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# Weather closures felt tribal wide

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With the long winter season in full swing, its effects are being felt tribal wide in the form of operational shutdowns and delays. During the past month alone, the Oneida Nation has experienced three tribal shutdowns and multiple delays across several departments due to inclement weather. Oneida Nation management made these decisions in the interest of safety for Oneida citizens and employees.

"It's imperative the organization is thinking about the health, safety, and welfare of the employees and everybody else that's impacted by the weather," Oneida Nation Chairman Tehassi Hill said. "Having employees come out in the extreme cold or heavy snow would be a bit much to ask so it's important to understand that we're shutting down for their safety."

One thing that is difficult to accomplish in these situations is the rescheduling of governmental meetings. "Governmental schedules are often done so far in to a regular work day. During the recent



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Slick roads caused a car to crash into a power pole on West Mason Street causing a road closure on February 11. More recently, a winter storm caused the rescheduling of Family Fun Night from Wednesday, February 20 to Wednesday, February 27.

advance, and some almost a year in General Tribal Council (GTC) meeting advance, that with these shutdowns we need to scramble to get things addressed in a timely manner," Hill said. "Our business needs continue and it still needs to be conducted when we get back

cancellation the storm didn't get here as early as predicted, but we have people that come from all over the state and we

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### Tax credit bill for family caregivers in Wisconsin released

MADISON, Wis. (AP) – A bipartisan a \$1,000 income tax credit for family members in Wisconsin who give care to qualified disabled and elderly people in their homes.

The measure was unveiled Tuesday after a similar bill died last session.

proposal backed by AARP would create the \$173 million cost was one reason why the proposal stalled last session. But he says that cost doesn't take into account potential savings to Medicaid that caring for people at home longer provides

AARP lobbyist Helen Marks Dicks look at strategies to support families.

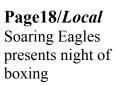
Republican Sen. Patrick Testin says also says she expects the estimated cost of the tax credit to be less than before.

Also on Tuesday, Gov. Tony Evers announced the creation of a task force on caregiving to look at finding ways to attract and retain a strong care workforce, improve the quality of caregiving and





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took the safety precaution because it's winter and it was at night."

The financial impact on the tribe due to multiple weather-related shutdowns can be, but aren't always, negative. "The weather impacts are incidental as they usually delay spending," Oneida Nation CFO Larry Barton said. "However, persistent weather events in succession, like on weekends, have had a measurable impact on meeting budget like in the winter of 2013-2014. Impacts to the economy can't be understated in sectors such as vehicle repairs and lost productivity for employers."

While the Oneida Nation Gaming Division and its revenues have been affected by weather-related shutdowns in years past, that doesn't appear to be the case during this recent spate of events. Gaming revenues are currently exceeding budget therefore it would be conjecture to correlate weather as having a negative impact on revenue, Barton said. Assistant Gaming CFO Chad Fuss agrees. "It's no secret that we don't make as much on these types of days," Fuss said. "But at the same time, we still make a positive net profit on those days so it makes sense to continue our operations and contribute as much as we can back to the nation."

Each year various Oneida Nation operations face shutdowns due to extreme weather, but there are a few critical divisions that never fully cease operations. Oneida's Main Casino is one of them, and this sometimes leads to concerned feedback from employees. "One of the things we're working with our different departments on is this perception that we don't care about our employees' safe-

#### CORRECTION

On page 20 of the February 7,2019 Kalihwisaks Vietnam Veteran Raymond Elm was misidentified as Daniel King. The Kalihwisaks staff apologizes for the error.



Photo courtesy DPW Grounds Department

Despite several recent tribal wide shutdowns and delays, Oneida Department of Public Works crews continued to work around-the-clock during inclement weather to ensure all tribal roads and properties were plowed for the public's safety.

Above: A DPW employee operates a tool cat to clear snow on one of the 61 properties the department is responsible for during a recent snowstorm.

ty," Fuss said. "Some of these concerns come directly from communications that say, 'Because we care about the safety of our employees, we are closing down.' Therefore, when we don't close down, but other areas do, our employees think we don't care about their safety because true."

"We have gaming customers that get stranded at the airport and at the Radisson," Oneida Gaming General Manager Louise Cornelius said. "That is why we maintain operations here. Our reception area had approximately 300 calls during this last snow day from customers asking if we were open. Last week we also experienced one of the iciest days on record, yet when I left work at 5:20 p.m. we had 43 Gold casino members playing here. People don't stop coming just because it's snowing out. I think we've done a good job with decision-making in terms of what needs to happen during emergency weather conditions."

Fuss addressed gaming's flexible ap-

proach to employee call-ins on severe areas assist. weather days as well as employee concerns about being penalized for calling in. "When we've had prior extreme conditions, employees have not been penalized in the past," Fuss said. "Our night, DPW Division Director Jacque employees get very generous vacation we're still open. But that's simply not and personal time from the tribe and that personal time is for use in these kinds of instances. If you are a good planner you will never be penalized so our employees do have options."

> Perhaps the nation's most important department during harsh weather is Oneida's Department of Public Works (DPW). While numerous divisions within the tribe close for safety reasons, it's DPW's 15-member Groundskeeping crew that continues to operate aroundthe-clock throughout the reservation ensuring snow is removed and its 55 roads and sixty-one properties are plowed. These snow removal crews often work 16-hour shifts up to 65 hours in some crews from stepping up and doing what weeks. In cases of extreme snowstorms an additional 20 people from other DPW

Overseen by Suzanna Jordan and Redmon Danforth, the snow removal crews are "on-call" and must be available to report to work at any time of the day or Boyle wrote in a statement. "Very few employees request vacation or personal time during these months knowing the responsibility they have to ensure the safety of our Nation's employees and members," Boyle wrote. "All the employees involved with the snow removal put their personal lives on hold for the duration of the winter months which allows everyone to have the access they need to the roads and properties we are responsible for."

DPW's working conditions are tough as the work is often conducted at night, during sub-zero windchills, heavy snowfall, drifting and ice-packed roads, Boyle wrote. However, that does not stop these is needed to address these storms as efficiently and safely as possible.

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What's New This Week

#### ^^^^ **Oneida Golf Enterprise set to partner with KemperSports Management**



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The Oneida Golf Enterprise (OGE), which operates Thornberry Creek at Oneida, has agreed to partner with KemperSports to manage the elite golf course. KemperSports officially took over Thornberry Creek at Oneida management on February 15, according to a press statement from the Oneida Nation.

KemperSports Management is a golf-oriented company that currently helps manage more than 130 professional courses nationwide, with four of those right here in the state of Wisconsin. OGE selected KemperSports because of its club management and hospitality expertise as well as their "unwavering dedication to providing the very best member and guest experience." Thornberry Creek at Oneida was voted "Best in the Bay 2018" by the greater Green Bay community and KemperSports will be counted on to maintain that high level of excellence.

"There was an extensive search done to bring in a management company to assist with Thornberry operations,"

Chad Fuss, Agent for Oneida Golf Enterprise, said. "We needed more knowledge to come into our organization to assist with getting the most effective and efficient use out of our golf course. Our team conducted several interviews and the one that really stood out to us was KemperSports."

KemperSports has experience running Professional Golf Association (PGA) tournaments, so that experience is also expected to help manage OGE's assets. "I think it's a really good choice to bring in a nationally renowned management company to assist," Fuss said. "Golf in Wisconsin is a very tough sport to sell because we really have a window of op- ry Creek employees and customers.

portunity to monopolize it on with the good weather. The predecessor to this company really put Thornberry Creek on the map and really brought a lot of excitement as well as improvements over the years. We're hoping Kemper-Sports Management can expand even further on those improvements and help us become more efficient."

All Thornberry Creek at Oneida Services are expected to continue as usual to ensure members receive the same high level of service they have in the past. OGE and KemperSports Management are working to make the transition as seamless as possible for all Thornber-

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## Foster parents help sustain Oneida's future



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Tim Webster plays with his youngest son, Gilbert, now 4. The family brought Gilbert home as a newborn foster child and adopted him 2 years later.

#### By Mike Hoeft

Oneida Family Services

No resource is more vital to the continued existence of a native nation than its children. Caring for the next generation is a calling for Tim and Hilary Webster.

They became Oneida foster parents because of their belief in caring for their community, their extended family.

"We are all an extended family and should be taking care of each other," said Tim. "In spiritual terms, it's a kind of calling. It's a gift from the Creator, a way for our family to give back."

The family has fostered eight kids over the last 10 years.

Tim and Hilary thought about fostering for years. The couple has five older children of their own, from ages 11 to 24.

"Since we were raising kids at home already, we felt fostering was a way that

fit our lifestyle to give back," said Tim, 55.

A Lawrence University graduate and enrolled member of the Oneida Nation, Tim has been a campus minister with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship since 1990.

Hilary is a pediatrician in Appleton and formerly worked at the Oneida Health Center.

The family adopted Gilbert, who was  $2\frac{1}{2}$  at the time, in 2016. After fostering a couple of other children, they decided to not renew their foster license in 2017. "We hope to get back to fostering someday in the future," Hilary said.

The family "brought Gilly home from the hospital when he was 2 days old in 2014 as a foster child," Tim said. With the adoption, Gilbert acquired the Webster surname and a new middle name of

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### **Two ONHS seniors to be model UN Indigenous Delegates in NY**



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Oneida Nation High Schools seniors, Leida (Yelih) Rodriguez, left, and Alyssa Noriega-House, right will be part of the Indigenous delegation at the National High School Model United Nations Conference March 6-9.

Oneida Nation High Schools seniors, Leida (Yelih) Rodriguez (Oneida), and Alyssa Noriega-House (Muscogee Creek/Seminole) have been selected to serve as representatives for the Model United Nations: Indigenous delegation at the 2019 National High School Model United Nations Conference (NHS-MUN) in New York City, March 6-9.

These students will be representing Indian Country at the largest Model United Nations Conference in the world, with over 5000 students attending from 74 countries. They will be part of the first-ever indigenous delegation in the Conference's 45-year history. www.MUNIndigenous.com

Noriega-House explained, "I am participating (at NHSMN) to obtain knowledge and experience on how global Issues are handled, and to gain recognition for Indigenous Issues. From this opportunity, I hope to encourage Native Youth to get involved and to take action. Participating in our government is crucial to our future. I'm hoping to validate the indigenous peoples' place in this conference. After this, I want to continue to advocate and build a better future for Native Country."

The other delegation members are: Nathan Balk King (Rosebud Sioux, Founder/Director), Karen Guise (Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians), Emily Staley (Navajo Nation), Zaden Salabye (Navajo Nation), Kianna Joe (Navajo Nation), and Lacey Cachucha (Jicarilla Apache), and sophomores Chase Baird (Navajo/Rosebud Sioux), Veronica Toledo (Navajo), and Alexis Jay (Poarch Band of Creek Indians).

MUN: Indigenous has been endorsed by the International Model United Nations Association (IMUNA), the organization that produces the Model UN gatherings around the world, including NHSMUN. They have also announced that they will be including the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues at NHSMUN for the first time ever in their 45-year history. The MUN: Indigenous delegation will not only be learning about diplomacy, advocacy, and human rights practices, but also representing indigenous peoples to the global youth community.

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## Admitted pipeline vandalizer fights racketeering lawsuit

#### By Blake Nicholson Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D.  $(AP) \sim A$  Phoenix woman who has publicly admitted to vandalism along the route of the Dakota Access oil pipeline in two states is asking a judge to dismiss her as a defendant in a \$1 billion federal racketeering lawsuit filed by the pipeline developer.

Ruby Montoya was one of millions of people around the world who shared a "common purpose" of stopping the \$3.8 billion pipeline built to move North Dakota oil to Illinois, and Texas-based Energy Transfer Partners has failed to show any link between her and a criminal enterprise, said defense attorney Lauren Regan with the Civil Liberties Defense Center.

"Advocating for the protection of the climate through a reduction in fossil fuel infrastructure is on its face constitutionally protected, and not a basis for a RICO claim," Regan wrote in a recent court filing.

ETP sued Earth First, BankTrack and Greenpeace in August 2017, alleging they worked to undermine the pipeline project and the company. A judge later dismissed both Earth First and Bank-Track as defendants and criticized the lawsuit for being vague. The company added five individuals as defendants in August 2018, including Montoya and Jessica Reznicek.

The two women in July 2017 released a public statement admitted to damaging valves and setting fire to construction equipment along the pipeline route in Iowa and South Dakota.

Regan notes that neither woman has been criminally charged. She also refutes ETP allegations that Montoya was a spokeswoman for the anti-pipeline group Mississippi Stand and was trained in "eco-terrorist techniques" through Earth First.

U.S. District Judge Billy Roy Wilson ruled last year that ETP had failed to make a case that Earth First is an entity that can be sued. The Center for Constitutional Rights had argued that Earth First is a philosophy or movement similar to Black Lives Matter, and thus can't be sued.

"Plaintiffs cannot seem to grasp the fact that (Earth First) is not an organization and does not have `members,"" Regan wrote, maintaining that Mississippi Stand is similarly an entity with no structure or leadership.

Montoya has no connection with any other defendants in the lawsuit other than Reznicek, who has not yet been served with the lawsuit, Regan wrote.

"Plaintiffs have failed to adequately allege Montoya's membership in or association with plaintiff's paranoid, farcical and manufactured conspiracy theory," she said.

ETP's lawsuit under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act alleges that the defendants disseminated false and misleading information about the project and interfered with its construction through violent and criminal means, damaging the company's reputation and finances.

Opposition by groups and American Indian tribes who feared environmental harm inspired large protests in southern North Dakota and resulted in 761 arrests over a six-month span beginning in late 2016. The pipeline has been operating since June 2017.

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MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ Wisconsin saw a slight decrease in the number of students who received breakfast at school through a federally subsidized nutrition program last year, according to a recent report that lists the state as trailing the rest of the country.

The Washington-based nonprofit Food Research and Action Center found that Wisconsin's low-income student participation in the School Breakfast Program fell by about 400 students in the 2017-2018 school year.

Nearly 151,300 students participated in the 2016-2017 school year, compared to about 150,900 last year, according to the nonprofit's School Breakfast Scorecard released last week.

About 83 percent of Wisconsin's schools participated in the program during the 2017-2018 school year, Wisconsin Public Radio reported. The findings rank the state low compared to 38 states, where 90 percent or more schools participated in the program last vear.

"The biggest barrier to providing breakfast is funding," said Thomas Mc-Carthy, spokesman for the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

To supplement federal funding, Wisconsin had set a school reimbursement rate for free and reduced breakfast at 15 cents a meal. But the state hasn't paid schools that rate since 2006. The reimbursement rate has been nearly cut in half to about 7 cents because of a shortfall in the account that pays schools for breakfast, McCarthy said.

"We are trying to, in all sorts of different ways, support districts so that they do see the value in breakfast, because in places where it's implemented well, it has made a difference in the lives of kids and families and the academic achievement of students in the district,"

### **Menominee Nation Elects New Tribal Legislative Officers**

Douglas Cox Re-Elected as Chairman

(Menominee Indian Reservation, WI) - The newly elected members of the Menominee Tribal Legislature, the governing body of the Menominee Nation, were sworn into office during annual swearing in and organizational meeting, and, Douglas Cox was elected Chairman of the Menominee Tribe.

February 9 marks the reorganization of the Menominee Tribal Government, the swearing-in ceremony of newly elected Tribal Legislatures, and start of the new legislative year. This Organizational Meeting and Swearing-in-ceremony was held on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at the Menominee Casino Convention Center.

The nine member Menominee Tribal Legislature voted for the officers. Douglas Cox was named Chairman, Joan De-

labreau will serve as Vice Chairwoman, and Pershing Frechette as secretary.

Douglas Cox was reelected to serve as Tribal Chairperson, and will serve as such for the next year. Doug Cox has served as Tribal Chairperson, this past year, and began his service on the Tribal Legislature in 2015. In January, he won re-election to the Menominee Tribal Legislature for another three-year term.

In the elections held in January, Douglas Cox and Pershing Frechette were reelected onto the Tribal Legislature. Gunnar Peters was elected as a first time Menominee Tribal Legislator. Crystal Chapman-Chevalier, outgoing Tribal Legislator, chose not to seek reelection.

The newly elected tribal legislators were sworn into office and begin serving three year terms. They join the current elected officials of the Menominee Tribal Legislature: Gary Besaw, Eugene Caldwell, Craig Corn, Ron Corn Sr., Joan Delabreau, and Myrna Warrington.

McCarthy said.

The report identified timing and location as two primary barriers to getting students to participate in the program. Breakfast is often served in a cafeteria before school starts, which causes some students to miss out on the meal. But districts are starting to allow breakfast in classrooms or offering prepackaged meals to students when school starts.

"Milwaukee Public Schools are mak-

ing strides," said Crystal FitzSimons, the nonprofit's director of school and out-of-school time programs. "They're offering free breakfast to all students and they actually have a significant number of schools offering breakfast in the classroom or grab 'n' go programs."

Information from: Wisconsin Public Radio, http://www.wpr.org

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### From page 4/Foster parents

"I feel that being a foster parent has changed me even more than the children we have cared for."

#### - Hilary Webster

Solomon, after Tim's great-grandfather Solomon Webster, who attended Holy Apostles Episcopal Church and farmed nearby on Florist Drive.

Serving as Oneida foster parents has also helped the family reconnect to Oneida. Tim grew up in central Wisconsin. He counts among his relations Woodrow "Woody" Webster, a former tribal chairman, musician and columnist. Woody died in 2009 at age 96.

Indian children who grow up in non-Indian settings often become spiritual and cultural orphans, says the Native American Rights Fund. They may not entirely fit into the culture in which they are raised and yearn throughout their life for the family and tribal culture denied them as children.

Congress enacted the Indian Child Welfare Act in 1978 to counteract the high number of Indian children placed in non-Indian foster homes. The Act was based not on race, but on the unique legal status of tribes as self-governing nations. Removal of these children threatened the viability of native nations by depriving tribes of their young people.

Oneida Family Services is recruiting more foster homes in the community to meet current needs and to prepare for the Oneida Children's Code implementation.

Many other agencies are also in need of foster parents. The State of Wisconsin is partnering with native nations in Wisconsin because of the demand. Check out this video at https://firstnationsfostering.org/

"Our foster families should have a connection to the community," said Jennifer Berg-Hargrove, Director of Oneida Family Services. "They must be willing to be patient, open-minded, and be able to partner with resource agencies and with birth parents," she said.

Nationwide, there are about 440,000 kids in the foster care system, and most of them have a court-ordered plan for reunification with their birth parents. About half of all foster children return home. Only about a fourth of the kids become available for adoption.

The Children's Code is meant to protect Oneida children and strengthen tribal family life while recognizing that reunification with birth parents may not always be in the child's best interest. The Code also provides for transfer of Indian Child Welfare cases from state courts to Oneida Family Court when appropriate.

Prospective foster parents need to pass a background check, and complete foster parent training and licensing. Trauma informed parenting training is also available and very helpful.

Every change in home placement can be traumatic for a child. Fostering is a temporary resource, and usually lasts 18-22 months before a permanent home is found. If the child cannot be reunited with birth parents, case workers look to other family members, extended kin or members of the community for guardianship or adoption options.

"We try to give foster parents the support and tools to make them successful." Jennifer said. Foster parents are reimbursed with a monthly stipend to offset costs based on the child's assessment of needs.

Tim said fostering makes parents think about their own motivations more deeply. "Our first foster placement was really hard. It felt to me like I was babysitting someone else's child. Then the second experience, I realized I can't do it if I think of it that way. It's too much of a burden. I have to think of them as part of my family."

One of the hardest things is letting kids go once you've gotten attached to



Submitted photo

Tim and Hilary Webster with sons, Gilbert, 4, left, and Ransom, 11.

them.

"Not just my wife and I became attached, but our other kids became attached." Tim said. "It's really hard to say goodbye. I remember our daughter saying, 'Maybe they'll let us keep this baby, daddy.' She wanted a younger sisand we have to wait awhile until we're spiritually. ready to do it again."

their kids again, but it happens. "We had a teenage girl who aged out. She stopped by the house to say hi and tell us she's in school and doing well," Tim said. "It was very gratifying to think we helped an her for that time in her life."

On one hand it was sad that Gilly couldn't go back to his birth mom. Tim said. "But it's nice that we didn't have to say goodbye to him. We could make our family bigger and have another son," Tim said.

Foster families also need their own support networks. "For ours, it was our extended families and our church. It's important for fosters to find a support network in addition to Social Services. My wife's parents were a big help. We were dependent on them."

Tim said fostering has benefited the whole family by getting all the kids more interested in cultural heritage and broadening the idea of family. Tim at-

tends Oneida language classes twice a week. One son made a trip to Menominee for a college research paper. Another son wrote a screenplay about the fostering system. "It's affected the other kids in really positive ways," he said.

Hilary said fostering has helped her ter. We usually cry when a child leaves, grow and deepen her emotionally and

"I feel that being a foster parent has Foster parents can't count on seeing changed me even more than the children we have cared for," Hilary said.

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### Trump plan to stop HIV epidemic targets high-infection areas

#### By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) ~ President Donald Trump is launching a campaign to end the HIV epidemic in the United States by 2030, targeting areas where new infections happen and getting highly effective drugs to people at risk.

Briefing reporters ahead of Trump's State of the Union speech, Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar and senior public health officials said the campaign relies on fresh insights into where about half of new HIV cases occur 48 out of some 3,000 U.S. counties, and Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico and seven states with at-risk rural residents.

"We've never had that kind of 'This is the target," said Dr. Anthony Fauci, the government's pre-eminent AIDS warrior and head of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. The government has ``been trying to address HIV, but never in such a focused way," he said.

HIV is the virus that causes AIDS.

"Together, we will defeat AIDS in America and beyond," Trump said in his speech. He pledged funding in his upcoming budget, but did not say how much.

Trump's move is being greeted with a mix of skepticism and cautious optimism by anti-AIDS activists. They're flagging his previous efforts to slash Medicaid health care for low-income people, and his administration's ongoing drive to roll back newly won acceptance for LGBTQ people.

"We stand ready to work with him and his administration if they are serious," said a statement from AIDS United and other groups. "But to date, this administration's actions speak louder than words and have moved us in the wrong direction." AIDS United funds and advocates policies to combat AIDS.

The ONE Campaign, the global anti-poverty group co-founded by rock singer Bono, called Trump's pledge a "welcome sign," but pointed out that the administration has also proposed

deep cuts in U.S. funding for efforts to battle HIV in Africa

"While we might have policy differences with the president and his administration, this initiative, if properly implemented and resourced, can go down in history as one of the most significant achievements of his presidency," Michael Ruppal, executive director of the AIDS Institute, said in a statement.

While Azar said significant new funding would be included in the president's budget, he also emphasized that the campaign is about making more efficient use of existing programs like the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program, which provides medical care and support services.

"The tools are there," Azar said. "This is about execution."

Today's HIV treatments work so well they not only can give people with the AIDS virus a near-normal life expectancy, they offer a double whammy making those patients less likely to infect other people.

At the same time, a longtime HIV medication named Truvada can prevent infection if taken daily by healthy people who are at risk from their infected sexual partners, a strategy known as "pre-exposure prophylaxis" or PreP.

The people most at risk include men who have sex with men, minorities, particularly African-Americans, and American Indians/Alaska Natives. Azar said the administration's campaign would rely on public health workers to identify people at risk for HIV/AIDS, get them tested, and on medication.

The 48 counties HHS is focusing on are mainly metro areas. The states are Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma and South Carolina.

Researchers noted that will require working with groups that often shun health services, including injectable drug users.

"Trust is a crucial weapon in our fight to eradicate HIV and it's necessary to encourage people from marginalized groups to get tested," said Dr. Albert

Wu, an HIV researcher at Johns Hopkins University.

The initial goal is to reduce new HIV infections by 75 percent in five years.

There are about 40,000 new cases of HIV infections a year in the U.S. That's a dramatic reduction from the crisis years of the AIDS epidemic, but progress has stalled. More than 1 million Americans live with the disease.

William McColl of AIDS United said the Trump administration's goal is "very doable," based on currently available technology and trends.

"I think the HIV community would work with the administration on this issue if they're serious, but it's also going to take real action, including possibly regulatory and legislative changes to achieve the goal," said McColl.

Azar said the idea for the new push came from within the ranks of HHS.

were facing a unique and historic mo-

ment where all the strands were coming together," said Azar. They took the idea to Trump. ``President Trump is personally invested in this," said Azar.

In recent years a number of health organizations, including the United Nations, have called for coordinated steps to end the HIV epidemic by 2030.

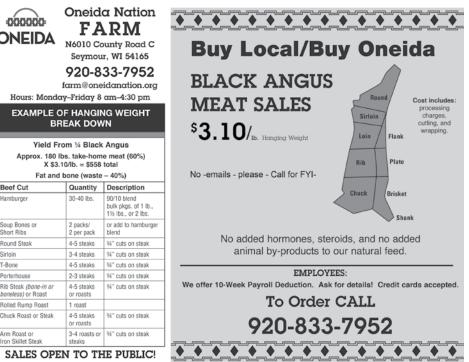
Trump's CDC director, Dr. Robert Redfield, told agency employees last March that it would possible to end the AIDS epidemic in less than seven years.

Shortly after taking office in 2010, President Barack Obama outlined a national HIV strategy focused on lowering the infection rate and increasing access to care. The administration renewed the five-year plan in 2015, though it did not set a goal of stopping transmission or ending the epidemic.

Associated Press writers Matthew "There was a recognition that we Perrone and Lauran Neergaard contributed to this report.

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### -2019 NAJA-Facebook scholarship application due April 30

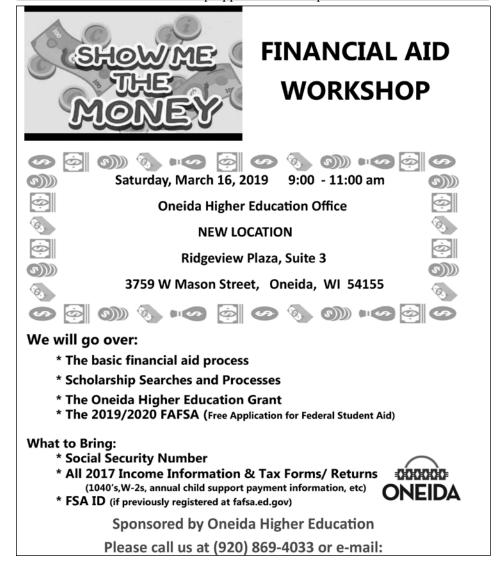
sociation is committed to increasing the representation of Indigenous journalists rolled juniors, seniors, or graduate stuin mainstream media. NAJA supports and empowers members through annual scholarship opportunities for Native American, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian and First Nations students.

NAJA will select five students for one-time awards of \$10,000 each for the NAJA - Facebook Journalism Project Scholarship for Indigenous students pursuing journalism and media degrees commitment. at a higher learning institutions.

#### The Native American Journalists As- Applications are due April 30.

To be eligible, applicants must be endents at an accredited university in the United States pursuing a degree in digital media/journalism/communications with a commitment to Indigenous storytelling as demonstrated by completed coursework, clips/work samples and a letter of recommendation from a professor or internship supervisor familiar with their work and attesting to career

NAJA is currently accepting scholarship applications for 2019 awards through April 30, 2019. To apply go to https://najanewsroom.com/2019-facebookscholarship-application-due-april-30/



#### **Popular 'Home Health Aide' Course Starts March 18 at Keshena Campus**

Area residents age 16 and older can apply now for the 8-week Home Health Aide course that starts March 18 at the College of Menominee Nation. Students who successfully complete the course are prepared for seeking work as an independent provider or with a home care agency. Since its inception, more than 1,000 students have registered for the program at CMN to prepare for employment or improve their ability to aid family members in need.

Students in the course learn how to assist with the personal care of individuals of all ages with disabilities or illness. Along with first aid, CPR, and day-to-day caregiving, students will develop important skills in verbal and non-verbal communications and in written communication related to charting and documentation. Issues such as the patient/caregiver relationship, time and stress management, team work, conflict resolution, coping with death, and cultural sensitivity will also be addressed.

Home Health Aide is a 3-credit course with instruction based on textbook, workbook and hands-on learning experiences. Training covers the skills determined by the State of Wisconsin as necessary for home health workers, including issues of consumer rights, ethics and confidentiality.

The course beginning March 18 meets from 4 to 8:50 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays on the College of Menominee Nation campus, N172 State Hwy. 47/55, in Keshena. For application and registration information, visit the Student Services Office on campus during business hours, log on to www.menominee.edu, or call 715-799-6226, ext. 3051, to speak with an advisor.

CMN is an accredited Bachelor's Degree college with enrollment in its programs open to all.



#### Kindergarten Visitation Days March 14th and 15th

The Oneida Nation School System is now accepting KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS for the 2019-2020 School Year.

WHERE: Oneida Nation Elementary School, Kindergarten Area WHEN: March 14th and 15th, 2019 WHO: Children who will be five-

years-old before September 1, 2019. Contact: Harriet Reiter in Student Services (920-869-4651)

• The first step: is to sign your child up for the Kindergarten Visitation. Head Start children with parental consent will be brought to O.N.E.S. by their Head Start Teachers. Parents, please notify Head Start that you intend to enroll your child at O.N.E.S.

Reiter at (920-869-4651) to make an appointment. • The second step: is to complete an

eligible children please call Harriet

- O.N.E.S. application/enrollment packet. The packet with proper documentation has to be on file before your child is placed on a class list or the fall. Application/Enrollment packets are available from the Student Services office at O.N.E.S., see Harriet Reiter. To complete your application/enrollment packet, you will need your child's:
- 1. State Certified Birth Certificate, not a hospital Birth Certificate.
- 2. Updated Immunization Record
- 3. Proof of Tribal Enrollment
- All other interested families with age

### **Oneida Dental Clinic closing temporarily for much needed Renovations**

The Oneida Dental Clinic will be *What you need to know* closed during the months of June and July in 2019 for much needed renovations and improvements. New flooring, electrical updates, window treatments along with replacing equipment will be most of the changes taking place.

Your dental health is our main priority. The dental area is finalizing arrangements at an alternate clinic to make sure our patients needs are taken care of.

- The dental front desk will remain
  - open and staff will continue taking phone calls and scheduling appointments
  - Arrangements are being made for alternate location for limited dental treatment during the remodel
  - Dental emergencies will continue to be triaged daily by the dental staff and scheduled appropriately
- alternate location
- Orthodontic services will be limited Oneida. to retainer checks and reties
- Patients scheduled during the remodel will be notified by a reminder call or text message for the location of their dental appointment

Updated notices will be posted on • Limited dental services will be the Oneida Health Center Facebook available for scheduling at an Page, in the Kalihwisaks, the Oneida Nation Facebook Page and through the Communication Departments' Update

> The Oneida Dental Clinic Staff and Comprehensive Health Management Thank You for your patience and understanding during this much needed update to the Dental Department.

### **Oneida Food Safe**t According to the Oneida Food Service Code and in order to provide the safest food products to the community, people who wish to sell food at any Oneida Nation event or on any Oneida Nation property are required to complete and maintain a food safety certification. 2019 Schedule RECERTIFICATION CERTIFICATION

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February 27	5 - 9 P.M.	March 6	12-1 P.M.
March 20	5 - 9 P.M.	March 13	5-6 P.M.
May 22	5 - 9 P.M.	May 29	5-6 P.M.
June 19	5-9 P.M.	June 12	12-1 P.M.
June 28	9-12 P.MNHC	June 28	12-1 P.MNHC
July 24	5 - 9 P.M.	July 17	5 - 6 P.M.
August 21	5 - 9 P.M.	August 7	12-1 P.M.
September 18		September 11	5-6 P.M.
October 16		October 2	12-1 P.M.
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November 13	5-9 P.M.	October 30	5-6 P.M.
		November 20	5-6 P.M.

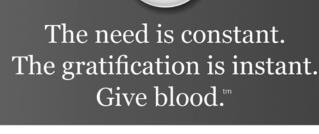
LOCATION: Little Bear Development Center, N7332 Water Circle Place, Oneida, WI 54155

SIGN UP: Call the Environmental, Health & Safety Division at

(920) 869-4553 or email vmiller@oneidanation.org

If there are not at least 3 people signed up and present within

15 minutes of the class start time, the class will be canceled.





## **Oneida Community Blood Drive**

Oneida Family Fitness ~ 2640 West Point Road - Gym

### Thursday, March 14, 2019 8am – 1pm

For an appointment call American Red Cross at 800-RED-CROSS. (1-800-733-2767)

Appointments preferred, walk-ins welcome!

You can save up to 15 minutes by visiting www.RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

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### **ATTENTION**

The Trust Enrollment Department is trying to contact the following individuals with important information regarding their Minor's Trust Fund:

Steven Joseph Johnson II
 Michael Dean Cornelius

Jessica Trinity Nicole Roberts
 Alexus Ashley Ivan

If you are one these people, please call the Trust Enrollment Department as soon as possible. If you know one of these people, please ask them to call Trust Enrollment Department as soon as possible. Yaw^ko For more information, please call: (920) 869-6200 or (800) 571-9902



### **ONEIDA NATION General Tribal Council**

# NOTICE

### Special GTC Meeting

DATE: Sunday, February 24, 2019 MEETING TIME: 10:00 a.m. CHECK IN BEGINS: 8:00 a.m. LOCATION: **RADISSON HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER** 2040 AIRPORT DR., GREEN BAY WI

AGENDA ITEMS INCLUDE

Consider Sanctions and Penalties law

- •Petitioner Gina D. Powless Rescinding the Removal law
- •Petitioner Scott Kosbab Creating a Term Limits law
- Per Capita Discussion
- GTC Confidentiality

Meeting is TENTATIVE until duly noticed in accordance with the GTC Ten Day Notice Policy Access the GTC PORTAL at oneida-nsn.gov/members-only for more information and meeting materials O'

Sign up for GTC MAILINGS with the Trust Enrollment Department, (920) 869-6200

## **OBC Council** Forum

Kirby Metoxen

Councilman

Shekoli,

I hope everyone is staying warm and safe with all the snow storms we had so far this winter. We had record breaking snowfall in our area as well as freezing temperatures that gave us all a little cabin fever. I know many of us are hopeful for warmer weather soon.

#### Unification

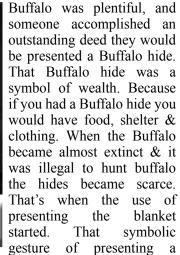
Tribes and Organizations have noticed

that issues facing Indian Country have taken a back seat when it comes to federal policy and legislation. Tribal Organizations surveyed the public, Congressional staff, Federal employees, and elected officials to gain a better understanding of why Indian issues are not being addressed. Results showed that Federal representatives do not feel that Indian County holds elected officials accountable, does not have a large voting population, and is not consistent and persistent on issues. The survey indicated that other groups are more organized and share a united voice in tackling issues. National efforts are being made to unify Indian Country for the purpose of addressing common issues that impact Tribes.

Tribal

#### Presenting of Pendleton Blankets.

I was told the presenting of a Pendleton Blanket to an individual is very significant. I would like to share what I was told. Years ago, when the



blanket I have incorporated in my life and have presented all my children and all my nieces and nephews Pendleton blankets upon their Graduation of High School. The Oneida Nation presents our employees Pendleton Blankets at certain years of service to our Nation.

The Oneida Nation has presented 125 Pendleton Blankets in 2018 to tribal employees to mark their milestone of completing 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 years of service working for the Oneida Nation. We are half way through fiscal year 2019 and we have already presented 208 Blankets. I wanted to provide my belief and explanation to our nontribal employees of the significance of receiving a Pendleton blanket.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give my office a call at 920-869-4441.

> Yaw^ko. **Councilman Kirby**



### Local

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### Self-identification or tribal membership: Different paths to your tribe

#### By Lu Zhao Special to the Kalihwisaks

t was a surprise for an 8-year-old girl when she first learned she is a Native American many years ago. Pamala Silas had transferred to a new school. Huddling in the chair, sitting beside her younger sister, Pam, the new student, was introduced by the teacher as an "American Indian." She couldn't believe what she heard.

"What? Why did she say that?" Pam, in her 50s and proud of her heritage now, harbored stereotypes of Native Americans that she saw on TV. "They're all naked and crazy!"

Pam went home and asked her foster mother why they called her an Indian at school

"Well, you are," her foster mother said. She took out an encyclopedia, went to the American Indian section and showed Pam a picture of a man with a big headdress on a horse. "You're an Indian."

"You are Menominee and you are Oneida," Pam's older sister said.

Pam had to write down the tribal names but didn't even know how to spell them at that time.

Menominee and Oneida are two Native American tribes among 573 federally recognized ones in the U.S. according to a published list from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Each tribe sets its own requirement for tribal membership. Generally speaking, a person can only be a member of one tribe even if they meet the qualifications of more than one Indian Nation, according to a research paper by Carol N. Neptôn.

Pam's mother is Menominee and her father is Oneida. When Pam was little, her biological mother enrolled her with the Menominee tribe. Now she is an active tribe member and serves as the coordinator of the Menominee community in Chicago. Yet when Pam became a mother, she decided to enroll her children in her other tribe - Oneida.

tribe," explained Pam, now is the asso-

University's Center for Native American and Indigenous Research. "My father was a pure Oneida but my mom wasn't 100 percent Menominee."

Jasmine Gurneau, 32, Pam's younger daughter, grew up with pride in being a Native American. Attending community events, learning culture from an after-school program and doing cultural practices, she knows clearly who she is and hardly feels insecure.

Jasmine said she was usually the only Native student in the classroom growing up and she talked about the differences between other students and herself.

"The biggest difference is the invisibility," she laughed. "It's just you need to explain that we're still around."

Jasmine was once asked in college whether she lived in a teepee. She answered "no" and explained, "I live in one of the dorms downtown." A voice in her mind said, "What the heck the kind of question is that?"

Still, the identity of Native Americans is not that easy to understand, even for Jasmine's friends.

"Why are you Oneida?"

"Because my mom is Oneida."

"But why doesn't she practice it (as an Oneida)?"

Jasmine had no answer. She turned to now." Pam to ask why.

"You're always Menominee, you're always Menominee," Jasmine once said to Pam. "But what about you being Oneida? How come you're denying you're Oneida?"

Pam never thought of it that way. So she embraced her Oneida heritage as well. She goes to the longhouse, a type of traditional Oneida building, wears the regalia of Oneida Native dress and respects Oneida culture. But she can't participate in Oneida politics since she isn't enrolled in the membership. In this sense, Pam encouraged Jasmine to learn more about the Oneida community as a voting citizen of the Oneida people.

Though she is an Oneida member, "My bloodline is stronger in the other Jasmine identifies herself as both Oneida and Menominee. While pursuing a ciate outreach director for Northwestern research project with the Menominee

"It's frustrating to me that it's a system that was initially imposed by the government, and now the tribes are the ones who are reinforcing it..."

#### - Jasmine Gurneau

community at college, she got more in- Nations. For many tribes, people have to volved in the Menominee community.

"Just because I'm not enrolled in Menominee doesn't mean that my grandma, my great grandma, my great great grandma weren't Menominee," Jasmine said. "You [don't] undo the fact that my relatives were Menominee just because of a piece of paper."

She tries to learn the totally different O'Loughlin said. cultures and languages of both her Native communities and pass the knowledge to her children even though they can't be enrolled in any community.

Jasmine's husband is Ojibwe. As a result, their children don't meet the blood quantum requirements of any of the three tribes -- even though it is only 1/64shy of the qualification of Ojibwe.

"It's frustrating to me that it's a system that was initially imposed by the government, and now the tribes are the ones who are reinforcing it," Jasmine said. "Like we're doing this to ourselves

Shannon Keller O'Loughlin, executive director of the Association on American Indian Affairs, explained that blood quantum has been used as part of the Ojibwe," Jasmine said. "Even though determination of membership by some tribes, but it is not used by all Native tribe as citizens."

prove a 25 percent blood relationship to the tribe to be considered a member.

"Blood quantum was a racially based classification that the United States, the federal government and probably other colonial governments used against indigenous people in order to assimilate them into the broader society,"

She said that intermarriage is very common in Native Nations.

"Indian people have been married to each other from different tribes for as long as ever," she said. "That doesn't make us less Indian because it's not about race ... it's about culture and it's about a political category."

Though Jasmine feels critical of aspects of the system, she still raises her children as Native Americans and gives them middle names in Native languages. Her daughter's middle name is Wiishkobi in Ojibwe, which means sweet. Her son's name Enaemaehkiw in Menominee means thunder.

"They are Oneida, Menominee and they are not officially recognized by the

### **JMIO Event Rescheduled**

The Family Fun Night and JMIO event scheduled for Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at Oneida Nation Elementary School was canceled due to inclement weather forecast.

Family Fun Night and the JMIO event has been *rescheduled* for Wednesday, February 27th, 2019 from 4:30–7PM

at Oneida Nation Elementary School.

# **Oneida Nation High School** THUNDERHAWK TIMES

### Snow days have taken their Maple sap gathering season arriving shortly toll at ONHS

#### By Thunderhawk Times Staff

Everyone loves a snow day. Or an ice day. Or a fog day. But when they start to add up, students and staff begin to wonder: Are we going to be making some of these up in June?

So far, ONHS has had six days when school was canceled. There have also been other days when school was delaved for two hours.

According to District Administrator, Sharon Mousseau, the school board has built five snow days into the school calendar before days have to be made up. The sixth day will be made up by having school on Monday, April 22, the day after Easter.

Other make-up days will have to be determined if school is canceled one or more additional days.

Delays or days when school lets out early do not count against that total.

Teachers and students are both feeling the crunch.

"Pretty difficult for my students to write articles for 'Thunderhawk Times' when we've only had class three days," said journalism teacher Denis Gullickson in early February. "It's just the way it's worked out with the weather."

Extra-curricular events, like basketball, have also been impacted with several games and practices canceled. Games were rescheduled.

ONHS isn't the only school scrambling to pull things together.

In Green Bay, two previously-sched-

uled half-days are now full days and the district has added 5 minutes to the start of the day and 10 minutes at the end of the day. More snow days may extend the school year past June 10.

The De Pere School District also scheduled a make-up day for April 22 and is considering other options if more days are canceled.

So, are ONHS students okay with more days?

ONHS junior, Billy Doxtator, said he'd be happy with more snow days, even if it meant adding days at the end of the year.

Other students said they've had enough snow days and want warm weather to get here soon.

With three more weeks of winter and the memory of last year's historic mid-April blizzard, the chances of more snow, ice or fog days aren't out of the question.

As of this writing, 3-6 inches are predicted for Wednesday, February 20.

District administrator, Sharon Mousseau, said the school consults with both Lamers Bus Lines and the Oneida Police Department when deciding to call off school. Surrounding school districts are sometimes also consulted.

When it comes to deciding on whether to play games or not, Athletic Director Art Skenandore is in direct contact with the other school involved.



THT photo/Denis Gullickson

ONHS students and staff gathered at the "Sugar Shack" the morning of Tuesday, February 19, to burn tobacco for the coming Maple Season. Words were offered to the trees and all of nature by Sonny Hill on behalf of the group. Principal Art Skenandore told the group that it should be of one mind as it announces to the forest that they will be gathering the sap and that they will be respectful in doing so. He also said that the group should be mindful of those who have lost loved ones recently.

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Natavia Adams, Shania Barber, Billy Doxtator, Johnny Doxtator, Malia Jacobs, Talon McLester, Andres Mora, Charlene Peters, Shania Skenandore, Curtiss Summers, Denis Gullickson-Advisor.



### Annual ski trip

#### By Shania Barber

Thunderhawk Times

Each winter, about 25 students and a few chaperones head to Pine Mountain near Iron Mountain, MI for a day of downhill skiing.

Denis Gullickson, ONHS Owastileh Coordinator and journalism teacher, usually organizes the trip. "We haven't set a date yet," said Gullickson. "With all the snow days we.ve had, it's been hard nailing down a date."

One complication is the basketball seasons. The girls team has won the M&O Conference title and the boys are still finishing off their season.

"We usually like to go early in March," said Gullickson. "But that often means that the basketball players are starting tournament play and can't come with us, even though some of them have earned it."

When selecting the students, Gullickson said, "I look at grades first. A student can't have any F's from first semester. After that, it's attendance. Unexcused attendance, lots of schools and class tardies are considered. Behavior is the third factor. We don't take students with RTR placements and suspension both in and out of school."

Watch for details on the trip, which Gullickson said should be "sometime before mid-March, Spring Break at the latest."

# Second Quarter honor roll announced

#### By Thunderhawk Times Staff

Twenty-six ONHS students were recognized recently on the school's honor roll list.

9 students received Highest Honors — earning a 3.8 GPA and higher — including Mariah Barber, Yelih Rodriguez and Michell Skenandore along with Shania Barber, Cian Danforth, Kevin House, Maliah Jacobs, Talon McLester and CJ Summers who all had a perfect 4.0 GPA.

4 students received High Honors with GPAs between 3.5 and 3.79. They were

### New Drivers Ed group starting

#### By Johnny Doxtator III Thunderhawk Times

One of the advantages ONHS students realize is that the drivers ed program here is affordable. In fact, it costs just \$50. Compare that to \$200 or up to \$800 for other driving schools in our area.

State law says that, in order to get a drivers licence, all student drivers must take drivers ed, you must be at least 16 years of age. You must have a adult sponsor. You must pass an approved drivers education course. You also must be free of traffic violations for 6 months.

Joe Zack, of C&J Driving School, has been teaching drivers ed at Oneida for a long time.

According to Kelly Johnson, who runs the high school office, There will be at least 23 students when class starts next month.

Oneida Higher Education 920-869-4033 1-800-236-2214, Ext. 4033 https://oneida-nsn.gov/education/highereducation/

Guillermo Acosta, Natavia Adams, Joseph Powless and Tiara Barber.

13 students finished the marking period with Honors, meaning they had a GPA of 3.0-3.49. They were Noemi Ramirez-Gilsoul, Charlene Peters, A'Lexziana Stevens, Sadie Schuman, Stephani Schabow, RaeAnna Ackley, David Danforth, Kaleigh Johnson, Lai Lanna Hill, Desmond Reiter, Randy Chaske Jacobs, Antone Reed and Tianna Tovar-Penass.

### **Milwaukee Bucks**

#### **By Shania Skenandore** Thunderhawk Times

The Bucks are currently ranked at 43-14. In the Eastern Conference they are number one, just above the Raptors. One of the many star players is named Giannis Antetokounmpo who has the current highest points scored; he has 8,191 points.

Over their history, the Milwaukee Bucks have played in the playoffs 30 times but have won only one championship in 1971.

The Milwaukee Bucks continue to get better every year and will hopefully be able to succeed in the playoffs.



## By Natavia Adams

Thunderhawk Times

Every day, I might seem to get up randomly during journalism class and leave the room.

I'm not going to the restroom or skipping out on the last part of class, Im heading for the Head Start area at Norbert Hill Center.

In, the hallway. I'm joined by Kaylee Schuyler and Yehli Rodriguez.

Once there, we are instructed to only speak Oneida to the children, for the room we work in is an "emergence classroom."

Kaylee and I work until about 10:30, whereas Ye; ih will spend more time with them.

We are learning the Oneida language as far as new words to use with the kids.

Another interesting parts of this experience is the one-on-one time at end of every week to grow our own language vocabulary; allowing us to read, understand and hold conversation in Oneida.

This experience will help me in the future because, it allows the culture and language to stay alive along with being able to talk and understand our fluent speakers.

### Art from history

#### By Andres Mora

Thunderhawk Times

Art from History class is being taught for the second year by ONHS art teacher Becky Andersion.

The class is about making art in the style of famous artists.

"My students get to experience what an arties from history was experiencing 'back in the day," said Becky. "This year, we started off with pop art. Andy Warhol's multiples of famous people, including Marilyn Monroe, and ordinary objects like the Campbell's Soup Can."

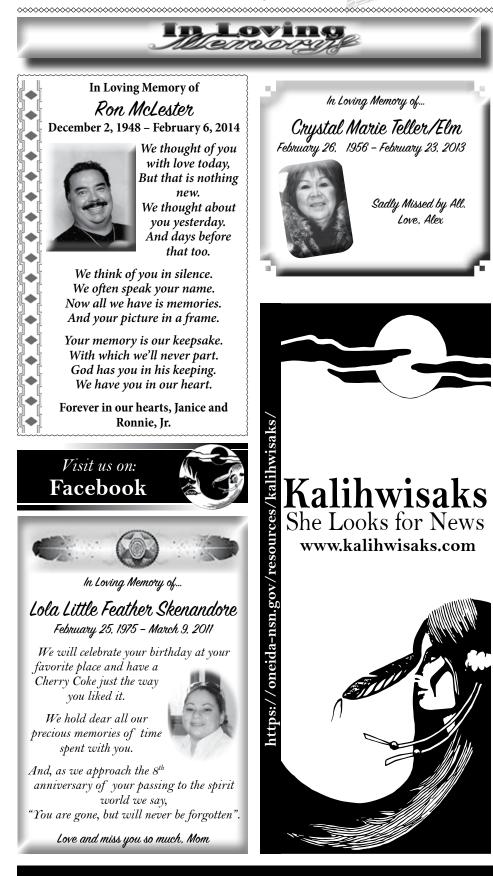
Last year, the group learned about Louise Nevelson and created some of her assemblages.

"It is a fun experience," Becky said.

### Passing On...

#### 16 Yá·yahk YawA·lé: • February 21, 2019

#### www.kalihwisaks.com



March 24, 1997 - February 12, 2019 William A. Johnson, age 21, passed away on Tuesday, February 12, 2019. He was born March 24, 1997 to Anthony Johnson Jr. and Laurie Doxtator. He was outgoing, funny, and always had a way of making people laugh. William was loved and respected by many people and was a great father, son, brother, and friend. He had a way with words and always encouraged and helped others. In his free time, he enjoyed playing sports, drawing, and spending time with friends and fami-

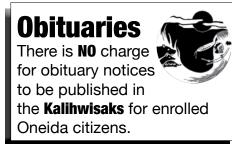
Johnson, William A.

ly, especially his children. He is survived by his mother, Laurie Doxtator; step-father, Rudy LeMieux; grandfather, Anthony Johnson Sr.; son, Javon Johnson; siblings: Cierra Johnson, Jonathan Johnson, Nathan Johnson, Junior Johnson, Elianna Christjohn, Lowahtsyate Christjohn; and nephew, Eulani. He is further survived by aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Anthony Johnson Jr.; grandparents: Betty Lou Cornelius and John (Virginia) Doxtator; and son, Jaimen Johnson.

William, you will be greatly missed. Heaven received a beautiful soul. May you find peace with your dad and son.

Visitation for William was held on Monday, February 18, 2019 from 11AM until 1PM at Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. 10th Street De Pere. The Oneida Hymn Singers sang at 12:30pm. The service followed at 1pm.



### \_\_\_\_\_ **Protest highway** shutdown lawsuit claims include extortion

**By Blake Nicholson** Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) - Standing Rock Sioux tribal members and others who are suing over a five-month shutdown of a North Dakota highway during protests against the Dakota Access oil pipeline have broadened their claims against state and county officials.

They now allege the closure of a stretch of state Highway 1806 outside protest camps in 2016 and 2017 was not only aimed at protesters but also at influencing the tribe's position on the camps and the media's coverage of the prolonged clash.

They seek unspecified money damages for alleged violations of their rights.

Authorities argue they had not only the authority to shut down the highway but also an obligation to do so in the interest of public safety. County attorney Randall Bakke (BAW'-kee) says there's no basis for the new claims.

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### Lady Thunderhawks in three-way | Thunderhawks defeat Wausaukee tie for M&O Conference title



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The Oneida Lady Thunderhawks are in a three-way tie for the Marinette & Oconto (M&O) title with Crivitz and Wausaukee with a 13-3 record. Sadie Schuman played the hero for the ladies on February 14 when she dropped a layup on the closing seconds to lift the Lady T-Hawks over Niagara 38-36. The ladies then dropped a tough matchup against Wausaukee 38-41 on February 18. The Lady Thunderhawks begin WIAA Regional play at home on Friday, Feb. 22, at the Turtle School. Tipoff is set for 7:00 p.m.

Above: Sadie Schuman (#23) leads the charge against Niagara on February 14.

### South Dakota group wants to rescind Wounded Knee medals

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) A South Dakota group is pushing to rescind medals awarded for the Wounded Knee Massacre following a tweet by President Donald Trump.

Four Directions Inc. sent letters to Trump and other federal officials last week, asking for the removal of 20 medals awarded to soldiers who took part in the 1890 massacre that killed an estimated 250 Native Americans, including many women and children.

The Rapid City Journal reports the

group wants language rescinding the medals included in the next National Defense Authorization Act.

Trump made light of the Wounded Knee massacre in a tweet last month. The tweet mocked a video from Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, a Democratic presidential hopeful Trump has mocked for her claim to Native American ancestry.

South Dakota's congressional delegation also criticized the Trump tweet.



Kali photo/Eric Doxtator

The Oneida Thunderhawks defeated M&O Conference rival Wausaukee 61-45 at home on February 18 during Parents Night. Jose Sanchez led the T-Hawks with 26 points while Javon Webster dropped 12. The victory leaves the Thunderhawks with a 9-6 M&O Conference record and in 4th place in the conference. Next up for the boys is a road trip to Suring on February 21 before beginning WIAA Regional play at home against Elcho on February 26. Tipoff is set for 7:00 p.m.

Above: David Danforth (#1) works against the Wausaukee defense at home on February 18.

### **Oneidas skate into state tournament**



Submitted photos Congratulations two Oneida Youth who will be going to state with the Green Bay Area Youth Hockey Association. Congratulations to Nataannii Powless (left), #6, of the Bobcat Squirts Black C team which will play in Marathon County and DeMarre Oneal-Webster, (right) #13, of the Bobcat Squirts Gold C team which will play in Fond Du Lac. The tournament will

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### **Soaring Eagles presents night of boxing**



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Ayanna O'Kimosh from the Menominee Indian Boxing Club in the red defeated Araceli Gudino from Racine Warriors Boxing Club in the blue at the Night of Boxing held Saturday, February 16, at Thornberry Creek at Oneida. The event was presented by Soaring Eagles Boxing Club.

### Foxwoods, Mohegan Sun report dip in slot revenue

UNCASVILLE, Conn. (AP)  $\sim$  Connecticut's two casinos have both reported another monthly drop in slot-machine revenue.

This is the seventh straight month that the slot take has dropped at both the Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods Resort Casino.

The Mohegan Sun reported it's January take was \$40.7 million, 9.4 percent less than it was the same month a year ago. That is its lowest monthly slot earning since January 2001, when it kept \$39.7 million.

Foxwoods reports \$31 million in slots revenue last month, an 8.5 percent decline from the same month a year ago and its lowest one-month total in 25 years.

The Connecticut casinos are facing increased competition, including from MGM Resorts' new casino in Springfield, Massachusetts, which opened its doors last August.

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### Women detained by border agent after speaking Spanish sue

#### **By Matt Volz** Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. (AP) - Two Montana women questioned by a U.S. border agent who overheard them speaking Spanish in a convenience store sued U.S. Customs and Border Protection on Thursday, saying the agent illegally detained them without reason.

The agent held Ana Suda and Martha Hernandez for 40 minutes in a parking lot in the city of Havre in May 2018 without reasonable suspicion or probable cause, according to the lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court in Great Falls.

His only reason for doing so, they said, was because they were taking in Spanish while waiting in line to buy milk and eggs.

Suda took a video of the parking lot encounter with CBP Agent Paul O'Neill in which she asks him why he wanted their identifications.

"Ma'am, the reason I asked you for your ID is because I came in here and I saw that you guys are speaking Spanish, which is very unheard of up here," O'Neill said in the video.

CBP spokesman Jason Givens said Thursday the agency doesn't comment on pending litigation.

The women's ACLU lawyers say O'Neill should have let them go as soon as they identified themselves as U.S. citizens, but he instead detained them in violation of the Fourth Amendment barring unreasonable searches and seizures.

The lawsuit also claims the agent targeted them based on their race in violation of the Fifth Amendment's due process protections.

O'Neill and later his supervisor made it clear through their words and actions that the women weren't free to leave the parking lot, ACLU attorney Alex Rate wrote in the lawsuit.

"Speaking Spanish does not establish reasonable suspicion justifying a stop and detention, much less probable cause for

an arrest," Rate wrote.

Suda and Hernandez are asking for an unspecified amount of money in compensation, punitive damages and a judge's about 30 miles (48 kilometers) from the order barring border officials from stopping or detaining anyone based on race, accent or language.

Suda was born in Texas and moved to Montana with her husband in 2014. Hernandez was born in California and has been living in Montana since 2010. Both

are certified nursing assistants who work at an assisted-living center.

Havre is a city of nearly 10,000 people U.S.-Canada border and near two Native American reservations. The city's population is mostly white and about 4 percent Hispanic, according to the U.S. Census.

In 2017, border patrol agents in the Havre sector made 39 arrests. Eleven of the people arrested were Mexican.





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### **Kentucky bishop says Covington** students were not instigators

diocese investigation has determined that Catholic school boys didn't instigate at both them and a group of Native a confrontation at the Lincoln Memorial Americans. The bishop now says the that went viral on social media.

Covington Bishop Roger Foys initially condemned the students' behavior after threatening." a video showed one teenager face-toface with a Native American man. Days statement prematurely."

an anti-abortion rally last month when situation.

COVINGTON, Ky. (AP) – A Kentucky they encountered a group of black street preachers who were shouting insults students "were placed in a situation that was at once bizarre and even

Both the Native American man, later. Fovs apologized for "making a Nathan Phillips, and the Covington student shown in the video have said The students were in Washington for they were attempting to defuse the

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### Wolf taken to Isle Royale last fall returns to mainland

#### **By John Flesher** AP Environmental Writer

gray wolf that was moved from Minnesota to Isle Rovale National Park last fall has wandered back to the mainland, trekking more than 15 miles across the frozen surface of Lake Superior to reach her home turf, officials said Wednesday.

The female was among four wolves relocated from the Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa reservation in September and October - the first steps in an effort to restore the species at the park, where a predator is needed to prevent moose overpopulation.

The National Park Service hopes to move 20-30 wolves to Isle Royale over several years.

The project has hit some early snags. One wolf captured for movement to the park died in captivity. Another perished a month after it arrived. Plans to transfer a new group from Michipicoten Island in Canada have been delayed, first by the partial U.S. government shutdown and then by rough weather.

Green said such setbacks weren't unexpected and wouldn't thwart the new area three to four weeks usually operation.

"When we made the decision to restore the predator-prey relationship, we knew we would have to respectfully work with whatever curves nature threw at us, whether it's adverse weather or wolves working out where they choose to fit on the landscape," she said.

for the next three years, a window we feel affords us the opportunity for successful restoration."

Scientists believe wolves originally crossed ice bridges in the late 1940s to

reach Isle Royale, where they formed packs and feasted on moose. But they became inbred and their numbers dropped TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. (AP) - A sharply in the past decade. Only two remained when the relocation began. They're believed to be alive, putting the current population at four.

The transplanted wolves were fitted with radio collars enabling researchers to track their movements. A team from Michigan Technological University arrived last weekend to begin their annual winter study of the wolves and moose.

During an aerial search, biologist Rolf Peterson found that two of the newcomers were still on the island. But the third transplant's signal directed them toward the lake and eventually the mainland.

Mark Romanski, the park's natural resources chief, used GPS data to confirm the wolf had left Isle Royale on Jan. 31 and was near the border between northeastern Minnesota and the Canadian province of Ontario.

Studies have shown that a wolf moved less than 80 miles from its original territory might try to return home, said Still, park superintendent Phyllis Dave Mech, a U.S. Geological Survey biologist. However, those held in the stay put. That didn't happen this time.

"The Isle Royale wolf translocation is new territory in understanding wolf behaviors," Mech said.

Green said it was necessary to use Minnesota wolves - along with those from Ontario and Michigan's Upper Peninsula, which will arrive later – to "We're going to continue the project ensure genetic diversity in the rebuilt population.

"The drama gets captured in how individuals behave," she said. "But what we're looking for is a healthy wolf population on the island."







Complimentary items are subject to change. Details at Bingo Hall.



### From page 5/NHSMN

Model United Nations: Indigenous (MUN:I) is a startup non-profit project created by Nathan Balk King, a high school senior at Sturgis Charter Public School in Hyannis, Massachusetts. A Rosebud Sioux tribal member born in Rapid City, Nathan moved to the East Coast with his mother in 2009 and attended the

NHSMUN Conference last year with his high school, where he noted that among the over 5000 students from 74 countries there were no other indigenous youth in attendance. In response to this, he founded MUN:Indigenous. It's purpose is to facilitate Native youth training in international diplomacy and human rights though participation at the NHSMUN Conference, and to encourage and support the creation of Native American MUN clubs at high schools across the country.

Model United Nations: Indigenous www.MUNIndigenous.com MUNIndigenous@gmail.com For each student, the costs to participate at NHSMUN are approximately \$1000, including registration, travel, meals, and hotel, and they are working together to raise the funds necessary to attend. Please visit www.



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Model UN provides invaluable experiences to youth all over the world in the application of research, essay writing, public speaking, problem solving and diplomacy. This opportunity allows Native youth to practice and take interest in human rights, including advocating for the rights of indigenous people around the globe.

Chris Talamo, Executive Director of IMUNA, statement of support for MUN:Indigenous: "Because of the various costs involved, Model UN, the world's most popular debate activity, is largely dominated by students from wealthy, privileged schools. Many schools in lower-income communities may only be able to afford short conferences in their area, or they may not have a MUN program at all. This dramatically skews the voices that are heard at the world's leading MUN conferences. When only the world's most privileged kids are discussing the issues that affect some of the world's most marginalized, including indigenous peoples, those living in extreme poverty, international refugees, and labor rights, the simulation is inherently skewed. There are no authentic voices that can relate to the challenges experienced by the people they are trying to help."

# Measure funding Native language programs supported in Alaska

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) ~ Native studies officials at the University of Alaska Fairbanks are praising efforts to reauthorize federal legislation funding immersion programs for Native American languages.

Republican U.S. Sen. Lisa Murkowski and others this week have introduced a measure reauthorizing the funding for Native language learning initiatives, including immersion programs, language teacher training, and additional teaching materials and curriculum, the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner reported.

It would also maintain two national programs and expand programs to smaller tribes, as well as lengthen grant periods.

The reauthorization measure is a positive step for Alaska Native languages, said Sandra Kowalski, the university's director of Indigenous Programs for Rural, Community and Native Education.

"There are 20 distinct and formally recognized Alaska Native languages that are in various states of decline," Kowalski said. "Decades of colonialism and recent globalization have created chasms between older first language speakers and younger generations." But language education is on the rise, giving hope for a more culturally connected future, Kowalski said.

"Alaskan Native individuals whose first language is English have, through immersion programs, master-apprentice partnerships and some working individually, become proficient in their own Alaska Native language," Kowalski said. "These second language speakers' stories have inspired interest and demand for opportunities for other Alaska Natives to learn to speak their own language at home and throughout the community."

Culture is intertwined with language, making the revitalization of Native languages important, Murkowski said.

"We understand our past, ourselves and our relationships with our family and community through our language," Murkowski said in a statement. "For Native peoples, language is truly the foundation of their cultures and their identity."

Information from: Fairbanks (Alaska) Daily News-Miner, http://www.newsminer.com

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#### AMENDMENTS

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- Eliminate the vicious animal designation, and create a single dangerous animal designation, with a requirement that any animal declared dangerous be removed from the Reservation or destroyed, pending the opportunity to contest the dangerous declaration.

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During the Public Comment Period, all interested persons may submit written comments. Comments may be submitted to the Oneida Nation Secretary's Office or the Legislative Reference Office in person, by U.S. mail, interoffice mail, or e-mail.



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This week, Oneida Conservation staff placed a number of fish habitat structures on the ice at OnAyote?a ká Lake. This combination of logs, Christmas trees, and blocks is cabled and wired together so that when the ice melts, the structure will fall to the bottom of the lake in a jumble, creating nooks and crannies where fish can hide and retreat from predators. The logs and fir needles also provide a lot of surface area for algae to colonize – important because algae are at the base of the food web, feeding the microscopic zooplankton and the aquatic insects that fish depend on.

For more information on fishing at Oneida Lake, please contact the Oneida Conservation Department at 920-869-1450 or Oneida Water Resources Specialist Melis Arik at 920-869-4566.

#### Photos by Melis Arik

Oneida Conservation staff placed Christmas trees, logs and cinder blocks on the ice of OnAyote?a ká Lake to create fish habitats.

When the ice melts, the structures will sink to the bottom of the lake to create hiding places for fish, and creating a hot spot for fishing.





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## **Elder Services Plowing is very busy**

#### **By Sacheen Lawrence Elder Services**

Administrative Assistant

The mission statement for Oneida Elder Services is to assist our elders to maintain an independent, healthy, productive, and quality lifestyle through love, caring, and respect by the services we provide. This includes snow plowing driveways for elders in our community. And with the storms that we have recently had, our Home Chore crew of eight men have been very busy working to ensure that elders on our snow plow list are taken care of.

The home chore crew is to ensure that 125 driveways

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inches or more. The service is free to people ages 65 and up who live within the reservation boundaries. But we do have clients under the age of 65 who we also plow out during the winter because they are on the lifeline program because of a past medical issue such as a stroke or heart attack. There is a waiting list because of our limited staff and resources. Over the past two years, we were able to get another truck and take 39 people off our waiting list.

Depending on the severity of the storm, the home chore crew may begin plowing as early as 4:00 am and keep plowing throughout the day and into the night as late as 10:00 pm. For example, Snowstorm Destiny forced the crew to split into two shifts, the morning crew and the evening crew. So that only allowed for three trucks to be out throughour home chore crew is out list.

get plowed when there is during dangerous, inclemsnow accumulation of three ent weather (life threatening) such as the polar vortex and are driving to their next stop and they see an elder out who is not on their list out tending to their driveway, they have been 5 Tuesday instructed to stop and assist them in any way they can.

> snow- 6 During major storms, our home chore crew will only plow a path in the driveway for emergency vehicles to get in and out only. They will finish 8 Friday plowing and shoveling the following day.

We recently welcomed 11 Monday Alan King to our team. He is the project manager who is the supervisor to the **12 Tuesday** home chore crew. If you have a concern regarding the home chore staff, don't hesitate to give him a call.

\*Please note that if an individual is on our list and they have someone living with them that is able to shovel, per our S.O.P, they out the entire day. If any of will be removed from the



Congregate Meal Site • 2901 S. Overland Rd.

#### **1** Friday

Baked Pork Chop, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit

#### 4 Monday

Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Fruit

**ALL STAFF MEETING** Soup, Cold Sandwich, Pumpkin Muffin, Fruit

#### Wednesdav

Oven Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Bread, Fruit

#### 7 Thursday

Meatballs, Noodles, Hot Vegetables, Cucumber Salad, Fruit

Honey Dipped Chicken, Rice Pilaf, California Blend Veggies, Corn Muffin, Fruit

**BREAKFAST MENU FOR LUNCH** 

Omelet, Hash Browns, Sausage Patty, Bagel, Fruit

Spaghetti W/Meat Sauce, Vegetables, Cheesy Mascot Bread, Fruit

#### 13 Wednesday

Swiss Steak, Noodles, Vegetables, Bread, Fruit

#### **14** Thursday

Beef Stew, Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Fruit

All meals are served with MENU coffee, juice, milk, tea, or SUBJECT water. LUNCH is served: Mon. -Fri. from 12:00рм – 1:00рм, **T**0 CHANGE BREAKFAST is served: 9:00AM – 10:00AM on posted days

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#### **15 Friday**

Baked Cod, Hash Brown Patty, Mixed Vegetables, Rye Bread, Fruit

#### **18** Monday

Hot Dog W/Bun, Mac & Cheese, Peas, Fruit

#### **19** Tuesday

Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese, Fruit, Ice Cream

#### **20** Wednesday

Roast Turkey, Sweet Potatoes, Wax Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Corn Muffin, Fruit

**21** Thursday

Beef Stroganoff, Noodles, Beets, Dinner Roll, Cookies

#### 22 Friday

Salmon Loaf, Cream Pea Sauce, Potatoes, Rve Bread, Gelatin

#### 25 Mondav

Chicken A' La King, Biscuits, Carrots, Pudding

#### **26** Tuesday

Meat Loaf, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Fruit

#### **27 Wednesday**

Sloppy Joes W/Bun, Corn, Chips, Fruit, Gelatin

#### **28** Thursday

**Birthday Lunch** 

Tacos, Beans & Rice, Vegetables, Birthday Cupcake

#### **29** Friday

Potato Crusted Cod, Mashed Potatoes, California Vegetables, Bread, Fruit

#### 2019 Caregiver & **Alzheimer Support Group CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER: UNITY**

February 21, 2019, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Oneida Elder Service 2907 S. Overland Rd. For more information Contact Carol Bogda Native American Family Caregiver Coordinator 920-869-2448

#### NEWS BRIEFS

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) awarded Sterling Johnson, PhD, a 5-year, \$19 million

Johnson

renewal grant for the Wisconsin Registry for Alzheimer's Prevention (WRAP), the world's largest family history

study of Alzheimer's disease. Over the next 5 years, Dr. Johnson's team will study early detection of the disease through biomarkers obtained through brain images and cerebrospinal fluid analysis.

#### Nicole Pulia, PhD, CCC-SLP,

received a K23 grant from the NIH to support her research on



interventions to improve care for Alzheimer's disease patients who suffer from swallowing disorders.

#### Andrea Gilmore-Bykovskyi, PhD,

was awarded a Paul B. Beeson Emerging Leaders Career Development Award in Aging



(K76) from the National Institutes of Health for her project aimed at improving care for patients from high-

Research

risk and disadvantaged groups, "Novel Approaches to Identifying and Engaging Disadvantaged Patients with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) in Clinical Research."

#### COMMUNITY EDUCATION

'Healthy Living with MCI' series offers support and education for patients and caregivers

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m ADRC, together}^{
m he Wisconsin}$ with the Alzheimer's Association South Central Wisconsin Chapter, launched a new support and education series for people diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment (MCI) and their families and caregivers. "Healthy Living with MCI" is a quarterly series held



Dr. Barbara Bendlin discusses the role of diet in brain health at a recent "Healthy Living with MCI" event.

in Madison, Wisconsin, designed to provide research-based strategies for brain health and resources for people living with MCI.

At the November 17, 2018, meeting of "Healthy Living with MCI," Dr. Barbara Bendlin discussed the role of diet in maintaining and improving brain health. She reviewed portion control, food journals, and the MIND diet for healthy brain aging.

The next meeting of "Healthy Living with MCI" will be March 30. The event will explore the role of exercise in improving brain health and reducing Alzheimer's disease risk.

The series is free and open to the public, but registration is required. For questions or to register for the March session, please contact Outreach and Recruitment Specialist Hector Salazar at (608) 265-0407 or hsalazar@medicine.wisc.edu. >

#### UW-Tribal partnerships bring Alzheimer's disease education to Native American communities

Tn 2016, the Wisconsin ADRC and Oneida Nation forged a partnership to bring Alzheimer's disease education to tribal communities. Three years later, the groups have hosted three joint memory screenings and dementia education programs in and around Oneida, Wisconsin. This partnership has provided valuable resources to the tribal community, as well as increased diversity in Alzheimer's disease research - at the end of 2018, there were 54 Native Americans enrolled in the Wisconsin ADRC Clinical Core Study.

This spring the partnership will expand, reaching additional tribal communities in Wisconsin with the help of the Great Lakes Native American Elder Association (GLNAEA). Memory screenings and education events will be held with the Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians on March 6-7, and the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians on June 5-6. The events are free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.adrc.wisc.edu/events. \$





### **Put Your Experience Back to Work with WISE and NICOA**



WISE-Wisconsin Senior Employment and NICOA-National Indian Council on Aging may have the right opportunities and training for you.

If you are unemployed, age 55 and older on a modest income, call: WISE, 920-469-8858 or NICOA, 405-254-3641.

Fran Brigham, pictured on left-"I like working for the WISE program. As receptionist for the Oneida Elders Program, Oneida, WI, I get to meet all different people which is right up my ally".

Dianna Nys, pictured on right-

"The Wise Program places you at a site that is compatible to your skills and liking. I enjoy being with people and using my skills, while giving back to our community." If you need to supplement your income, while honing skills contact the WISE program for eligibility information, 920-469-8858.

As a National Indian Council on Aging Senior Community Services Employment Program (SCSEP) Host Agency, Rita Lara, Oneida Nation Museum of WI Director states "We are very fortunate and grateful to have two SCSEP participants training with us".

The SCSEP participants' creative skills, consistency, and dedication have taken the gift shop and the photograph archives to another level. In addition, the participants have learned new skills, their confidence levels built up and have developed new friendships.

This is a true win-win situation for the agency and the participant. If you are interested in becoming a host agency or participating in our program, contact NICOA SCSEP at 405-254-3642.

Lac Du Flambeau

March

	Events				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Benefit
* Please sign up for trips and activities at the E.S. Meal-site. *Check for Departure Time *Activities subject to change.	Is this the Month of your Birthday? You <u>must sign</u> up in the Birthday Book at the E.S. Meal-site. * <u>Must</u> be present at B-day Lunch to receive your gift card	Happy St. Patrik's Day!	333333 33333	1 Banks, Shopping & Lunch Out (On your own) 10:00 – 3:00 No Transportation for lunch	Information Specialist Meeting March 18, 12:00pm -1:00pm
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Oneida Language Class E.S. Meal-site 9:30	Crafts	Book Club E.S. Meal-site 9:30	Burlington/Michaels Store	Banks, Shopping & Lunch Out	Caregiver Support
Exercise	9:30 - 11:15	Exercise	Green Bay 9:30	(On your own)	Group
E.S. Meal-site 11:00	E.S. Meal-site	E.S. Meal-site 11:00		10:00 - 3:00	March 21,
Bingo E.S. Meal-site 1:00		Bingo C.W. Building 1:30	Chair Yoga E.S. Meal-site 1:30	No Transportation for lunch	1:30pm-3:30pm
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E.S. Meal-site 9:30		Book Club	Bethesda Thrift Store	Banks, Shopping	<b>ONCOA</b> Meeting
Exercise E.S. Meal-site 11:00		E.S. Meal-site 9:30 Exercise	Green Bay 9:30	(Meijer) & Lunch Out	March 12,
Movie	Tai Chi	E.S. Meal-site 11:00	Bowling	(On your own)	1:00pm-4:00pm
(Glen Campbell Story) E.S. Meal-site 1:00	E.S. Meal-site 1:30	Bingo	Ashw. Lanes 1:30	10:00 – 3:00 No Transportation for lunch	Elder Services
18	19	C.W. Building 1:30 20	21	22	Conference Room
Oneida Language Class		Book Club	Turtle Island	Banks, Shopping	Memory Café
E.S. Meal-site 9:30 Exercise	Crafts	E.S. Meal-site 9:30	Green Bay 10:00	& Lunch Out	March 5,
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Bingo		Bingo	E.S. Meal-site 1:30	No Transportation for lunch	Oneida Library
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25 Story Writing	26	27 Book Club	28 Thrival/SnowShoeing	29 Banka Shanning	Council
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Exercise		Exercise	E.S. Meal-site 9:00	(On your own)	2:00pm Elder
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\*\*If you have any questions Please call Michelle Cottrell at 920-869 -6733\*\*

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| Northeast Wisconsin Technical College GB<br>2740 West Mason Street<br>Green Bay, WI 54307<br>920-491-2655<br>Volunteer Prepared Taxes<br><u>Get Directions and Service Details</u> | 5.9 MI   | 09 FEB 2019 -<br>11 APR 2019 |       | English   | Required    | Goodwill Industries NCW TS<br>1800 Appleton Road<br>Menasha, WI 54952<br>920-968-6044<br>Volunteer Prepared Taxes<br>Get Directions and Service Details |
| Green Bay Salvation Army<br>626 Union Court<br>Green Bay, WI 54303<br>920-465-2575<br>Volunteer Prepared Taxes<br>Get Directions and Service Details                               | 9.9 MI   | 05 FEB 2019 -<br>09 APR 2019 |       | English   | Required    | VITA/7  |
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#### 2019 AARP FREE Tax Preparation Sites

Find Additional Locations: http://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp\_taxaide/

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### **LEGAL NOTICE:**

A diligent attempt is being made to notify the following individuals of a claim by the Oneida Nation Comprehensive Housing Division of their intent to attach Per Capita for a past due debt. Response is required by March 05, 2019. For questions or to make payment in full, you may contact Comprehensive Housing Division at 920-869-6197.

Corinne Zhuckkahosee

MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~Wisconsin's nearly 400 nursing facilities are facing closures or financial loss due to a shortage of workers and the state's low Medicaid reimbursement rate, health care advocates say.

Health groups Wisconsin Health Care Association and LeadingAge Wisconsin have requested that lawmakers allocate about \$83 million in the next two-year budget to help the state's nursing facilities cover costs and avoid closure.

Wisconsin has seen 27 skilled nursing facilities close since 2016, according to John Vander Meer, the association's president and CEO.

"That includes eight facilities that

have announced already this year," Vander Meer said.

Wisc. nursing homes face funding shortfalls, few workers

The Bethel Center nursing home in Arpin is among those facilities forced to close after years of financial losses, Wisconsin Public Radio reported. The 111-bed facility typically provided care for about 40 rural patients in central Wisconsin, but executive director Rhonda Kozik said the center struggled because of Medicaid reimbursement rates.

"The reimbursement rates simply don't cover our costs and the ability of facilities to cost-shift to other payers like Medicare and private pay has become more and more limited every year," Kozik said.

The nursing home announced its closure in January.

A report last year also identified about 16,500 vacancies at nursing facilities across Wisconsin. Some providers said the state's low reimbursement rates prohibit them from raising wages to compete with other employers.

State data show Wisconsin's skilled nursing facilities lose over \$70 a day for every Medicaid patient they serve, Vander Meer said.

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services didn't respond to the station's requests for comment.

The department last year launched a program to add about 3,000 nurse aides, and roughly 6,000 students have registered for the program so far, according to Vander Meer.

"We need to continue to maintain vigilance in terms of ensuring there's adequate funding to the provider community to meet the challenging needs of Wisconsin's aging population," he said.

Information from: Wisconsin Public Radio, http://www.wpr.org



### 2019 Caregiver & Alzheimer Support Group

#### CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER: UNITY



February 21, 2019

1:30-3:30 p.m.

**Oneida Elder Service** 2907 S. Overland Rd.

For more information Contact Carol Bogda Native American Family Caregiver Coordinator

920-869-2448



**DEBBIE MILLER DEMENTIA CARE SPECIALIST** 

(920) 869-4854

### March 5, 2018 TUESDAY

1:30-3:00 P.M.

Library

**Bingo, Craft, Refreshments** 

Come see what we are about.

Call Debbie Miller @ (920) 869 4854 to ask any questions.

## Strangers' suspicions rankle parents of mixed-race children

#### By Jonathan J. Cooper Associated Press

PHOENIX (AP) ~ Amberkatherine DeCory carried photos of her daughter's birth certificate in her diaper bag in case she had to prove that the lighter-skinned girl was really hers. Cydnee Rafferty gives her husband a letter explaining that he has permission to travel with their 5-year-old biracial daughter.

Families like theirs were not surprised when they heard that Cindy McCain had reported a woman to police for possible human trafficking because the widow of Sen. John McCain saw her at the airport with a toddler of a different ethnicity. Officers investigated and found no evidence of wrongdoing.

Parents whose children have a different complexion say they regularly face suspicion and the assumption that they must be watching someone else's kids.

"This is a problem that, to be frank, well-meaning white people get themselves into," said Rafferty, who is African-American and whose husband is white. "They think, 'If it doesn't make sense to me it must not be right."

After McCain's report, Rafferty posted to Twitter a selfie of her with her two children, ages 5 and 5 months.

"I know they don't look like me, but I assure you, I grew them in my belly," Rafferty wrote to McCain.

Earlier this month, McCain claimed on Phoenix radio station KTAR that the woman was waiting for a man who bought the child to get off a plane and that her Jan. 30 report to police had stopped the trafficking. She urged people to speak up if they see anything odd.

"I came in from a trip I'd been on," McCain said. ``I spotted \_ it looked odd - it was a woman of a different ethnicity than the child, this little toddler she had. Something didn't click with me. I tell people `trust your gut.""

She said she spoke about her suspicions with police "and they went over and questioned her. And, by God, she was trafficking that kid."

Phoenix Police Sgt. Armando Carbajal confirmed that McCain requested a welfare check on a child at the airport, but said officers found "no evidence of criminal conduct or child endangerment."

McCain has declined interview requests and has not said if anything besides the difference in ethnicity led her to suspect trafficking. A spokesman for the McCain Institute for International Leadership at Arizona State University said McCain was ``only thinking about the possible ramifications of a criminal act, not the ethnicity of the possible trafficker."

After police debunked her claim, Mc-Cain reiterated the importance of speaking up when something looks wrong.

"I apologize if anything else I have said on this matter distracts from 'if you see something, say something," she wrote on Twitter.

Rafferty, a 38-year-old New Yorker, was surprised that McCain, who adopted a daughter from Bangladesh, would make the same something's-not-right assumption that mixed-race families grapple with constantly. It's not always summoning the police. Other, more common ways of calling out the differences sting too.

For Rafferty, the questions are frustrating and offensive: "Whose baby is that?" from a woman in the grocery store. "Where's her beautiful golden skin and curly hair?" from a client at the office, who had a distinct idea of how a biracial child should look. "You're the ...?" followed by a pause for her to fill in the blank with "mom."

And if she pushes a stroller on Manhattan's Upper West Side, everyone assumes she's the nanny. At the park, neither the mothers nor the caregivers know whether to embrace her in their camp.

DeCory, a 38-year-old police officer outside Minneapolis who has African-American and Native American ancestry, said the anxiety between mom and baby is a constant challenge for mixed-race families that isn't talked about enough.

She recalls being haunted by a terri-

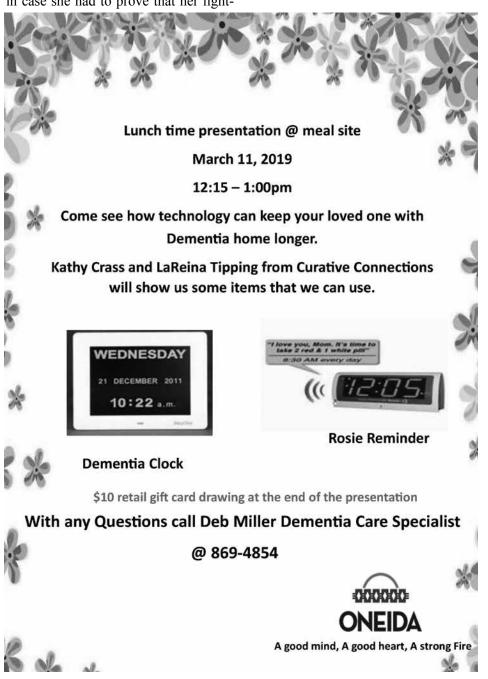
fying vision she couldn't shake: Someone would question whether she was truly the mother of her daughter, and she wouldn't be able to prove it. She'd imagine her daughter, Mila, being placed between her and a white woman while someone in authority watched to see which way she crawled.

Until her daughter could speak, DeCory carried her birth certificate and even a photo of her giving birth, just in case she had to prove that her light-

haired, blue-eyed child was truly her own. As Mila has gotten older, her hair has darkened. She's now 11.

DeCory didn't face the same anxieties with her other two children, who have darker skin closer to her own.

":I would get anxiety going out with her in public," DeCory said. "I was very reluctant to breastfeed her in public or do anything that would draw attention to me."



### Hagedorn focuses on adoption in first **Supreme Court ad**

#### **By Scott Bauer** Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. (AP) ~ Wisconsin Supreme Court candidate Brian Hagedorn unveiled the first television campaign ad of the campaign on Tuesday, a spot highlighting his adoption of an opioid-addicted newborn that comes as he's been on the defensive about his conservative Christian beliefs.

The spot will begin airing Wednesday in Milwaukee and Green Bay as part of a \$50,000 ad buy. Hagedorn faces fellow state appeals court judge Lisa Neubauer in the April 2 election.

Hagedorn's ad tells the story of how Hagedorn and his wife, Christina, adopted a newborn girl who was born addicted to opioids because of her biological mother's drug use. Hagedorn uses the story to promise to fight the opioid crisis as a Supreme Court justice.

Hagedorn's ad comes in the wake of accusations from opponents that he's unfit to serve because he helped found a private Christian elementary school in 2016 that bars anyone working there from being in a same-sex relationship and could expel students who are LGBTO.

Hagedorn, an evangelical Christian, has also defended blog posts he wrote in law school in 2005 and 2006 where he espoused his conservative views and said "The idea that homosexual behavior is different than bestiality as a constitutional matter is unjustifiable."

Hagedorn, in an interview with The Associated Press, said he's being unfairly attacked. The ad, he said, is an attempt to focus the race on issues that he said matter

"I've been trying to talk about the real issues the whole time but I keep getting attacked for things that are not really what this race is about," he said. "Lisa Neubauer and her proponents want to attack me for starting a school consistent with my own faith and attacking me for my faith, and I think that's wrong."

The winner of the April 2 election will serve a 10-year term. The race is officially nonpartisan by Hagedorn is the choice of conservatives and Neubauer is backed by liberals. Conservatives currently have a 4-3 majority and the race is to replace one of the liberal justices, Shirley Abrahamson, who is retiring.

Hagedorn says his daughter's battle brought home the opioid crisis and how it affects families. The ad ends with images of Hagedorn in his judicial robe, walking next to police officers as he promises to "hold people accountable" as a Supreme Court justice.

Such a claim is "largely nonsense" given the types of cases that come before the Supreme Court, said Howard Schweber, a law school and political science professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison who is not endorsing anyone in the race.

Arguments that a candidate for Supreme Court will be tough on crime, or that their opponent is weak on crime, are commonly made, he said. But it is "kind of a foolish claim" because justices deal with constitutional issues and interpretations of law, not "holding people accountable or not," Schweber said.

"Ideally, a voter would recognize this is a smoke screen," Schweber said. "This is a nonsense issue to gin up enthusiasm."

Hagedorn disputed that, telling the AP that a justice can have an impact by ruling to broaden or narrow the rights of criminal defendants and through administrative work and programs run by the court system.

He said it was "completely fair" to talk about combatting opioids while also introducing his family to voters through the ad.

The Hagedorns, who also have four biological children, previously spoke publicly about their adoption in a fundraising email sent on National Adoption Day in November. Brian Hagedorn told the AP that adopting a child had always been one of their dreams.

"We said we were going to pray and if there's an opportunity, god will you offer that up to us and provide that to us," he said.

They ultimately connected with a couple in the Peoria, Illinois, area who were looking to give up their child for adoption because they knew they weren't going to be able to care for her, he said.

The Hagedorns were in the delivery room when the baby was born. Her birth mom named her Lily. The Hagedorns remain in contact with the couple today, and said that 5-year-old Lily has shown no signs of lasting damage after her initial withdrawal from drugs kept her in the hospital for a week after delivery.

### Sandusky changes paid time off days

SANDUSKY, Ohio (AP) ~ An Ohio city has decided to switch the paid day off previously given to city employees in observance of Columbus Day to Election Day.

The Sandusky Register reports city commissioners in Sandusky recently authorized the change. The shift of paid time off from Columbus Day to Election Day takes effect this year. Columbus Day is on the second Monday of October. Election Day typically falls on the first day of November.

City Manager Eric Wobser said the swap gives employees a day off to vote. He says the switch also was made because Columbus Day has become "controversial."

Some places have abolished Columbus Day which critics say honors the mistreatment and colonization of Native Americans while celebrating explorer Christopher Columbus.

Sandusky is roughly 60 miles (97 kilometers) southeast of Toledo.





**Upcoming Events in** *February – May* 

#### February 28

**Courageous Conversation Series** | A Date with "O t h e r i n g" When: Wednesday, February 27

Where: YWCA, 230 S. Madison St.,

Green Bay YWCA Greater Green Bay holds monthly Stand Against Racism events including their Courageous Conversation Series. See for yourself how the YWCA gets people talking in a disarming way about tough realities during their monthly Lunch & Learns. FMI: 920.432.5581 ext.132.

#### February 28

YWCA Mini Conference: Diversity, **Inclusion, and Retention: Making Green Bay Home for Diverse Professionals** 

When: Thursday, February 28 Where: YWCA, 230 S. Madison St.,

Green Bay The YWCA Greater Green Bay is partnering with the African American Dairy Professionals (AADP), a Schreiber Foods Business Resource Group, to bring you a mini-conference addressing diversity, inclusion, and retention as the capstone to their Black History Month programming. FREE EVENT that includes lunch Call 920.432.5581 to register.

#### March 1

#### YWCA celebrates Dr. Seuss' **Birthday**

When: Friday, March 1 Where: YWCA, 230 S. Madison St., Green Bay

*Time:* 6:00 PM – 8:00PM The theme of this month's Family Night will be celebrating Dr. Seuss' Birthday. As with all Family Night events, admission is FREE for everyone...infants, toddlers, and schoolage children are welcome with adults. Family Night is open to the public from 6-8 p.m. and activities will include:

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- the Laird Room
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#### May 4

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When: Saturday, May 4 Where: Old St. Joseph Church in De

Pere to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, Wis

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#### Ongoing

#### Monthly Sobriety Potluck Speaker Meeting

*When*: Every 2nd Sunday of the month

*Тіте*: 12:00рм - 3:00рм *Where*: Yukwatsistay<sup>^</sup> 431 Hillcrest

Dr. Green Bay, WI, 54313 Sobriety Potluck to help support those addicted or in recovery as well as their families. Open to the public. FMI: 920 264-2107

#### Sobriety Breakfast Circles

When: Every Sunday (except 2nd of the month)

*Тіте*: 10:00ам - 12:00рм *Where*: Yukwatsistav<sup>^</sup> 431 Hillcrest Dr. Green Bay, WI, 54313

Come join us for a sobriety talking circle. Open to the public. FMI: 920 264-2107

#### Friday Night Fire and Talking Circle

*When*: Every Friday *Тіте*: 6:00рм *Where*: Yukwatsistay<sup>^</sup> 431 Hillcrest

Dr. Green Bay, WI, 54313 Join us for a open topic talking circle at fire pit at Yukwatsistay<sup>^</sup>, weather permitting. If raining we will hold talking circle inside building. Open to the public. FMI: 920 264-2107

#### Heroin Anonymous Meeting

When: Every Friday *Тіте*: 6:00рм *Where*: Yukwatsistay<sup>^</sup> 431 Hillcrest Dr. Green Bay, WI, 54313 For more information, contact Josiah P. (920 264-2107) Welcoming other addictions, we all support each other.

#### **OLCC** Regular Meeting

When: 1st and 3rd Thursday *Тіте*: 5:30рм Where: NHC, 3rd Floor Rm 338 **OLCC** Conference Room

For more information call 920-869-4430 or Email: LandClaims Comm@oneidanation.org

#### **Praver Warriors**

When: Second Tuesday of every month *Тіте*: 11:25ам – 12:00рм Where: Activity Room at the Oneida Nursing Home.

Sponsored by the Oneida Ecumenical Team. All are welcome! Bring your prayer requests for individuals, families, community and world. For more information please contact: Edi at 715-524-3194 or Edijafra@vahoo. com

#### **Red Road AA Group**

When: Tuesdays *Тіте*: 7:00рм *Where*: "DarJune Cafe" Recovery Community, 1201 S. Broadway & Ninth St. Open Meeting – Members, Friends & Family. All are welcome!

Contact: Michael, (608)-308-3088.

#### Alcoholics Anonymous

When: Wednesdays *Тіте:* 6:00рм *Where*: Three Sisters Comm. Center The meeting will be open unless topic calls for a closed meeting. For more information call 920-869-9014.

#### Women's Support Group

When: Every Friday *Time:* Noon-2:30рм *Where*: Three Sisters Community Center For more information Isabel Parker at (920) 412-0396 or Georgia Burr at (920) 362-2490.

#### Wise Men's Support Group

When: Thursdays *Time:* 5:30 рм to 7:30 рм Where: Wise Women Gathering Place, 2615 S. Packerland, G.B. Next to Famous Dave's

The Wise-Men's Group is a Fellowship comprised of Native and Non-Native men. The Fellowship is dedicated to healing and supporting all men having difficulties dealing with personal issues in their lives that are, or can be destructive to their wellness. The Wise Men's Fellowship was created by two elders believing all men had a need for support at certain times of their life. There is no age or community restriction to participate in the Fellowship, just your wanting to be a better you.

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FMI, contact: Rick Laes at 920-869-9026.

Note: Any requests to include local events in this section will require individuals to list a phone # and contact person for the event.

#### **Board Vacancies**

#### Applications may be obtained

online at: https://oneida-nsn.gov/government/boards-committees-andcommissions/vacancies/

Obtained or Submitted in person at: Norbert Hill Center, 2nd Floor, N7210 Seminary Rd., Oneida WI 54155

Submitted by email: **TribalSecretary**@oneidanation.org

#### Submitted by mail: PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155

For more information about each board, including their By-Laws, please visit our website at: https://oneida-nsn.gov/government/boards-committees-and-commissions/

#### **Oneida Community Library Board**

(1) Vacancy to finish a term ending July 31, 2020

#### **Oualifications:**

- Any Oneida Citizen who appears on the official roll of the Oneida Nation in Wisconsin and is eligible to vote can serve on this body.
- Any patron of the Oneida Community Library who is on the official patron list of the Oneida Community Library.

Deadline: 4:30 PM on Friday, March 1, 2019

#### **Oneida Election Board**

(1) Vacancy to finish a term ending July 31, 2020

#### **Oualifications:**

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- Be a qualified voter on the day of the election.

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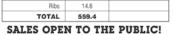
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(1) Vacancy for term ending on June 30, 2019

#### **Qualifications:**

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- Have a high school diploma, high school equivalency degree, or general education development certificate:
- Have fundraising experience and either a) experience in management, business administration, youth services or law, or b) a bachelor's degree;
- Have the ability to obtain a fiduciary bond; and
- Have the ability to exercise sound judgment in matters relating to OYLI's purpose.

#### Deadline: 4:30 PM on Friday, March 1, 2019

#### **Oneida Nation Arts Board**

Seven (7) Vacancies for 1, 2, and 3 year terms

#### **Oualifications:**

- A majority of the members shall be enrolled members of the Oneida Nation.
- Any vacancies which cause non-Tribal members to make up the majority of the Board shall be filled within three (3) months. If such vacancies are not filled within three (3) months, a sufficient number of non-Tribal board members shall be re-designated as alternates until Tribal members again make up a majority of the Board.
- When non-Tribal board members are to be re-designated as alternates, all such non-Tribal members shall first be invited to volunteer to serve as an alternate. If there are not sufficient volunteers, then the members that have served the shortest time on the Board shall be selected first.

#### Deadline: 4:30 PM on Friday, March 29, 2019

#### **Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee (ONVAC)**

*Three (3) Vacancies to complete terms ending December 31. 2022* 

**Oualifications:** 

- The Veterans Affairs Committee will be made up of members of the Oneida Nation who have served honorably on active duty in the United States Armed Forces.
- Must be a person, who served on active duty in one of the military branches of the United States Armed Forces and received honorable discharge from active duty service.
- Must have been on active duty by serving one hundred eighty-one (181) days or more of continuous active duty unless discharged early, with less than one hundred eighty-one (181) days active duty, for a service connected disability.
- Served as a member of the Selected Reserve and who has completed at least six (6) years in the Reserves or National Guard, or who was discharged early because of a service connected disability.
- Shall be a citizen in good standing in the Oneida Community. Deadline: 4:30 PM on Friday, March 29, 2019

#### **Oneida Nation School Board – Parent/Guardian Positions**

Two (2) Vacancies to complete terms ending July 31, 2019 One (1) Vacancy to complete a term ending July 31, 2020

#### **Qualifications:**

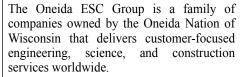
- Be and enrolled member of the Oneida Nation.
- Parent/Guardian of a student attending the Oneida Nation School System. Deadline: 4:30 PM on 4:30 PM on Friday, March 1, 2019

### Evers wants to decriminalize marijuana, legalize medical use

Gov. Tony Evers announced Monday 30 other states and the District of Co- year to approve medical marijuana. that his budget will include proposals lumbia in legalizing medical marijuana. to decriminalize possession of small The governor, who previously advocat- side effects of a major illness can make practitioner under the direction of a phyamounts of marijuana for personal use ed for decriminalizing marijuana, notand legalize medical marijuana.

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MADISON, Wis. (AP) – Wisconsin was time for Wisconsin join more than margins in non-binding referendums last that can alleviate their suffering," the governor said.

> Under the proposal, a physician or a everyday tasks a challenge. People sician could recommend the use of medical marijuana to alleviate symptoms related to medical conditions such as cancer, glaucoma, post-traumatic stress disorder, chronic pain, severe nausea and seizures.

The proposal would decriminalize possession, manufacturing or distribution of marijuana in amounts of 25 grams or less. The plan also would establish an expungement procedure for individuals convicted of possessing, manufacturing or distributing less than 25 grams of marijuana who have completed their sentence or probation.

"It's not just about access to health care, it's about connecting the dots between racial disparities and economic inequity," Evers said. "Too many people, often persons of color, spend time in our criminal justice system just for possessing small amounts of marijuana. That doesn't make our communities stronger or safer."

Evers also wants to get rid of the yearly physician's certification needed for use of cannabidiol, also known as CBD oil, which is used to treat seizures.

It's unclear if the Republican-controlled Legislature will approve the plan. Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald, a Juneau Republican, has said he opposes medical marijuana and isn't sure such a law could pass the chamber. State Assembly Republican leaders have indicated openness to legalizing marijuana only for medical purposes.

Democratic Attorney General Josh Kaul has said he supports legalizing medical marijuana to help people deal with pain and provide the state with new revenue.



#### -**UA's American Indian Language Development Institute Celebrates 40 years**

TUCSON, Ariz. — The University of around the world." Arizona's American Indian Language Development Institute is celebrating 40 years of strengthening efforts to promote the use of indigenous languages across generations.

The institute will mark the anniversary by hosting the Language is Life conference April 12-13 on the UA campus. The conference, which is open to the public, will celebrate and showcase language work from tribal communities throughout the Southwest.

The American Indian Language Development Institute is a UA College of Education project in the Department of Teaching, Learning, and Sociocultural Studies. Founded with support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the institute seeks to engage educators, schools, indigenous communities and policymakers in the revitalization of indigenous languages.

The institute hosts workshops and an annual four-week summer program that include training in a variety of areas, including linguistics, teaching, language acquisition and curriculum design. The hope is that after attending a workshop or summer program, participants return to their communities feeling inspired and more equipped to advocate for language revitalization.

The institute's 40th anniversary coincides with the UNESCO designation of 2019 as the International Year of Indigenous Languages, which demonstrates the urgent need to "preserve, revitalize, and promote indigenous languages

American Languages Act

After several years of traveling to various schools throughout the Southwest, in 1990 the American Indian Language Development Institute found a permanent home at the UA College of Education. Today, it is directed by founding member Ofelia Zepeda, a faculty member in the UA College of Social and Behavioral Sciences' Department of Linguistics.

As one of the longest running programs of its kind, the American Indian Language Development Institute has celebrated many accomplishments over the past 40 years.

Key among them was the involvement of Zepeda and several other institute members in establishing the Native American Languages Act of 1990, which protects the rights of Native Americans to speak their indigenous languages anywhere, including in schools. Zepeda was involved in the effort with institute founding members Lucille Watahomigie, a Hualapai educator; Leanne Hinton, professor emerita of linguistics at the University of California, Berkeley; and Akira Yamamoto, professor emeritus of linguistic anthropology at the University of Kansas, among others.

"We modeled the concept of this legislation after the Endangered Species Act, but in this case, we were protecting endangered languages," said Zepeda, who was named a MacArthur Fellow in 1999 for her work and devotion to revitaliz-

ing Native American languages. "(The Director helped establish Native Native American Languages Act) asked that this country first acknowledge that there are indigenous languages here and, second, that they support efforts to revitalize and teach these languages."

Native language activist will headline conference

Native language activist Richard Grounds, who played an instrumental role in the 2019 UNESCO designation, is the keynote speaker for the UA's Language is Life conference. Grounds is executive director of the Yuchi Language Project, a nonprofit language revitalization program based in Salpupa, Oklahoma.

Registration for the two-day conference is now open online, with an early bird rate of \$60 before March 15. Rates will then increase to \$80.

Several past participants in the American Indian Language Development Institute are expected to attend the conference, said Alyce Sadongei, the institute's project coordinator.

"The Language is Life conference is also expected to be a fun reunion for all AILDI graduates from the past 40 years," she said.

The conference is being co-hosted by the UA Symposium for American Indian Languages, or SAIL, led by Wilson De Lima Silva, a UA assistant professor of linguistics. SAIL also will be celebrating the 20-year anniversary of the Native American Graduate Program in the UA Department of Linguistics.

### Senate panel passes bill on missing, slain indigenous women

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) – A South Dakota bill that would direct state authorities to prepare guidelines for the reporting and investigation of missing and murdered indigenous women is headed to the Senate floor.

The Senate Judiciary Committee voted unanimously Tuesday to endorse the bill. It would also mandate that the Division of Criminal Investigation establish training programs for law enforcement on conducting investigations into missing and slain Native American women.

Republican Rep. Tamara St. John, a member of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate, said the goal of the measure she's co-sponsoring is to put a large spotlight on the issue. She said the data is important so that "we really know what we're dealing with nationally."

"It's been something that's been talked about for a really long time," St. John said after the hearing. "You can just imagine what it feels like to not know what happened to your loved one."

GOP Sen. Lynne DiSanto, the measure's Senate sponsor, said it's meant to work toward getting consistent and accurate data in a complicated system of jurisdictions. South Dakota is an area of focus because of factors that include the Interstate 90 corridor, so-called man camps around pipeline construction and the proximity of multiple Native American reservations, she said.

St. John said the measure is also a response to the stalling out last year of a federal bill intended to help solve crimes against Native Americans. The measure, Savanna's Act, received unanimous Senate approval after being introduced by former North Dakota Sen. Heidi Heitkamp but was blocked by the outgoing chairman of the U.S. House Judiciary Committee.



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Current Women's Closet Hours are: Tuesdays: 1:00-4:00р.м. Wednsdays: 3:00-6:00P.M. Thursdays: 4:00-7:00 р.м. Donations accepted. FMI contact Dana Letizia, Coordinator, at (920) 432-5581, #127

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Warren urges 'action' at meeting with Native American women **By Elana Schor** 

#### Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - Democrat Elizabeth Warren has met with Native American women, calling for "action" on issues important to their community such as the rising problem of missing and murdered indigenous women.

Warren's meeting on Tuesday comes amid lingering tensions over her past claims to Native American identity as she seeks the Democratic presidential nomination. President Donald Trump continues to hit Warren on the issue, mocking her with a racial slur and recently tweeting about "the TRAIL" in what some viewed as a reference to Native American genocide.

Warren was introduced Tuesday by New Mexico Democratic Rep. Deb Haaland, one of two Native Americans serving in Congress, who called the Massachusetts senator "a great friend to Indian Country."

Haaland and Warren said they're working together on new legislation addressing Native American issues.

#### Senator: Chairman of Mohegan Tribal Council resigns UNCASVILLE, Conn. (AP) - A Con-

necticut state senator says Mohegan Tribal Council Chairman Kevin Brown has submitted his resignation citing undisclosed personal reasons.

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Democratic Sprague Sen. Cathy Osten told The Day newspaper Saturday that the tribe sent her an email informing her that Brown has resigned but will remain on the nine-member tribal council. which oversees tribal government and gambling operations including the Mohegan Sun casino in southeastern Connecticut.

Messages seeking comment were left with Brown and Mohegan Sun officials.

It's not clear who will succeed Brown. The council vice chairman is James Gessner Jr.

Brown made no mention of resigning during a conference call with investors and gambling industry analysts last Thursday. (February 7th)

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## Utah school becomes latest to ditch Native American name

**By Brady McCombs** Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - Sports teams will no longer be known as the "Redmen" at a southern Utah high school, becoming the latest to get rid of a Native American name deemed offensive despite opposition from some residents and a national American Indian group.

The Iron County School Board voted 3-2 Tuesday night to approve a recommendation from a committee that concluded Cedar High School should stop using the term that critics consider a racial slur.

School board President Stephen Allen said Wednesday that deciding to change a name used since the 1940s was difficult but correct. Native American students who account for 6 percent of the high school's population reported being bullied over the name and feeling shame and embarrassment. Allen said.

"We know that much of the world would consider the term 'Redmen' a racial slur and derogatory, even though local citizens do not intend it that way," Allen said

The nickname came under scrutiny in 2016 when a video showed a drill team wearing black braided wigs for a Native American-themed dance at the high school in Cedar City, a community of about 30,000 people about 250 miles (401 kilometers) south of Salt Lake City.

The nearby Paiute Indian Tribe was glad the committee studied the issue but didn't ask for a name change, Allen said. One of the five bands that make up the tribe, the Kanosh Band, advocated for the change.

The national group Native American Guardians Association traveled to Utah to push for keeping the name, which it considers a way to preserve Native American history, co-founder Eunice Davidson said. Other national groups call the names racist and urge changes.

School board member Dale Brinker-

hoff spoke against the move, suggesting that outside groups were trying to tell locals they should be offended. The Salt Lake Tribune reported.

"If you don't like our peaches, get the hell out of our tree," Brinkerhoff said, drawing cheers.

It comes after the Cleveland Indians stopped using a contentious, cartoonish mascot called Chief Wahoo on the MLB team's caps and jersey sleeves last year. A school district in South Dakota also decided to phase out a Redmen mascot last vear.

Nearly two-thirds of some 2,000 Indian references in sports have been eliminated in the last three decades, according to research by the National Congress of American Indians, which considers the names derogatory.

Among the changed names: Savages to Blue Hawks at Dickson State University, Indians to Big Green at Dartmouth College, and Warriors to Golden Eagles at Marquette University.

But nearly 1,000 remain, including several professional sports teams with huge fan bases: the NFL's Washington Redskins, the MLB's Atlanta Braves and the NHL's Chicago Blackhawks.

The Utah school board's decision is a huge victory, said Amanda Blackhorse, a longtime activist against the use of Native images for mascots and logos.

"Anytime that you use a race-based mascot for living people, it makes it a racial slur," Blackhorse said. "It dehumanizes Native people and promotes stereotypes and allows our identity to be laughed at and mocked."

Davidson of the North Dakota-based Native American Guardians Association said her ancestors called themselves "Redmen" and "Redskins" and that it was never derogatory. Her group formed in 2014 to advocate for keeping such names.

> • See 48, Native American name



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Happy Birthday Happy 3? Birthday to my eldest son...**Rob!** *March* 1<sup>st</sup> *is your special day!!* May you be blessed with Good Health, Love & Happiness!



Love You More! Mom, Kristi, Craig, Mella & Hope; Trevor, Linda, Ayden, Preston, Cameron & TJ; Liana & Mike; and Patches!



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### Eighth Generation Launches "2019 Wool Blanket Design Contest"

**Contest Deadline:** Wednesday, March 13th, 2019 Finalists will be contacted for phone interviews.

owned company to offer wool blankets is looking for the next indigenous artist to design a wool blanket!

Every week, we receive emails from highly skilled indigenous artists interested in collaborating with us on a wool blanket. As much as we are honored by this interest, we just aren't able to say yes as much as we'd like to, so in 2017, we launched our first ever wool blanket (Tsimshian), photo pictured at right. design contest.

This contest both symbolizes our respect for these artists and ensures that we will help one new aspiring artist become an Eighth Generation blanket designer. This designer will add their work to a growing collection of over Eighth Generation – the first Native fifty blankets, each designed by a Native artist and symbolizing how support for Native-owned companies leads to opportunity for Native people.

Eighth Generation's first wool blanket design contest produced two highly anticipated collaborations – the "Tribute" Wool Blanket by Jared Yazzie (Diné) of OXDX and the "Confluence" Wool Blanket by David Robert Boxley

Help us spread the word about this creative opportunity by sharing this video. featuring the entire Eighth Generation staff:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mNppkFCbXB4 Contest details can be found here:

https://eighthgeneration.com/blogs/blog/2019-blanket-design-contest

#### **District Adjusts School Calendar and School** Day due to Inclement Weather

Due to the severe inclement weather in January and February, the Green Bay Area Public School District will be making the following changes to the school calendar and the school day.

- The February 22 and April 5 early release days are cancelled and students will attend school for the entire day.
- District will be adding five (5) minutes to the beginning of the schoolday and ten (10) minutes to the end of the day for the remainder of the school year.

#### The plan for any additional school cancellations or delays is as follows:

- Should a 2-hour delay or weather related early release be needed, the District will cancel the scheduled early release on May 17, and students will attend school for the entire day.
- Minutes may be added to the school day if the District has more than one additional two-hour delay or early release.

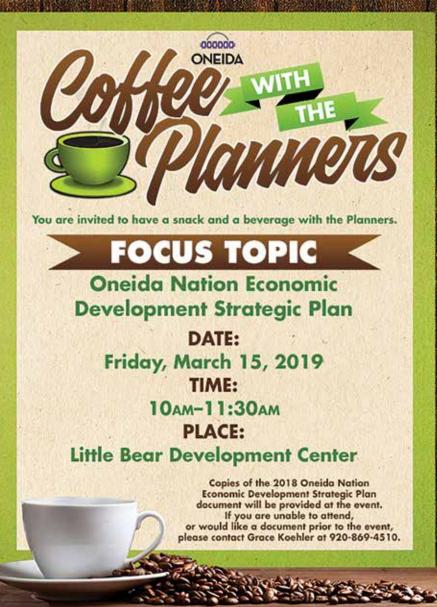
• The school year will be extended to June 10th, or later, depending on the additional number of days needed.

"In developing the weather makeup plan, we reached out to many stakeholder groups," stated Associate Superintendent John Magas. "The • Starting Monday, February 25, the District's priorities were to minimize disruptions for families and provide the best opportunities for student learning."

> Founded in 1856 with the opening of the Sale School, the Green Bay Area Public School District is more than 150 years old. A unified school district of 92 square miles, it covers the city of Green Bay, all of the village of Allouez, the village of Bellevue, the town of Scott, as well as part of the towns of Ledgeview, Eaton, Green Bay and Humboldt. More than 21,000 students attend an early education center, 25 elementary schools (4K-5), one K-8 school, one specialty school (K-8), one charter school (8-12), four middle schools (6-8) and four high schools (9-12), making it the fifth largest school district in the state of Wisconsin. For more information, visit the district website http://www.gbaps.org.

The beautiful "Confluence" Wool Blanket by David Robert Boxley (Tsimshian) represents the powerful and inextricable connection between humans and the world around us, and serves as a reminder of our responsibilities to care for it all.









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www.kalihwisaks.com

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# **Mighty Ninjas**

**New 6-week Session begins** 

Thursday, March 21-Thursday, April 25, 2019

Class Time: 5:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

#### Class available for 4 and 5 year olds only

Your child will learn the basics of Tae Kwon Do in a fun atmosphere, while developing self confidence and discipline, improved focus and physical fitness.

#### Cost:

O.F.F. Members: \$30

Non-O.F.F. Members: \$60



Space is limited so stop in and register early to reserve your spot Call (920) 490-3730 for questions

All You Can Eat....PANCAKES!! (Includes porkies and beverage)

\$6.00 per Person \$5.00 for Seniors Children 4 & under FREE



FUN! For the whole family, Enter the pancake eating contest and win prizes, raffles, bake sale goods, & more.

### MARCH OF DIMES FUNDRAISER

# **Oneida Family Fitness Beginner Tae Kwon Do**

New 6-week Beginner Session Begins Monday, March 18 thru Monday April 22, 2019 Class Time: 5:00 p.m.—5:45 p.m.



**Oneida Family Fitness is the** place to go if you want to improve your self confidence, physical fitness, perseverance and self defense skills!

Intro to Tae Kwon Do introduces students to the Korean martial art of blocks,

kicks, and punches. This class teaches leadership skills, life skills, and focus.

Cost: O.F.F. Members: \$30 Non-O.F.F. Members: \$60

Class available for all ages 6 and older Great Family Activity!



Class sizes are limited so stop in and register early to reserve your spot! Call (920) 490-3730 for questions.

### **Conservation group sues over** federal oil, gas leases in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) A conservation organization has filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Interior over oil and gas leases offered in southeast Utah, claiming the parcels are packed with ancient cultural relics.

The Deseret News reports Advocates for the West filed the suit Wednesday in federal court in Utah on behalf of Friends of Cedar Mesa.

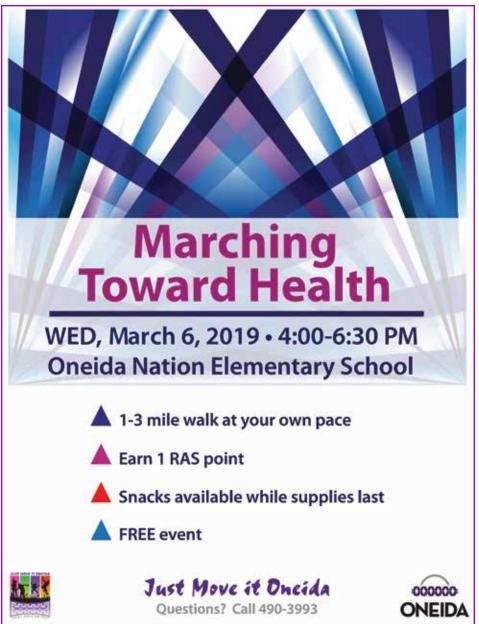
The lawsuit targets the first of three oil and gas lease sales held in March http://www.deseretnews.com

2018. The Bureau of Land Management has not yet issued the leases.

The parcels are between Canyons of the Ancients National Monument in Colorado and the former boundaries of **Bears Ears National Monument** 

The organization claims the area contains dozens of ancient community centers and Chacoan Great Houses.

Information from: Deservet News,



### **Update your email address**

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Please stop by our membership desk to update your email address to ensure you receive the

most up-to-date information from



#### **Oneida Martial Arts Presents**



Mondays @ 11:00am & Wednesdays @ 5:00pm At Oneida Family Fitness 8 week intro \$25.00 for O.F.F. Members \$50.00 for Non-O.F.F. Members

### Sign up Today!!

# Yukwahwatsilayn tú - Our Families



The Cultural Heritage Department received funding from the Center for Disease and Control (CDC) - Tribal Practices for Wellness in Indian Country (TPWIC) Grant to implement our Indigenous Diet and Healing project

The purpose of this project is to reconnect tribal members and their families with our traditional Haudenosaunee food systems to have a positive impact on their health and wellbeing. This project is revitalizing our traditional foods while incorporating language and cultural teachings.

YukwahwatsilayA<sup>.</sup>tú, is our new project name which means "Our Families," being all inclusive to the people, plants, foods and all of creation. We also have a new logo that was created by our Multimedia Specialist, Eliza Skenandore. Our first year of this project began August 1, 2018 and ends April 30 We currently have 14 families participating. The following workshops have been completed: Canning Pickles at Oneida Cannery; Harvesting Bergamot at Tsyunhehkwa, Cultural teaching of Tobacco Offerings, Elderberry Cough Syrup at Veterans Building; Blackberry Picking, Green Corn picking, Green Corn Soup/ Ceremonial Teachings at Tsyunhehkwa; Canning Tomato Veggie Juice at Oneida Cannery; Cooking Class with Squash and Wild Rice at ONES: Foods in our

Cultural with presenter Bob Brown: Hazelnut bush /Raspberry planting with Tsyunhehkwa; Water Fowl Hunting with Conservation; Dehydrating Berries, Dehydrating Apples, Maple Nuts, Trail Mix, Strawberry Jam at ONES, making sauerkraut with Brown County Extension, Deer Jerky; Deer Meat Cooking Class with Oneida Chef Arlie Doxtator all held at ONES; Women's Roles in the Traditional Food System with Dr. Carol Cornelius: Make & Take Medicinal Salve, Lip Balm, Aromatic Room Spray and Midwinter overview with Bob Brown, Hulling White Corn for Corn Bread flour, Berry Corn Bread. Health benefits on workshop topics

were provided by the Wellness staff. In February we will be Hulling Corn

for Cooking Classes; Soups/Casseroles/ Wild Rice Dessert. making a variety of corn mush recipes, Ice Fishing, Tobacco Burning for Maple Camp and host a Maple Camp the months of March and April.

This project has clearly demonstrated the Oneida Nation's core value of Yukwahwatsile? - our family and our Nation through collaborations with the following Oneida departments: Tsyunhehkwa, Oneida Cannery, Environmental, Cultural Wellness, Oneida Elementary School, Oneida Veterans, Conservation and Natural Resources. I would like to acknowledge and thank the ONES, EAP Program kitchen, Tsyunhehkwa, Cannery and the Veterans for assisting us and/or allowing us to use of their buildings for our classes. I would also like to thank the Grants Office for writing the three-year grant.

Please look for our upcoming community meeting in April to learn more about our program and how to get involved. We will be hosting a Community meeting at the Veteran's Building, County J. on April 3rd from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. to recruit up to 12 families for the second year of the program which begins May 1, 2019.

#### Submitted photos

Right: Two people work on pounding white corn to grind it into meal like our Oneida ancestors did. The meal can be used to make corn bread wheels or served as mush.

Below: The Oneida Cannery demonstrated how to pickle cucumbers. The events are the result of a three year grant to teach about traditional foods.







### The Oneida Nation Museum Specialist's Object of the Month



Archival photo

(Left) Mark Powless (Right) Matthew W. Denny (Accession: P2009.020.00163)

#### By Katelyn Garza

Oneida Nation Museum Specialist

Our new "Object of the Month" series is an opportunity for our community to explore an object from the museum's collections or exhibitions in more detail. Seeing that Valentine's Day is this month, we have chosen to feature an image that reminds us to give love to one another. This is a photograph of Oneida, and Persian Gulf War veterans, Mark Powless and Matthew W. Denny speaking at Seymour Middle School on April 18th, 1991 and was previously run in the Kalihwisaks several decades ago. It was donated by the Kalihwisaks to the Oneida History department in 2009, then from the History Department to the Oneida Nation Museum in July of 2017. The photograph was one of tens of thousands received in the donation, many of which are still undergoing the process of being thoroughly cataloged and added to the museum's expansive database.

The Persian Gulf War was a brief but significant conflict involving an inter-

national coalition of forces led by the United States that were responding to Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait. Recognized today as a decisive victory for the United States, the Gulf War was not a lighthearted experience for the servicemen and families of those serving. This image serves as an example of a time when people extended their hearts to the people who were willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for them. It will continue to remind us to be kind to one another and remember those we love in perpetuity at the Oneida Nation Museum.

Katelyn Garza, the Oneida Nation Museum Specialist is currently working on a Veteran's Exhibit. If you have any photo's or service related items you would like to share, or if you would like to learn more about any specific object within the Oneida collections, please contact her.





Submitted photos

Midwinter Masquerade was a recent event held at the Oneida Community Library. This masquerade was sponsored by the LOL: The Lovers of Our Libraries, a group that supports the Oneida Community Library and Green Earth Branch Library for its programs with everything from supplies and snacks to volunteer manpower. Oneida Adventures held a scavenger hunt, Stephenie Muscavitch VanEvery provided wonderful face painting, and we played awesome games of Werewolf! Crafts and play time were a part of the Midwinter Masquerade, too!



March 30th Dueling Piano's

Come join us for our Dueling Piano's of 2019! See our website or call for more information and reservations

#### 2019 Season Golf Passes

Payroll Deduction Opportunity available for all employees within the Oneida Tribe entities!

Employees can use payroll deduction for purchases towards a 2019 season golf pass or play passes. Must be paid in full by September 15, 2019! Employees must complete a form in the golf shop at Thornberry Creek at Oneida.

#### Burger and a Beer!

Stop in to Thornberry Creek on Wednesday nights for cribbage night and our \$10 burger and beer special. Enjoy one of our specialty burgers and tap domestic beer for only \$10!

#### Buy One Get One Pizza!

It's buy one get one at Thornberry Creek! Stop in Thursdays after 4pm for our buy one, get one free pizza!



### **Ballpark mustard maker drops Indians' Chief Wahoo logo**

of Cleveland's ballpark mustard is re- Native Americans. moving the Chief Wahoo logo from its branding and packaging to maintain Wahoo on player uniforms starting this longstanding ties with the Cleveland In- season. The club had been phasing out dians baseball team.

Foods Co., the maker of Bertman Original Ballpark Mustard, those relationusing Chief Wahoo. The caricature is tain its trademark.

CLEVELAND (AP) - The maker widely seen as racist and offensive to

The Indians will stop using Chief Chief Wahoo for years and struck an Cleveland.com reports the Indians agreement with Major League Baseball have told official partners like Bertman last year to discontinue its use altogether.

The team will continue to sell a few ships can't continue unless they stop Chief Wahoo items at team shops to re-

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Seminoles because of Florida State University.

We don't want people to forget who we name change was best. A committee will are," Davidson, a member of the Spirit Lake Tribe in North Dakota. "There's too much at stake to lose from my people if they get rid of all these names and remember and educate our students and images."

Blackhorse called the group misguided and said it doesn't have much support considered disrespectful," Allen said.

She noted that the Utes are known be- among Native Americans. Davidson cause of the University of Utah and the said they have 5,000 Native American members and 50,000 total supporters.

Allen said he agreed with much of "We are the first peoples of this nation. what Davidson said but still thought a be formed to choose a new team name for next school year.

"I think that there is a way to honor, community about our Native American heritage without having anything that is

