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Roulette dealer Rick Charniak collects the players chips as player Russ Tilot can't bear to watch. Roulette and craps were played for the first time at Oneida Casino on August 25. Poker tables will soon follow in the upcoming weeks.

## Let the games begin

By Phil Wisneski  
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More games, more fun and more customers. That is what Gaming General Manager Neil Cornelius is hoping for as the Oneida Casino rolled out two new games on August 25. If the first day is any indication, Cornelius' hopes will become a reality.

Only two hours into operation the craps table was filled to capacity with anxious customers. The same held true for the roulette wheel. Roulette player Russ Tilot of Green Bay, said it was his first time playing and that he was having a good time.

"It's a blast," he said.

Currently there are two roulette wheels and two craps tables at the casino.



**Gaming General Manager Neil Cornelius**

"We're very excited for our guests, our employees and the Oneida Nation. We've got a bunch of people already enjoying the new excitement and entertainment," Cornelius said.

With the new gaming compact that was signed April 25, the Oneida Casino now has the ability to have roulette, craps, para-mutual betting

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New Games**

## Land claim GTC rescheduled

By Keith Skenandore  
Kalihwisaks

Oneida tribal officials walked away from the Aug. 25 general tribal council meeting disappointed as once again there was no quorum to discuss the Oneida land claim issue.

A rescheduled date of Monday, Sept. 15 has been approved and Bill Gollnick, Oneida land claim representative, said the business committee and land claim repre-

sentatives received a high degree of support. If no quorum is reached at the Sept. 15 meeting, it was suggested that the business committee proceed forward on its course to reaching a settlement.

Settlement options in the mediation process have not changed, according to Gollnick. He said the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, still, and always have, "sought monetary damages and land."

"We haven't moved from

that position," he said.

Gollnick said there was discussion of what the Oneidas of Wisconsin opportunities and limitations are, but the tribe's fate could be in the hands of the Cayuga land claim case.

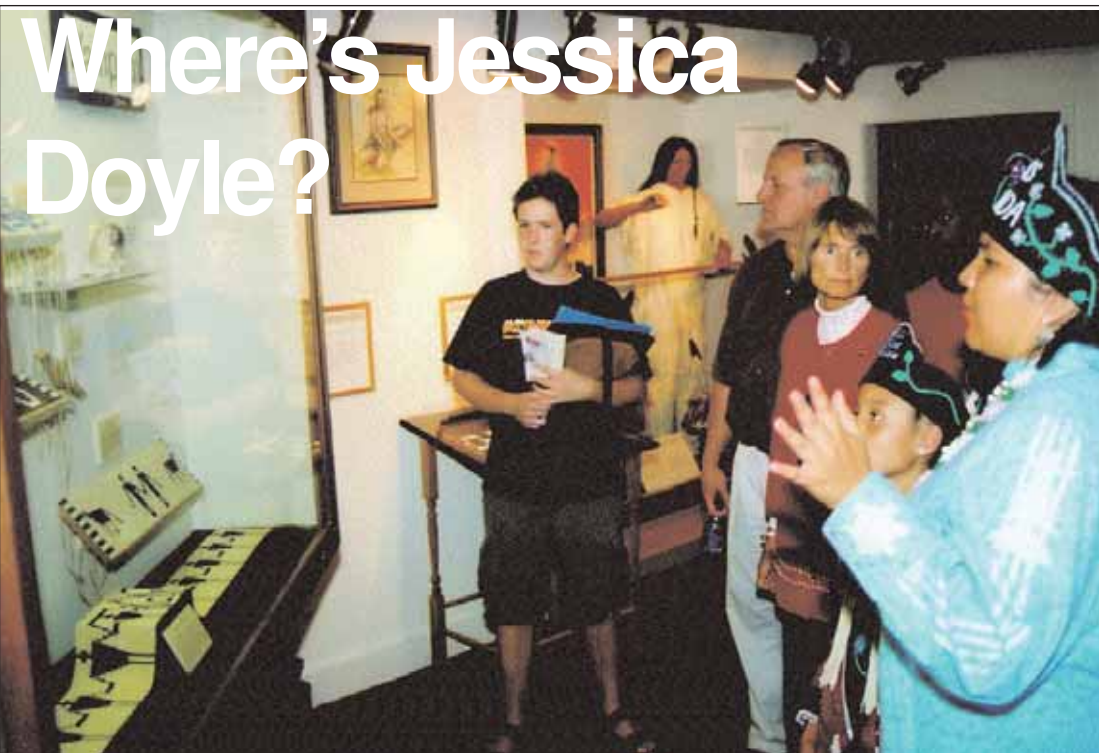
In 2001, U.S. District Judge Neal P. McCurn jointly awarded \$247.9 million to the Seneca-Cayugas and to the Cayuga Indian Nation of New York after ruling the state had illegally acquired the reserva-

tion land more than 200 years ago. The award and ruling are under appeal, and the town is challenging the tribe's assertion that it is entitled to self-governance on the land.

"With the Cayuga case moving towards the Supreme Court," said Gollnick, "there fate is going to be our fate unless we come to some other decision or accommodation

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Land Claims**

## Where's Jessica Doyle?



Photos by Phil Wisneski

Miss Oneida Jessica Powless, above, gives Wisconsin's First Lady Jessica Doyle and State Senator David Hansen a tour of the Oneida Nation museum. Doyle visited the museum to promote a new tourism/ learning website for the state. Bottom: Zack Webster and Alexis Metoxen show their moves to Doyle.

## Wisconsin's First Lady promotes tourism at Oneida Nation Museum

By Phil Wisneski  
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Wisconsin First Lady, Jessica Doyle, made a stop at the Oneida Museum on August 26 to promote a new web site and tourism program aimed at allowing middle school age children the ability to help parents plan family vacations in Wisconsin.

The new program entitled, "Where in Wisconsin is Jessica Doyle?" starts September 12 and lets students follow along with Doyle and her visits around Wisconsin at her website <http://wherisjessica.wi.gov>.

The site is designed to allow students to learn about the places and the heritage and culture that is present in Wisconsin by answering weekly quiz questions. Students that correctly answer

the questions are eligible for weekly prizes as well as a grand prize at the end of the year.

"Our state is rich with history, culture and beauty. I hope to encourage people to visit places like this one. The Oneida Nation Museum is a great asset to this state," Doyle said.

Doyle said the goal of the project was to have students realize that there is an abundance of interesting and informative places in Wisconsin that are affordable and accessible to everyone.

The Oneida dancers, along with the drum group Sacred Leader, also gave Doyle a dance presentation. After the dance presentation Doyle was given a tour of the Oneida Museum by Miss Oneida Jessica Powless.



Photo by Keith Skenandore

Oneida Casino employee James Mosher, third from left, an Oneida casino blackjack dealer, poses with members of the Oneida Business Committee, and his new Jeep Cherokee that he won at the HONOR celebration held on Aug 18. See Page 4A for story and Page 8A for the list of prize winners.

## And the winner is...



## Special election set for September 27

**Oneida, Wis.** - A date of September 27 has been approved by the Oneida Business Committee for the special election of the 11 seats for the Oneida Gaming Commission.

The special election is being held following a ruling by the Oneida Appeals Commission upholding gaming commission candidate Gary G. Metoxen's injunction against the July 26 elections.

Metoxen was inadvertently left off the July 26 election

ballot, thus deeming the certification of the gaming commission results invalid.

The remainder of the election results were certified by the Oneida Business Committee on Aug. 13.

The Sept. 27 elections will be held at the Oneida Police Department, 2783 Freedom Road, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Voters are required to bring a picture identification.

A sample ballot will be published in a future edition of the *Kalihwisaks*.

**About 50 percent of casino  
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Beloit Casino**



## Local

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and different variations of poker. The poker tables have yet to be installed as training of employees is still in progress. According to Table games Director Frank Cornelius, three card poker and Let it Ride tables will be up and running within a few weeks. Pai Gow, Caribbean Stud and mini baccarat will be available by the end of the year.

According to new floor plans, one Pai Gow table and two mini baccarat tables will be put in the high stakes area. While the other poker tables will be distributed among the other black jack tables in the pit areas. No slot machines will be taken off the casino

floor to accommodate the new tables.

Neil Cornelius said that the addition of the new games levels the playing with surrounding states. Michigan has been allowed to offer all the games, Minnesota has had perpetual compacts and the river boats in Illinois have all had advantages against Oneida and other Wisconsin casinos. "We can now keep those patrons and dollars here in Wisconsin," Cornelius said.

With the new games and hopefully new customers, Neil Cornelius said that expansion is ultimately going to take place. Though he could not give any specific details. Cornelius did say that

they are in the process of planning right now.

"We have two staffs, two infrastructures and what we are looking at is what the best scenario for the future in terms of buildings, staffs and amenities for guests. There is very likely going to be changes," he said.

Changes are also taking place for the employees. The table games employees have been training since July 28 immediately following federal approval of the newly amended compact. There also will be about 50 new job openings as table games dealers.

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before that occurs."

"Cayuga is going to be the cookie cutter for other tribes."

He said the tribe is facing a window that is limited but one that has a lot of opportunity. Economic pressures facing the State of New York has raised the issue of Indian casinos tied to the land claims.

Late last year, the Seneca-Cayuga of Oklahoma purchased the 229 acres in the Town of Aurelius, and announced plans to build a \$25 million bingo hall on the property.

Gollnick said there is a desire of a part of people in the Catskills to generate their economy with a casino. He said a lot of interest has been expressed by other tribes in the area regarding casino options.

Adding to the complexity of the land claim was last months ruling by the U.S. 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals upholding the Oneida Indian Nation of New York's right to tax-exempt status as they buy properties within their former reservation lands.

The federal appeals court agreed in a 2-1 vote that nation-owned land, recently repurchased by the Nation in the nearby town of Sherrill cannot be taxed. Said the court: "Because the Oneidas' reservation was not disestablished and because the Sherrill properties are located within that reservation, we conclude that Sherrill can neither tax the land nor evict the Oneidas."

Gollnick said Oneidas victory acknowledges that lands acquired by the government within the traditional homelands is essentially nation land, and not taxable.

"Nation land presumes that there is also jurisdiction," he said.

With that in mind, Gollnick said the Oneidas of Wisconsin are watching with interest the Seneca-Cayuga case.

The Post-Standard in Syracuse, N.Y. reported the town of Aurelius has asked a federal judge to issue a preliminary injunction to halt construction of the Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma's

high-stakes bingo hall in western Cayuga County.

A motion filed this week on behalf of the town and county, says unregulated construction of the bingo hall poses public health and traffic safety issues. It also says the Seneca-Cayugas are not entitled to sovereign nation rights on their 229 acres at Route 90 and Routes 5 & 20.

"They can't build the gaming operation in New York state without the sovereignty," Aurelius Supervisor Ed Ide said Tuesday.

The tribe says it has sovereign immunity on the land.

A hearing to decide the issue is scheduled Sept. 8 before U.S. District Judge Neal P. McCurn.

Gollnick said the Seneca-Cayuga tribe is asserting they have the right to declare land within the traditional Cayuga territory as nation land, and to "proceed with what there building currently, which is a Class II gaming facility."

As this takes place, Gollnick said Oneida continues with the mediation process "where we are talking about various alternatives to continue litigation."

He referred to the 57 individual lawsuits against 57 property owners within Madison and Oneida counties that lie within the reservation of New York.

"That could result in the acquisition of land," said Gollnick.

There is also the main lawsuit of the land claim where Wisconsin Oneidas, along with the Oneidas of New York and Ontario, Canada are suing the two counties for the return of 250,000 acres the state purchased in the 18th and 19th centuries.

The Oneidas of Wisconsin, according to Gollnick, have consistently asserted their position that there needs to be both land within the claim area and damages to be determined by negotiation.

"We haven't moved from that position, and we do not intend to," he said. Damages could include a casino in the Catskills.

Monetary damages are not promising with the economic aftermath following Sept. 11. Gollnick said during the mediation process two years ago under Ronald Riccio, former dean of the Seton Hall Law School, that he determined a fund that totaled \$500 million based on assurances what would be made available to him by the federal government and the State.

"That dollar amount didn't correspond with the value of our land," said Gollnick. "It didn't correspond with the amount of time we were denied use of our land. It didn't correspond with anything except that as one part of the settlement the State and the feds would jointly contribute to make the \$500 million figure."

On top of that, Gollnick said there would have been considerations of land and jurisdiction, along with other issues.

"When Riccio's mediation process ended, that offer went with it," he said.

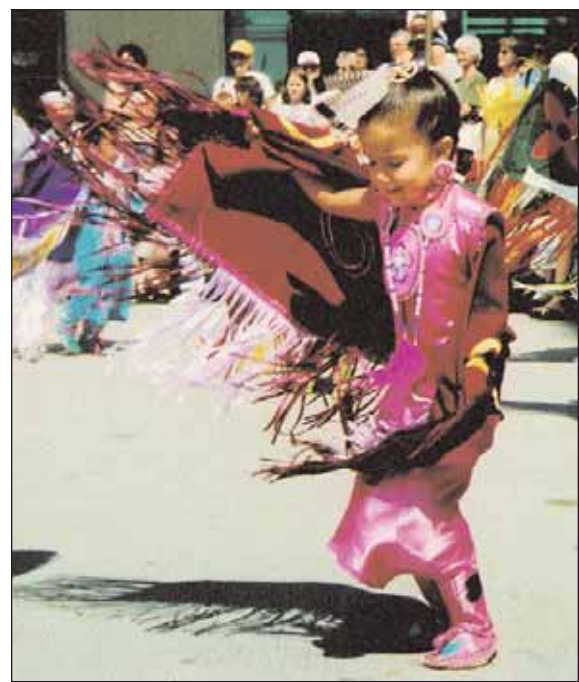
Following Sept. 11, Gollnick said there was a desire by the State of New York to resurrect that dollar amount, but "those dollars are simply not there."

Gollnick said the only way the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin are in control in the process is to prevail in their negotiation as an alternative to the lawsuit. Otherwise a victory in the Cayuga case could mean only monetary damages in the Oneida land claim.

"What we would be awarded would be determined by someone else," he said. "If we're able to negotiate terms, then we're able to continue to improve land in this process. That's really our only alternative."

"If we stopped (negotiations) pretty much nothing happens. If we don't continue to proceed at this point and we choose to vacate the claim, the claim is forever done."

### Dancing in the streets



Photos courtesy of LeeAnn Laes

Above: Bri BzDawka shows off to the Art Street crowd. Left: William Belisle danced as if the pavement was on fire in the streets of downtown Green Bay. Art Street was held August 23 & 24. The Oneida dancers have become a fixture to the downtown event and are always one of the crowd favorites.

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# Passing On

## Danforth, Mitchell



Mitchell Wayne Danforth, Jr., 20, of Mesquite, Texas was born on Feb. 4, 1983 and passed away on Aug4, 2003. He was a 2001 graduate of North Mesquite High School. Beloved son, brother and friend, Mitchell will be greatly missed.

He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He was baptized at and a member of Meadow Creek Community Church.

Mitchell is survived by his mother and step-father, Victoria and Keith Jones, his father: Mitchell Wayne Danforth, Sr., sister: Christina Danforth, brother: Jonathan Danforth, niece Chloe Danforth, grandfather: Kenneth Julius Danforth, grandmothers: Dolores Chavez, Yvonne Honea and Mildred Jones, uncles: Carlos Flores, Andy Flores, Gilbert Flores, Rudy Flores, Claude Danforth, Sr., Tim Jones and Pat Jones, aunts: Virginia and husband Frank Evans and Brenda Jones, cousins: Jessica, Lauren, Jared and Cristan Evans, Claude, Jr. and wife Rocio, Jamie and Chris Danforth, Paul, Jeffery, Amanda, Teresa and Makaylia Jones and numerous friends.

## Ninham, Joycelyn

Joycelyn "Joy" Faye (Moon) Ninham, 72, Wa'tokha tsi? Yothale, (She Who Talks With Wisdom) died late Wednesday evening, August 20, 2003, at her home in Oneida, WI. She was born December 5, 1930 to the late Delbert & Eleanor (Wheelock) Moon in Shawano, WI. On October 14, 1950 she married Vernon Ninham at Oneida Lutheran Church, Oneida. Joy was an active Oneida Nation community leader for nearly 35 years. She served in several capacities, one being the elected Treasurer for the Oneida Tribal Council, currently known as the Oneida Business Committee. Later, she was elected to the position of Councilmember. Joy retired from her elected position in 1982.

Joy was also involved with the Episcopal Church as an elected official and volunteer. She was elected to the General Convention and served three terms totaling 9 years and was also elected to the National Committee on Indian Work (NCIW) as a founding board member. Joy was instrumental in establishing several service programs that contributed to the ongoing development of the Oneida Nation community.

Along with her husband Vernon, they continued performing volunteer work for the Episcopal Church before and after retirement. Joy and Vernon spent five years volunteering with the Asian Refugee Program through Christ Episcopal Church in Green Bay. Their most exciting experience was volunteering at the Cook Christian School for Native Americans in Tempe, Arizona.

Most recently, Joy was elected to the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging. During her tenure she and other volunteers completed production of a set of videos featuring five Oneida elders sharing stories and memories.

She is survived by her husband Vernon, Oneida three sons and daughters-in-law, Paul & Jill Ninham & Mark & Barb Ninham, Oneida, Dan & Susan Ninham, Bemidji, MN, Seven Grandchildren, Curtis Ninham, Travis Air Force Base, CA, Jamie Betters, Kimberly & Cory Ninham, Oneida; Byron, Lydia & Simone Ninham, Bemidji, MN; Two great-grandsons Nathan & Andrew Ninham, Green Bay, three brothers-in-law & six sisters-in-law, several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Joy is preceded in death by her parents Delbert & Eleanor (Wheelock) Moon, two Brothers Virgil & Vernon Moon, one sister Phyllis Torrez.

Active Casket bearers were Bob Torrez, Rick Wheelock, Artley Skenandore, Curt Moon, Joe Torrez, Dave Wheelock.

Honorary Casket bearers were Anne Wheelock-Gonzales, Dorothy Skenandore, Leslie Wheelock, Tim Torrez, Tom Torrez, Ken Wheelock, Roger Arms, Wayne Cornelius, Lyle Ninham.


The family would like to thank Unity Hospice, espe-

cially Linda, and other caregivers for the quality of care provided during Joy's illness that allowed her to remain in her home. A special thank you to the clergy Father Dewey Silas, Deacon Edmond Powless, Pastor Mark Kleisner, and Artley Skenandore for their support. Many thanks to Joe Schinkten and the staff at Ryan Funeral Home. Finally, thanks, love and appreciation to all family, friends and relatives who shared their words, concern and comfort for the family of Joy Ninham.

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# Home sweet home



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Pastor Shawn Suri preaches at the Riverview Baptist Church's new location at 3507 W. Mason St. Riverview is one of the fastest growing churches in the state.

## By Phil Wisneski

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The Riverview Baptist Church has finally found a home at 3807 West Mason Street near Ridgeview Plaza. After bouncing around at different locations, including the latest site at the Oneida Recreation facility on Hwy. H, the church finally has a place to call home.

On August 3, the church held a grand opening including food, beverages and gifts. There was a total of 51 people at the service. There were 18 first time visitors. New visitors keep coming in droves to the new church.

"Since moving to our permanent location, we have had 50 first time visitors in four weeks," said Pastor Shawn Suri.

According to Pastor Suri, Riverview is one of the fastest growing churches in the state.

Another important date is approaching for the church. On September 3, Riverview Baptist Church will conduct its official Charter Service. This service will include the

signing of documents that will govern the independent Baptist Church.

Hopewell Baptist Church from Napa, California was the sending church. Hopewell's Pastor Mike Ray and some of it's members will be attending the charter service. All Oneida community members are encouraged to attend this historic event.

"Very rare is it, that a church is planted in a community and make it this far to a Charter Service. It is not common in Wisconsin or in the United States and it is happening right here in Oneida," said Pastor Suri.


Hopewell Baptist Church knew pastor Suri was Oneida and looked at the opportunity to spread the word of the Lord to start a new church in Oneida. So they sent Pastor Suri and his family home to Wisconsin to start Riverview Baptist Church.

Service times are Sundays 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. A Thursday evening Bible study also takes place at 7 p.m.

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# Oneida Nation rewards, honors, all supporters of gaming compact

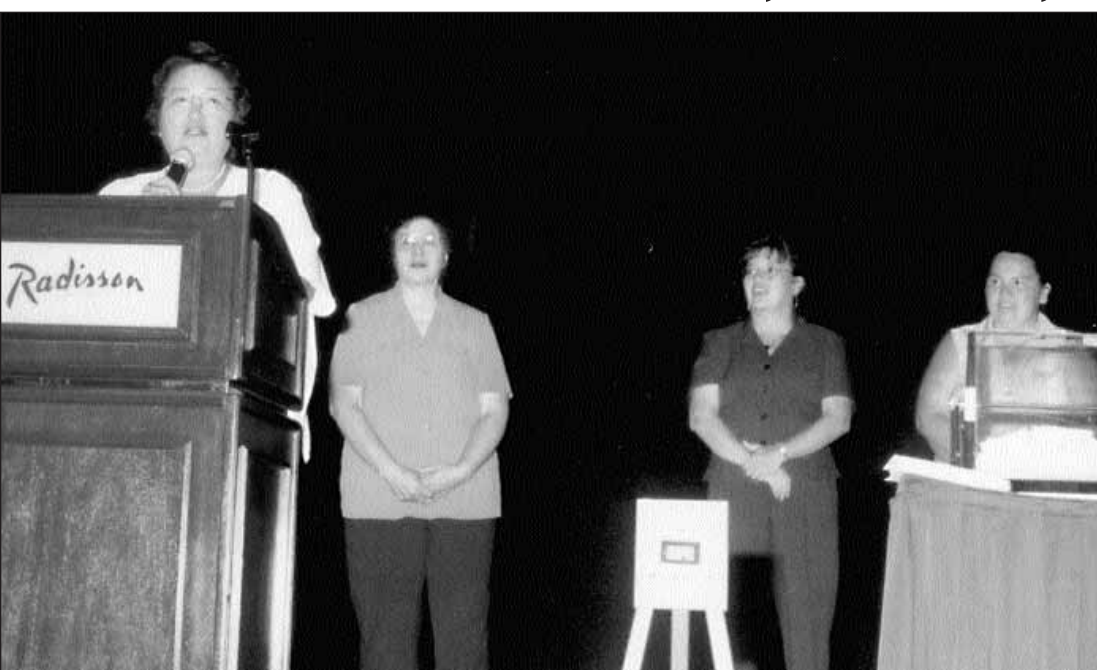


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Oneida Nation Vice-Chairwoman, Kathy Hughes, announces Arthur "Mike" King as the tribal employee grand prize winner of a PT Cruiser at the "HONOR Through Success" celebration held on August 18. Behind Hughes joining in the prize drawing announcements were Secretary Julie Barton, Councilwoman Trish King, and Treasurer Mercie Danforth.

By Keith Skenandore

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Like a scene from a game show the Oneida Business Committee played game show hosts as they gave out over 300 prizes in celebration of their renewed gaming compact.

"HONOR Through Success" was a celebration of the concluded negotiations for the amendment of the Oneida gaming compact which solidifies the gaming operation for the tribe.

Grand prizes raffled off included a 2002 Jeep Liberty, a PT Cruiser, trips to Orlando and San Diego, and four Brett Favre oil paintings. Along with prizes, fun, food and free entertainment was also provided.

HONOR, Honoring the Oneida Nation on the Reservation, held on August 18, brought together the citizens and employees of the tribe, along with friends and supporters, in recognition of the historic gaming agreement.

The tribe's gaming compact appeared in the Federal Register on July 22, 2003. Negotiations concluded with Wisconsin Governor James Doyle as an amendment extending the 1991 Oneida gaming compact was signed on April 25.

Oneida Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes thanked the Oneida Nation employees and its membership for their support throughout the negotiation process.

"It really made a difference to have that support demonstrated," said Hughes. "Your support is the result of our success."

"HONOR Through Success" enabled the Oneida Nation to thank all their supporters - tribal employees (gaming and non-gaming), citizens, and friends of the Nation - with prizes raffled off throughout the entire day's celebration held at the Three Clans Conference Room of the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center.

James Mosher, blackjack dealer at the casino, won the Jeep Liberty in the gaming employee prize division. Mosher was on hand to assist with the craps and roulette demonstrations that were popular with the crowd.

"I heard my name as I was assisting with the (roulette) demonstration," said Mosher. "I was in shock."

"This is the first major prize I ever won. I'm a little on edge."

Tribal employee Arthur "Mike" King was awarded the PT Cruiser. King, who was not present at the 9:00 pm

prize drawing, couldn't believe he won the car when contacted.

"I was asked what I would like to win," said King, "and I said, 'I'm not going to win.' I don't believe it. I usually don't win."

King was contacted by his brother-in-law Paul Danforth, and King didn't believe him at first.

"I believe it now," said King. "I'm pretty excited. I never won anything like this."

Trip recipients of the tribally enrolled members category and the friends of the Oneida Nation category were Melanie Rae Miller and Sue Nelson of Seymour, respectively.

Prize winners of the Brett Favre paintings were Randall J. Srenaski, Danielle Benson, Brandon Scott Metoxen and Teresa Runge. Each recipient was selected from one of the four categories.

All other celebration winners (see Page 8A) can contact the Oneida Communications Department at 920-869-4340 to pick up their prize.

"In reality I think we are all grand prize winners," said Oneida Councilwoman Trish King, referring to the tribe's gaming compact. "I look forward to an extended time in the gaming industry."

## Safety first at this camp



Photos by Phil Wisneski

Oneida area youth participated in the annual Safety Town at the County Highway H recreation facility from August 11-15. Above: An Oneida fireman watches as a participant shows the proper way to stop, drop and roll if they were caught on fire. Right: Oneida Police Officer Jack Mehojah watches closely as a youngster navigates through the "hallways of their home" as if it were on fire. The day camp stressed importance of safety among the children in the community. Other safety areas covered were; motor vehicle-pedestrian, bicycle, bus, safety belts, poisons, railroad crossings playground, animal and strangers.

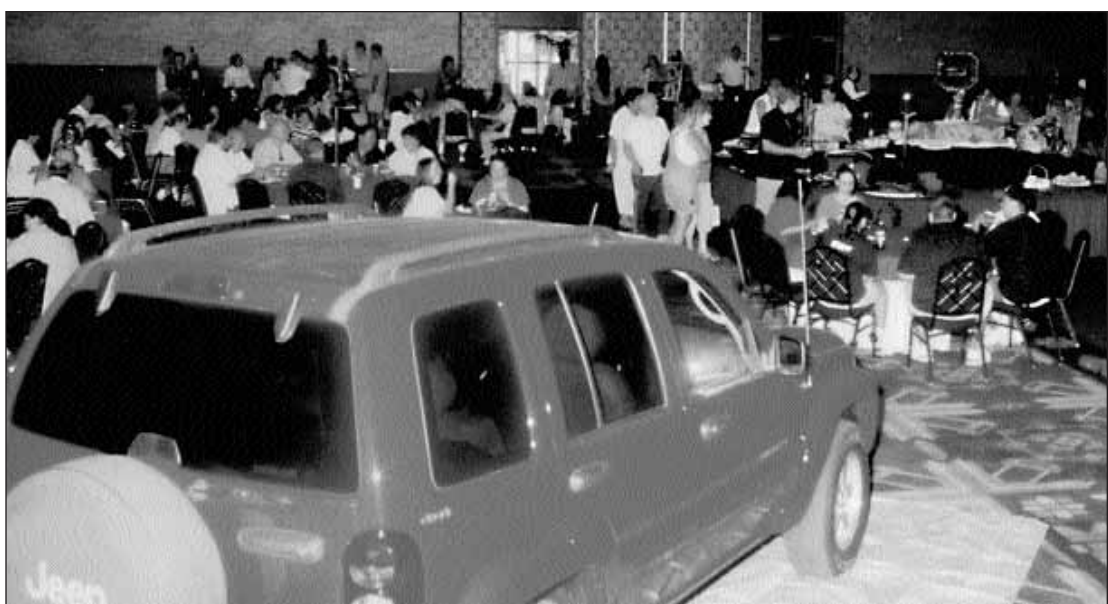
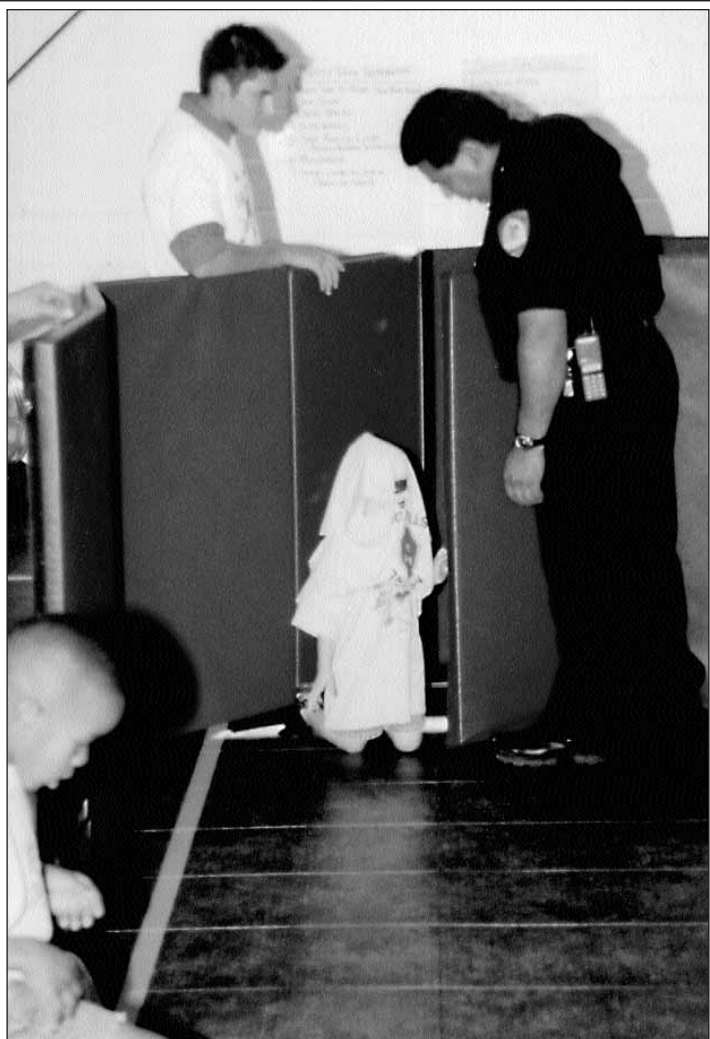



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The crowd enjoys fun, food and music as they eagerly await the prize raffle at the "HONOR Through Success" celebration.




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# Legislative Review/Letters & Opinions

## Vice-Chairwoman's Corner

### Native Tourism

I attended the Native American Tourism Conference held in Phoenix, Arizona. Because of casinos, the Tribes get a lot of attention from tourists but it is not well recognized that we have a lot more to offer than just the casinos. The Tourism Organization that we are a member of is working to enhance the image of reservations and promote the cultural value of visiting reservations. This conference was a national conference with close to 400 participants. We will be hosting the 2004 National Conference here at the Radisson in. To begin promoting the conference being held here, we hosted the closing reception. I think it is the

first time that the Wisconsin Secretary of Tourism, Jim Holperin attended an event such as this. It speaks well of the new relationship developing with the Governor's office to have one of his staff actually attending a Native American Tourism event. We hope for better things in the future.

### Oneida Land Claims

Land claims is taking a major part of the Committee's time. If it means we can get back to the table and resolve the settlement, it will be time well spent. We feel very strongly that the opportunities exist now to settle this claim. If we do not pick up on this opportunity, there may never be a settlement as we wish to

see it. The Cayuga case is going forward through the Court System and, if it should be settled before ours, then the best we can hope for is a cash settlement and nothing else. Unfortunately, a cash settlement would also, in essence be nothing, because the State of New York and the Federal Government cannot afford to pay out on any kind of cash award. We were 5 people



Vice-Chairwoman  
Kathy Hughes

short of a quorum at Monday (Aug. 25) evening's General Tribal Council Meeting. A new date will be established for a meeting in September and I encourage you to attend. The time is now to settle this claim but it can't be done without input from the GTC. This Business Committee needs your support to move forward with the activities necessary to bring this to closure.

### Checking out the Farm

But there has still been time available lately to get out and see what is happening on the reservation. I should have done this a long time ago but a visit to the farm finally came up on my schedule. To see the reports, you would think we are only raising Buffalo but there is a lot more that we are doing. The Black Angus herd is still being maintained. Crops are planted to provide the feed for the herds and also white corn for the Cannery, along with other cash crops. My hope is that someday this will provide a service to the Membership as it was originally intended and we will all be able to buy our meat and vegetables through

the farm at a rate much lower than that on the open market. If we can't do this, then why have the farm. We give a large tribal contribution to maintain this operation and if the Membership is the beneficiary of the service then I see no problem with the tribal contribution.

### Stay in Touch

I took a weeks vacation and am trying to catch up on the reading. It stacks up really fast and takes work just to get enough ahead to be able to keep up with what is going on. If you have any concerns that may need follow up the Committee is here to help. We may be hard to reach but messages are always answered so don't give up.

## Letters to the Editor

As an elder of the Oneida Tribe, I witnessed an event that left me thinking. I was at a hearing for my son. At the start of the hearing the Judicial Officers, Leland Wigg-Ninham, Linda Cornelius and Winnifred Thomas, stated to both parties, that they had meet in chambers and had already made a decision on the case.

This made me wonder, why did they ask both parties to do an opening statement and ask questions to both parties? My son defended himself in all questions asked and in his responses. The other party had no idea as to what they were doing. They did not know the Laws or how to answer the questions. They argued on points that were not even being asked or discussed.

After about twenty minutes of questions and answers, the Judicial Officers, stated that both parties should talk and try to resolve the issue. The Judicial Officers were going to take a ten minute recess and then come back into session.

When the court was back in session, the Lead Judicial Officer never asked if the parties had talked, they just made a ruling, Motion to dismiss with PREJUDICE. Never gave any reasons as to why they made the Motion to dismiss with prejudice, just got up and left the room. The other party had no idea as to what had been said or had happen.

other party came back into the room, the recorder said they could leave, court was over. The other party stated, they were told to come back in. As we were leaving, the court room door was shut and the other party had a discussion with the Judicial Officers.

It made me wonder as to what was said and discussed behind closed doors. It also made me wonder as to why the Judicial Officers even asked any questions. It seem to me, that it was cut and dried, that no matter what my son said or done, he had already lost.

Are these Judicial Officers so sure of themselves that they can do what they want and nothing can happen to them. Who or what made them above the Laws of Oneida? Are they so sure of their jobs, that they do not care about what they do or who they hurt in the process.

As an elder, this makes me wonder, what is going to happen in the next four years with these people as Judicial Officers? What I seen and heard on August 14, 2003 scared me and makes me afraid of what going to happen to the Oneida Tribe and the People of the Oneida Tribe, with these people as Judicial Officers who think they are above the Law. That dismiss with PREJUDICE, look up the word prejudice and decide for your self, are these, the people you want running your court.

William Graham  
New London, Wis.

As we were leaving, the

## BC Briefing...

### It's Time to Create a Path so our Land Claims can take a Positive Course of Action

On Monday, August 25, 2003 a General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting was held, and regrettably we fell short of achieving a quorum. However, the meeting did turn into a community briefing and I think that the General Manager, Bill Gollnick, did an excellent job of framing all the issues (given the current political & legal environment) that are present today in our land claims case. He also shed sufficient light on all the dynamics that face us over the next few months.

In this article I want to cover a few of these issues, while ultimately requesting that the Oneida people "please attend the re-scheduled GTC meeting on the Land Claims issue." I encourage you to consider the following.

Generations of effort have been devoted to securing a settlement on our land claim in New York. Members of

our government have traveled to New York, Philadelphia, a n d Washington, D.C. since the 1820's. Since the second favorable U.S. Supreme Court decision in 1985, we have been in a process of negotiation and litigation. We have been honest, forthright, and committed. We have not, however, been successful.

Over the years we have tried to envision the proper remedy for the taking of our homeland. Numerous plans and strategies have been considered by our community and at various times directed by our General Tribal Council. Two years ago, there was support for an approach that would include land in our traditional homeland and financial damages as the key provisions of an agreement. It was also understood that a casino in the Catskills could address the damages portion of the



Councilman  
Vince DelaRosa

claim. As our efforts have continued, the landscape around us has changed. The State of New York post-9/11 does not have resources, and neither does the federal government. The Cayugas have gotten out in front of us in the movement toward the U.S. Supreme Court, but our case is stronger than theirs. Because our case hinges on the same treaties as theirs, should they not do well, their result will likely be the basis for our result. The Cayugas went into their suit seeking land and jurisdiction as well as damages, but the court held that they were entitled only to damages. If they loose, the claim will be over for all of us.

To preserve land as a component of a settlement and to ensure that we maximize our options for a viable remedy much work has been done on strategic steps to move us forward productively

through continued negotiation and legal pressure. There are additional steps that we are prepared to pursue that we feel will break through the log jam and get this done. We want, however, to clarify our status and time line and respond to questions before we make our next push.

On August 25 we were short by only 2-3 people of being able to convene a meeting with a quorum. We did however have a good dialogue. On Tuesday, August 26th I was informed that our commitment to convening another meeting would occur as quickly as possible and that our target is September 15. I encourage you all to come.

This generation can realize a good and honorable closure to the claim. We now believe that terms could be agreed upon in months. We want you to be a part of the discussion. Please participate, and please bring friends and relatives. Be informed on this most important issue!

Thanks for reading my article.

## Final reminder from the Enrollment Department regarding per capita

Per Capita payments for to be processed in September the year 2003 are scheduled 2003 and mailed out by

September 30, 2003, for those that we reflect having received a payment form by the deadline. The following recaps the schedule/deadlines for the 2003 Per Capita Payment.

\* Tribal members that were enrolled as of February 28, 2003 and are age 18 before September 1, 2003 are eligible for the 2003 Per Capita Payment. (Note: Eligible minor's will have their payment placed in a Trust Account)

\* In June 2003, the 2003 Per Capita Payment forms will be mailed to each eligible member address reflected as of May 30, 2003 at the Enrollment Department only. (Please remember it is the responsibility of the member or their assigned Power of Attorney / Guardian to keep their address current. Please remember that an address update WILL NOT change your payment address. It is the responsibility of each member to request for a new payment form and have it in the Enrollment Department by August 29, 2003, if they

want to change the address which their payment is to be sent.)

\* Deadline for receipt of the Per Capita Payment Form is August 29, 2003. (Form must be completely filled out, signed, notarized and date stamped received by the Oneida Enrollment Department)

\* Deadline for the Voluntary Tax Form is August 29, 2003. (Form must be date stamped received by the Oneida Enrollment Department)

\* Tentative date for mailing out Per Capita payments is September 30, 2003.

\* NO FAXED FORMS WILL BE HONORED. NO EXCEPTIONS.

The Oneida Enrollment Department is still looking for a number of members that have not claimed their 2002 payment(s). The deadline for claiming these monies is August 29, 2003. Many of these people include persons that have not remained in contact with our office. We appreciate your assistance in helping us to locate these members.



Letters must be limited to 500 words. All letters are subject to editing and **must have your signature, address and phone number for confirmation. Confirmation of letters will be needed before publication. kalihwisaks has the right to refuse publication of submitted letters.**

Effective January 1, 2001 per Kalihwisaks Policies & Procedures, Section I (c)(4), "Individuals will not be allowed to submit more than eight (8) letters per year regardless of topics." For more information on Kalihwisaks Policies & Procedures, please contact (920) 869-4277.

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Although Kalihwisaks requires a final signed submission from our readers who write in, you can e-mail us now - and send the hard copy through the mail - to ensure we get your submission in time for the deadline day. E-mail your letters to:

**Keith Skenandore - kskena@oneidanation.org**

*If you have any questions, please feel free to call (920) 869-4277.*

### Notice of...

## 2003 Special Election

**SATURDAY  
September 27, 2003**

**8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.**

**ONEIDA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2783 Freedom Road • Oneida, Wisconsin**

- **Picture identification is required for voting!**
- **Children will not be allowed in the voting area!**



# Sports

## Wings of America takes flight to Oneida



**Bob Nakaidinae**  
Program Director  
Wings of America  
By Yvonne Kaquatosh

Kalihwisaks  
Wings of America, an American Indian youth development program based in Santa Fe, New Mexico, held its first fitness clinic east of the Mississippi when the facilitators came to Oneida, Wisconsin.

But, says, Wings Program Director Bob Nakaidinae, the long range plans are to involve all Tribes throughout the U.S. and Canada.

The Wings Running and Fitness Clinic was held at the Civic Center in Oneida on August 14 and 15 for youth ages 7 to 18.

The facilitators included Wings of America runners Valencia Tilden, Andy Yazzie and Vanessa Chicharello, (aka Chili) All four are of Navajo descent, and were on hand from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm both days to teach health and fitness tips, nutrition, and traditional games.

Teaching participants how



Photo by Yvonne Kaquatosh

On day 2, participants interact with the facilitators during one of the many exercises.

to motivate their families to engage in healthy lifestyles is also key to the success of the program.

The organization was established in 1988 to reach the most "at risk" population in the United States - American Indian youth. Their philosophy is that running has an interal place in the spiritual and ceremonial traditions of American Indian people. It is through running, they say, that Wings has found a unique way to help Indian youth

identify with their proud heritage and overcome some of the challenges they face.

Edison Eskeets is the Executive Director of the organization.

Several Oneida tribal members have been involved with Wings in the past and at present. Oneida tribal member Anne Wheelock Gonzales is currently the Associate Director of Wings and has been employed with the orga-

nization for the past 8 1/2 years. And she says, several other Oneida tribal members have been involved with Wings over the years - as runners and volunteers - including Chairwoman Tina Danforth who now sits on the Board of Directors. Others include: Dan Ninham and his wife Susan. The couple coordinated Wings' programs in the Great Lakes region for several years. Randy

Cornelius has made several trips to the nationals; while Paul Ninham has chaperoned trips and assisted with programming. The fitness clinic/running camp was sponsored by Oneida Recreation which is under the direction John Powless III.

## Wings of America Program Schedule 2003

### October

Jicarilla Apache Running & Fitness Clinic  
Dulce, NM

### October 9

Wings & 8 Northern -  
PeaceKeepers Run  
Taos - Tesuque, NM

### November

National Congress of  
American Indian  
Albuquerque, NM

AISES National  
Leadership Conference  
Albuquerque, NM

### November 29

Foot Locker Regional  
Races  
Midwest—Kenosha, WI  
Northeast—Bronx, NY  
South—Charlotte, NC

### December 6

Foot Locker West  
Regional Races  
West - Walnut, CA

### December

Selection of Wings team  
for USA National  
Championships to be held  
February 15-16, 2004 in  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Additionally, Wings provides speakers, clinicians and other assistance to wellness programs, conferences, athletic banquets, fairs, races, et al. Wings also distributes running and walking shoes and Track-in-the-Box units to Indian running, walking and wellness programs.

For more information, contact Wings of America, 1601 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, NM, 87505. Phone: 505-982-6761; Fax: 505-989-8995; E-mail: WingsAmer@aol.com

## Attention Oneida Sportsmen

Oneida, Wis - All Oneida sportsman license are on sale. In order to purchase a license all individuals must bring a tribal identification card and a hunter's safety card (anyone born on or after January 1, 1973). Licenses are sold at the Conservation Department located at N8305 Olson Rd., Oneida.

Some important dates to look forward to are:

### GOOSE SEASON

September 1–December 31

### BOW DEER SEASON

September 13–November 21

November 22–December 31

### GUN DEER SEASON

November 22–November 30

### MUZZLE LOADER SEASON

December 1–December 31

For a complete listing of seasons and additional information, please contact the Conservation Department at 869-1450.

## Last golf outing of season

Oneida, Wis - The Oneida Nation High School Athletic Department is having its 6th Annual Golf Outing fundraiser on September 20 at Mystery Hills Golf Course in De Pere. The cost is \$60 per person and it is a two person best ball format. This means that each player plays his or her own ball and only the best score is recorded. The fee included 18 holes of golf, cart, banquet, and prizes. There is a shot gun start at 10 a.m.

Cash awards will be distributed to first, second and third place teams. There also will be a skins game, longest drive, closest to the pin and par three contest. Separate prizes for men and women.

Space is limited to the first 30 teams. First come, first serve. Any questions call Lance Kelley at 869-4490 or 499-6983.

## Recreation member of the month

### August 2003



**Daniel Christjohn Jr.**

Daniel has been a member of Oneida Family Fitness for two years. He decided to begin an exercise program so he could improve his basketball game by getting stronger, faster and also because his dad encouraged him to exercise daily.

Since he began to exercise on a regular basis, Daniel has

improved his basketball skills dramatically. He now feels more comfortable playing basketball at a higher level of competition. Besides working on his basketball skills on the court, Daniel lifts weights three times a week to get stronger and faster.

Daniel enjoys working out at Oneida family Fitness because it has everything he needs to get into shape. Besides exercising, Daniel really enjoys playing basketball and hanging out with his friends.

Finally, Daniel's advice for changing your lifestyle habits is this, "Once you get into a habit of working out, just stick with it."

Congratulations to Daniel for all your hard work and dedication. Keep up the good work.

## Oneida Nation Volleyball Schedule

Aug. 28 (Thur.)	@Lena	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 4 (Thur)	Goodman	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 6 (Sat)	@Gresham Invite.	9 a.m.
Sept. 13 (Sat.)	@Shiocton	9 a.m.
Sept. 16 (Tue.)	@Stockbridge	7 p.m.
Sept. 18 (Thur.)	Living Word Lutheran	7 p.m.
Sept. 22 (Mon.)	@Menominee	7 p.m.
Sept. 25 (Thur.)	@Marinette C.C.	7 p.m.
Oct. 2 (Thurs.)	@Living Word Lutheran	7p.m.
Oct. 7 (Tue.)	@Coleman Faith Christ.	7 p.m.
Oct. 9 (Tue.)	Stockbridge	7 p.m.
Oct. 14 (Tue.)	Menominee	7 p.m.
Oct. 16 (Thur.)	Pembine Faith Baptist	6 p.m.

## Oneida Nation Football Schedule

Aug. 29 (Fri.)	Greenlake	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 6 (Sat)	@Lena-MCC	1 p.m.
Sept. 13 (Sat)	Living Word Luth.	1 p.m.
Sept. 19 (Fri.)	@St. Mary's Cent.	7 p.m.
Sept. 26 (Fri.)	Menominee	7 p.m.
(Grand Celebration for lights)		
Oct. 4 (Sat)	@Manitowoc Luth.	1 p.m.
Oct. 10 (Fri.)	Chicago Int.	7 p.m.
(Homecoming)		
Oct. 17 (Fri.)	F.D.L. Ojibway	7 p.m.
Oct. 23 (Thurs.)	Reedsville	7 p.m.

**Oneida**

# DEMOLITION DERBY

**Saturday, September 13, 2003**  
**Town of Oneida Vol. Fire Department**  
**NB811 Hwy H • Oneida, WI 54155**  
*Directions: 10 miles west of Green Bay on Hwy 54 or 2 miles east of Hwy 55, then 2 miles south on Hwy H.*

**Registration: 9:00 a.m.-12 Noon**  
**RACE TIME: 1:00 P.M.**

**WIN\* --**  
**ATV or**  
**\$500.00**

**\*Drawings**  
**at 3pm**  
**Must be**  
**present**  
**to Win.**

**Admission: \$5**  
**\*FREE PARKING\* FOOD\*REFRESHMENTS\***  
**Children under 12 free with paid adult**  
**For info/rules call 820-833-7817 or 820-833-2955**





HONOR PRIZE WINNERS LIST


8:30 am Drawing				8:00 pm Drawing							
Friends of the Oneida Nation		Winner	Tribally Enrolled Members	Winner	Friends of the Oneida Nation		Winner	Tribally Enrolled Members	Winners		
1	Small Pendelton Purse	Ray Liegeois	1	Small Pendelton Purse	Gordon Gonzales Jr	1	Small Pendelton Purse	Oscar Lopez	1	Small Pendelton Purse	Scott House
2	Small Pendelton Purse	Aaron B Duba	2	Small Pendelton Purse	Carol Hessemer	2	Small Pendelton Purse	Steve Degroot	2	Small Pendelton Purse	Mahlon Smith
3	Small Pendelton Purse	John Chastek	3	Small Pendelton Purse	Jeanette Kope	3	Small Pendelton Purse	Anthony Merrill	3	Small Pendelton Purse	Robert Freese
4	Small Pendelton Purse	Jennifer Carleton	4	Small Pendelton Purse	Gerald Kernan	4	Small Pendelton Purse	Ryan Finger	4	Small Pendelton Purse	Kevin Shilka
5	Small Pendelton Purse	Arlyle Doxtator	5	Small Pendelton Purse	Cody Schjoneman	5	Small Pendelton Purse	Kevin Spencer	5	Small Pendelton Purse	Allen Doxtator
6	Small Pendelton Purse	Paul Hermann	6	Small Pendelton Purse	Hudson McGee	6	Small Pendelton Purse	Dennis Mohr	6	Small Pendelton Purse	Mark Howard
7	Small Pendelton Purse	Nelson Wahlstrom	7	Small Pendelton Purse	Jeffrey House	7	Small Pendelton Purse	Harold Henn	7	Small Pendelton Purse	Susan Groner
8	Small Pendelton Purse	Becky Webster	8	Small Pendelton Purse	Isabelle Wheelock	8	Small Pendelton Purse	Mike Kubiak	8	Small Pendelton Purse	Jerome Fox
9	Small Pendelton Purse	Gertrudes C Koepke	9	Small Pendelton Purse	Tracey Kalinowski	9	Small Pendelton Purse	Richard Christianson	9	Large Pendelton Purse	John Smith
10	Small Pendelton Purse	Kathryn M Schleis	10	Large Pendelton Purse	Eunice Wozny	10	Small Pendelton Purse	Deandra Turney	10	Large Pendelton Purse	Robert Jackson
11	Small Pendelton Purse	Estanislodo Toscano	11	Large Pendelton Purse	Dorothy Tabor	11	Small Pendelton Purse	Jennifer Beisalt	11	Large Pendelton Purse	Ashley King
12	Small Pendelton Purse	Dennis Cole	12	Large Pendelton Purse	Natasha Jordan	12	Small Pendelton Purse	Don Wurth	12	Large Pendelton Purse	Michael Griger
13	Small Pendelton Purse	Karla F Baldwin	13	Large Pendelton Bag	Blake Duemer	13	Large Pendelton Purse	John Van Kawenberg	13	Large Pendelton Bag	John Antone
14	Large Pendelton Purse	Margarita Hill	14	Large Pendelton Bag	Daniel Owens	14	Large Pendelton Purse	Scott Dempsy	14	Large Pendelton Bag	Mitchell Goemer
15	Large Pendelton Purse	David Dudek	15	Large Pendelton Bag	Marilyn Elm	15	Large Pendelton Purse	Jerry Horenc	15	Large Pendelton Bag	Leo Bennett
16	Large Pendelton Purse	Elizabeth Noll	16	Large Pendelton Bag	Darius Williams-McGee	16	Large Pendelton Purse	Scott Mitcheler	16	Large Pendelton Bag	Erna Smith
17	Large Pendelton Bag	Amber Hayes	17	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Shirley Wolf	17	Large Pendelton Bag	Doug Keup	17	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Doris Wiegert
18	Large Pendelton Bag	Joey Burich	18	CD	Dustin Oroasco	18	Large Pendelton Bag	Vickie Baker	18	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Arlyn Cornelius
19	Large Pendelton Bag	Jeanette M Martin	19	Beaded Barrett	Jean Behnke	19	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Ed Kralovec	19	CD	Roy Powless
20	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Peggy Schneider	20	Silver Watch	Eric Sundquist	20	Dreamcatchers	Cynthia Rockey	20	Beaded Barrett	Noah Drake
21	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Lousnese Powless	21	Confederacy Ring	Joseph Baw	21	Dreamcatchers	Michael Braser	21	Beaded Belt Buckle	Wilson Charles
22	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Mary Nemec	22	Hiawatha Ring	Gail Webster	22	Dreamcatchers	William Berdisch	22	Silver / Turq Bracelet	Leonard Cornelius
23	Dreamcatchers	Dawn B Standing Chief	23	Confederacy Ring	Marlon Brabbs	23	Dreamcatchers	Stephen Crowe Sr	23	Silver / Turq Bracelet	Luis Aguirre
24	Dreamcatchers	Ronald Mostek	24	Silver Watch	Peter Postuma	24	Dreamcatchers	Alex Westberg	24	Silver / Turq Bracelet	Jennifer Bernitt
25	Dreamcatchers	Richie Plass	25	Confederacy Ring	Adrian Charles Comeilus	25	Dreamcatchers	Charlotte Charles	25	Confederacy Ring	Jason Dayberry


3:00 pm Drawing					
Friends of the Oneida Nation		Winners	Tribally Enrolled Members	Winners	
1	Small Pendelton Purse	Alyssa Dombrowski	1	Small Pendelton Purse	Angela LaVoy
2	Small Pendelton Purse	Bob Schulze	2	Small Pendelton Purse	Kenneth Kurowski
3	Small Pendelton Purse	Julia Mueller	3	Small Pendelton Purse	Anna Beckwith
4	Small Pendelton Purse	Kathleen Domjan	4	Small Pendelton Purse	Dorothy Wieland
5	Small Pendelton Purse	Paul Provot	5	Small Pendelton Purse	Daniel Summers
6	Small Pendelton Purse	Dawn Raymaker	6	Small Pendelton Purse	Gabriel Smith
7	Small Pendelton Purse	Julie Clark	7	Small Pendelton Purse	Michael Webster
8	Small Pendelton Purse	JoAnn Sotelo	8	Small Pendelton Purse	Yancey Guillermo
9	Small Pendelton Purse	Elizabeth Parisi	9	Large Pendelton Purse	Julia Perry
10	Small Pendelton Purse	Rick Morein	10	Large Pendelton Purse	Gene Rasmussen
11	Small Pendelton Purse	Jessica Guenke	11	Large Pendelton Purse	Justina Thomack
12	Small Pendelton Purse	Cindy Matuszak	12	Large Pendelton Bag	Nathan Ness
13	Small Pendelton Purse	Michael Laskowski	13	Large Pendelton Bag	Maurice Ninham
14	Large Pendelton Purse	Ken Garbowicz	14	Large Pendelton Bag	Jeremy Melchart
15	Large Pendelton Purse	Angie Shultz	15	Large Pendelton Bag	Fred Steffes
16	Large Pendelton Purse	Fay Thornton	16	Large Pendelton Bag	Lynn Jordan
17	Large Pendelton Bag	Kelli Steffens	17	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Nicole Smith
18	Large Pendelton Bag	Dorothy Liska	18	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Doris Smith
19	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Dianne Mendoza	19	Confederacy Ring	Anthony Vaughn
20	Dreamcatchers	Susan House	20	Silver / Turq Bracelet	Stephanie Dodge
21	Dreamcatchers	Gloria Montils	21	Silver Watch	Kelly John
22	Dreamcatchers	Bryan Augustine	22	Beaded Bracelet	Kevin House
23	Dreamcatchers	Patti McLester	23	Beaded Barrett	Tracy Kalinowski
24	Dreamcatchers	Amanda Aguirre	24	Beaded Barrett	Baptist Parker
25	Small Bust	Larry Galbraith	25	Silver Watch	Rita Espino

Gaming Employees		Winners	Tribal & Radisson Employees	Winners	
1	Small Pendelton Purse	David Hendricks	1	Small Pendelton Purse	Mary Dorn
2	Small Pendelton Purse	Christine Brunette	2	Small Pendelton Purse	Melissa Coenen
3	Small Pendelton Purse	Dorothy Antoine-Mann	3	Small Pendelton Purse	Wendall Vanstippen
4	Small Pendelton Purse	Kimberly Dickenson	4	Small Pendelton Purse	Tammy Debauch
5	Small Pendelton Purse	Joann Verdoot	5	Small Pendelton Purse	Tracy Christenson
6	Small Pendelton Purse	Doris Hamann	6	Small Pendelton Purse	Debra LeClaire
7	Small Pendelton Purse	James Bourke	7	Small Pendelton Purse	Jodi Steeno
8	Small Pendelton Purse	Cherice Lake	8	Small Pendelton Purse	Chrystalene Danforth
9	Large Pendelton Purse	Pamela Bosman	9	Large Pendelton Purse	Luis Bolanos
10	Large Pendelton Purse	Julie Hinther	10	Large Pendelton Purse	Marilyn King
11	Large Pendelton Purse	Darlene Longcore	11	Large Pendelton Purse	Janice Rohr
12	Pendelton Back Pack	Sandra Jones	12	Large Pendelton Bag	Theresa Torrez
13	Large Pendelton Bag	Inga centers	13	Large Pendelton Bag	Roberta Thomas
14	Large Pendelton Bag	Vickie Chambers	14	Large Pendelton Bag	Brynne Brunette
15	Large Pendelton Bag	Denise Pigott	15	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Rhiannon Boyd
16	Pendelton Tote	Anthony John	16	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Parker Plitz
17	Small Pendelton Coin Purse	Sheri Saunders	17	Twyunhehkw^ Dried Corn	Sara Adams
18	CD	Isaac Carter	18	Bow & Arrow	Michael O' Donnell
19	CD	Janelle Roske	19	CD	Cara Smith
20	Stone Carved Bust	Chermoua Cheng	20	Silver/Turq Bracelet	Jeffrey Gunville
21	Life ring	Lori Matchopatow	21	Silver Necklace	Jodi Skenadore
22	Life ring	Sharon Vanooyen	22	Silver Necklace	John Christjohn
23	Silver Bracelet	Doanne Doxtator	23	Silver Feather Barrett	Lisa Frechette
24	Silver Turq Bracelet	Joanne Peterson	24	Beaded Hair Combs	Sue Linssen
25	Beaded Belt Buckle	David Lonzo	25	Turquoise Cuff Links	Robert Fresen

Photos by Keith Skenandore

Oneida gaming employee James Mosher, above, stands with his new 2002 Jeep Liberty that he won at the "HONOR Through Success" celebration at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center on August 18. Mosher, a blackjack dealer, was on hand assisting with the roulette demonstration when his name was selected for the grand prize in the gaming employee category. At right, an unidentified roller takes his chance with the roll of the dice during a craps demonstration. Besides the two new games demonstrations, food and free entertainment was provided for all tribal employees, tribal citizens and friends of the Oneida Nation.







August 28, 2003

# Lifestyles

Section Two

## Walk this way!



## Native Market

*premiers*

**September 13, 2003  
10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Oneida Museum  
W892 County Rd EE**

### Cultural Event

Take a step into the Native American world of traditional and contemporary art. Browse, purchase and watch artists demonstrate their craft!

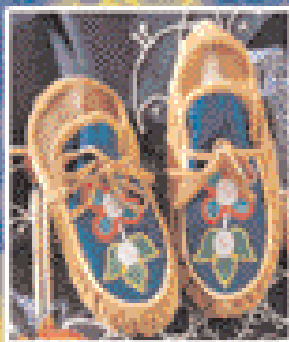
- Paintings & drawings
- Traditional & contemporary Ojibwa pottery
- Raised headwork
- Sock-ball making
- Silver work
- Ribbon skirts
- Photography

Watch and participate in cultural activities!

- Oneida singing and social dancing
- Children's games
- Traditional storytelling
- Oneida Genealogy
- Raffles

### Food & Refreshments

For information or directions contact  
the Oneida Nation Museum at  
(920) 869-2768



**Free Admission**

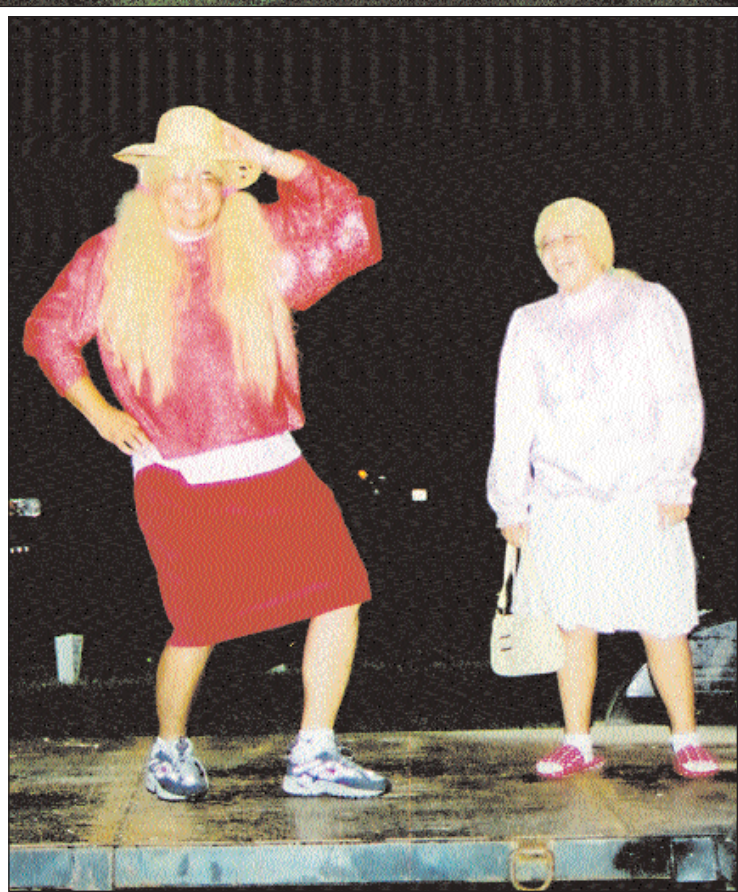


Photos courtesy of LeeAnn Laes  
Walking the walk and talking the talk are the participants of the 7th annual Oneida Relay for Life, benefitting the American Cancer Society.

Top: Oneida Vice-Chairwoman Kathy Hughes gets the walkers in motion with the honorary first lap.

Middle: Oneida Veterans of the Robert Cornelius VFW Post lead the way during the honorary lap.

Right: Lady in Red Shane John, left, competes with his nephew (niece) Evan John, in the "Dude Looks Like A Lady" contest. Evan walked away, in flat heels, with first place.





## Business

### Basics of investments

Submitted by Larry Barton

Introduction to basic investments to include an understanding of debt and stock equities. Debt equity would be defined as bank deposits support a loan portfolio, government agencies and public companies bonds supported by the ability to pay principle and interest.

The class will provide a printed outline of material discussed in classroom setting. There is no cost to the class and there will no sales pitch to invest. The class is designed provide students with the ability pick the risks and rewards to develop long-range saving plans. Be it a home in the future, college funds for the kids, supplement retirement or some future financial need it is best to develop a formal plan.

Classes will be held at the Oneida Community Education Center, 2632 South Packerland Drive on September 15 and September 22 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. The first twenty (20) students to sign up will be in the class. Sorry no exceptions. You can register at the Oneida Community Education Center. Call 869-7860 for more information.

### DOJ says it can't support SBC long distance bid for four states

**COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP)** - The Justice Department told federal regulators Tuesday it could not support SBC Communications Inc.'s application to enter the long-distance market in four Midwestern states.

SBC, the second-largest of the nation's four regional Bell companies, asked federal regulators last month for permission to offer long-distance service in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin.

## Bay Bank celebrates 8th year anniversary



Photos by Keith Skenandore  
Community members and the membership of Bay Bank attended their 8th annual anniversary celebration on a warm afternoon on August 22.

Staff members of Bay Bank, above, serve up soda, hot dogs, chips, and cookies at there anniversary celebration. Prizes were also raffled off to those who attended. Megan Elm, left, is lifted up by high during an elevator stunt by the tribally owned Green Bay Elite All-Star Cheerleading squad. The young ladies were on hand to cheer the accomplishments of Bay Bank.

### Norbert Hill HeadStart Delay

*Because of renovations, the Head Start program located at the Norbert Hill Center will be forced to delay its opening until Tuesday, September 9th.*

*The sites located at the Turtle School and at Airport Road Child Care will open as originally scheduled on September 2nd.*

*We regret any inconvenience this delay may cause.*

### Business Unit Informational Meeting

**Monday, September 29, 2003**

**1:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.**

**Parish Hall**

Do You know what the Oneida Tribe is working on? If yes, please share this with the organization. If not, please come and experience the next BU Info meeting scheduled for Monday, September 29th from 1:30PM - 4:00PM at the Parish Hall.

We are always looking for any/all departments to give a presentation at this valuable communication session. If you and/or your department would be willing to present a specific topic or if you have a request for a specific topic to be presented, I would like to hear from you.

Please respond either by e-mail or by calling me at 490-3537 by September 3rd.

The Agenda will be published in the 09/11/03 and 09/25/03 publications. Thank you for your time and attention.

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Education

# Wisconsin leads nation in ACT scores again

**The Associated Press**

MADISON, Wis. (AP) - Wisconsin students led the nation again in average ACT scores in 2003, but minority students' scores lagged behind the statewide average, according to figures the test-maker released Tuesday.

Wisconsin students earned an average composite score of 22.2, said state deputy superintendent of instruction Tony Evers. Minnesota and Iowa tied for second at 22. The overall national average was 20.8.

Wisconsin students have either finished first or tied for first every year since the 1994-95 school year. They tied for first with Minnesota in 1995-96, Evers said.

"Whatever we're doing right, we're doing consistently right," Evers said. "I would say that's a reflection of the

teachers of our state. They're well-prepared and work hard."

The ACT is the second-largest college admissions test in the nation. The test scale ranges from one to 36. Only states in which 50 percent or more of high school graduates took the ACT counted in the rankings.

Wisconsin students' scores show the forty percent of the state's budget that goes to K-12 education is money well-spent, Evers said.

"It's a validation," he said. This year, 45,669 students took the test, up from 43,458 in 2002, according to the data.

Students of color made up 9.2 percent of test-takers. They lagged behind the statewide average but generally did better than their ethnic groups' national average.

Black students in

Wisconsin scored a composite average of 17.1, slightly better than the 16.9 national average. Mexican Americans scored a 19.2, up from the 18.3 national average. Hispanics scored 19.7, up from the 19.0 national average. American Indians scored 20.2, up from 18.7 nationally. Asians scored 20.1, down slightly from their 21.8 national average.

White students in Wisconsin scored an average of 22.5, better than their 21.7 national average.

Jeffery Braden, an education psychology professor at North Carolina State and a former University of Wisconsin-Madison education professor, said a mix of factors play into minorities' test performance.

Many new immigrants may have a functional understand-

ing of English, but it's not enough to understand the complex ACT, he said. Others may receive little support from parents and encouragement from teachers or attend poorer schools with larger classes.

Evers said many students of color don't take rigorous college prep courses that would prepare them for the tests.

"They may not be getting encouragement from school and home. They may not be adequately prepared in earlier grades," Evers said.

Thai Vue, administrative coordinator for the Wisconsin United Coalition of Mutual Assistance Associations, which help Asian and especially Hmong immigrants adjust to Wisconsin, said about 15,000 Hmong students in Wisconsin aren't proficient

in English.

Often parents are so busy trying to survive in a foreign land they don't have time to get involved with their children's education or they push their kids too hard, he said.

"Time and resources devoted for children are limited," Vue said. "They left the children do by their own. Some do well, some don't do very well."

Stan Johnson, president of the Wisconsin Education Association Council, said an initiative to reduce class sizes and 4-year-old kindergarten courses is helping minorities improve their scores later in their academic careers.

"People learn at different paces," Johnson said. "You can't expect at the blink of an eye you're going to have equality as far as those test scores are concerned."

## Scholarships Available

### Purcell Powless Scholarship Fund

In 1989 Purcell Powless established a scholarship fund for Oneida Tribal members pursuing graduate and post-graduate studies. The fund provides financial assistance with tuition, fees and required textbooks to students who demonstrate financial need. Applicants may be full-time or part-time students, and must be in good standing at their academic institution. Applicants must apply for other financial aid prior to applying for the Purcell Powless scholarship. Business and Economic majors receive priority in the selection process. For more information or for application materials call the Oneida Higher Education Office at 920-869-4333 or 800-236-2214.

### Jeanette Elmer Scholarship

The Wisconsin Indian Education Association is pleased to provide the Jeanette Elmer Scholarship to Native American Indian students who attend an institution of higher education and **who demonstrate financial need**. Scholarships will be awarded to 1) New or continuing full time students attending a vocational / technical /tribal college or 4 year institution, and who are members of **Wisconsin Tribes**. 2) Full time graduates -- Library Science Majors will be given priority -- **Wisconsin, Arizona or New Mexico Tribes**. Twenty five scholarships of \$1,000 each (\$500 per semester) will be awarded to undergraduates. Three scholarships of \$5,000 each (\$2,500 per semester) will be awarded to graduates. For more information contact Virginia Nuske, Menominee Tribal Education Office, PO Box 910, Keshena, WI 54135 (715-799-5110). **Deadline for applications is 4 p.m. on September 12, 2003. NO FAXED INFORMATION WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

## Girl Scout volunteer opportunities available in Oneida

Girl Scouts of the Fox River Area, Inc. is looking for volunteers to help Girl Scout troops in the Oneida area.

Girl Scouting is open to all girls in grades K-12, and women and men over the age of 18. There are currently volunteer opportunities available in Oneida for leaders and co-leaders, primarily for girls in grades K-5. Duties include leading meetings, planning events and conducting activities throughout the school year.

An information registration night will be held for both girls and adults on Tuesday, September 2, from 6-7 pm at the Oneida Nation Elementary School.

"Being a troop leader is a key volunteer position that helps us to maintain a well-rounded program," said Lisa Benn, membership/program specialist. "We can match you to a volunteer position that will benefit both you and the girls."

For more information on volunteering contact Benn at 800-924-1211 or 920-734-7069, ext. 11.

# College-bound N.M. students outperform nation on SAT

SANTA FE (AP) - New Mexico high school students scored higher than their peers this year on the SAT, the nation's most popular college entrance exam.

On a scale of 200 to 800, New Mexico students averaged 548 on the verbal portion of the test and 540 on the math portion, compared with national averages of 507 on verbal and 519 on math. Some 2,617 or 14 percent of New Mexico's high school graduates - three-quarters of them from public schools - took the SAT. Nationally, 83 percent of public school students take the SAT.

The scores from New Mexico's public school students also exceeded the national averages at 541 on verbal and 532 on math. The national averages for public school students were 503 verbal and 513 math.

More of New Mexico's graduating seniors take a competing college entrance exam, the ACT. Sixty-two percent of the state's high school seniors, 11,871 students, took the ACT this year.

The state Department of Education reported Tuesday that this year's verbal and math SAT scores for American Indian students dropped to five-year low at 419 for verbal and 416 for math. Black students' scores also dropped from last year, to 450 in verbal and 426 in math.

Nationally, scores for black and Indian students went up this year.

"The key message from this

year's SAT scores is that too many of our minorities are under-challenged, and the achievement gap is widening," said state schools Superintendent Michael Davis.

Davis said students should take a preliminary test as sophomores and juniors to gain test-taking skills, and that "schools should carefully use the data from the PSAT and SAT to drive instruction."

"Our high schools must do

more to challenge students, especially minority students, in New Mexico," he said.

Nationally, the high school class of 2003 achieved the best score on the math section of the SAT exam in at least 36 years, while students' verbal scores hit a 16-year high.

Results of the ACT released earlier this month found New Mexico's class of 2003 earned a composite score of 19.9, compared to 20.8 nationally.

## Indian Motorcycle raffle supports Indian education

**Reserve, Wis.** - Ever want to own an Indian Motorcycle? Here may be your chance and in the process you can support Indian education training and scholarships.

Both the Gathering of Nations of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Native American Educational Technologies of Reserve, Wisconsin are the recipients of a 2003 Indian Chief Motorcycle, costume painted that will be raffled off on December 31, 2003 during a live internet drawing at [www.gatheringofnations.com](http://www.gatheringofnations.com)

The funds raised by selling raffle tickets will support both of the educational scholarship and training fund programs of GON and NAET, both involved with supporting Indian education projects for several years through their non-profit organizations.

Only 4,000 tickets or less will be sold during this raffle. The odds for winning the bike or other secondary prizes are great.

By purchasing a \$25.00 ticket, you will not only be supporting Native scholarship programs, but you may be the winner of a \$28,000 Indian Chief Motorcycle, donated by the Indian Motorcycle Corporation. The \$25 donation is tax deductible.

For on-line ticket sales and a look at the bike, go to [www.gatheringofnations.com](http://www.gatheringofnations.com)

Other locations for on-site tickets sales are the Indian Country Trading Post on the Lac Courte Oreilles Reservation near Hayward, Wisconsin: Arrowhead Motor Sports in Delafield, Wisconsin: Harley Davidson Reunion, Labor Day weekend at the Navajo Dreams stand: Indian Summer Festival Sept. 6-8 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at the NFIC and Arrowhead Motor Sports stands and from officials of the Gathering of Nations Pow wow.

For more information call Paul or Kim, at (715) 634-5226.

## NWTC seeks outstanding alumni

### Distinguished grads can compete for state award

Community and business leaders who are graduates of Northeast Wisconsin Technical College are asked to contact the College's Advancement Office.

The College is looking for candidates for the statewide WTCS Distinguished Alumni Award, which is based primarily on graduates' accounts of what difference their degree made in their lives, how they have supported technical education, and professional accomplishments.

Community members can contact the College on their own behalf or nominate others.

Names should be submitted to NWTC by Monday, Sept. 1, 2003 to allow time for completing the award materials. For information, please go to the College's web site at: [www.nwtc.edu](http://www.nwtc.edu) or e-mail [casey.fryda@nwtc.edu](mailto:casey.fryda@nwtc.edu), or contact: Casey Fryda, Public Relations Northeast Wisconsin Technical College 2740 W. Mason St. P O Box 19042 Green Bay, WI 54307-9042 Phone: (920) 498-6288 or (800) 422-NWTC, ext. 6288

**General Tribal Council Meeting**  
**RE: FY 2004 BUDGET**  
**September 13, 2003**  
**10:00 A.M.**  
Business Committee Conference Room

**New Book Release**

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# Eye on Environment

## Free animal hospital provides pets a healthy look on life

### Submitted by the Environmental, Health & Safety Area

For several years, the EHS Area has sponsored the Annual Rabies Clinic, where Tribal members can get free vaccines for their pets. This event has traditionally served hundreds of animals each year.

This year however, we did something new. The University of Michigan School of Veterinary Medicine chose Oneida to come and provide free pet services. So after a couple years of planning and organizing, the vet students arrived in Oneida.

On August 21, at 12:30 am the bus arrived from Idaho, where they had traveled to first. Fifteen students, 1 Veterinarian, and 1 Veterinarian Assistant set up the animal hospital in the Civic Center gymnasium. The amount of equipment was amazing; surgical tables, lights, instruments, autoclaves, kennels, vaccines, medicines, and much more.

The clinic opened at 8:00am, and people started pouring in with their pets. Each pet had a physical examination, their required vaccines, and deworming medicine. Then some went on to surgery. The most common surgery types were spaying and neutering, however other surgeries included unilateral and bilateral cryptorchids (when a male's testicle does not fully descend), skin tag removals, tooth extractions, entropions (eyelid surgery), and hernia repairs.

## Report finds EPA lacked data to support its claims for relaxing air pollution rules

WASHINGTON (AP) - Congressional investigators say the Environmental Protection Agency relied on anecdotes from industries it regulates, not comprehensive data, when it claimed that relaxing air pollution rules for industrial plants would cut emissions and reduce health risks.

The General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, said in a report Monday that EPA lacked scientific evidence for its claims that the Clean Air Act's "new source review" program needed revising because it discourages energy-efficiency improvements at plants.

EPA eased pollution-control requirements for utilities, oil companies and manufacturers in December but is reconsidering parts of those final rules now.

"Because it lacked comprehensive data, EPA relied on anecdotes from the four industries it believes are most affected," the GAO said. "Because the information is anecdotal, EPA's findings do not necessarily represent the program's effects across the industries subject to the program."

EPA planned to announce more changes to the program Wednesday to allow many of the nation's dirtiest coal-burning power plants and other industrial facilities to claim more upgrades as "routine maintenance" that do not require more emissions-cutting devices.

Agency officials agreed

After surgery each pet went to a recovery area for a few hours until they were ready to go home. In recovery, students and volunteers would take temperatures and monitor each animal's progress. Once they were able to get up and walk around on their own, they were free to go.

A total of 314 pets received services over the weekend. The total value of the free services that were provided was \$27,737.00 over the 3 days.

A follow up survey will be completed so we can determine whether or not the community was pleased with the event, and if the community would like to have another similar event. If you have comments or suggestions, or would like to be a volunteer for next year, please contact the EHS Area.

This event would not have been possible without the help of several other departments and volunteers. The tribal departments that helped with the event include; the Civic Center, Anna John Nursing Home, Tower Foods, DPW, and Oneida Farm. Volunteers included; Lisa Miotke, Jeff Mears, Crystal Hanson, Shad Webster, Rod Hill, Harvey Kosowski, Dan King, Al Baird, Inez Dommer, Josh Seymour, Kathleen Seymour, Jerilene Skenandore, Amy Cooper, Tony Kuchma, Gail Cornelius, Tony Ray Cornelius, Twylite Moore, Kerry Cornelius, Kathryn Cornelius, Dan Brooks, Jacy Rassmussen, Diane Jourdan, Laura Manthe, and Steve Linskens.

with the report's recommendation that they should find appropriate data to track results of rule changes as federal and state authorities implement them. Agency spokeswoman Lisa Harrison said EPA intends "to establish and strengthen mechanisms" for judging the program's success.

"The bottom line is that EPA remains committed to improving the NSR program, and our improvements will make the Clean Air Act work better to protect public health," she said.

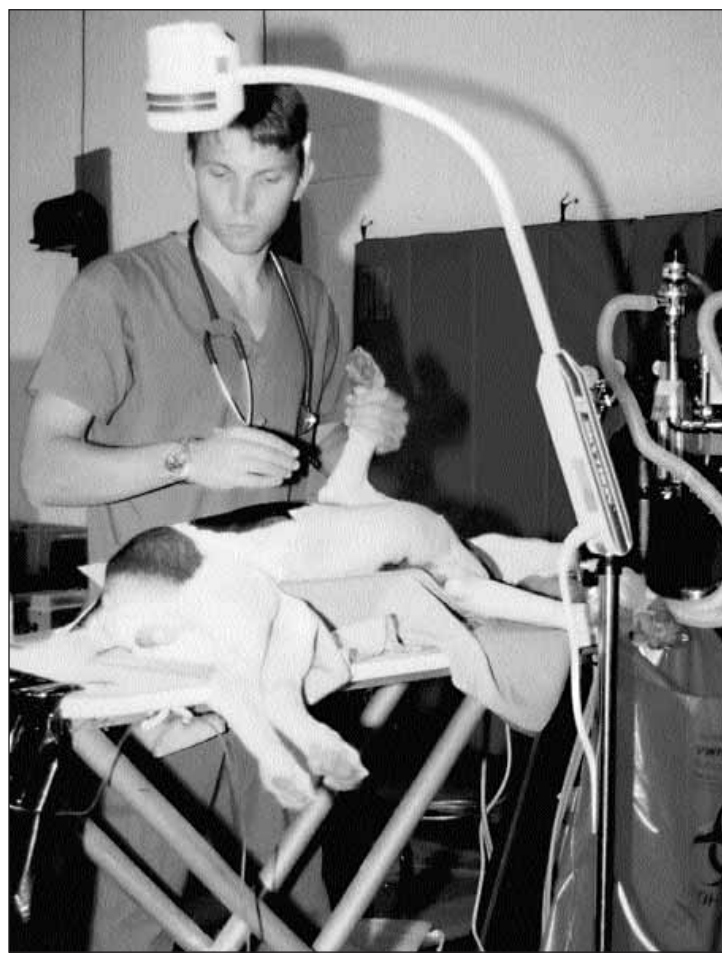
Jeffrey Marks, director of air quality policy for the National Association of Manufacturers, said better data generally leads to better regulation, but his group believes EPA was correct to conclude its rule changes provided economic, environmental and energy efficiency benefits despite the lack of data.

Sen. James Jeffords, I-Vt., the No. 2 senator on the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, said the report was another indication that the Bush administration's weakening of the Clean Air Act was unwarranted.

Environmentalists and some states legally challenged the rules, saying the effects on air quality and public health were unacceptable. Richard Blumenthal, Connecticut's attorney general, said the GAO report confirms the rule changes weren't supported by scientific evidence.



Photos by Keith Skenandore  
Dawn Johnson of Shiocton, above, sits with Molly May, her 2 year old basset hound, as she waits for Molly to awake from the anesthesia following her surgery and vaccination at the free animal hospital held at the Civic Center on August 21. At right, Andy Rollo, a fourth year veterinary student at Michigan State University, prepares a dog for surgery following the injection of an anesthetic and the placement of a tube in the dog's trachea to administer a gas anesthesia. A total of 314 animals received free services totalling \$27,737 over the three day period.



## Waste management program highlights of Wisconsin recycling

Submitted by Diane Jourdan  
Coordinator, Oneida Recycling Program

Each Wisconsin resident generates an average of 1,628 pounds of municipal solid waste each year, or 4.46 pounds per day, including each person's household waste and share of commercial waste. That's a lot of waste, but the good news is that Wisconsinites also recycle much of it - about 33 percent in 2000, according to the Wisconsin Waste Characterization and Management Study Update completed recently by Franklin Associates, LTD. That's almost double the 1990 rate of 17 percent. If home yard-waste composting and mulching are included, the percentage of household and commercial waste diverted from state landfills through recycling increases to 36.6 percent, and handily eclipses the national recycling rate of 30 percent. When you add it all up, recycling more than pays for itself in Wisconsin.

### Why Recycle?

Rigorous recycling efforts kept almost 1.69 million tons of material out of Wisconsin landfills and incinerators in 2000. At that rate, Wisconsin citizens could "save" landfill space equivalent to the size of an average municipal waste landfill every year and a half.

But such efforts are saving the state more than landfill space; they also save a great deal of energy and other resources. For example, recycling one ton of aluminum saves the energy equivalent of 2,350 gallons of gasoline, or the total amount of electricity used by a typical Wisconsin home over 10 years. Recycling paper produces 73 percent less air pollution than does manufacturing paper from virgin materials, and recycling glass cuts down on mining wastes from glass manufacturing by 80 percent.

Recycling in Wisconsin does have a cost (state average of \$95 per ton), it's about \$10 more than disposing of waste in landfills or incinerators (\$85 per ton). In addition, the recycling cost figure does not account for materials that communities no longer have to collect, like yard waste that's managed at home, recyclables that are taken to buy-back centers, and wastes that are never generated because of waste reduction efforts. Nor does it include the significant value of resources saved through recycling. When you add it all up, recycling in Wisconsin more than pays for itself.

*Recycling Participation in*

## ATV Community Meeting Sponsored By Oneida Environmental Resources Board

Thursday, September 18, 2003

6:00 P.M.

Oneida Police Station

*Everyone is invited to share their views and concerns regarding current ATV use on the Reservation.*

*Land use, State regulations, Conservation Reserve Program Lands, current trail system and residential issues will be discussed.*

## Public comment sought on Beloit casino environmental assessment

BELOIT, Wis. (AP) - Nearly three years after Beloit voters endorsed a referendum supporting a tribal casino, the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs will begin Tuesday a 30-day public comment period on the environmental assessment for the proposed facility.

The Bad River and St. Croix bands of the Lake Superior Chippewa proposed the casino just west of Interstate 90 near the city's wastewater treatment plant.

Beloit City Council President Terry Monahan said the comment period represents a chance for city and casino supporters to do their part to move the project along.

"I'm glad we're finally at a tangible stage in these proceedings, that we know it's our turn to take action, to push this thing forward," Monahan said.

Beloit city manager Larry Arft and tribal representatives met Wednesday with Wisconsin Secretary of Administration Marc Marotta on the proposal.

Marotta told them Gov. Jim Doyle had an open mind about whether to approve the casino project, Arft said.

But Doyle spokesman Josh Morby said the project has a long way to go before reaching the governor's desk.

"Right now, the decision lies with the federal government and the Department of the Interior," Morby said. "There's so many hoops that need to be jumped through that it's premature to say whether the governor would approve it or not."

Monahan said he expected the BIA to receive letters opposed to the casino, but he said the victory in the referendum cannot be ignored.

"If it would be held again, I think it would have been a higher margin," he said.

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# Culture

## Kanukwathslakelu

### "Where the medicines lay"

The Oneida Nation is one of the Six Nations of the Iroquois Confederacy. A band of Oneidas relocated to Wisconsin in the early 1800's.

One of the reasons they decided to settle in this area was because the terrain and plant life is similar to that of their homeland in upper New York State.

Huron Smith, a botanist from the Chicago Field Museum, visited the Oneida Reservation in the late 1920's.

Smith documented the

extensive use of plants by the Oneida people. His field notes reference hundreds of plant species.

Smith's work is unique because in addition to collecting plant specimens and photographs, he researched Tribal uses.

Many of the plants in this garden were chosen based on Huron Smith's field notes. The shape of the bear was chosen for the garden because in Oneida culture, the Bear Clan members are keepers of the knowledge of medicines.

## How the medicines came to the Bear Clan

Iroquois people have passed on stories for generations about how the Bear Clan people came to receive the gift of medicines from an elder woman who had the knowledge of healing with the medicines from the earth.

The legend says that an Iroquois village was visited by a strange man seeking food and shelter. This stranger was turned away by every Longhouse he came to, until he came to the house of the Bear Clan. The elder woman of the house welcomed him in and shared her food with him.

The next morning, the stranger became sick and told the woman to go gather a certain plant. He told her how to make a medicine from it, and when he took the medicine he was

better.

The next day the stranger became sick again, with a different sickness. Again he sent the woman to gather a plant and instructed her how to make a medicine from it.

This cycle repeated as the man came down with many different sicknesses, sent the woman to gather many different plants and instructed her how to prepare them to cure the sickness.

This stranger was the Creator, and He had taught her the cures for all the sicknesses of His People. He told her from that day on members of the Bear Clan where keepers of the medicines, and Medicine Men and Women where to always belong to the Bear Clan.

## See the cultural website

We encourage everyone to become involved in the Oneida Language. Remember that every word you learn and speak becomes a part of keeping the Oneida Language alive. Please visit our new website at: <http://language.oneidation.org/about/history>



# Oneida History 101



Photos by Phil Wisneski

Above: David Wrone speaks to a nearly full house at the Oneida History Conference: The Oneida Journey, held at the Oneida Turtle School on August 14-15. Right: Larry Hauptman addresses the audience as conference coordinator Gordon McLester looks on. Both Hauptman and Wrone spoke about the Civil War and its effect on the Oneida people. Other areas of discussion were boarding schools and land allotment. The History Conference was also held in conjunction with the second annual All-Oneida Gathering. Meals, displays and tours of the reservation were also included in the tour. The Oneida Nation Arts Program was also a co-sponsor.



## Three Oneida Nations represented in hymn singing

Review by Beth Bashara

The Oneida community was very fortunate to welcome Indian Hymn singers from Canada and New York, August 14-15, at the 2003 Oneida History Conference.

Together, Oneidas from Wisconsin, New York and Canada, shared their love of the hymns with the community on Thursday and Friday night following day's activities at the History Conference. It was a special

treat to hear the different versions of the traditional hymns that have been sung in each of these communities for hundreds of years. These hymns provide comfort and joy to our elders and remind us that together through song, we are one people. Our deepest gratitude to the singers from New York and Canada that made the journey to Wisconsin.

Oneida was also fortunate to welcome the Green Bay Civic Symphony to the

Thursday after the History Conference party. The Green Bay Civic Symphony, under the direction of Patrick Miles presented an old time concert circa 1900's that featured An Aboriginal Suite by Dennison Wheelock.

Oneida tribal member, Dennison Wheelock was a prominent band leader at the turn of the century who later became a lawyer. As a band director, Dennison turned Indian bands all over the

world. Especially popular on the east coast, Dennison's last concert in Pennsylvania was to 70,000 people. His Aboriginal Suite captures the feelings and attitudes of the romantic native popular during the turn of the 19th century (or would be the 20th century). The Green Bay Civic Symphony will be featuring Dennison's composition in their regular season, January 2004.

## Oneida Language Lesson



## People/Jobs

(Continued)

## New or Green Corn Moon

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oh nust da zay wah knee dull

<ty< ni kahle – Noontime

nahte> nisatyle	What are you doing?
sahtsy%malehe>k<	Are you washing my hands?
Kahtsy%malehe	I'm washing my hands.
seksahl&nyuhe>k<	Are you setting the table?
Keksahl&nyuhe	I'm setting the table.
sekhwah#lha>k<	Are you putting food on the table?
Keksohal\$nyuhe	I'm putting food on the table.
Satekhu-nhe>k<	Are you eating?
Katekhu-nhe	I'm eating.
snek\$lha>k<	Are you drinking?
Khnek\$lha	I'm drinking.

For correct pronunciation please ask an Elder or contact Tekalut@u 920-490-2472  
Language tapes and CD's are also available in our Oneida language.

## 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.



# Good News

## Congratulation's

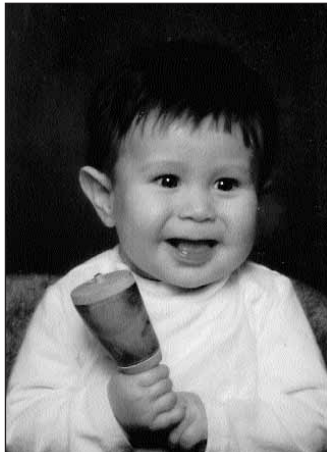
**Jerrel Kurowski**  
on receiving the  
2003 Defensive MVP  
Award for the Oneida  
Babe Ruth Team



Way to go & Keep up  
the good work!  
Love Mom, Rod,  
Grandma & Grandpa  
Kurowski, and sister  
Jianna

## Happy Birthday

Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday to  
our Son/Brother  
**Isaiah Powless**  
on August 28<sup>th</sup>



Love Mom, Dad, Jerrel,  
Caitlin & Amber

## Happy Birthday

to my Granddaughter  
**Jennifer Metoxen**  
on the 31<sup>st</sup> of August  
2003



Love Do-Do

## Happy Birthday

**Seneth Powless**  
2 on August 17<sup>th</sup>



Love Grandma Rochelle Powless, Mom-  
Summer Powless, Chaske and "The Girls"

## Happy Birthday

**Chaske Primeau**  
27 on July 15<sup>th</sup>



Love Mom, Summer, Seneth and "The Girls"

## Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary September Calendar of Events

### Junior Naturalist/Junior Ecologist Program

(Green Bay, WI)  
Saturdays, September 6, 13  
and 20 any time between 10  
a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Let your investigative skills  
go wild at the Sanctuary this  
summer. Participants can  
check out a backpack full of  
equipment and a field note-  
book they will need to com-  
plete a study. After the field-  
work is complete, Sanctuary  
staff will review the results  
with the participants. Each  
child will receive a small  
nature reward. There are eight  
different themes to investi-  
gate. This program is weather  
dependent and children must  
be accompanied by an adult.

### Critter Counter

Sundays, September 7, 14,  
21 and 28 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: The Salamander

Tuesday, September 2 at 10  
a.m. and again Monday,  
September 15 at 1 p.m.

Children and their families  
can learn about salamanders  
during Animal Stories for  
Preschoolers. Sanctuary staff  
will read the short story "the  
Salamander Room" by Anne  
Maxer. cost is \$1 per person.  
Pre-registration is required by  
calling (920) 391-3671.

### Fall Bird Hikes:

#### "Birds in Wisconsin"

Wednesday, September 3  
and Saturday, September 6  
at 7 a.m.

Get out your binoculars and  
hiking shoes. It's time to get  
up early, head over to the Bay  
Beach Wildlife Sanctuary and  
join bird enthusiast Ty  
Baumann to hike the trails of  
the Sanctuary and look for  
birds of all kinds who live in  
the wild in the Green Bay  
area. You will see birds of all  
colors and sizes flying from

tree to tree. Meet in the front  
parking lot at the director's  
house. For more information,  
call (920) 391-3671.

### Public Campfire

Saturday, September 6, 2003  
at 6:30 p.m.

Children and their families  
are invited to the Sanctuary  
for a public campfire. enjoy  
the bonfire, marshmallows,  
cider and story telling. cost is  
\$1 per person. Pre-registration  
is required by calling (920)  
391-3671.

### Autumn Challenge

Saturday, September 20,  
2003

On your mark, get set and  
mark your calendar. the 2003  
Georgia-Pacific Autumn  
Challenge starts at 7 a.m.  
Participate in the 5K wheel-  
chair event, 5K run/walk or  
the quarter mile children's  
run. Proceeds go to the  
Friends of the Wildlife  
Sanctuary.

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

### Autumn Adventure

Saturday, September 27,  
2003

The Thursday Morning  
Optimist Club sponsors the  
annual Kid's Autumn  
Adventure at the Sanctuary  
from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Enjoy  
face painting, live animal  
exhibits, lunch and much  
more. All activities are free  
and open to the public.

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p.m. There is no admission  
charge. The Sanctuary is  
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Drive on Green Bay's east  
side across from Bay Beach  
Amusement Park.

Visit the Bay Beach  
Wildlife Sanctuary Web site:  
[www.baybeachwildlife.com](http://www.baybeachwildlife.com)

For more information, call  
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## Notice of...

**2003  
Special Election  
SATURDAY  
September 27, 2003**

**8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.**

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**2783 Freedom Road • Oneida, Wisconsin**

- Picture identification is  
required for voting!
- Children will not be  
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## Kalihwisaks

**NEXT DEADLINE IS...  
Wednesday, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2003  
@ 4:30 p.m.**

**with a Publish date of...  
Thursday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

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