ways and means."

Sage, cedar, tobacco and fragrant sweetgrass were the four sacred herbs which Southeastern tribes used to purify and cleanse themselves and their surroundings. Bruner said the herbs were not abused, but were smoked or spread around as a way to "remove all negativity." The tribes are sometimes wrongfully associated with cults, but the use of herbs was out of respect for God, Bruner said.

"That's what it was about - purity and cleansing. Everything we did, we did it for our Creator," Bruner said.

The multipurpose tomahawk was not only used as a weapon, but was also used to cut food, vines, hides and other items. Gourds were used as dippers, spoons and filled with beans and peas for

use as rattlers on dance sticks.

"We threw nothing away," Bruner said, who along with tribal member Tony Chavis, played the ceremonial drum near the end of their presentation. Chants and songs, including honor songs in tribute to veterans, are sung around the sacred drum, but no drinking, smoking, eating or profanity are allowed around it.

"It's like our little cathedral, and we want to honor it," Bruner said.

The Croatan Indian Tribe is part of an American Indian ad hoc group, which meets once a month with the state Minority Affairs Commission in a quest to gain state recognition.

The group opened its Dream Catcher tribal craft store on Russell Street earlier this year. He said the tribe holds fund-raisers to raise money, which goes to a tribal account.

Morningside resident Alethia Worthy said she enjoyed the tribe's presentation.

"I liked the frankness of it," she said. "They seemed to have known what they wanted

Oneida Language Lesson



Review of body parts/hurt

(Continued...)

katsa> nu niyonuhw@te Where does it hurt?
gottsá new knee yoh new wakt -nuhwak- verb (hurt)

ʔhsa Lip
ohh saw

sashan&waks k< Does your lip hurt?
saw saw new waks gah?

<ʔ, wakshan&waks Yes, My lip hurts
ahh ah, wak saw new waks

onya-ʔ@ Neck
own yah law

sanyalan&waks k<? Does your neck hurt?
son yah law new waks gah

<ʔ, Wakenyalahn&waks Yes, my neck hurts
ahh uh, wak gain yah law new waks

on^tsha Arm
oh nunce saw

san<tshan&waks k< Does your arm hurt?
saw nunt sawnew waks gah

<ʔ, Wahn<tshan&waks Yes, my arm hurts
ahh uh, wak nunt saw new waks

osn&hsa Finger
oh snuh saw

sasnuhsan&waks k< Does your finger hurt?
saw nunt sawnew waks gah

<ʔ, Wakesnuhsan&waks Yes, my finger hurts
ahh uh, wa gay snuh saw new waks
**For correct pronunciation ask an Elder or tapes may be purchased at the Language House; call 490-2472

Oneida Pronunciation System

VOWELS:

- “a” has the sound of the “a” in ah or father
- “e” has the sound of the “e” in egg or eight
- “i” has the sound “i” in ski or machine
- “o” has the sound of the “o” in hope or low
- “u” has the sound of “un” in tune
- “<” has the sound of “on” in son

CONSONANTS:

These consonants have the same sound as they usually do in English: h, l, n, w, and y. The letters ‘t’, ‘k’, and ‘s’ each have two (2) pronunciations depending on other sounds near them.

‘t’ normally has the sound like a ‘d’. If a ‘k’, ‘h’, or ‘s’ follows, then the ‘t’ sounds as top.

‘k’ normally has a g-like sound but if a ‘t’, ‘s’, or ‘h’ follows, it has the sound as kill.

‘s’ coming between two vowels makes a ‘z’ sound, before or after an ‘h’ like the sound in sea.

‘>’ glottal stop. Stops sound like in the word like ‘oh, oh’

‘tshy’ or ‘tsi’ sounds like ‘j’

‘tshy’ or ‘tshi’ sounds like ‘ch’

‘sy’ sounds like ‘sh’

‘#’ accent mark over a vowel indicates stressed syllable in a word. Combination of ‘#’ makes of falling tone sound.

‘=’ lengthens the sound of a vowel and underlined sounds are whispered.

See the cultural website

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Michael Emerson Reed

Michael Emerson Reed, newborn son to Billy and Michelle Reed, was born on Friday, April 4, 2003 at 4:43 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital, Green Bay. Michael weighed 8 lbs and measured 19.5 inches in length. The proud paternal grandparents are Emerson and Rachael Reed, Oneida. The proud maternal grandmother is Donna Denny, Oneida. The proud maternal great-grandparents are Donald and Barbara Denny. The proud paternal great-grandparents are Melinda Doxtator and the late Clifford Doxtator.

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of...

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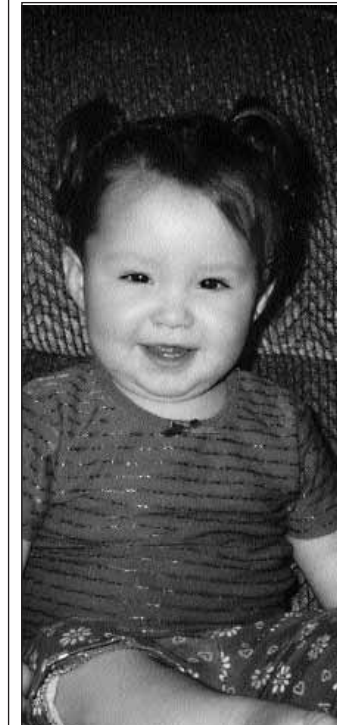
Elijah Metoxen
on May 18th



From Auntie Mercy,
Auntie Schuyler &
Grandpa

Happy Birthday

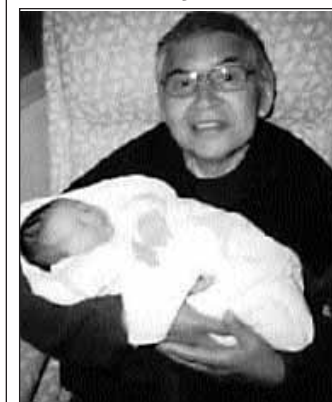
Happy 1st Birthday to
our Little Stinker,
Jalivia
on May 4th



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May Calendar of Events...

Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary

Public Wildflower Program

Saturday, May 10, at 1 p.m.

Flowers are beginning to
spring out of the ground. Join
Sanctuary staff on a hike
around the trails to check out
the colorful, early bloomers.
Learn what flowers are the

most common and which
ones are rare for this area.
Cost is \$1 per person. Pre-
registration is required by
calling (920) 391-3671.

Wildlife Day: Celebrate Migration Day

Sunday, May 11 from 1 p.m.
to 3 p.m.

Celebrate International
Migration Day at the
Sanctuary! Take a tour of the
Resch Conservation Wing
and learn what happens
behind the scenes of a free-
flying bird exhibit. Rehabilitated birds will be
released and will fly back into
the wild. Sanctuary staff will
be available to answer ques-
tions about helping injured or
orphaned wildlife. This even
is free and open to the public.

Critter Counter

Sunday, May 4, 11, 18 and
25 anytime between 10 a.m.
and 2:30 p.m.

Sanctuary visitors can learn
about animals through this
interactive area in the Resch
Conservation Wing at the
Observation Building. The
public can interact with
wildlife and learn why the
animals call the Sanctuary
home. Don't forget to bring
your camera! This activity is
free and open to the public.

Animal Stories for Preschoolers: Baby Animals

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

Spring is the time of year
people will start seeing baby
animals outside. Children and
their families can learn about

baby animals during Animal
Stories for Preschoolers.
Sanctuary staff will read the
short stories "Ducklings and
Polliwogs" by Anne
Rockwell and "Egg" by A.J.
Wood. After the stories,
everyone is invited to take a
hike along the Sanctuary
trails to spot baby animals on
their own! Cost is \$1 per per-
son. Pre-registration is
required by calling (920) 391-
3671.

Spring Bird Hikes

May 3, 7, 10, 14, and 17 at
6:30 a.m.

Hike through the trails of
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Board Vacancies

Oneida Police Commission: Five (5) vacancies. Qualifications: Shall be a member of the Oneida Tribe. Must be 25 years-old or older. Satisfactory background investigation. The following would prohibit any person from serving on the Oneida Police Commission. 1. A felony conviction in the State of Wisconsin, or any conviction in another state that would be considered a felony conviction if the offense and adjudication occurred in the State of Wisconsin. 2. A felony arrest which results in a misdemeanor conviction due to plea arrangement. 3. A conviction of any ordinance violation that could bring discredit to the Commission. 4. Any pardon issued by the Oneida Tribe or the governor of the state for an offense specified in sections 6-3 (c)(1)-(3).. shall not deem a person as "exonerated" for the purpose of membership on the Oneida Police Commission. Must submit to drug testing prior to appointment and on an annual basis. Must not be an employee of the Oneida Police Department. Shall attend applicable training. Must be a person of known good standing in the community. Commissioners serve five year terms. **Application deadline is May 9, 2003.**

Oneida Seven Generations Corporation: one (1) vacancy . Qualifications: All board members must have at least five years experience in one or more of the following areas: real estate, commercial development, business management, risk management, finance, tribal government or accounting. The majority of the members must be voting members of the General Tribal Council, the amount of non-Oneida members must not exceed two. The term of office will be five years with the exception of the non-Oneida board members who are limited to five year term. **Application deadline is May 9, 2003.**

Oneida Pow Wow Committee: Three (3) vacancies. Qualifications: Shall serve a two year term. May be required to perform the supervisory duties in regards to a pow wow. **Application deadline is May 30, 2003.**

Notice of Hearing

NOTICE OF HEARING Estate of **Baird, Evelyn Elizabeth Webster**, deceased, Oneida. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Hearing has been scheduled for this estate.

The Hearing will be held 5/15/03 at 11:15 PM and at the following location: Gordon Dickie Center, Main Floor Conference Room, W2907 Loop Road, Keshena, WI 54135.

All persons having an interest in the estate, including all creditors having claims against the estate, are hereby notified to be present at the hearing in person or by attorney and furnish such evidence as they desire. Failure to appear or to make prior arrangements may result in the loss of rights claimed.

Testimony will be taken and evidence received for the purpose of considering the claims of creditors, determining heirs, and probating of the Will, if any. If a Will has been submitted, a copy of it has been attached to this notice. If you know of a Will, or of a later Will, please advise the Judge as soon as possible.

If some parties live a great distance from the place of hearing, it is not necessary that they attend unless they have specific disputes or issues they intend to raise which will not be addressed in their absence. However, the attendance of enough persons to provide the needed evidence of heirship and other information is necessary.

If sufficient reason appears, the Administrative Law Judge, in his discretion, may continue the hearing to another time and place to be announced.

This hearing is to be held pursuant to the Act of June 25,

1910, 25 U.S.C. 372 (1970) as amended, and the Probate Regulations of the Department of the Interior, 43 C. F. R. Part 4.

NOTICE OF HEARING Estate of **Farmer, Samantha Metoxen**, deceased, Oneida. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Hearing has been scheduled for this estate.

The Hearing will be held 5/15/03 at 9:15 PM and at the following location: Gordon Dickie Center, Main Floor Conference Room, W2907 Loop Road, Keshena, WI 54135. Farmer

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Legal Notice

Setting time and Notice to Creditors: Request for information the following estates are being prepared for probate by the U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Hearings and Appeals. All creditor claims must be filed on or before May 19 ,2003. **Norbert M. Skenandore DOB 8-22-27, DOD 3-29-02 and Linda S. Heredia, DOB 1-07-60, DOD 1-13-01.** Send all creditor claims and information relating to the decedent to the following address: Harriet Kindness, Oneida tribe of WI, Division of Land Mgmt., P.O. Box 365, Oneida , WI 54155. Dated April 14, 2003.

Oneida Appeals Commission, Original Hearing Body, Notice of Complaints Filed and Scheduled Hearings: Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin vs. Various Individuals. A diligent attempt was made to notify the following individuals of claim(s) filed by the Oneida Tribe for judgement against them. **Cooper, Sheavonne; Flores, Sacheen; Hernandez, Serena L.; Hill, Victoria; Jones, Robert; Laes, LeeAnn; Mathews, Elizabeth; Ninham, Joseph; Peters, Richard; Peterson, Steve; Skenandore, Gordy; Steffes, Christopher; Tourtillott, Shirley; Wheelock, Shane; Wittock, Lori A.**

Hearings shall take place on May 20, 2003 starting at 1:30 p.m. for all parties listed, at the Commission office; located at the Ridgeview Plaza Suite 1; 3759 W. mason St. Oneida. WI 5415.

For specific questions about this claim, settlement or payment arrangements prior to the hearing, please contact Diana Wescott, Accounting at (920) 490-3556. If you questions on the process, feel free to contact the Clerk or Administrator, Oneida Appeals Commission office at (920) 497-5800.

Notices of Availability

U.S. Department of Transportation. Federal Aviation Administration. Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment of Airport Surveillance Radar to Serve Austin Straubel International Airport, Green Bay, Wisconsin. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) proposes to construct and operate a digital Airport Surveillance Radar, Model 11 (ASR-11) to serve Austin Straubel International Airport (GRB), Green Bay, Wisconsin. the proposed Green Bay ASR-11 employs the latest digital technology to assist air traffic controllers in detecting and monitoring aircraft and would provide improved weather data. The preferred site for the ASR-11 is on private property located in the Village of Hobart, Brown County, Wisconsin. The proposed ASR-11 would replace the existing Airport Surveillance Radar, Model 7 (ASR-7). The FAA prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for this proposed action. The Draft EA is available for public review and comment during the comment period that will close on May 30, 2003. In the Draft EA, the FAA analyzes the potential environmental impacts of construction and operation of the proposed ASR-11 at the preferred site. A copy of the the Draft EA is available for review at the following location; Ashwaubenon Library, 1060 Orlando Drive, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54304.

The FAA invites all interested parties to submit written comments on the Draft EA. All comments MUST BE RECEIVED OR POSTMARKED BY MAY 30, 2003, and sent to: Ms. Connie Lambert SRI International 333 Ravenswood Ave, Room G-226 Menlo Park, CA 94025 All applicable and appropriate comments received prior to the close of the comment period will be addressed in the Final EA. The FAA will not make a decision to install the ASR-11 until the completion of the environmental review process. The FAA anticipates distributing the Final EA in the Summer 2003. Please direct any questions or requests for a copy of the Draft EA to the address above.

Project Description: The Division of Land Management is proposing to construct an 5,525 square foot expansion to the existing building to provide additional space for staff, land records, and to combine several organizational elements into one facility. Adding a 44 space parking lot and widening the driveway is also proposed in the project. The site is located at 470 Airport Drive in Township 23 North, Range 19 East, Sections 2 and in the Village of Hobart, Brown County, Oneida Nation Reservation, Wisconsin. A draft environmental assessment (EA) has been prepared regarding this proposed action in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The draft EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters. Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Tribe and State Historical Society of Wisconsin about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.

Need for Project: The Oneida Tribe has as a goal and need to encourage creation of local jobs that will stimulate the economy for the Reservation and surrounding area. This purpose of this project is to provide an increase in employment opportunities within the local community. **Alternatives:** The preferred alternative is to construct the 40' X 48' garage at the location described. This alternative provides needed income for a Tribal member, and improves the local economy. The "No-Action" alternative was also evaluated. It would not meet the goal of expanding the local economy of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin. "No-Action" would limit economic opportunity for a Tribal member while supplying needed community services. **Comments & Availability:** Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents from the Oneida Environmental Quality Department. Comments regarding the proposed action may also be submitted within 30 days of the

anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.

Need for Project: The proposed expansion to the Division of Land Management building is needed to provide additional space for staff, land records, and to combine several organizational elements into one facility. **Alternatives:** The preferred plan is to construct an approximately 5,525 square foot expansion onto the existing Division of Land Management Office and adding a 44 space parking lot. The new facility will be added to the existing structure in an already cleared area of the property. The No-Action Alternative was also evaluated, however, this will not provide necessary space for staff and land records. This would not provide for the needs of the department. **Comments & Availability:** Interested parties can obtain copies of these documents by contacting the Oneida Environmental Department at PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 or calling Lisa Miotke at (920) 497-5812. To provide comments regarding the proposed action, submit them within 30 days of the date of this NOA to the address above.

Project Description: The Oneida Nation is proposing to construct a 40' X 48' garage on Parcel H, part of Lot A, Section 36, T23N, R18E, 1301 Ray Rd., Town of Oneida, County of Outagamie, WI. The need for the project is to assist a Tribal member maintain a small business. Construction of this garage will allow a tribal member space to store and repair commercial trucks associated with his business.

Location: The project is located on Ray Road, Parcel H, part of Lot A, Section 36, T23N, R18E, Town of Oneida, County of Outagamie, WI. A draft environmental assessment (EA) has been prepared regarding this proposed action in compliance with the Oneida Environmental Policy (2-13-93B) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The draft EA contains project information, affected environment, project alternatives and consultation letters. Comments were requested from the US Fish and Wildlife Service regarding possible impacts to threatened and endangered species, and from the Oneida Tribe and State Historical Society of Wisconsin about possible impacts to historic properties. No significant impacts to these resources are anticipated, and recommendations from these sources will be followed.

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date of this NOA. Contact Tom Nelson at (920) 497-5812 Ext. 146 or write Oneida Environmental Department, PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155 for additional information.

Dream Homes

2892 West Point Rd.,

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Open House

May 8 from 4:00-6:00 pm

May 10 from 10am-Noon

Application deadline:

May 16, 2003.

Ranch home, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bathrooms. Selling price - \$92,000; Minimum down payment - \$4,600; Monthly gross income needed - \$2,419; Estimated monthly Real Estate tax payment - \$114.20. Estimated monthly mortgage payment - \$563.12.

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May 8 from 4:00-6:00 pm

May 10 from 10am-noon

Application deadline:

May 16, 2003.

Tri-level home, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bathrooms. Selling price - \$145,500; Minimum down payment - \$7,275; Monthly gross income needed - \$3,495; Estimated monthly Real Estate tax

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Amendments to the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Law which would, among other things: (1) Remove the profitability requirement whereby a Tribal entity needs to demonstrate that it would be unprofitable *without* a liquor license; (2) Specifically direct the Oneida License Department to issue the liquor licenses and maintain record keeping and the enforcement of licenses.

When: Tuesday, May 6, 2003

Where: Business Committee Conference Room

Time: 5:00 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS

I. Testimony:

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

B. Written: For those who cannot attend the scheduled public hearing or do not plan to speak at the hearing, the Oneida Tribe encourages those to submit written testimony. A maximum of ten (10) pages, doubled spaced, can be submitted within ten (10) business days from the date of public hearing to the Tribal Secretary (Julie Barton) or Bridget Long, Legislative Reference Office at the Norbert Hill Center, 2nd floor or at N7210 Seminary Rd., Oneida WI 54155.

* If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed policy or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Bridget Long at the Legislative Reference Office via GroupWise blong@oneidanation.org or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office Fax # is 869-4399.

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